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COPY MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY THE 10th
DAY OF JANUARY, 1928.

A T T E N D A N C E.

The members present were:-

Councillors MacFadden (Chairman),
Baxter, Blaney, Boyle, Brennan, Clarke, Cole, Doherty (Patrick),
Flood, Gallagher (Francis), Gallagher (Bernard), Gallagher
(William), Gallen, Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Mahony,
Mulreany, Myles, McBride, McCauley, McClafferty, McIvor, McNulty,
McPhelimy, McShane, O'Brien, O'Donnell, Quigley, Sweeney,
Wagentreiber and Walker.

1/28.

VOTE OF CONDOLENCE.

Councillor Mahony referred to the death of Mr. John Black,
a member of the Council, which had taken place since the last
meeting and proposed a vote of sympathy with the relatives of
Mr. Black.

Councillor Baxter seconded the resolution which was passed
in silence, the members standing.

2/28.

VACANCY ON COUNCIL.

On the motion of Councillor McIvor, seconded by Councillor
Mahony, it was unanimously decided to declare vacant the office
of County Councillor held by the late Mr. John Black, Bally-
haskey, Newtowncunningham.

3/28.

W E L C O M E.

The Chairman welcomed Councillor Cole on his return to the
Council after illness.

Councillor Cole thanked the Chairman and members of the
Council and also the Secretary for their courtesy at all times.

4/28.

re Mr. JAMES HERON, ACCOUNTANT.

The Secretary said he regretted to have to report the
absence, through illness, since 20th December, of Mr. James
Heron, Accountant.

Mr. Heron was suffering from a severe nervous and mental
breakdown and his absence might be for a prolonged period.

With the accounts being at present somewhat in arrears and
an audit next month some arrangement for the performance of his
duties was urgently required.

Councillor Mahony said they all regretted to hear of Mr.
Heron's illness. He suggested that a small Committee be
appointed, to confer with the Secretary to see what arrangements
could be made for the discharge of Mr. Heron's duties.

The suggestion was agreed to and the following Committee
was

was appointed:- Councillors Baxter, Gallagher (Francis) and Gallen.

The Committee met after lunch and submitted a report which was unanimously adopted.

With reference to the appointment of Temporary Junior Clerk the Secretary was directed to issue an advertisement inviting applications for the position and Councillors Baxter and Gallagher (Francis) and the Secretary were appointed a Committee to interview the candidates and to submit the names of three applicants to the Council from whom the latter may make a selection. Maximum age limit 25 years.

5/28.

PROPOSED ELECTRIC LIGHTING OF COURTHOUSE etc., LIFFORD.

The Committee appointed by the Council on 29th November, 1927 - Minute No. 1236/27 - to consider the feasibility of having the Courthouse at Lifford and the various offices therein lit by electricity, reported that they considered the proposition a feasible one and recommended that Mr. William Doherty, Architect, Derry, be asked to submit an estimate.

On the motion of Councillor Wagentreiber, seconded by Councillor Mahony, the recommendation was unanimously adopted.

*Mr. Wm. Doherty
written to.*

6/28.

PROVISIONAL ROAD WORKS SCHEME FOR YEAR 1928/29.

Before considering the above scheme the Chairman said he considered the meeting one of the most important of the year. They were there to deal with road contracts extending over the next three years. This was one of the largest items of the Council's expenditure, and was one to which they would have to give very close attention. He hoped the members would not insist on pressing for works that were not of an exceptionally urgent nature, as they must all keep in view the rates of the coming year and the taxable capacity of the ratepayers. In the present state of their finances it would be very unwise to take on any new works or further commitments except where absolutely necessary.

7/28.

GRANT TOWARDS UPKEEP OF MAIN ROADS.

A letter dated 6th December, 1927, Ref. RGM/201, was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) stating that the Minister was in communication with the Minister for Finance with a view to making available for the financial year 1928/29 a grant towards the upkeep of main roads.

While it was not possible at present to say what would be the exact amount of the Grant it might be assumed that the Grant proportions would be calculated on the amount allowed by the County Council for the upkeep of Main Roads for 1927-28.

The delay in arriving at finality in the matter was due to the failure of certain local authorities to supply the requisite information but it was hoped to notify the actual Grant at an early date.

The Secretary submitted the following analysis of the Scheme:-

Northern Division

Former Rural District of	New Contracts County Surveyors Works, etc.	Councillors Motions	Gross Total	Fixed by County Council	Excluding Councillors Motions	
					Over	Under
Dunfanaghy	4731: 0:0	600:11:0	5331:11:0	4544: 0:0	187: 0:0	321:16:0
Inishowen	9947: 0:0	743:10:0	10690:10:0	10268:16:0		
Derry No.2	8153: 0:0	121: 5:0	8274: 5:0	7820: 0:0	333: 0:0	346:10:0
Lettorkenny	6349:10:0	275: 0:0	6624:10:0	6696: 0:0		1313: 0:0
Milford	7895: 0:0	1956: 0:0	9851: 0:0	9208: 0:0	249: 0:0	
Strabane No.2	3865: 0:0		3865: 0:0	3616: 0:0		
	40940:10:0	3696: 3:0	44636:16:0	42152:16:0		

Southern Division

Ballyshannon	4025: 0:0	90: 0:0	4115: 0:0	4080: 0:0		55: 0:0
Donegal	7722: 2:0	357:10:0	8079:12:0	7440: 0:0	282: 2:0	
Glenties	11590:10:0	1529: 0:0	13119:10:0	10720: 0:0	870:10:0	
Lettorkenny	440: 0:0		440: 0:0	440: 0:0		61:10:0
Stranorlar	5698:10:0	179:10:0	5878: 0:0	5760: 0:0		
Stranorlar						
Strabane No.2	1440: 0:0	180: 0:0	1620: 0:0	1440: 0:0		
	30916: 2:0	2336: 0:0	33252: 2:0	29880: 0:0		

8/28.

COUNTY SURVEYORS' REPORTS.

Mr. Steadman, reporting on the Northern area, stated that his total estimate was £42,153, including Councillors' motions.

Mr. Caffrey reported that the scheme for the Southern area had been compiled to comply with the conditions required by the Roads Department of the Local Government Board. The lengths of the various road contracts in the Southern portion of the County had been rearranged by combining two or more road lengths into one in order to fix the points of the contracts more definitely. His estimate for the year was £37,350. The Council ordered this to be reduced by 20 per cent., and, therefore, in preparing the schedule he took off one-fifth of each sum allotted to the various rural districts. The result of this was that in the Glenties district there was no money for the works brought in by the Surveyors, and in Donegal the total road amount was short by nearly £200, and no money was available for works. Notices of Motions by County Councillors amounted to £2,244 and no provision in this schedule was made for this sum. In addition there was no money available for incidental expenses throughout the year.

After considering the best means of bringing the scheme within the limits fixed in August and providing sufficient for Councillors motions it was proposed by Councillor Baxter and seconded by Councillor Cole that the amounts shown for Trunk and Main Roads be reduced by 10%.

Councillor McClafferty suggested that Dunfanaghy be excluded from the proposal and Councillor O'Donnell suggested that Glenties be excluded.

The County Surveyors reminded the Council of the recoupment they would get in respect of Trunk and Main Roads.

Councillor Baxter having refused to alter or withdraw his motion Councillor McIvor proposed and Councillor Clarke seconded a direct negative, as an amendment

V O T I N G.

For the amendment----- Councillors MacFadden, Blaney, Boyle, Brennan, Clarke, Flood, Gallagher (Francis), Gallen, Hamilton, Mahony, Mulreany, Myles, McBride, McClafferty, McIvor, McNulty, O'Brien, O'Donnell, Sweeney and Wagentreiber. - 20.

Against----- Councillors Quigley, Baxter, Cole, Doherty (Patrick), Gallagher (Bernard), Gallagher (William), Kavanagh, Loughrey, McCauley, McPhelimy, McShane and Walker. - 12.

The motion was declared lost.

Councillor Gallen said that the road expenditure for the year ended 31st March, 1928, based on the valuations of the districts was illuminating. It was as follows:- Ballyshannon 4/7d in the £1; Donegal 4/10d; Dunfanaghy 7/1d; Glenties 11/7d; Inishowen 5/1d; Letterkenny 4/10d; Milford 6/3d; Stranorlar 3/8d. It would be seen from these figures that Stranorlar district, which included Strabane No. 2, was certainly not getting the lion's share. He also said that those were the figures when the roads were a county charge, whereas/

whereas in the past the roads in the Strabane No. 2 district when they were a district charge were better looked after. Though the Trunk road happened to run through the district they were not by any means benefited to the extent one would think.

Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, suggested that an additional amount be provided in the estimates for Councillors motions to meet Councillors motions.

The Chairman ruled that no departure could be made from the amounts fixed in August and it was agreed that the Councillors from those areas in which the amounts in the scheme exceeded the limits fixed, meet during the luncheon hour with the County Surveyor and adjust the scheme so as to put it in order.

9/28

CONTINGENCES.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony, seconded by Councillor Brennan, it was unanimously decided that reductions in the estimated amounts allowed for maintenance contracts and special works, as a result of competition, be set apart for meeting contingencies in each former Rural District.

10/28.

DATES FOR ROAD MEETINGS.

The dates for Road Meetings to take Tenders for Contracts commencing 1st April, 1928 and other special works were arranged.

11/28.

P O S T E R.

The Secretary was authorised to have a Bill printed giving names of members of Tenders Committees, dates of meetings and such other information as he might deem necessary for the guidance of Road Contractors, and have same posted up throughout the County.

12/28.

DISTRIBUTION OF ROAD SCHEDULES OF WORKS, TENDERS etc.

For the convenience of Contractors it was arranged that the Secretary transmit to each member of the Tenders Committee a supply of copies of Road Schedule of Works to be tendered for Tender Forms and envelopes. A fee of 6d to be charged for each copy of Schedule; Tender Forms and envelopes free of charge.

13/28.

SPECIAL SPECIFICATIONS.

Councillor Mahony referred to the trouble experienced by Road Contractors in procuring copies of Special Specifications and on his suggestion it was unanimously decided to direct the Assistant County Surveyors to furnish copies to Contractors in future.

14/28.

CLERICAL ASSISTANCE.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter, seconded by Councillor Loughrey, it was decided to authorise the Chairman of the respective Tenders Committees to employ clerical assistance for the purpose of assisting the Committee in the opening of Tenders and completion of Bonds and contract documents; remuneration to each assistant 10/- per day.

15/28.

OPENING AND CLEANING OF A DRAIN.

On the motion of Councillor Gallagher (William), Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, was directed to submit a report re the proposed opening and cleaning, according to his specification, of a drain, about 170 yards long, opposite the Manse Gate on the road leading from Boylett Crossroads to Strahack Bridge in the townland of Carrickanee, Inch; cost not to exceed £10.

16/28.

ROAD TO KINCASSLAGH PIER.

Councillor Boyle referred to the urgent necessity of having above important road widened and repaired. He pointed out that/

that on the 28th June last the Board of Works paid to the County Council Dues collected at this Pier amounting to £201:12:4, and £100 had since been collected so that the cost of the proposed repairs would not fall on the rates.

Minute:- It was unanimously decided that £400 under this head be included in the Estimates in respect of the ensuing financial year.

17/28. CONTRACT No. 105 - GLENTIES FORMER RURAL DISTRICT.

Councillor Boyle referred to a dangerous corner on above Contract, of which Owen O'Donnell, Mullaghdarg, was the Contractor.

Minute:- Matter referred to Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, for a report and estimate prior to 31st January, 1928.

18/28. BLIND CORNERS ALONG COUNTY ROADS.

Councillor Clarke said there were several blind corners along the roads in the County and they were always liable to cause serious accidents. There was one convenient to his residence and he would like Mr. Steadman to furnish the Council at next meeting with a report offering suggestions how it could be improved and the estimated cost.

Minute:- Matter referred to Mr. Steadman for a report etc..

19/28. PROPOSED NEW ROAD IN TOWNLANDS OF MAGHEROROARTY, MAGHERABLADE AND ULLERAFAD.

Councillor Baxter submitted a petition signed by ratepayers in the townlands above named requesting the County Council to obtain from the Local Government Department a loan of £200 for the purpose of making a new road in above townlands.

Mr. Brennan, Croeslough, one of the members of a Deputation who appeared before the Council, pointed out the urgent necessity of having the work carried out and said that at this time of the year 20 families were deprived of doing work on their farms for the want of a good road. When one of the neighbours died recently the remains could not be taken over the road and gaps had to be made in the fences.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Baxter, seconded by Councillor O'Donnell, it was unanimously resolved that the Land Commission be urged to do something to remedy the existing state of affairs.

20/28. PROPOSED NEW ROAD.

A letter was read from Councillor Hamilton enclosing an application from the inhabitants of Kingarow, Fintown, requesting the County Council to allocate a share of the Relief Works Grant for the purpose of making a new road to connect the road at Andy Quinn's with one of the other eastern roads in Moenatinney.

Minute/

Ex Facts sent to Land
Commission 2/2/28

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Hamilton, seconded by Councillor O'Donnell, it was unanimously decided to refer the matter to the Land Commission, from whom it was decided to ask a Grant.

21/28.

PROPOSED NEW ROAD.

A letter was also read from Councillor Hamilton enclosing a Petition from certain ratepayers requesting that the Grant of £200 which they understood was to be given for the reconstruction of a new road across the mountain from Meenmore East to Meenabrock be extended by £50 or £60 so as to make a continuation of the road through Meenabrock, Moenalackduh, as far as Mr. Duffy's, Kingarow.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Hamilton, seconded by Councillor Boyle, it was unanimously decided to refer the matter to the Land Commission with a view to a Grant being obtained.

22/28.

RELIEF SCHEMES.re EXPENDITURE OF AMOUNT ALLOCATED TO COUNTY DONEGAL.

In accordance with Notice of Motion Councillor Kavanagh moved - "That the money coming to the Donegal County Council for Relief Schemes be expended on the improvement of moss roads and bye-roads; also roads that get repaired every three or four years. To be repaired on the recommendation of the County Surveyor and local Councillors.

Councillor Gallen said there were certain works to which the Grant was applicable and it would not be wise to make the resolution too restrictive.

Councillor Blaney said that he understood that the money under the Relief Scheme was applicable to bog roads, bog drainage sewerage and water-works.

Councillor Kavanagh having agreed to amend his motion whereby only a portion of the Relief Grant would be expended under the heads therein mentioned, Councillor Gallen seconded.

Passed unanimously.

23/28.

ROAD BETWEEN MURROE AND DUNFANACHY.

A letter dated 15th December, 1927, R/RU/7 was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) relative to the making up of above road, and stating that as that road was a Trunk Road it was not eligible for a Grant from the Relief Scheme Vote, and in this connection also stating that the question of Relief Work in Donegal was being dealt with by the Irish Land Commission.

Councillor McGlaufferty said that part of the road was washed away and it was only seven feet wide at one place; motor traffic was stopped on Saturday morning and had to turn back.

Councillor Baxter said if something were not done this road would be closed and that if £1,000 could be got under the Trunk Road Scheme it could be put in good order.

Councillor Myles said the road was not eligible for a Relief Grant but he suggested that it be put up for a Grant to the Commission who were dealing with matters outside the Relief Scheme and were the medium through which other money was being spent.

Minute/

Extracts sent to Land Commission, 2/2/28

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Baxter, seconded by Councillor McClafferty, the suggestion was agreed to. In the event of a Grant not being forthcoming from the Land Commission it was decided to make application to the Local Government Department (Roads) for a Grant out of the Road Fund.

24/28. PROPOSED REPAIR OF A LANEWAY.

A petition was submitted from the residents in the townlands of Creggan, Ughasheil, Ballybofey and Stranorlar, requesting that a sum be obtained from the Relief Grant for the purpose of having repaired a laneway, 110 perches in length, which leads off the Creggan Road a short distance from Pat Boyle's and terminates near Richard or Dick Armstrongs.

Minute:- It was unanimously decided to refer the matter to the Land Commission with a view to obtaining a Grant.

25/28. PROPOSED NEW ROAD.

A letter was read from Mr. George Devlin, Letter, Fahan, asking the County Council to have 92 perches of a new road made in conjunction with Fahan and Crisloughkeel roads; estimated cost £80.

Minute:- Referred to Land Commission for a Grant.

26/28. RANAFAST ROAD.

A letter was read from Messrs Denis O'Donnell and Sons, Merchants, Ranafast, Annagary, drawing the Council's attention to the neglected condition of above road which branches from the Annagry Main Road through Loughanorman and Ranafast and ends at his business premises. This road was very hilly, narrow and had recently been coated with rough metal.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Boyle, seconded by Councillor Quigley, the County Surveyor was directed to have the stones rolled in with the light Roller. It was also decided to ask the Land Commission to have this road widened.

27/28. PROPOSED NEW ROAD.

A letter was read from Messrs William McDevitt and Dominick Sweeney, Knockletragh, Ballinmore, requesting the County Council to make application for a Grant out of the Relief Fund for the making of a new road, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile long, leading from the road through Tievereagh, across the three farms of Mrs McElwee, Dominick Sweeney and William McDevitt.

Minute:- Referred to the Land Commission with the view to a Grant being obtained.

RELIEF SCHEME : APPLICATIONS FOR GRANTS TOWARDS ROAD CONSTRUCTION AND REPAIRS.

28/28.

With reference to the roads in respect of which the Council had that day decided to request the Land Commission to give a Grant from the Relief Scheme Vote, it was decided, on the motion of Councillor Coke, seconded by Councillor Quigley, to ask the T.Ds. for the County to interview and impress on the Land Commission the necessity for making Grants towards the improvement of these roads.

Extracts sent to Land Commission 3/2/28

T.D.s. notified 5/2/28

29/28.

MATTERS REQUIRING COUNTY SURVEYOR'S ATTENTION.

Councillor Mulreany brought the following matters under the notice of the County Surveyor for immediate attention:-

- (a) Broken pipe on the road between White House and Protestant Church;
- (b) Culvert on road to Conlin Bog at Golf Course;
- (c) Broken pipe on road at Meentullynagran;
- (d) Side drains at Drimbarity;
- (e) Flooding of premises at Killybegs already reported to the Council.

30/28.

SCHEME FOR RELIEF OF UNEMPLOYMENT
IN LETTERKENNY URBAN DISTRICT.

A letter from the Town Clerk, Letterkenny, enclosing copy of above scheme formulated by the Urban Council and sent to them by the Minister for Local Government and Public Health, was read and no action taken.

31/28.

CONDITION OF A ROAD.

A petition was submitted from certain residents in Dunkineely calling the County Council's attention to the dangerous condition of the road from the crooked Bridge, through Croagh, Dunkineely and Bruckless and requesting that the classification of this road be raised so that it might be put in a thorough state of repair.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, said this was being done and that the road was included in the Provisional Road Works Scheme for ensuing year.

32/28.

REMOVAL OF STONES OFF A COUNTY ROAD.

Councillor Melvor referred to a quantity of stones which had been heaped on roadside between Burnfoot and Gortnaskea which were removed and inquired from Mr. Steadman if he had ascertained who the guilty person was.

Mr. Steadman said that about 25 tons of road material had been taken away. He investigated the matter but without result.

Minute:- It was unanimously decided to refer the matter to the Civic Guard to investigate and report.

33/28.

re A RIGHT-OF-WAY.

No action was taken in regard to a letter from Mr. Edward Wilken, Doe Castle, re a right-of-way.

EXPLOSIVES.

34/28.

Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, said that for some time explosives had been kept in the Military Barracks but he had got an intimation from the Department stating this practice was unsatisfactory and asking that the County Council make suitable accommodation for the storage of the explosives.

Minute:- It was decided to ask the Department what facilities they were prepared to give and to suggest to them that they should give permission for the placing of small quantities in the Civic Guard Barracks, and larger quantities in Military Barracks.

35/28. re MEASUREMENT OF ROAD MATERIAL.

A letter was read from certain Road Contractors in the district of Mr. M.F. Cunningham, Assistant County Surveyor, applying to the County Council for a re-measurement of the metal prepared by them for their several contracts.

Minute:- Referred to Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor.

36/28. re THE ROAD FROM KILLYBEGS TO THE POINT, DRILMANOG.

A letter was read from Rev. W.J. Sheridan C.C. and Dr. J.J. Walsh, Medical Officer, Killybegs Dispensary District, stating that having heard, with a good deal of satisfaction, of proposed practical improvements on above road by the County Council, it was their earnest wish that the contemplated work be carried out in full. The far end of the road was particularly bad.

Minute:- Referred to County Surveyor.

Confirmed,

Wm. J. H. H. - Chairman

31/1/28

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11/2/28

COPY MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF

THE DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON THE 31st

DAY OF JANUARY, 1928.

A T T E N D A N C E.

The members present were:-

Councillors MacFadden (Chairman), Baxter, Blaney, Boyle, Brennan, Clarke, Cole, Doherty (Patrick), Flood, Gallagher (Bernard), Gallagher (William), Gallagher (Francis), Gallen, Hamilton, Holmes, Kavanagh, Mahony, Mulreany, Myles, McBride, McCauley, McClafferty, MacCreadie, McIvor, McNulty, McPhelimy, McShane, O'Brien, O'Donnell, Quigley, Sweeney and Walker.

A letter was read from Councillor Doherty (Edward) regretting inability to attend.

Councillor MacCreadie, on behalf of Councillor Loughrey, apologised for the non-attendance of the latter.

37/28.

M I N U T E S.

The Minutes of previous meetings held on 13th December, 1927 and 10th January, 1928, were unanimously confirmed.

38/28.

R E P O R T S O F C O M M I T T E E S.

FINANCE - Meeting held 13th December, 1927.

Councillor Gallagher (Bernard) proposed that Minute No. 278/27 be deleted and that the claim by Collector Patrick Moore for a refund of Uncollected Rates in respect of James Gallagher's holding at Drimanor be paid.

Councillor O'Donnell seconded.

V O T I N G.

For adoption of Report

Councillors Baxter, Boyle, Brennan, Clarke, Cole, Flood, Gallagher (William), Gallagher (Francis), Gallen, Hamilton, Holmes, Mahony, Mulreany, Myles, McBride, McCauley, McClafferty, MacCreadie, McIvor, McNulty and Quigley - 21.

Against

Councillors Gallagher (Bernard), O'Donnell, Sweeney and Walker. - 4.

The Chairman, Councillors McPhelimy, McShane and O'Brien did not vote.

The Chairman declared report adopted.

FINANCE - Meeting held 10th January, 1928.
Report unanimously adopted.

39/28.

CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT.

Claims for payment in respect of salaries etc. for quarter ended 31st December, 1927, as recommended by the Finance Committee at a meeting held on that date, were unanimously ordered for payment.

40/28.

T H A N K S.

A letter was read from Mrs Marshall, Grange, Burt, thanking the members of the Donegal County Council for their kind vote of sympathy on the death of her brother John Black.

41/28.

^{Vacancy}
~~1928~~ ON COUNTY COUNCIL.

A Notice in writing signed by the Chairman and Councillors McIvor and Wagentreiber signifying a vacancy on the Council owing to the death of Mr. John Black, Ballyhaskey, Newtowncunningham, was read.

42/28.

CO-OPTION ON COUNTY COUNCIL.

*Captain Scott
written to
3/2/28*

In accordance with Notice of Motion, Councillor McIvor moved - "That Captain John Scott of Birdstown be co-opted a member of the Council in place of the late Mr. John Black". Councillor Gallagher (Bernard) seconded. Passed unanimously.

43/28.

MALINBEG BOATSLIP.

*Dept of Fisheries
written to 3/2/28*

In accordance with Notice of Motion the Chairman moved - "That this Council expend a sum, not exceeding £70, in carrying out certain necessary repairs to Malinbeg Boatslip, provided the Department of Fisheries contribute half the cost". Councillor Gallagher (Francis) seconded. Passed unanimously.

44/28.

MALINBEG BOATSLIP.

A letter dated the 17th December, 1927, D/18/15, was read from the Department of Fisheries drawing the attention of the Donegal County Council to the necessity for repairs at the Malinbeg Landing Slip for the maintenance of which they were responsible, and enclosing, for the Council's information, an extract from the report of the Department's Engineer, as was also a letter dated 18th January, 1928, D/18/15, stating that the Minister would be willing to recommend a contribution from State Funds of one-half of the actual cost, not exceeding £35, of carrying out the repairs, if the County Council agreed to carry out approved work at the place.

45/28.

re WIDOW AND FAMILY OF THE LATE Mr. A.W. McLAUGHLIN.

In accordance with Notice of Motion Councillor McCauley moved - "That some remuneration be given to the widow and family of the late Mr. Aeneas W. McLaughlin whose early death left dependants unprovided for".

The Secretary said there was no legal provision made to meet such a proposal.

Minute:- No action taken.

46/28. ROAD AND APPROACHES TO GORTNASATE PIER.

Included in Estimates for 1928-29.

In accordance with Notice of Motion Councillor O'Boyle moved - "That a sum, not exceeding £400, be expended in carrying out certain necessary repairs to the Road and Approaches of above Pier".

Councillor O'Boyle said that recently £201:12:4 had been received from the Board of Works in respect of Dues collected at the Pier during the years 1920 - 1927 and this year £100 had been collected so that the revenue of the Pier would meet the expenditure proposed.

Councillor Baxter in seconding said that as arranged the revenue of the Pier would be charged up against the expenditure.

Councillor O'Donnell said he was opposed to any more than the £200 received from the Board of Works being expended on the proposed work. He would, however, agree to the motion if it were amended so that one-half of the £400 would be expended in carrying out the necessary repairs to the Mullaghderg turf road.

The motion was passed.

47/28.

re DIARY SHOWING FISHING VESSELS CALLING AT EACH PIER.

In accordance with Notice of Motion Councillor Baxter moved - That the Harbour Master at each Pier in the County be requested to keep a Diary showing the Fishing Vessels calling at each Pier with the dates of such call, and also a note to say at what Pier the composite rates of Dues were paid."

The Secretary said that the composite rates would, under the amended schedule of Tolls, be payable at each Pier.

Councillor Baxter said that in view of that fact he withdrew his motion except that part directing each Harbour Master to keep a Diary.

Councillor MacCreadie seconded. Passed unanimously.

48/28.

The following Notices of Motion, standing in the name of Councillor Loughrey, were, in his absence, moved by Councillor MacCreadie:-

(1) MOTOR TAXES.

Secty. Dept. of Local Govt. written to 4/2/28

"That we, the Donegal County Council, call the attention of the Government to the unfair manner of assessing Motor Taxes, when these taxes are paid quarterly. The person who pays his Tax quarterly is compelled to pay 20% more than if he paid it yearly. This is most unfair to the poor man who is unable to pay the tax in one instalment. We consider that when taxes are paid quarterly an addition of 5% on the yearly Tax would be quite sufficient to defray any extra expense involved in issuing the Taxes quarterly."

(2) ROAD No. 126 - Milford former Rural District.

"That the County Surveyor be instructed to carry out immediately the necessary repairs to put the road - 25 M No. 126 - from Kerrykeel to Rathmullan, between the three roads at Gortally Mearring and five roads at Kerrykeel, in a fit state for traffic". No repairs were carried out on this road during the past year and it is in urgent need of attention.

(3) ROAD AT SHANKEY.

"That the County Surveyor be instructed to proceed immediately with the work in connection with the reconstruction of the Road at Shankey". No work has been carried out on this road since the month of September and at the present time the road is in a deplorable state.

(4) ROAD No. 304 - Milford former Rural District.

"That the County Surveyor be instructed to carry out immediately the necessary repairs on the road No. 304, between Birney's contract and Dunmore and Gortnavern Mearings". This road was passed for contract over a year ago but no repairs have yet been carried out.

Minute:-

- (1) Councillor Cole seconded motion. Passed unanimously.
- (2) County Surveyor directed to have the most urgent repairs effected out of the unexpended balance on foot of this contract.
- (3) Referred to County Surveyor; work to be carried out when weather is suitable.
- (4) Unexpended balance to be utilised in having necessary repairs carried out.

49/28. PROPOSED FOOTPATH IN CARNDONAGH.

In accordance with Notice of Motion Councillor Cole moved - "That the Council allocate a sum of £45 to make about 26 perches of a concrete footpath between Bridge Street and Roman Catholic Chapel, Carndonagh".

The Chairman, in view of Minute No. 1034/27, ruled the matter out of order.

50/28.

REMOVAL OF SIGN POST AT GARDA BARRACKS, CARNDONAGH.

In accordance with Notice of Motion Councillor Cole moved - "That the Council instruct the County Surveyor to remove the Sign Post from its present position outside the Garda Barracks, as it is a source of danger to pedestrians using the footpath".

Councillor Gallagher (William) seconded. Passed unanimously.

51/28.

COTTAGE HOME SPUN FLANNEL INDUSTRY IN COUNTY DONEGAL.

A letter dated 23rd January, 1928, was read from Councillor Sweeney stating that at next meeting of the County Council he would call attention to the above Industry in County Donegal.

Councillor Sweeney moved the following resolution which was seconded by Councillor Gallagher (Bernard) and passed unanimously:-

"That we, the Donegal County Council, call upon the Government to hasten the revival of the Donegal Cottage Hand-Spun Flannel Industry as it is already too long delayed. We, moreover, ask them to establish it permanently, which can only be done by asking their Inspector to insist that both warp and weft be/

William T. Coghlan T.D.
Dept. Industry and Commerce
written to 4/12/28

be spun in the cottages, and that the Government issue a stamp for the stamping only of flannel thus made, and that they put a prohibitive tariff on foreign yarn brought into the country."

52/28.

ROAD PORTSALON HOTEL -- ROSSNAKILL, via
FANAD HEAD AND KINDRUM.

In accordance with Notice of Motion Councillor Blaney moved - "That we, the members of the Donegal County Council, request the Minister for Local Government and Public Health (Roads) to give a Grant of £3,000 for the purpose of reforming and surfacing the above road; said Grant to be obtained from the unexpended portion of the £100,000 Grant to the Donegal County Council under the Special Trunk Road Scheme".

Councillor Baxter seconded.

Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, said that the amount of the Grant referred to had been allocated by the Government to specific places and there was no balance available.

53/28.

MULROY AND LEATBEG PIERS.

In accordance with Notice of Motion Councillor Blaney moved - "That this Council consider the taking over of Mulroy and Leatbeg Piers in the interests of the people of Rossguill and Fanad Districts".

Councillor Baxter seconded. Passed unanimously and the Secretary directed to get into communication with the owner (Lord Leitrim) on the matter.

54/28.

ROAD TO KILCLOONEY.

In accordance with Notice of Motion Councillor Gallagher (Bernard) moved - "That £17 be expended out of the contingency fund on the road to Kilcloonney - Proposal No. 372 in Provisional Road Works Scheme - such repair to be carried out according to County Surveyor's specification".

The Secretary pointed out that as this was not a county road the motion could not be given effect to until the requirements of the Local Government Act, 1925 had been carried out.

Minute:- No action taken.

55/28.

Contract No. 3L Former Milford Rural District.

In accordance with Notice of Motion Councillor Baxter moved - "That the Contractor (John McVeigh) for 3L Contract for the year ending 31st March, 1928, Milford Rural District, be allowed to substitute stones from another quarry instead of the quarry specified for, as it is not available".

Councillor MacCreadie seconded.

Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, said Legal Proceedings were being taken with a view to obtaining an Order to Enter a Quarry.

Councillor Blaney complained of the delay in instituting proceedings.

Minute:- Matter left in Mr. Steadman's hands.

Lord Leitrim
written to
20/2/28

56/28.

NATIONAL ROAD SCHEME : SECOND SECTION;
SCHEME FOR NORTHERN DIVISION.

A letter dated 23rd January, 1928, R/SGN/7/2, was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) stating that with reference to the County Surveyor's letter of the 13th idem and enclosures, on the subject of the National Road Scheme, Second Section, the Minister had approved of the Scheme submitted for the expenditure of £2,400 in the Northern Division out of the sum of £58,912 earmarked for Donegal County under the final distribution of the National Road Scheme etc.

57/28.

AGRICULTURAL GRANT : FINANCIAL YEAR 1928 - 1929.

A memorandum dated 23rd January, 1928 was read from the Local Government Department stating that in connection with the Estimates for the Financial Year 1928-1929 it was the intention to provide for the Agricultural Grant on the same basis as in the present Financial Year.

58/28.

MAIN ROAD BURTONPORT -- KINCASSLAGH.

A letter dated 23rd January, 1928, R/RD/7 was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) relative to a deviation of the main road, Burtonport-Kincasslagh, and stating that until a road was made over the proposed route the Minister could not amend the route shown in the existing main road schedule.

Minute:- Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, was directed to submit a further report re the alternate route.

59/28.

ABSTRACT OF ACCOUNTS OF THE DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL.

A letter dated 23rd January, 1928, A.S.45968/24 was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health requesting to be furnished, without delay, with the Abstract of Accounts of the Donegal County Council for the period ended the 30th September, 1927.

The Secretary said the matter was receiving attention.

60/28.

re DISCHARGING OF DUTIES OF Mr. HERON, ACCOUNTANT.

A letter dated 24th January, 1928, G.4025/1928.S.E. was read from the Local Government Department stating that the Minister agreed to the proposed arrangement, as set out in the Minutes of the Donegal County Council of 10th idem, for the discharge of Mr. Heron's duties for a period of three months.

61/28.

CLAIMS FOR REMUNERATION IN RESPECT OF EXTRA WORK.

A letter dated 24th January, 1928, G.54648/1928 was read from the Local Government Department relative to the payment of remuneration to certain members of the Donegal County Council Staff in respect of extra work in connection with the reconstruction of the records destroyed in the fire at the Council's Offices in February, 1925, and stating that the Council, with the assistance/

assistance of the Secretary, should be able to form some estimate of what remuneration would be fair in the circumstances and have recommendations submitted to the Department.

Minute:- Councillor MacCreadie moved that a Committee consisting of the Chairman, Councillors Gallen and Mahony and the Secretary be appointed to go into the matter and report to the Council at next meeting.

Councillor Brennan seconded. Passed unanimously.

62/28.

FLOODED LANDS AT ROSSGIER -- EXEMPTION FROM RATES.

A letter was read from Mr. John McDermott, Rossgier House, Ballindrait, stating that he wrote the Irish Land Commission on the 14th January, 1928, requesting them to take over the land that was flooded on his farm and asking the County Council to relieve him of the rates on this flooded portion as he was reaping no benefit from it; also referring to the proposed Ballindrait Scheme.

Minute:- No action taken.

63/28.

MALICIOUS INJURY CLAIM : SAMUEL WOODS, BALLYBOFEY.

A report dated 28th January, 1928 was read from the Council's Solicitor re above claim which was disposed of at the last Sitting of the District Court and a Decree of £1,650 granted, and stating that not being satisfied with the decision of the Court, and as no meeting of the County Council intervened within the time limited for lodging Notice of Appeal, he lodged such Notice, which was, of course, subject to the approval of the Council and which might be withdrawn at any time up to the time of setting down of the Appeal for hearing.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor McIvor, seconded by Councillor Gallen, the action of the Council's Solicitor in lodging Notice of Appeal, was unanimously approved of.

In this connection Councillor Cole said he understood the Area of Charge was the "County-at-Large". He considered that if the case went against the Council on Appeal the Area should be confined.

The Secretary pointed out that the Council had already adopted a resolution (No. 386/27) on the matter, copy of which had been furnished to the Council's Solicitor.

64/28.

DECREE OBTAINED BY JOHN DUTHIE.

An application by Mr. William Kelly, Solicitor, Letterkenny, to have levied in the Financial Year ending the 31st March, 1929 Decree obtained by John Duthie on 22nd March, 1927 for £80; Costs £5:15:9 and Expenses £3:3:0 - Total £88:18:9; Area of Charge - County at Large.

The Secretary said that Mr. Kelly was acting for a Mr. Roulston who had obtained a Court Order over the amount and that Mr. Frank Sweeney, Solicitor, Dungloe, acting on behalf of Duthie, did not want the Decree levied.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Mahony, seconded by Councillor Brennan, it was unanimously decided to levy amount of Decree in the ensuing Financial Year.

Ex 7 For J. sent to
Mr. M. McDermott
18/2/28

Council's
Sole written to

Mr. Kelly
written to
4/2/28

65/28.

CONDITION OF ROAD AT BIG ISLE.

A letter was read from Mr. John Wray, Solicitor, Ramelton, stating that he had been requested by Mr. Owen McSwiney of Big Isle, Manorcunningham, to draw the County Council's attention to the condition of the above road; especially the portion of the road which the tide covers.

Minute:- Referred to County Surveyor for attention.

66/28.

LETTING OF GRAZING AT WORKHOUSE PREMISES, LETTERKENNY.

A letter was read from the Secretary, County Board of Health, Stranorlar, enclosing an extract from Minutes of Proceedings of the Board on 19th December last in which the Board agreed to let the grazing at above Institution to a Mr. Boyle for 11 months at the sum of £2, provided he repaired the fences.

Minute:- Councillor Mahony said the fences had been repaired. He moved that the terms of letting be confirmed.
Councillor Brennan seconded. Passed unanimously.

67/28.

CARNDONAGH WORKHOUSE REPAIRS.

Mr. Steadman reported that repairs were required at above premises; those of an urgent nature refer to holes in the roof, defective chimney tops; also windows involving a large number of small diamond panes. To deal with this matter he estimated that a sum of £70 would at least be required.

Minute:- £70 placed in County Surveyor's hands to carry out repairs referred to.

68/28.

MILFORD WORKHOUSE.

Councillor Baxter referred to damage done to roof of above building.

Minute:- Mr. Steadman directed to inspect same and have the necessary repairs carried out.

69/28.

LIFFORD COURTHOUSE.

Mr. Steadman reported that repairs were necessary to roof of above building. This was a very old building and most of the slates were more or less loose owing to rusting of nails and want of rendering. Estimated cost £40.

Minute:- £40 placed at County Surveyor's disposal for effecting the repairs referred to.

70/28.

T E N D E R S.

Mr. Steadman was directed to invite tenders for the repairs to above buildings.

Extract Sent to

Mr. Wray

15/2/28

Extract Sent

Secy. Board of Health

18/2/28

Extract Sent

to Secy. Dept.

20/2/28

71/28.

CONTRACTS Nos. 92 and 160 - APRIL, 1925 - DERRY No. 2 AREA
AND No. 173 - APRIL, 1925 - STRABANE No. 2 AREA.

Mr. Steadman reported that as the work being done under Grants was going to embrace the lengths of above contracts he would recommend that same be broken and put in charge of County Surveyor for the year ending 31st March, 1928 when they would expire. This course would obviate any overlapping or friction and also lead to economy.

Minute:- Mr. Steadman's recommendation approved of.

72/28.

TRADE DEPARTMENT'S LETTER : LIST OF REQUIREMENTS.

Mr. Steadman reported as follows:-

"I have a letter from the Trade Department asking to be informed of the List of Requirements needed for each six months in advance in connection with road work and the working of Rollers, Breakers, etc. such as brushes used in road work, shovels, picks, etc.; also machinery oil, cylinder oil, etc.

If these supplies are to be obtained in quantity through the Trade Department it will be necessary to provide a store; also storekeeper to have all such goods distributed to the various works as required and an account kept of same.

Hitherto I have been getting from local merchants these articles as required where ever the various works were in progress.

Minute:- Unanimously decided to direct County Surveyor to carry on as he had been doing in the past.

73/28.

GRANULATORS.

Northern Division.

On the recommendation of Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, it was unanimously decided to purchase an 18" X 5" Hadfields Granulator; cost £410.

Southern Division.

On the recommendation of Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, it was also unanimously decided to purchase a Granulator made by Messrs Pegg, size 16" X 5"; weight 5½ tons; output of stones per hour 4 tons; cost £202:10:0.

A sum of £29:10:0 was passed to cover carriage etc. of both machines.

74/28.

FORDSON TRACTOR.

On Mr. Caffrey's recommendation £64 was granted for putting rubber tyres on above machine to enable it to pull the latter Granulator.

Extract sent to Trade Dept 15/2/28

Treasurer written to for loan of £400 15/2/28

75/28.

DEFECTIVE RETAINING WALL.

Mr. Steadman recommended that £60 be passed to enable him to have rebuilt a retaining wall on the road from Ramelton to Milford, a short distance beyond Ramelton.

Minute:- Recommendation approved.

76/28.

ROADS Nos. 218 and 195, APRIL, 1925, DERRY No. 2 AREA.

Mr. Steadman reported that above roads had been subjected to very heavy lorry traffic by the hauling over same of a large quantity of stones for building purposes at Newtowncunningham.

The contractors had used their metal specified for the roads but it had been quite inadequate to meet the exceptional traffic.

Under the circumstances he would recommend that a sum of £10 on No. 218 and £15 on No. 195 to enable a further supply of metal to be obtained to deal with the worst portions of these contracts.

Minute:- Recommendations approved.

77/28.

SUDDEN DAMAGES : MILFORD RURAL DISTRICT.

The following recommendations of Mr. Steadman were approved, the works to be carried out in accordance with his specification:-

- (1) Repair breaches in sea wall in streets of Ramelton; Contract No. 27; April, 1927; not to exceed £10.
- (2) Rebuild breach in retaining wall and parapet wall on road between three roads at Kinnagar and the three roads at Killygarvan Bridge on contract No. 29; April, 1927; Not to exceed £30.
- (3) Repair damaged culvert on road between Crossroads at Duntinny and Crossroads at Drim, on contract No. 9; April, 1927; Not to exceed £5:0:0.
- (4) Repair broken pipe and breaches on road between Tamney Post Office and three roads at Crohan, on contract No. 197; April, 1927; not to exceed £10.

78/28.

BUNCRANA PIER.

A letter was read from the Honorary Secretary, Buncrana Pier Committee, re provision of fenders and cross stays; also heavier rimming around new decking of Buncrana Pier.

In this connection Mr. Steadman reported that he met the Pier Committee some time ago at Buncrana and pointed out the necessity of getting done what they now put forward for the Council's consideration and he had only to add that money would be well spent in getting put in these waling pieces as there was a very great risk of the repairs that had been recently carried out suffering considerable damage unless these protective pieces were put in.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Kavanagh, seconded by Councillor Myles, £100 out of Dues was placed in the County Surveyor's hands for the purpose indicated.

Hon. Secy. Buncrana
Pier Committee written
15/2/28.

II.

79/28. REFUND OF INSURANCE CONTRIBUTIONS.

A letter was read from Mr. H. Doherty, 85, Mill Brae Cottages, Carndonagh, requesting the Council to name a Solicitor who would accept service of a Civil Bill for amount of Insurance Contributions paid by him during the period he was engaged on County work.

The Secretary said he had gone fully into the matter with the National Health Insurance Inspector but the latter was unable to give any particulars as to the Council's liability in the matter.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Cole, seconded by Councillor Quigley, it was decided, subject to the sanction of the Local Government Department, to pay £5 in full discharge of claim.

80/28.

re JOHN MCGINLEY, Ex-SANITARY SUB-OFFICER.

A letter dated 5th January, 1928, No. P.H.598II/27, was read from the Local Government Department stating that, in the case of John McGinley, Ex-Sanitary Sub-Officer, Dunfanaghy, the average remuneration for three years as Cottage Rent Collector, as calculated from the Audited Abstracts, was £13:9:10 and requesting to be furnished with an explanation of the discrepancy between this amount and that included in replies to queries furnished by the County Secretary on 30th August last.

The Secretary said that he replied stating that the figures included in replies to queries furnished by him on the 30th August last were supplied by the Acting Secretary, County Board of Health, as being paid by the Dunfanaghy Rural District Council between July, 1922 and April, 1925.

81/28.

re JOHN MCGINLEY, Ex-SANITARY SUB-OFFICER, DUNFANAGHY.

A letter dated 25th January, 1928, P.H.2125/28 was read from the Local Government Department with regard to the case of the above-named, and stating that the Minister was prepared to accept the figures of remuneration furnished by the County Secretary but in view of the period of service he was unable to agree to an addition of ten years for superannuation purposes.

Minute:- It was unanimously decided to recommend that seven years be added to the length of service.

82/28.

MAIN ROAD UPKEEP GRANT, 1928-1929.

A notification dated 25th January, 1928, RGM/201, was read from the Local Government Department, stating that with regard to Main Road Upkeep Grant 1928-1929 the following Grant had been provisionally allocated:-

- (a) Main Roads which are Trunk Roads ----- £9,782
- (b) Other Main Roads ----- 3,548

A letter dated 27th January, 1928, RGM/201 from the Local Government Department (Roads), on above subject was also read.

Extract sent to
R.G. Dept 13/12/28

H. Doherty,
Mill Brae Cottages
Carndonagh
written to 15/2/28

Local Govt Dept
written to 3/2/28

83/28. DESTROYED AND DAMAGED BRIDGES.

A letter dated 25th January, 1928, R/DB/7, was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) stating that a payment of £620:10:0 in respect of Destroyed and Damaged Bridges was made to the County Treasurer, Donegal County Council, on the 23rd idem in full settlement of the claims in respect of Bridges Nos. II, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45 and No. 8 (Crolly Bridge) in the Southern Division.

84/28. UNLICENSED PETROL PUMPS.

The Secretary reported that there was a Petrol Pump in the town of Moville in respect of which the owner had not paid the Licence Fee.

Minute:- Given 14 days to pay.

85/28. CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

A memorandum dated 14th January, 1928 was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health stating that the address of that Department, except the Trade Section, would in future be Custom House, Dublin, C.10.

A memorandum was also read from the Roads Branch of the Local Government Department intimating that they were moving to the Custom House on the 11th and 12th January, 1928.

86/28. CARNDONAGH WORKHOUSE : LETTING OF ROOMS.

The Secretary said that an anticipated letter from the Local Government Department re the proposal of the Donegal County Council to grant permission to Mr. Charles McLaughlin, Main Street, Carndonagh, to use three rooms in the Carndonagh Workhouse in connection with a Shirt Manufacturing business had not been received.

Minute:- Consideration further adjourned.

87/28. TAXATION OF THE NEW FORD MOTOR CAR.

A letter dated 10th December, 1927, Ref. MT.125, was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) with reference to the taxation of the New Ford and stating that the Minister learned from Messrs Henry Ford & Son, Cork, that they proposed for the time being importing all the requirements for their new car from America and that the horse-power of the engine would be rated at 14.9 for taxation purposes. The motor licence duty of such cars would therefore, be £15 per annum. If, and when, the new car was manufactured to a sufficient extent in Cork to bring it within the provisions of paragraph 6 (a) of the third schedule to the Finance Act, 1926, the motor licence duty would then fall to £10 per annum.

88/28. MAIN ROAD UPKEEP STATISTICS.

A letter dated 12th December, 1927, R/RGM/7, was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) again requesting to be furnished immediately with the information re Main Road Upkeep Statistics - Amount allowed 1927/1928 - asked for in that Department's letter dated 11th ultimo.

Minute:- The Secretary said the matter had received attention.

Person concerned
written to

Extract sent to
Dept Local Govt
15/2/28

89/28.

re Mr. HUGH P. ARMOUR.

A letter dated 13th December, 1927, R/RS/7, was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) stating that in the circumstances the Minister had sanctioned the continued employment by the Donegal County Council of Mr. Hugh P. Armour as Assistant Surveyor up to the 30th ultimo.

90/28.

TRUNK ROAD GRANT £450,000;
WORKS Nos. CI70 (Buncrana) and I71 (Letterkenny).

A letter dated 14th December, 1927, R/SGB/7 was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) referring to above Works under the £450,000 Grant - Share £21,060 - and requesting that the present position of the Works referred to be stated. The Works were approved so far back as the 7th October, 1925 and up to the present no intimation had been received that the Works have been carried out.

Minute:- Referred to Mr. Steadman for attention.

91/28.

RESIGNATION OF HARBOUR MASTER AT DOWNINGS.

A letter dated 15th December, 1927, No. 24714/27 was read from the Office of Public Works, Dublin, relative to the intention of Mr. Patrick Friel, Harbour Master at Downings Pier, to resign his appointment at the end of the present month as was also a letter from Mr. Friel tendering his resignation.

Minute:- Resignation accepted, and on the motion of Councillor Baxter, seconded by Councillor MacCreadie, James McGettigan of Downings, was recommended to the Board of Works for the position at the same rate of salary.

92/28.

PUBLIC OFFICIALS ATTENDING CONGRESSES : EXPENSES.

A letter dated 19th December, 1927, R/IR/III, was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) stating that the question of Public Officials attending Congresses such as the recent Public Works, Roads and Transport Congress in London, was recently looked into and the Minister was advised that he had no power to consent to the expenditure involved being defrayed out of the Poor Rate.

93/28.

BILL OF COSTS -- Mr. WILLIAM KELLY, SOLICITOR, and
DUNFANAGHY RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

A letter dated 20th December, 1927, G.59810/1927, Tirconail B.H. & P.A., was read from the Local Government Department regarding the Bill of Costs of Mr. William Kelly, Solicitor, and stating that the Bill was over two years due and was therefore statute barred under Section 51 (7) of the Local Government Act, 1898 and could not be paid until it was taxed.

Minute:- That the Bill be taxed and that the Solicitor to the Council be appointed to attend on their behalf before the Taxing Master; that the Council's Seal be affixed to Requisition to Tax.

Extract sent to
L.S. Dept. Roads
15/12/28

Extract sent
to Mr. Friel
20/12/28

Dept. L. Govt.
written to 10/12/28
Mr. Kelly
written to
4/12/28

94/28.

OVERDRAFT - £40,000.

A letter dated 20th December, 1927, G.60561/27, was read from the Local Government Department stating that the Minister had sanctioned Overdraft, not exceeding £40,000, to the 31st March next.

95/28.

AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION.

A letter dated 21st December, 1927, was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) No. R/MT.211/41, requesting to be furnished with the Council's observations on copy letter received from the Secretary, Automobile Association, relative to the issue of an International Pass to a Mr. M.J. Booth.

96/28.

HEAVY LORRY TRAFFIC.

*Dept Local Govt., Roads.
written to 15/12/28*

A letter dated 22nd December, 1927, R/RV/7, was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) with reference to an entry in the Minutes of Proceedings of the Donegal County Council at their meeting on 29th ultimo in regard to the restriction of heavy motor traffic, and stating that it was presumed that the local inquiry referred to in the Minutes of Proceedings of the last meeting was that required to be held under Section 7 (4) of the Roads Act, 1920, before the Minister could legally make an Order on the application of the County Council prohibiting or restricting the driving of vehicles of any specified class on any specified highway. The Council would appreciate that such an Order was bound to affect seriously a number of interests, including the owners of the vehicles prohibited or restricted so far as the use of the road was concerned. Under the circumstances an Order of the kind could not properly be made until the various interests affected had been heard at a public inquiry. At the same time, the letter added, the Minister was ready to consider any suggestions that the Council might care to offer for the curtailment of expenses and the simplification of the procedure in connection with the inquiry.

Minute:- No action taken.

97/28.

TAXATION ON MOTOR LORRIES.

A letter dated 14th December, 1927, RA/530/27, was read from President Cosgrove's Secretary acknowledging copy of resolution (No. 1147/27) received regarding taxation on Motor Lorries passed by Donegal County Council on 29th November last.

98/28.

LIMIT FOR BOTH THE SPEED OF LORRIES AND BUSES;
ALSO THEIR WEIGHT AND SIZE.

Letters were read from certain Public Bodies acknowledging receipt of the resolution of the Donegal County Council (No. 1302/27) on above subjects.

99/28.

re Mr. JOHN P. GALLAGHER : INCREASE OF SALARY.

A letter dated 22nd December, 1927, R/MT/209/7 was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) stating that in the circumstances set out in the County Secretary's letter of the 14th idem the Minister would raise no objection to Mr. John P. Gallagher, Local Taxation Officer, being granted an increase of 5/- per week as from 1st April, 1927.

100/28.

re PETROL PUMPS.

A letter dated 24th December, 1927, IR/93, was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) requesting to be furnished with the following particulars:-

- (1) Number of unlicensed Petrol Pumps erected in the Council's area, although no licence therefor has been granted;
- (2) Number of Petrol Pumps in respect of which a licence has been issued but the fee payable thereon is at present in arrear;
- (3) Period in each case for which the fee is outstanding and the maximum period for which licences are issued by the Council.

The Secretary said he replied as follows:-

- (1) Council had no knowledge of any unlicensed Petrol Pumps erected in the Council's area although no licence therefor has been granted;
- (2) Fees in respect of licensed Pumps were paid up to date except in one case in which it is outstanding for the year ending 26th March last. The Council had already threatened proceedings and further consideration would be given to the matter at next meeting;
- (3) Licences were issued for periods not exceeding one year.

101/28.

VETERINARY INSPECTOR FOR NORTH DONEGAL.

A letter dated 19th November, 1927, O.24/306/27, was read from the Local Appointments Commissioners relative to the appointment of a Veterinary Inspector for North Donegal.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor MacCreadie, seconded by Councillor Kavanagh, it was unanimously decided to request the Local Appointments Commissioners to give the matter more sympathetic consideration with a view to Mr. McShane being appointed to the position.

102/28.

NATIONAL TUBERCULOSIS GRANT.

A letter dated 24th December, 1927, No. P.H.60826/27 was read from the Local Government Department notifying the County Council of an intended issue of recoupment of £103:2:5 (final instalment year 1926/1927) to the Donegal County Council from the National Tuberculosis Grant.

103/28.

EXEMPTION FROM JURY SERVICE OF COUNTY COUNCILLORS.

A letter dated 14th December, 1927, RA/530/27, was read from President Cosgrove's Secretary, acknowledging receipt of copy resolution (No. II47/27) passed by the Donegal County Council regarding the exemption from Jury Service of County Councillors. In this connection a letter dated 30th December, 1927, 284/14 was read from the Department of Justice with reference to resolution/

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resolution No. II49/27 passed by the Donegal County Council on the 29th ultimo suggesting that County Councillors be exempted from Jury Service and stating that the question of the class of persons that should be exempted from serving as jurors was very carefully considered and discussed by both Houses of the Oireachtas during the debates on the Juries Bill. Claims for exemptions were then made for certain classes, some of which were conceded and some rejected, but no Deputy or Senator appeared to have suggested exemption of County Councillors. Under the circumstances, and having regard to the fact that County Councillors had always been liable for jury services, the Minister for Justice could not hold out any hope that fresh legislation on the subject would be introduced by the Government. Councillor Myles said he thought it well to explain that the Bill was through in the Dail before the Council took the matter up.

Councillor Hamilton said he hoped that the T.Ds. of the County would avail of the first opportunity to have the matter raised in the Dail.

IO4/28.

re CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION IN RESPECT OF GOODS SUPPLIED TO MILITARY FORCES IN BUNCRAHA IN 1922.

A letter dated 30th December, 1927, C.10401 (2) was read from the Department of Finance enclosing letter from William Lynch of Buncrana, requesting to be furnished with a Form on which to apply for Compensation in respect of above.

The Secretary said he wrote Mr. Lynch stating that he had transmitted a copy of his letter to the Department of Finance and suggested that Mr. Lynch should obtain the assistance of a Solicitor who could apply for an extension of time to enable his claim to be entertained.

IO5/28.

BELLEEK CO-OPERATIVE CREAMERY : re SAMPLE TAKEN.

A letter dated the 16th December, 1927, L.4343/27 was read from the Department of Agriculture re a sample which was taken at Belleek Co-Operative Creamery, Clyhore, Belleek, on the 6th instant by an Inspector of that Department from the mixed milk of about 10 cows, the property of Mr. Joseph Moore, Clyhore, Belleek, which was found on microscopical examination to contain certain acid fast bacilli and requesting to be furnished with a report from the Council's Veterinary Inspector for the district.

The Secretary said he had asked the local Veterinary Inspector to furnish a report.

IO6/28.

DRUMHOLEM CO-OPERATIVE CREAMERY -- re SAMPLE TAKEN.

A letter dated 22nd December, 1927, L.4503/27, was read from the Department of Agriculture re a sample which was taken at Drumholm Co-Operative Creamery, Bridgetown, Co. Donegal on the 16th idem by an Inspector of that Department from the mixed milk of 9 cows, the property of Mr. Joseph Hammond, Drumhoney, Ballintra, which was found on microscopical examination to contain acid fast bacilli and requesting to be furnished with a report from the Council's Veterinary Inspector for the district.

The Secretary said the local Veterinary Inspector had been asked to furnish a report.

Mr. Lynch written
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KILBARRON AUXILIARY CREAMERY -- re SAMPLE TAKEN.

A letter dated 30th December, 1927, L.4512-27, was read from the Department of Lands and Agriculture relative to a sample which was taken at Kilbarron Auxiliary Creamery, Cavangarden, Ballyshannon, on the 19th idem by an Inspector of that Department from the mixed milk of 6 cows, the property of Mr. William McIntyre, Parkhill, Ballyshannon, which was found on microscopical examination to contain acid fast bacilli and requesting to be furnished with a report from the Council's Veterinary Inspector for the district.

The Secretary said he obtained a report from the local Veterinary Inspector a copy of which he sent to the Department of Lands and Agriculture.

108/28.

re EXAMINATION OF ALL BOVINE ANIMALS ON ^{St. Johnston} Mr. J.R. ALEXANDER'S PREMISES AT GLASSEYGOWAN, BALLYSHANNON.

Letters dated 16th December, 1927 and 3rd January, 1928, L.2971-27 were read from the Department of Agriculture in regard to re-examination, by the Council's Veterinary Inspector for the district, on account of Tuberculosis on all the Bovine animals on the premises of the above-named.

The Secretary said a re-examination of the animals had been carried out by the local Veterinary Inspector and a copy of his report transmitted to the Department of Agriculture.

109/28.

re Mr. JAMES BOYLE'S PENSION.

A letter dated 30th December, 1927, P.59,309/1927, was read from the Local Government Department in regard to the proposal of the Donegal County Council to grant a superannuation allowance to Mr. James Boyle in consideration of his services as Clerk to Dunfanaghy Union and pointing out that the official documents submitted in connection with this matter would go to show that the salary attached to the position was £60 a year with a bonus of £15 a year. In the absence of any documentary evidence to show that Mr. Boyle was entitled to payment at a higher rate the superannuation allowance should be calculated on the above mentioned figures, as was also a letter from Mr. Boyle.

Minute:- Unanimously resolved, on the motion of Councillor MacCreadie, seconded by Councillor McCafferty, that a copy of Mr. Boyle's letter be sent to the Local Government Department, and that in the absence of documentary evidence the Council recommend the Minister to sanction an annual allowance of £90.

110/28. DUNTIMNEY PROPOSED DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

A letter dated 15th December, 1927, 24718/27, was read from the Office of Public Works with reference to the resolution No. 1156/27 passed by the Donegal County Council in connection with the Portsalon and Duntinney proposed Drainage District and pointing out that £225 was only an estimate of the amount which the Council were asked to contribute. The contribution should not be limited to any specific sum but rather should be 16 $\frac{2}{3}$ % of the total actual cost and expenses of carrying out the scheme. Should the scheme be approved, confirmed and carried out every effort would be made to complete the works within the estimated cost.

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Councillor Gallen said that with regard to certain of the proposed schemes in the County under the Arterial Drainage Act he considered the estimated expenditure excessive and in his opinion the work could be executed at a much smaller cost.

Minute:- With a view to arriving at the cost of the proposed scheme Councillor MacCreadie proposed, Councillor Baxter seconded and it was unanimously resolved, that the Board of Works be requested to invite tenders for the work.

III/28.

DUNTINNEY PROPOSED DRAINAGE DISTRICT : PROPOSED LOAN.

A letter dated 14th December, 1927, S.59825/1927 was read from the Local Government Department in regard to the proposal of the Donegal County Council to raise a loan of £225 for the purpose of a contribution to the works to be undertaken in connection with the Portsalon and Duntinney proposed Drainage District and enclosing a Form on which application for sanction to the loan in question might be made.

Minute:- Consideration deferred for the present.

II2/28. DROWES RIVER PROPOSED DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

(a) A letter dated 15th December, 1927 was read from the Office of Public Works referring to the Drowes River proposed Drainage District and stating that it was their practice, before carrying out any drainage works, to consult the Department of Fisheries so as to avoid any unnecessary damage to fishery interests; also letter dated 19th January, 1928, 24717/27, requesting to be informed whether the County Council had yet reached a decision in respect of their letter of 29th August last.

The Secretary said he replied stating that inquiries were being made regarding the position of the Fisheries in this river and the action being taken by the Leitrim County Council who were the local authority for the left bank;

(b) A letter dated 16th December, 1927 was read from the Ballyshannon Board of Conservators stating that the Board, at a meeting held on above date, decided to request the Department of Fisheries to send their Engineer to inspect and report upon the proposed Drowes River Drainage Scheme as the Board were of opinion that it would probably be injurious to the Fishing;

(c) A letter dated the 13th December, 1927 was read from the Secretary, Leitrim County Council, appending the following copy resolution re Drowes River Drainage:-

"That we beg to direct the attention of the Government to the fact that County Leitrim was scheduled as a congested area under the old administration, and that the conditions which then held still exist, accentuated by a succession of bad seasons, and we urge that in all Drainage Schemes proposed for the county a state grant of at least 75% of the estimated cost should be made".

Minute:- Resolution unanimously adopted.

II3/28.

GLEN LOUGH (Legnahornoge & Rockhill) PROPOSED DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

A letter dated 24th December, 1927, 24711/27, was read from the

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the Office of Public Works stating that as the above proposed Drainage District would appear on the face of it to be too small to be carried out under the Arterial Drainage Act, 1925, it was not considered expedient to place it on their list of districts for priority of inspection. An inspection would be carried out in due course when staff was available and as other circumstances permitted.

II4/28.
BALLYSALLAGH BURN AND GORTCALLY AND DRUMNATRUMMON
PROPOSED DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

A letter dated 3rd January, 1928, 25II7/27, was read from the Commissioners of Public Works stating that the investigation of the above proposals under the Arterial Drainage Act, 1925 had been deferred pending developments in connection with the proposed Bill for Minor Drainage Districts as they were considered too small for action under the 1925 Act and that the Commissioners were proceeding expeditiously with the investigation of the Lennon River Scheme and a separate letter would be addressed to the Council shortly.

II5/28. TIEVEBRACK (abandoned) DRAINAGE SCHEME.

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A letter dated 4th January, 1928, 22067/27 was read from the Office of Public Works stating that the expenses incurred in the preparation of the Tievebrack (abandoned) Drainage Scheme amounted to £15:6:9, one-third of which, in accordance with Section 6 (4) of the Arterial Drainage Act, 1925 was payable by the County Council, and enclosing a Receivable Order for £5:2:3.
Minute:- Payment ordered.

II6/28.
re Mr. P. DAWSON, ASSISTANT COUNTY SURVEYOR.

Extract Sent to Mr. P. Dawson 15/2/28
A letter dated 3rd January, 1928, R/RS/7, was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) intimating that the Minister had sanctioned payment by the Donegal County Council of an increase of salary of £20 per annum to the above-named, for increased duties in connection with the maintenance of main roads in Letterkenny Urban District, as from 1st October, 1927.

II7/28. PROVISIONAL ROAD WORKS SCHEME FOR 1928/1929.

A letter dated 3rd January, 1928, R/RM/7, was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) requesting that a copy of above Scheme be forwarded immediately.
The Secretary said that the matter had received attention.

II8/28. * AGRICULTURAL GRANT.

A letter dated 5th January, 1928, was read from the Local Government Department, enclosing a Payable Order for £10,469 in respect of a further instalment of the above Grant for the year ending the 31st March, 1928.

119/28.

LEASING OF FEVER HOSPITAL AT BALLYSHANNON WORKHOUSE.

A letter dated 7th January, 1928, P.1397/1928 was read from the Local Government Department in regard to the proposal to lease the above premises to the Trustees of the Schools of the Parish of Innishmaccsaint and requesting to be furnished with the name and address of the Solicitor who was acting for the Trustees in the matter.

The Secretary said the matter had received attention.

120/28.

re ISSUING OF MOTOR LICENCES.

A letter dated 9th January, 1928, R/MT/7 was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) regarding the issuing of Motor Licences.

121/28.

CROLLY BRIDGE.

A letter dated 9th December, 1927, R/DB/7, was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) re Destroyed and Damaged Bridges in the Southern Division and requesting to be furnished with the following information:-

- (1) Date of completion of permanent repairs to Crollly Bridge;
- (2) Whether the materials used for temporary repairs have become the property of the County Council.

and inquiring as to the position re Bridge No. 36 Kingarrow, described in the schedule of Donegal Bridges received by the Department on 23rd October, 1924.

The Secretary said he had been informed by Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, that he furnished the Local Government Department (Roads) direct with certain information required in the Department's letter regarding bridges at Crollly and Kingarrow.

122/28.

LETTING OF LANDS AT GLENTIES WORKHOUSE.

A letter dated 13th December, 1927, P.59750/1927, was read from the Local Government Department requesting to be informed what reasons were given by Mr. Daniel Gallagher for his refusal to sign Agreement prepared in connection with the letting of lands at Glenties Workhouse.

The Secretary said he replied stating that Mr. Gallagher's grounds for refusing to sign was "term of occupation would end on 31st instant", and suggested to the Department that it would be advisable in future to send down these Agreements immediately after the letting and not on its expiry.

123/28.

* re Mrs M. McMENAMIN : SUPERANNUATION ALLOWANCE.

A letter was read from Mrs M. McMenamin, East Fort, Ballyshannon, stating that with reference to her superannuation allowance in respect of services rendered as Lace Teacher, she understood payment should have been made from the time her salary ceased which was August, 1923 and not from June, 1926, as was also letter from the Local Government Department intimating that the allowance was payable from the date of her resignation, 15th June, 1926.

Mrs M. McMenamin
written to
20/12/28

124/28.

SCHEME FOR PROMOTING THE WELFARE OF THE BLIND.

A letter dated 10th January, 1928, No.P.H.998/28 (Aa) was read from the Local Government Department forwarding, for the information of the Donegal County Council, copy letter which the Minister had addressed to the Board of Health and Public Assistance regarding the proposed scheme for promoting the welfare of the Blind in the County, as was also a letter from the Secretary, County Board of Health, enclosing two copies of scheme which has been adopted by the Board.

Minute:- Matter left in hands of Board of Health.

125/28.

LOCAL ELECTIONS ACT, 1927;
RULES MADE THEREUNDER.

A circular letter dated 11th January, 1928, F.60255/1927, was read from the Local Government Department, transmitting, for the information of the Local Authorities, a copy of the Local Elections Act, 1927 and a copy of the Rules made by the Minister under Section 14 of the Act in regard to the formation of Polling Districts and the appointment of Polling Places for the purposes of Local Government Elections.

Minute:- On the Secretary's suggestion the matter was referred to the Finance Committee meeting to be held on 14th February, 1928; meanwhile Secretary have an advertisement in local Press inviting suggestions from those interested with a view to assisting the Committee in its deliberations.

126/28. DATE FOR COUNTY COUNCIL ELECTIONS.

Tuesday, 26th June, 1928 was unanimously fixed as the date for the County Council Election.

127/28.

re APPOINTMENT OF AN ASSISTANT SURVEYOR.

A letter dated 17th January, 1928, L.A.17/3/28, was read from the Secretary, Local Appointments Commission, relative to the request from the Donegal County Council to the Commissioners to recommend a suitable person for appointment as Assistant Surveyor and requesting to be furnished with a copy of the Minister's sanction for the proposed appointment when the matter would receive immediate attention.

The Secretary said that on the 18th January, 1928 he wrote the Local Government Department (Roads) requesting sanction to the proposed appointment.

In this connection a letter dated 20th January, 1928, R/RS/7 was also read from the Local Government Department (Roads) inquiring if it was the intention of the Donegal County Council to allow travelling expenses to the proposed new Assistant Surveyor.

Minute:- Secretary directed to reply in the affirmative.

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Secy. Board of Health
20/2/28

Adv. issued
and on
17/2/28
Extract sent to Local Govt. Dept.

128/28.
COPY COUNTY OFFALY (Control of Dogs) ORDER OF 1927.

Copy of above Order was submitted.

129/28.
CORONERS (Ireland) ACT, 1846 - SECTION 32.

A letter dated 20th January, 1928, 289/14, was read from the Department of Justice stating that the Minister had been advised that the ^{effect of} above Section was to debar the Medical Officer of a Public Institution, in which a person had died, from receiving any fee, in pursuance of Section 13 of the Coroners (Amendment) Act, 1927 in respect of his services in connection with an Inquest or post-mortem examination on the body of such person.

130/28.
BUNCRANA COURTHOUSE : FURNITURE REQUIRED BY DISTRICT COURT CLERK.

A letter was read from the District Court Clerk, Buncrana, requesting to be supplied with certain articles of furniture for his office in the Courthouse, as was also a letter dated 7th October, 1927, from Mr. Hugh C. Cochrane, Under Sheriff, Lifford, enclosing a list of requirements for Buncrana Courthouse.

Minute:- Consideration adjourned pending receipt of report of Councillors Cuigley and Kavanagh.

131/28.
UNEMPLOYMENT IN BUNDORAN URBAN DISTRICT.

A letter was read from the Town Clerk, Bundoran, appending copy resolution passed by Bundoran Urban District Council on the 10th November, 1927 re unemployment in Bundoran Urban District. Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, said that work in the area had been started.

132/28.
BUNDORAN WATERWORKS.

A letter was read from the Town Clerk, Bundoran, enclosing copy of a report of Mr. J.J.S. Barnhill, Engineer, on Bundoran Waterworks.

Mr. Caffrey, to whom the matter had been referred by the Council, reported that the Bundoran Urban District Council were removing Hydrants from carriageway to footpaths.

133/28.
RENT FOR STORAGE OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

With regard to the storage at Mr. James McGuinness's, 4, Chamberlain Street, Derry, of Weights and Measures, the property of the Donegal County Council, left at his premises by the old R.I.C. after the Truce Councillor McIvor reported that as arranged he interviewed Mr. McGuinness in regard to rent for storage but an arrangement was not come to. There were sixteen boxes and the only identification mark was the word "Killybegs" printed on the side of the boxes.

Minute:- Matter left in Councillor McIvor's hands and authorised to offer a rent for storage up to £20; he to report the result to the Council at next meeting.

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 Town Clerk
 15/2/28

Extract sent to
 Councillor McIvor
 18/2/28

I34/28.

QUARRY ON LANDS OF Mr. JOHN TEASE, LAGG, MILFORD.

A letter was read from Mr. John Tease, Lagg, Milford, applying for compensation for disturbance to a quarry on his lands at Lagg.

Councillor Baxter said the matter was receiving the attention of Councillors MacCreadie, Loughrey and himself.

Mr. Steadman said certain terms were offered to Mr. Tease which he accepted.

Minute:- Mr. Steadman was directed to furnish particulars of the arrangement to the Council at next meeting.

I35/28.

PROPOSED INSTALLATION OF ELECTRIC LIGHT IN COURTHOUSE, LIFFORD AND OFFICES THEREIN.

As directed (Minute No. 5/28) Mr. William Doherty, C.E., 12, Castle Street, Derry, submitted a report re above which was read.

Minute:- On the suggestion of Councillor Myles the report was referred to the Committee already appointed to deal with the matter, their report to be submitted to Council at next meeting.

I36/28.

AGRICULTURAL AND TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE; RATE FOR 1928/1929.

A letter dated 20th September, 1927, G.3065/27, was read from the Department of Lands and Agriculture, transmitting, for the information of the Donegal County Council, copy of a communication which was being addressed by the Department to the County Donegal Committee of Agriculture regarding the provision of Special Grants to enable the funds to be supplemented in respect of certain of their Agricultural Schemes which had been dropped or curtailed or the development of which had been arrested owing to shortage of Funds, and suggesting that the Committee take the earliest possible opportunity of approaching the County Council with a view to having the maximum rate of 2d in the £1 struck for Agricultural and Technical Instruction purposes under the Agricultural and Technical Instruction (Ireland) Act, 1899, and the Technical Instruction Acts 1889 and 1891 in County Donegal in 1928/1929.

The Secretary said the County Committee had not yet approached the County Council on the matter.

I37/28. *Injury*re INQUIRY TO ROAD AND SEA WALL AT BUNCRONAN.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, submitted the following report:-

"I have to report that the recent storms have carried away about twelve yards of a retaining wall which supported the road at Buncronan and the road itself has been cut through leaving a gap of fifty cubic yards. My estimate for the repairs of this wall and remaking injured portion of road is £20.

It would be advisable to have notices erected along this shore; also at Mountcharles and Port warning the public against removal of any gravel or stones from the fore shore. The removal/

removal of this material considerably facilitates the sea in undermining the adjacent roads and walls. Notice should also be given to the Local Police to prosecute any persons found removing gravel or stones."

Minute:- £20 placed in Mr. Caffrey's hands to have the necessary repairs carried out to the road at Buncronan; Mr. Caffrey directed to have notices printed and exhibited at the places mentioned, including Carntullagh; Mr. Steadman also directed to have similar notices printed and posted up at Leenan Head.

I38/28. CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION.

A letter was read from Mr. Joseph McBrearty, Brinter, Dunkineely, relative to his claim for Compensation in respect of injuries to a donkey occasioned by its foot and leg being caught in a hole in a broken pipe on the road from Brinter to Lagan, at a spot convenient to the residence of James Ramsey of Macnawolaghan.

Minute:- On Secretary's suggestion matter referred to Insurance Company.

I39/28. CROSSING GATES NEAR PORTHALL STATION.

A letter dated 16th December, 1927, was read from the Secretary, Great Northern Railway (Ireland) acknowledging receipt of County Secretary's letter re crossing gates near Porthall Station and stating that it would have attention.

Councillor Clarke said that the crossing gates were still being regularly closed and locked at night.

Minute:- Unanimously resolved on the motion of Councillor Clarke, seconded by Councillor Gallen, that the Council's Solicitor be instructed to communicate with the Railway Company with a view to having the Council's request in Minute No. I272/27 complied with.

I40/28. ROOSKEY TENANTS -- AGREEMENTS.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor re preparation of Agreements in the case of the Rooskey Tenants and requesting to be furnished with further information on the following points:-

- (1) In addition to arrears of rent due by each of the tenants there are also Decrees against them for arrears of instalments in discharge of principal. Are they to be executed or are the amounts thereunder to be wiped out along with the arrears of rent?
- (2) Are the modified rents of both tenants to be payable for all time or is a certain amount thereof to be devoted to the payment of the Irish Land Commission Annuity in each case and the balance applied towards discharge of the monies paid by the Council for the parties as in previous Agreement?
- (3) Has any provision been made for payment of the costs of the Agreements and the costs already incurred by the Council in connection with the ejectment and other proceedings?

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to Mr. McBrearty
15/12/28

Extract Sent to
Secty. G. N. Railway
15/12/28

Council's Solr
written to
2/2/28

- Minute:- (1) Amounts to be wiped out along with the arrears of rent.
- (2) Modified rents to be paid for all time.
- (3) Costs incurred under these heads to be borne by the County Council.

I41/28.

COUNTY SOLICITOR'S BILL OF COSTS.

The County Solicitor's Bill of Costs was submitted and referred to the Finance Committee for consideration.

I42/28.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS;
PURCHASE OF STENCILS (Half-pint).

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Síochána, Letterkenny, making application for the necessary authority to purchase one set of stencils (half-pint) for use in the sand-blast machine which was being used in connection with the stamping of bottles required in connection with Food and Drugs samples.

Minute:- Authorised to purchase.

I43/28.

SPECIAL TOURIST ROAD GRANTS.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Irish Tourist Association, referring to the Special Tourist Road Grants and requesting to be advised as to any particular districts in County Donegal requiring attention, and in this connection desiring to be informed regarding any proposals the Council decide on submitting as to:-

- (a) Importance of the particular road from the Tourist point of view;
- (b) The special form of attention which the road requires and which would justify an additional Grant;
- (c) The amount of money which you consider would be necessary for dealing adequately with the requirements;
- (d) The condition of the particular road you mention as compared with other Tourist Roads of a similar nature with which you are acquainted.

Particulars of works towards the improvement of which the Council unanimously decided to ask for a portion of the above Grant:-

- Road - Laghey to Pettigo.
- " - Derrybeg to Gortahork via Bloodyforeland;
 - " - Between Dunfanaghy and Falcarragh.
 - " - Going towards Caves of Maghery.
 - " - Between the three roads at Lough Head near Jone's Bridge and end of road at Carntullagh.
 - " - Fintown to Dungloe.
 - " - Killybegs to Glencolumbkille.
 - " - Dungloe to Maghery.
 - " - Colhame to Annagry.

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 Secretary Irish Tourist Association
 16/2/28

Road - Ardara to Rossbeg.
 " - Letterkenny to Stranorlar.

Concreting of footpath along road between Buncrana and Cockhill Chapel;

Road - Carndonagh to Malin Head.

" - To Culdaff
 " - ~~Rosapenna to Carrigart~~
 " - Milford to Portsalon.
 " - Milford to Doon Rock.
 " - Lifford to St. Johnston.

I44/28. CONTRACT No. 9, 1st APRIL, 1927.

A letter was read from Mr. Michael Doogan, Meenderrygamph, Gweedore, re £2:10:0 deducted from his contract by County Surveyor for hire of Council's Machinery which he considered excessive.

Minute:- Referred to Mr. Steadman.

I45/28. re (a) MONEY STRUCK OFF;
 (b) HIRE OF ROAD MACHINERY.

Copies of resolutions passed by the Amalgamated Union of Road Contractors, Strabane No. 2 and Derry No. 2 Areas were submitted:-

- (1) Protesting in the strongest degree against striking off money at the first half-yearly meeting instead of at end of each financial year;
- (2) Condemning having to pay for the use of the Council's Roller and complaining that the contractors are being harshly treated by the County Council as when the cost of breaking and rolling is charged the Council have all the money to get back.

Minute:- Consideration adjourned until next meeting.

I46/28. DAMAGE TO WINDOWS OF LIFFORD COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siochana, Letterkenny, acknowledging receipt of County Council's resolution of 29th November last re damage to windows of Lifford Courthouse as a result of the playing of football and other games in the Square at Lifford and stating that the matter was receiving attention.

Minute:- Secretary directed to reply that no action had yet been taken and requesting that the Council's resolution receive immediate attention.

I47/28. CONSENTS FOR TELEGRAPH WAYLEAVES.

A letter was read from the Solicitor, Department of Posts and Telegraphs, Dublin, thanking the Council for kindly conceding the request of the Department regarding Consents for Telegraph Wayleaves.

In this connection a letter was also read from the Solicitor, Department of Posts and Telegraphs, Dublin, forwarding eight Forms/

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Mr. Doogan
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Extract sent to Wm Magee,
Carrigart,
15/2/28

Extract sent to Chief
Suptd. Garda Siochana
L. Kenny,
15/2/28

Extract sent to
Supt. Dept. Posts and
Telegraphs
15/2/28

Consent
to be
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Forms of Consent for Telegraph Wayleaves so that they might be altered in accordance with the resolution of the 29th November last (No. 1246/27) which he thought was advisable so that the matter might be put in order.

Minute:- Agreed to.

I48/28.

re STONES IN BERTH AT DOWNINGS PIER.

A letter was read from the Harbour Master at Downings re stones recently removed from the berth at Downings Pier.

I49/28.

DANGEROUS TURNINGS AT RAILWAY BRIDGES.

Extract sent to Secy.
to Donegal Ry. Joint
Committee
15/2/28

A letter was read from the Secretary, County Donegal Railways Joint Committee stating that he had not received any complaints as to the dangerous turning at Barnesmore Bridge which was now the same as it was 40 years ago when the railway was constructed and requesting to be informed what the proposal was.

Minute:- Referred to Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, for a report.

Extract sent to
Lough Swilly Ry. Coy.
15/2/28

A letter was also read from the Manager, Londonderry and Lough Swilly Railway Company, on same subject requesting to be informed what particular places were intended to be referred to when a further reply would be sent.

Minute:- Crossings at Annagh and Rashenay.

I50/28.

PROPOSED LOAN OF £2,000.

A letter was read from the Secretary, County Board of Health, Stranorlar, re purpose of installing a drainage system with septic tank at the County Home, and pointing out that it would scarcely be possible to get a loan repayable over 20 years as stated in Council's Minute.

I51/28.

JUDGE'S ROOM, COURTHOUSE, LIFFORD.

Extract sent to
Hugh C. Cochrane,
Lifford
15/2/28

A letter was read from Mr. Hugh C. Cochrane, Under Sheriff, Lifford, re defective stove in the Judge's Room, Courthouse, Lifford, and pointing out that this room badly required to be done up.

Minute:- Referred to Mr. Steadman for a report.

I52/28.

COURTHOUSE, LETTERKENNY -- ROOM OCCUPIED BY
WEIGHTS AND MEASURES INSPECTOR.

Extract sent to
H. C. Cochrane
15/2/28

A letter was read from Mr. Hugh C. Cochrane, Under Sheriff, Lifford enclosing copy of a report which he received from the Courtkeeper at Letterkenny relative to the use of the Solicitor's Room by Sergeant Bredin, Weights and Measures Inspector, as was also a letter from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siochana, Letterkenny, on the matter.

The Secretary said the matter had been settled.

I53/28.

LIGHTING OF BUNCRANA COURTHOUSE BY ELECTRICITY.

A letter was read from the Buncrana Electric Supply Company, re proposed electric lighting of Buncrana Courthouse and stating that they would be prepared to instal 22 lights on 20 switches I6 with opal and 5 with holophane shades, 1 watertight fitting ironclad main switch fuse and 3-way board wired with maconate cable cased on walls with moulded wood casing for the sum of £29.

All works and materials would be the best of their respective kinds and all, with the exception of lamp bulbs, would be guaranteed for 12 months from date of completion. The price would be metered at their current price.

Minute:-

On the motion of Councillor Kavanagh, seconded by Councillor Cole, the tender was unanimously accepted.

I54/28.

ERECTION OF POLES.

A letter was read from the Secretary, County Board of Health, Stranorlar, requesting permission to erect 12 poles along the county road in connection with the electric lighting of Letterkenny District and Fever Hospital.

Minute:- Permission granted on the following conditions:-

- (A) Erection of poles to be subject to the approval of the County Surveyor;
- (b) Poles to be removed when required by the Council;
- (c) Rent 1/- per annum;
- (d) Insurance of Poles and Cables against third-party risk;
- (e) An Agreement to be entered into with the Council which is to be prepared by the Council's Solicitor and cost of same defrayed by the Board.

I55/28.

ERECTION OF POLES.

A letter was read from Mr. Wm. Russell, Milford, applying for permission to erect poles in the streets of Milford in connection with the dupply of electric light to the inhabitants of the town.

Minute:- Permission granted on the conditions specified under (a), (b), (c) and (d) in preceding Minute (No. I54/28). In addition an Agreement to be entered into with the Council which is to be prepared by the Council's Solicitor and cost of same defrayed by Mr. Russell.

I56/28.

INSTALLATION OF A PUBLIC TELEPHONE.

On the motion of Councillor Clarke, seconded by Councillor Gallen, it was unanimously decided to request the Department of Posts and Telegraphs to have a Public Telephone installed in Lifford Post Office.

I57/28.

POSITION OF FLAGMAN.

A letter was read from Mr. Flanagan, Capprey, Ballybofey, applying for the first vacancy in the position of Flagman.

Minute:- Referred to Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor.

I58/28.

SELECTION OF CANDIDATES FOR THE POSITION OF
TEMPORARY CLERK.

The following report of the Special Committee appointed to interview applicants for the position of Temporary Clerk was read. (Meeting held 31st January, 1928):-

The following members were present:- Councillors Baxter, Gallagher (Francis) and the Secretary.

Having interviewed the various candidates and examined their testimonials and certificates, the Committee submitted the following report:-

"We beg to report that in accordance with the Council's resolution we interviewed the candidates for the position of Temporary Clerk in the Council Offices.

Having regard to the nature of the position we consider that a knowledge of Shorthand and Typewriting is essential. A number of the candidates were excellently qualified otherwise, but we have confined our recommendations to candidates possessing those qualifications.

We consider the following candidates most suitable for the position in the order given:- William A. McSheffrey, Harry Reid and David Patton."

Motion:- Councillor Myles proposed that the three candidates recommended be taken on. Councillor Clarke seconded.

Amendment:- Councillor McIvor proposed that the Committee's report be adopted. Councillor Hamilton seconded.

Councillor Myles having withdrawn his motion the Committee's report was declared adopted.

APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY CLERK.

Councillor McCauley proposed that Wm. A. McSheffrey be appointed. Councillor Hamilton seconded.

Councillor McPhelimy proposed that Harry Reid be appointed. Councillor O'Donnell seconded.

Councillor Clarke proposed that David Patton be appointed. Councillor Myles seconded.

V O T I N G.

For McSheffrey----- Councillors Baxter, Cole, Doherty (Patrick), Flood, Gallagher (William), Gallen, Hamilton, Kavanagh, McCauley, McIvor, Sweeney and Quigley. - 12.

For Reid ----- Councillors Blaney, Boyle, Brennan, Gallagher (Bernard), Gallagher (Francis), Holmes, Mahony, Mulreany, McBride, McClafferty, MacPadden, McNulty, McPhelimy, McShane, O'Brien, O'Donnell and Walker. - 17.

For Patton ----- Councillors Clarke and Myles. - 2.
Councillor MacCreadie did not vote.

The Chairman declared Reid appointed.

I59/28.

FOOD AND DRUGS INSPECTORS.

Extract sent to Chief Supt. Garda Siochana & confirmed by 44/15/12/28

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siochana, Letterkenny, stating that Garda C. Coakley, 5850, Clogher, appointed by the County Council on 30th November, 1926, had now been transferred from that station. As the district which was covered by this Garda was a large one, and the duty could not be effectively performed without the incurring of unnecessary travelling expenses and subsistence allowance, it was recommended that the following two be appointed as Inspectors for this area:-

Sergeant P. Faherty, 2166, Glenties;
Sergeant P. Wallace, 5992, Annagry.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Cole, seconded by Councillor Gallon, the recommendation was unanimously adopted and the Seal of the Council ordered to be affixed to Forms of Appointment.

I60/28.

RELIEF GRANT.

Extract sent to Clerk Town Commissioners 15/2/28

A letter was read from the Clerk, Ballyshannon Town Commissioners, enclosing copy resolution passed at the recent meeting requesting the County Council to apply for a sum to be allocated from the Relief Grant for the following purposes:-

- (1) Drainage of Fair Green;
- (2) Widening and deepening of the river at Cashelard;
- (3) Making a bog road near Lisahully.

Minute:- No action taken.

I61/28.

COUNTY COUNCILS' GENERAL COUNCIL : ANNUAL MEETING.

Extract sent to Secy. Co. Council General Council 15/2/28

A letter was read from the Secretary, County Councils' General Council, stating that the date of annual meeting had been provisionally fixed for Friday, 24th February, 1928, and requesting to be notified of any matters which the Donegal County Council might desire to have placed on Agenda for discussion.

Minute:- Any member of the Council who desired to have matters discussed at above meeting should correspond with the Council's representative.

I62/28.

PROPOSAL TO USE PORTION OF HOSPITAL GROUNDS AT GLENTIES AS A BURIAL GROUND.

A letter was read from the Secretary, County Board of Health, Stranorlar, stating that the Board, at a meeting held on 19th December, 1927, decided that above grounds should not be used as a burial ground.

I63/28.

DAMAGED WATER TAP AT INULRINE'S, EAST PORT, BALLYSHANNON.

Extract sent to Secretary Board of Health 15/2/28

A letter was read from the Secretary, County Board of Health, Stranorlar, intimating that the Council's Engine damaged a water tap at above place on the 12th December last and requesting the Council to refund the cost (10/6) of the necessary repairs.

Minute:- Payment ordered.

I64/28.

PROVISION OF POUNDS.

A letter was read from District Justice Walsh enclosing letter received from Superintendent Greany in regard to the provision of Pounds in Letterkenny, Rathmullan and Kerrykeel.

Minute:- No action taken.

I65/28.

LIGHTING OF BUNCRANA AND CARNDONAGH COURTHOUSES.

A letter was read from District Justice Walsh drawing attention to the fact that no proper arrangements appeared to have been made for the lighting of the Buncrana and Carndonagh new Courthouses.

Minute:- Secretary decided to state in reply that the Council had accepted the tender of the Buncrana Electric Supply Company for installation of Electric Light in the former Courthouse and had already made arrangements for the lighting of the latter Courthouse.

I66/28.

MEETINGS OF CUMANN na GAEDHEALACH : COST OF GAS USED.

A letter was read from District Justice Walsh re cost of gas used in connection with meetings of Cumann na Gaedhealach held in the Courthouse, Letterkenny, and stating that he felt confident that the County Council would be pleased to give them a helping hand by waiving all claims in regard to the gas they might have used or would use in the Courthouse.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Cole, seconded by Councillor Gallen, it was unanimously decided to make no charge owing to the small quantity of gas consumed.

PROPOSED NEW ROAD IN TOWNLAND OF ROSSNAKILL.

I67/28.

Councillor Blaney said that the following motion in his name and included in Provisional Road Works Scheme, although passed by the Council had been omitted from the Road Schedule. He proposed that the work be placed in charge of the County Surveyor.

Councillor MacCreadie seconded.

"No. 298 - To make 50 perches of new road between Hugh Blaney's contract at Keadue Bridge and Charlie Shiel's, Ross, in townland of Rosshakill - not to exceed £60."

Minute:- Passed unanimously.

I68/28.

PROPOSED BRIDGE OVER THE RIVER FINN.

A letter was read from Mr. W. Donaldson, Glengrafton, Walshtown, enclosing cheque for £4, being a further contribution towards the proposed construction of a bridge over the river Finn.

I69/28.

FLOODING OF LAND.

A letter was read from Mr. Joseph Alexander, Solicitor, Derry, on behalf of Mr. Thomas Porter, Carrickmac, Inch Island, re flooding of his land caused by a tail race from a pipe through/

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Extract sent to Mr. J. Alexander 15/2/28

through the county road at Carricknee being blocked.

Minute:- Consideration adjourned until next meeting;
Mr. Steadman directed to submit a report.

I70/28. CONDITION OF A ROAD.

A letter was read from Mr. John Kerrigan, Higginstown, Ballyshannon, re condition of the road from Anthony Dolan's on to Hugh Gallagher's, Higginstown, and requesting the Council to have it repaired.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, said this was not a county road.

Minute:- No action taken.

I71/28. RATE FOR ADVERTISING PLEASURE RESORTS : YEAR 1927/1928.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Irish Tourist Association, Dublin, requesting that the balance of 1927/1928 Rate struck for the purpose of developing tourist traffic be remitted as soon as possible.

Minute:- Transfer ordered to be made.

I72/28. RATE FOR ADVERTISING PLEASURE RESORTS - YEAR 1928/1929.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Irish Tourist Association, stating that his Executive would feel grateful if the Donegal County Council could find it possible to make the necessary provision for a rate in aid of Tourist Advertising under Section 67 of the Local Government Act, 1925.

The Secretary appeared before the Council and asked them to renew their farthing rate for ensuing Financial Year.

Minute:- Unanimously agreed on the motion of Councillor Gallon, seconded by Councillor Mahony.

I73/28. re ERECTION OF A GARAGE AT PETTIGO.

A letter was read from Mr. William Shaw, Pettigo, enclosing a sketch of a piece of ground on which he wished to erect a garage and desiring to know if the Council had any objection.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor O'Brien, seconded by Councillor Hamilton, permission was granted subject to the approval of the County Surveyor.

I74/28. COURTHOUSE, KILLYBEGS : ASSESSMENT OF INCOME TAX.

A letter was read from Mr. Bornard Kolly, Courthouse, Killybegs, stating that he had been assessed in Income Tax (15/-) per annum, on the rent of the Courthouse and requesting to know if the Council would relieve him of the Tax.

Minute:- Marked "read".

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Mr. Kolly
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175/28.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS;
SERGEANT CAHILL V PATRICK BOYLE.

Extract sent to
Mr. P. Dorrian
15/2/28.

A letter was read from Mr. P. Dorrian, District Court Clerk, Glen, Letterkenney, stating that a Prosecution under the Food and Drugs Acts against Patrick Boyle was, at Rathmullan District Court on the 4th January, 1928, "dismissed on the merits" with £1 costs and that Mr. Tray, who appeared for the defence, had asked him to apply to the County Council for payment of the amount.

Minute:- Payment ordered.

176/28.

CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION.

Extract sent to
Mr. Wm. Ramage
15/2/28.

A letter dated 5th January, 1928, was read from Mr. William Ramage, Solicitor, Ballyshannon, on behalf of Mr. John Reynolds of Creevy, Ballyshannon, stating that a large quantity of stones had been spread on the road, between Roscat Lane and Alla Brae, and left loose. This condition of affairs continued for some time with the result that on a recent date his horse came down and was injured in respect of which he claimed compensation.

Minute:- On the Secretary's suggestion claim referred to the Insurance Company.

177/28.

CONDITION OF A ROAD.

Extract sent to
Charles Gallagher
15/2/28.

A letter was read from Mr. Charles Gallagher, Beanghmore, Fintown, drawing attention to the condition of the road leading from Head Loughfinn to Crocam.

Mr. Caffrey said this was not an important road as it only served two houses.

Minute:- No action taken.

178/28.

Drain
re ROAD AT MOUNTCHARLES.

Extract sent to
Mr. C. Meehan
15/2/28.

A letter was read from Mr. C. Meehan, Seaview, Mountcharles, relative to a drain, which he was informed belonged to the County Council, which was carrying surface water from Main Street into the site of a place he purchased some time ago.

Minute:- On Mr. Caffrey's recommendation no action was taken.

179/28.

DEFECTIVE PIPES.

Extract sent to
Patrick Byrne
15/2/28.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Byrne, Contractor, Kiltyfannet, Glencolumbkille, reporting that pipes were broken down on the road between Meenacross Post Office and Straboy River.

Mr. Caffrey said heavy Lorries using this road damaged the pipes referred to.

Minute:- Referred to Mr. Caffrey for attention.

180/28.

COMPLAINT.

Extract sent to
Joseph McCallion
15/2/28.

A letter was read from Mr. Joseph McCallion, Bohillion, Burt, referring to his complaint on behalf of other Ex-National Army Men of Burt and himself re the treatment meted out to them in/

in connection with work under Road Grants; and also in regard to the amount earned by himself and other members of his family out of the Grants.

Mr. Steadman said this matter had been fully dealt with at a previous meeting.

Minute:- No action taken.

181/28.

CARNDONAGH COURTHOUSE : COURTKEEPER.

A letter was read from Mr. Hugh C. Cochrane, Under Sheriff, Lifford, enclosing copy of a letter received from the Secretary, Department of Justice, relative to the question of the appointment of a Courtkeeper to take charge of Carndonagh Courthouse in which it was stated that the Minister for Justice had consulted the Attorney General upon the question of the appointment of Courtkeepers generally and was advised that in cases where the County Court formerly sat in a particular Courthouse, but where that Courthouse was now only used for the District Court, the Under Sheriff, as successor to the Sheriff, had no longer any custody or control of the Courthouse which would vest in him the right to appoint the Courtkeeper.

182/28.

ALLOWANCE FROM ROAD FUND.

A letter dated 8th December, 1927, R/RGS/7 was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) on the subject of the allowance from Road Fund to Surveyors with special reference to reports which the Minister received from the Departments Inspectors respecting the work done under Grants in the Districts of Messrs Cunningham and Kelly, Assistant Surveyors, and stating that an allowance from the Road Fund was not necessarily payable to Mr. O'Neill, Assistant County Surveyor.

- Minute:-
- (1) Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, to take up the matter re Mr. Cunningham's District, with the Local Government Department (Roads);
 - (2) Mr. P.J. Kelly to submit a report to County Secretary;
 - (3) Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, to communicate with the Local Government Department re withholding of allowance from Road Fund to Mr. William O'Neill.
In this connection it was decided to ask the Minister for Local Government and Public Health (Roads) to reconsider his decision in the matter.

183/28.

INQUIRY.

A letter dated 12th January, 1928, was read from Councillor Hamilton stating that at next meeting of the Council he intended to inquire:-

- (1) "Whether any satisfactory reply had been received from the Ministry as to the small Drainage Schemes, and if not, why, as the persons benefited bear the expenses, there was this unnecessary delay in authorising their commencement".

(2)/

4 Mr. Kelly's Report
 Ex Grant & sent to Secty. L.G. Dept.
 Roads, 15/2/28.

- (2) "What action, if any, the Central Committee had taken as to the exemption of County Councillors from Jury Service, as we had three T.Ds. on the County Council and presumably other Counties had a similar portion, and as it was not a party question there should be little trouble in doing it".
- (3) "Whether any, and if so, what reply had been received as to our unanimous resolution on the question of Lorry and Bus Traffic".
- (4) "What replies had been received in regard to dangerous corners at approaches to Railway Bridges."

Councillor Hamilton said that since the information required appeared on the Agenda it was not necessary for the Secretary to go into the matter.

184/28.

FURNITURE FOR COURTHOUSE AT MALIN.

A letter was read from Mr. W.S. Colhoun, Malin, submitting a quotation at which he offers to supply certain items of furniture including a press for use by the District Court Clerk found necessary by a Committee of the local County Councillors for Court purposes at Malin.

Letters were also read from Mr. Edward O'Donnell, District Court Clerk, Carndonagh, appending a list of articles required for Malin Courthouse, and with reference to heating, lighting and the appointment of a Caretaker.

Minute:- Consideration adjourned until settlement of Agreement between the owner of above premises and the County Council.

185/28.

re Mr. WILLIAM McCROSSAN, DRIVER, ROLLER No. 15.

A letter was read from the above-named re payment of extra remuneration recently allowed by the Council.

Minute:- Referred to Finance Committee.

186/28.

FLOODING OF LANDS.

A letter was read from _____ Bridget Gallagher, Croevy, Glen, Kilmacrenan, re condition of a field, her property, which was flooded as a result of the Contractor allowing the water from the county road to run into it.

Minute:- Consideration adjourned until next meeting; meanwhile Mr. Dawson, Assistant Surveyor, to submit a report.

187/28.

FLOODING OF PREMISES.

A letter was read from Mr. David Crawford, Shanvalley, Castlefin, re flooding of his premises etc.

Mr. Caffrey reported that he examined the road and the two pipes. One of these was a small pipe which had been continued across a large field by, he presumed, the proprietor; where this pipe crossed the road there was nothing to indicate that it was choked or caused flooding. The Contractor for the road opened it in his (Mr. Caffrey's) presence and the water seemed to/

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to be getting away freely. If the inlet was kept open by the owner there was no chance of the road getting flooded.

With regard to the stream which crossed the road near Mr. Crawford's house this was taken across the road in two large pipes which were quite capable of taking all the water away unless they were closed up by accident; the occupier should keep drain clear.

The manure heap was adjacent to the road and he (Mr. Caffrey) did not think it was the duty of the County Council to enclose this with a wall.

Minute:- Report adopted and Secretary directed to write Mr. Crawford to keep tail drain clear.

188/28.

CONDITION OF ROAD LEADING FROM DRUMOGHILL TO GALDONAGH.

A letter was read from Mr. Samuel Patterson, Drumoghill, Manorcunningham, drawing attention to the bad condition of the above road.

Mr. Steadman said he was dealing with the matter.

189/28.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS;
SERGEANT MELLETT V BOYLE.

A letter was read from Sergeant J. Mellett, Garda Siochana, Dunkineely, enclosing IO/6d, County Analyst's fees in above case.

The Secretary said amount had been lodged to credit of the County Account.

190/28.

LICENSED TRADE.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Waterford County Council, transmitting, for adoption by the Donegal County Council, copy of resolution received from the Urban District of Dungarvan calling the attention of the Government to the desperate plight of the Licensed Trade and requesting that provision for very substantial reductions in Beer and Spirit Duties be made in the Budget of 1928.

Minute:- Consideration adjourned until next meeting.

191/28.

LETTING OF HOSPITAL LANDS AT CARNDONAGH.

A letter was read from Mr. Neal J. Doherty, Auctioneer, Malin Street, Carndonagh, intimating that he had let the Hospital lands at Carndonagh for the coming season at £6:15:0.

192/28.

RELIEF GRANT.

A petition was submitted from the residents in the townlands of Cronakerney and Stroangarrow, asking a share of the above Grant for the purpose of building a bridge and repairing bog road 647 yards long, between the Letterhillew road and Cronakerney.

Minute:- Unanimously resolved that Land Commission be asked for a Grant.

193/28.

GLENTIES No. I PENSION SUB-COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from Dr. J.J. McNelis, Glenties, stating that

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Secy. Waterford Co. Council
15/12/28

Extract Sent to
Secy. Land Commission
16/12/28

Clerk to
Sub-Committee
Mr. J. J. McNelis
written to
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that, owing to professional work, he was unable to attend meetings of above Committee, and requesting the Council to accept his resignation.

Minute:- Resignation accepted and Mr. William O'Donnell, Hotel, Glenties, appointed in his place.

194/28.

CUT IN THE OLD AGE PENSIONS.

In accordance with Notice of Motion Councillor McPhelimy moved - "That the Council request the T.Ds. for the County, at the earliest opportunity, to urge upon the Government to give Legislative effect to the restoration of the "Cut in the Old Age Pensions" with the evolution of more humane methods in determining the qualifications of age and means."

Speaking to the resolution Councillor McPhelimy said that this Government found it expedient in its apprentice days to effect economies in its administration. It became entangled in many embarrassing liabilities, and in obedience to the dictates of the Dublin Commercial Press it lashed out furiously in favour of drastic economy; it responded to the whip. Looking around for something handy to operate upon in the interests of economy the Government applied the surgeon's knife to the Old Age Pensioners. Unlike Lloyd George, they raided not the hen roosts of the wealthy, but the workers and the aged poor of the Country. Old Age Pensioners in the Free State saw their compeers across the Border enjoying the full pension as decreed by the British House of Commons, and he ventured to say they were subjected to less tortuous red tape than by the officials of the Free State. In the matter of blind pensions, persons some years ago were given a pension if their sight was so impaired as to render them incapable of earning their livelihood as they formerly did, but the rule now appeared to be that none but persons absolutely blind could hope to obtain the blind pension. Everybody knew than many old persons were deprived of the pension because they had no documentary proof of their age. In such cases the Pension Officers usually baffled the applicants until the threads of life were worn out, and a great many of these old people became a charge on the rates, which was an injustice to the ratepayers, and a still greater injustice to the old people. What moral right had Ministers to boast of the advancement of the Country when they all knew that its unemployed workers were treated on a lower basis in the matter of unemployment insurance benefit than the workers of Britain, where provision had been made for widows and orphans, with no prospect in the Free State of such an immediate future of such beneficent legislation? He instanced a special case of injustice to an old age pensioner who died last spring. She had been trying to get the pension for ten years, but she only got 6/- a week a few weeks before she died, although she should have got it ten years ago. During all that time she was baffled by the Pension Officer, who adhered to his own whimsical and fictitious calculations, which deprived her of her pension until she was on the threshold of the grave.

Councillor Baxter said Councillor McPhelimy should add to his resolution that the age in marriage certificates should not be used against applicants.

Councillor Brennan, seconding, mentioned a case where a former asylum patient's age as recorded in the asylum was held to be a record by an Officer, although if that had been the correct age there would have been a record of it in the Birth Register, but there was none, because the age was wrong, and the man who was entitled to a pension was refused it.

Councillor/

Extract sent to Dep't Local Gov't & Public Health,
Old Age Pensions Branch,
15/2/28.

Councillor Gallen, in supporting, said the motion was one that affected County Donegal rather seriously. The question was not one of a cut of 1/- per week merely. According to Mr. Blythe, the total reduction came to £600,000 per annum, or 2/- per week on an average. The cut of 1/- came to £300,000, and the other 1/- per week reduction resulted from the tightening of means and fantastic estimates by Pension Officers of means, especially of small farmer applicants. It was a matter for comment that, although the amount available for distribution by way of pensions was so largely reduced, there was no corresponding decrease in the cost of distribution. Instead, for the year 1925-26 there was an increase in the cost of the staff of about £450 per annum. Estimating on the basis of population, Donegal had lost about £30,000 per annum as a result of the cut. Just at the time the cut was effected an additional Grant of £600,000 was given to farmers in relief of rates on agricultural land. It was badly needed, and more besides, but he as a farmer did not want to be subsidised out of the poor-box at the expense of old age pensioners. By way of illustration, he mentioned that he himself got a Grant of £7:10:0 per annum, and his friend, Mr. Clarke, £22 per annum, whilst the pensioners lost £5 per head. Men drawing pensions of from £1,000 to £3,000 a year had got an increase of their net pensions up to about £200 per annum on an average owing to the reduction to 3/- in the £1 on Income Tax. If the Old Age Pensioner took refuge in the County Home the pension was forfeited after three months, but if one of the £2,000 a year pensioners spent twelve months in an inebriates' home - or, perhaps, it would be nicer to call it a hydro - there was no danger of a Pension Officer calling round to lift the pension book. He hoped that steps would be taken to deal drastically with any officials who were responsible for unfairly depriving claimants, especially small farmers, of the pension on the score of fanciful and ludicrous estimates of means. He had had several complaints on this head quite recently. Another hardship was in regard to the inability of claimants to obtain statutory proof of age. Some time ago the Council were informed that affidavits as to age of claimants from contemporaries in cases of this sort would be taken. His experience was that affidavits of this sort were largely ignored. The result was that there were thousands of persons in County Home as given in the report of the Poor Law Commission seventy years or over who cannot get pensions. In their own county there were thirty eight persons seventy years of age or over in the county and forty-one in receipt of Home Assistance.

Councillors Boyle and Clarke also supported the motion which was passed unanimously.

195/28.. re LETTING OF MALIN COURTHOUSE.

A letter dated 25th January, 1928, was read from the Council's Solicitor stating that he had forwarded Draft Agreement in above to Mr. Harvey for approval and enclosing his reply setting out the terms on which he was prepared to let as follows:-

- Ex tract sent to
Mr. John Harvey
15/2/28
- (1) Yearly rent £15 for which the District Justice would be entitled to hold 12 Courts in each year;
 - (2) On giving him (Mr. Harvey) 48 hours notice the building might be used for the following purposes:-

- (a) Meetings of any Committee appointed by the County Council or County Board of Health;
- (b)/

- (b) County Council Elections;
- (c) Meetings of Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee;
- (d) Verification of Weights and Measures.

When used for purposes (a), (c) and (d) to be paid 5/- by the County Council for each such occasion and when used for (b) £2:2:0.

- (3) Landlord to pay all rates;
- (4) Landlord responsible for all repairs inside and outside;
- (5) Landlord not to supply any furniture or fittings but County Council might put in such, provided they were not fixtures which would render the house unsuitable for other purposes;
- (6) Landlord would not be responsible for cleaning, heating and lighting; Clause 7 re determination of tenancy agreed to.

Minute:- Unanimously decided to offer a yearly rent of £15 for the purposes specified under 1, 2 (a), (c) and (d). Under (b) Courthouse not required for County Council Elections. County Council to make provision for cleaning, lighting and heating. A Caretaker to be appointed; applications to be invited for the position.

196/28.

re STOCK IN NAMES OF THE GOVERNORS AND GOVERNESSES OF
THE COUNTY INFIRMARY AT LIFFORD.

Great Northern Railway Company (Ireland).

A letter dated 13th January, 1928, C.10, was read from the Secretary to the above Company intimating that the Stock referred to in the County Secretary's letter had now been registered, as desired, in the name of the Donegal County Council of Lifford, County Donegal.

Bank of Ireland.

The Secretary said that the Stock held by the Bank of Ireland had also been registered in the name of the Donegal County Council.

Belfast and County Down Railway.

With regard to the holding in this Company the Secretary said he had been asked by them to have a Transfer Deed executed. He replied that it was not possible to do so as the Governors and Governesses of the County Donegal Infirmary were abolished under the Act of 1923 and under the circumstances requested to know what the Company suggested being done. The Secretary to the Company replied enclosing a Form of Indemnity for execution on which a Ten Shilling Stamp required to be embossed. In addition a fee of Half-a-Crown was payable for transferring the Stock.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Gallen, seconded by Councillor Clarke, it was unanimously resolved to authorise the Chairman and Secretary to sign Indemnity Form and affix the Council's Seal; further that the cost of stamp and transfer fee be paid.

Patrick McMenamin deceased
County Donegal Infirmary
£100 4% Debenture Canadian
Pacific Railway.

The Secretary read a letter from Messrs Wilson & Simms, Solicitors, Strabane, stating that by an Order in the Lunacy matter their Stock was directed to be transferred into the names of Dr. Bannigan and Mr. James Clarke, but owing to the destruction of the Certificate in the Four Courts this transfer could not be carried out, and the Railway Company had informed them (Messrs Wilson & Simms) that the loss of the Certificate would require to be advertised twice a week for three weeks in the London Times and a number of Stock Exchanges advising all and sundry of the loss, and further that an Indemnity must be given by the Executor with a Bank before any fresh Certificate would be issued.

Minute:- The Secretary was directed to take such steps as he deemed necessary to have the Stock transferred to the County Council.

R A T E S.

197/28.

RATE COLLECTION 1926/27 -- COLLECTOR E.J. DOHERTY.

Arising out of Minute 2/28 of the Finance Committee, the Secretary submitted a letter dated 25th January, 1928, G.4011/1928, from the Local Government Department, agreeing to the removal of the suspension of Collector E.J. Doherty until the 29th February, 1928 to enable him to close his 1926/27 collection by that date, failing which the Department should be notified, and the Collector's books again taken up pursuant to Article 99 of the Public Bodies Order, 1925.

Minute:- Council noted Secretary's report that the Collector had been informed of the Department's decision and that the Books for the year mentioned had been returned on the 26th January, 1928.

198/28.

APPOINTMENT OF RATE COLLECTOR FOR No. 9 COLLECTION DISTRICT.

Applications were submitted for the position of Rate Collector from Messrs George M. Dunnion, Cullionboy, Barnesmore, and Seamus Quinn, Fintown (Minute 3/28 Finance Committee).

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Gallagher (Francis), seconded by Councillor Hamilton, it was unanimously decided to appoint Mr. George M. Dunnion Rate Collector, subject to the sanction of the Local Government Department; and, in addition to the security of £1018 to be provided by the Guarantee Society, to accept Messrs Edward Gillespie, Farmer, Driminardagh, Donogal, and Michael Dunnion, Farmer, Cullionboy, Barnesmore, as his Personal Sureties under the Public Bodies Order for £200.

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199/28.

EX-COLLECTOR THOMAS HARVEY : RATE COLLECTION 1925/26.

A letter dated 20th January, 1928, G.3560/1928, was submitted from the Local Government Department stating that Ex-Collector Thomas Harvey might be given a definite short period to close his accounts, and if he failed to do so, proceedings should be instituted against him and his sureties under his Bond (Minute 1359/27 County Council).

Minute:- Council extended the time for the lodgment of the amount involved, namely, £96:19:3, to the 14th February, 1928, which is the date fixed for the next meeting of the Finance Committee.

200/28.

ESTATE OF THE IRISH LAND COMMISSION - Rec. No. S.4879
RATES 1926/27 - COLLECTOR E.J. DOHERTY'S DISTRICT.

A letter dated 11th January, 1928, No. 55455/27, was submitted from the Irish Land Commission transmitting Receivable Order for £46 so as to enable Collector E.J. Doherty to make a refund of that amount in respect of rates recovered by seizures on their lands of Straid; also important letter dated the 15th December, 1927, G.55550/27 from the Local Government Department (Minute 1364/27 County Council).

Minute:- Council decided to call Collector E.J. Doherty's attention to their previous Minute (No. 1364/27) with the view to immediate compliance with its terms; and also to instruct their Solicitor to assert a claim against the Purchase Money of the Estate under Sub-Section 4 of Section 18 of the Land Act, 1927.

201/28.

FIDELITY GUARANTEE BOND : COLLECTOR PETER GREENE.

A letter dated the 30th December, 1927 was submitted from the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Limited, 43, Dame Street, Dublin, intimating that the Company concerned were prepared to meet the Council by the issue of a Separate Bond in the case of Collector Greene on the understanding that strict supervision be kept over the books of this Officer (Minute 1366/27 County Council).

Minute:- Council directed Secretary to request Company to arrange for the issue of their Bond in the case without further delay.

202/28.

RATES ON LANDS OF CRANNY UPPER, CRANNY LOWER,
DRUMMACULLAN AND BONNYGLEN : ESTATE OF
W.H.M. SINCLAIR ; No. S.186, COUNTY DONEGAL.

A letter dated 17th January, 1928, No. 2801126 was submitted from the Commissioner of Valuation intimating that the revised valuations of the lands of Cranny Upper, Cranny Lower, Drummacullan and Bonnyglen on the Sinclair Estate had not yet been determined, but when the necessary apportionment had been made the Council would be communicated with in the matter (Minute 1367/27 County Council).

Extract Sent to
Manager I.P. Har-
mutual Insurance Co.
20/1/28
Extract Sent to R.G. Dept
10/2/28

Extract Sent to
R.G. Dept 10/2/28

203/28.

PAYMENT OF ORDINARY POUNDAGE -- HALF-YEAR ENDED
THE 30th SEPTEMBER, 1927 - COLLECTOR BERNARD BROWNE.

A letter dated the 6th January, 1928, G.1108/1927, was submitted from the Local Government Department sanctioning payment of ordinary poundage to Collector Bernard Browne on the first moiety of his collection for 1927/28 which he had closed (Minute 4/28 Finance Committee).

204/28.

PAYMENT OF ORDINARY POUNDAGE TO COLLECTORS GREENE,
LOGUE AND FLOOD ON ONE MOIETY OF THE RATES FOR 1925/26,
1926/27 and 1927/28 respectively.

A letter dated the 28th January, 1928, G.5671/1928, was submitted from the Local Government Department sanctioning payment of ordinary poundage to Collectors Greene, Logue and Flood on one moiety of their collections which they have closed for 1925/26, 1926/27 and 1927/28 respectively.

205/28.

PAYMENT OF ORDINARY POUNDAGE -- HALF-YEAR ENDED
THE 30th SEPTEMBER, 1927 - COLLECTORS GILLESPIE
(No. I District) and FRIEL.

Letters dated the 12th December, 1927, G.58959/1927 and 20th December, 1927, G.60762/1927, were submitted from the Local Government Department sanctioning payment of ordinary poundage to Collectors Gillespie (No. I District) and Friel on the first moiety of their collections for 1927/28 which they have closed.

206/28.

EXTENSION OF COLLECTION PERIOD IN CASES OF COLLECTORS
SWEENEY, McGLINCHEY, McHUGH (No. 15 District) AND
MOORE : 1926/27 COLLECTIONS.

A letter dated the 22nd December, 1927, G.61328/27, was submitted from the Local Government Department intimating that the latter's communication of the 9th idem, G.58510/27, extending the time for the completion of certain collections for 1926/27, also applied to the case of Collector Moore (Minute 1372/27 County Council).

207/28.

PAYMENT OF ORDINARY POUNDAGE -- HALF-YEAR ENDED THE
31st MARCH, 1927 - COLLECTOR McHUGH (No. 15 District).

A letter dated the 20th January, 1928, G.3750/28, was submitted from the Local Government Department sanctioning payment of ordinary poundage to Collector McHugh on the second moiety of his No. 15 District Collection for 1926/27 which he has closed, but pointing out that this officer should be warned that undue delay in closing his warrants for 1927/28 will result in loss of some part of his poundage (Minutes 1372/27 and 1373/27 County Council).

Minute:- Council directed Secretary to convey the Department's warning in the matter to Collector McHugh.

*DEPT. L.S. Dept
written to 17/12/28*

208/28.

PAYMENT OF ORDINARY AND ADDITIONAL PENNY POUNDAGE;
COLLECTORS SWEENEY, McGLINCHEY AND MOORE 1926/27.

A letter dated the 20th January, 1928, G.3566/28 was submitted from the Local Government Department sanctioning, on this occasion, payment of additional penny poundage in respect of the 1926/27 collections to Collectors P.J. Sweeney, Joseph McGlinchey and Patrick Moore (Minute 5/28 Finance Committee).

209/28.

ADDITIONAL PENNY POUNDAGE 1926/27;
COLLECTORS DORRIAN AND CHARLES McGINTY.

A letter dated the 20th January, 1928, G.3060/1928, was submitted from the Local Government Department sanctioning, on this occasion, the payment of additional penny poundage to Collectors Darrian and McGinty in respect of their 1926/27 Collections (Minute 1362/27 County Council).

210/28.

LIABILITY FOR RATES ON LANDS : SEC. 18. LAND ACT, 1927.

A letter dated the 16th December, 1927, G.29628/27, Misc., was submitted from the Local Government Department regarding the liability for rates on lands under the Land Act, 1927 with particular reference to Sub-Section 4 of Section 18 which provides for the payment of arrears out of the purchase money for lands in respect of which rates are due up to the appointed day.

Minute:- Council directed that their Solicitor, in all cases to which the Act applied, and in which default in immediate payment of arrears of Poor Rate to the appointed day had been made, to enter an appearance at the Registrar's Office with the view to the recovery of the amounts.

211/28.

CLAIM FOR RECOUPMENT OF RATES UNDER
THE FISHERIES ACT, 1925.

A letter dated the 13th December, 1927, No. 59434/1927, was submitted from the Local Government Department regarding the repayment by the Minister for Fisheries in respect of rates for the current year in this County under Sub-Section 7 of Section 13 of the Fisheries Act, 1925.

212/28.

NON-EXECUTED DECREES : COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH
COTTAGES -- COLLECTOR P.J. SWEENEY'S DISTRICT.

A letter from Collector P.J. Sweeney, Croagh, Dunkineely, was submitted regarding cases in his district in which Decrees for possession of County Board of Health Cottages were obtained some time ago and in which no further action had been taken.

Minute:- Council directed that matter be referred to County Board of Health for their observations.

Extract Sent
to R. G. Doyle
17/2/28

Extract Sent
to Board of Health
17/2/28
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to R. G. Doyle
17/2/28

213/28.

RATES ON HOLDING OF THE LATE DANIEL BONNER, CAPRY,
COLLECTOR MCGINTY'S DISTRICT.

A letter was submitted from Collector Charles McGinty regarding the rates due on the holding of the late Daniel Bonner, Capry, in his collection district.

Minute:- Matter referred to the Rate Inspector for investigation and report.

Confirmed,

M. M. J. J. J. Chairman

28/2/28

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COPY MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF
THE DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL HELD IN THE COURTHOUSE,
LIFFORD, ON TUESDAY, THE 28th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1928.

A T T E N D A N C E.

The members present were:-

Councillors MacFadden (Chairman),
Baxter, Blaney, Boyle, Brennan, Clarke, Cole, Doherty (Edward),
Doherty (Patrick), Flood, Gallagher (Bernard), Gallagher
(Francis), Gallagher (William), Gallen, Hamilton, Kavanagh,
Loughrey, Mahony, Mulreany, Myles, McBride, McCauley, MacCreadie,
McNulty, McPhelimy, McShane, O'Brien, O'Donnell, Scott, Sweeney,
and Walker.

214/28.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

On the motion of Councillor Boyle, seconded by Councillor
Baxter, the following roads were included in Minute No. 143 -
Meeting held 31st January, 1928:-

- (a) Runafast to Main Road;
- (b) Road Carrigart to Rosapenna.

With this amendment the Minutes were unanimously confirmed.

215/28.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Councillor Mahony proposed that the report of the Finance
Committee meeting held 31st January, 1928 be adopted.

Councillor Clarke seconded.

Councillor Baxter moved as an amendment that the sum of
£5,510 referred to in recommendation No. 10 be not transferred
to the Capital Account but allowed to remain in the ordinary
account with a view to increasing the balance proposed to be
taken for credit in reducing the Rates in respect of the ensuing
Financial Year.

Councillor Loughrey seconded.

The Secretary said he strongly objected to that. The
County Council had no right to put it into general funds. He
took no objection to it at the time because he knew no rebuilding
or reconstruction was then going to take place, and it helped to
lift the burden off the ratepayers. The Council had finished
up the year with a fairly decent credit balance, and they should
now pay back the money to the fund they took it from. It was
not fair to throw on the new Council the burden of raising money
which the existing Council had taken in order to save the rates.

V O T I N G.

For the amendment.----- Councillors Baxter, Doherty (Patrick),
Gallagher (Bernard), Hamilton,
Kavanagh, Loughrey, MacCreadie, and
O'Donnell. - 8.

Against.----- Councillors MacFadden, Blaney, Boyle,
Brennan, Clarke, Cole, Doherty (E.),
Flood/

Irish Tourist Association
Written To
12/3/28

Flood, Gallagher (William),
Gallagher (Francis), Gallen, Mahony,
Mulreany, Myles, McBride, McCauley,
McNulty, McPhelimy, McShane, O'Brien,
Scott, Sweeney and Walker. - 23.

The Chairman declared motion carried and Report adopted.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony, seconded by Councillor Clarke, the report of the Finance Committee meeting held 14th February, 1928 was unanimously adopted.

Subsequent to the adoption of the latter Report Councillor Gallagher (Bernard) moved, and Councillor Sweeney seconded that that recommendation No. 25 be deleted.

The Chairman ruled that as the Report referred to had been adopted the motion was out of order.

216/28.

CLAIMS COMMITTEE.

In submitting the Report of the Special Committee appointed to consider claims for remuneration for extra work caused by fire in County Council Offices in February, 1925 - meeting held 14th February, 1928 - a letter was read from Mr. John Wray, Solicitor, Ramelton, on behalf of Mr. Andrew Heron, objecting to the distribution on the ground that it was not in accordance with the work done by each person mentioned in the Report.

Mr. Clark, Solicitor, Strabane, appeared on behalf of Mr. William McDevitt, and appealed to the Council to allow him a sum for the work done by him, but no action was taken.

Councillor Mahony proposed that the Report of the Committee be adopted and that the respective amounts be paid out of the sum of £5,510 received from the Insurance Company in respect of above burning and the restoration of the Council's records. Further, that the amounts do not rank for pension purposes.

Councillor Clarke seconded.

Councillor Loughrey proposed, as an amendment, that the Committee's recommendation that Mr. James Heron be paid £200 be adopted and that the recommendations in regard to claims of remaining officials named in report be deleted.

Councillor Blaney said he would second the amendment if Councillor Loughrey agreed to amend it by substituting £100 for £200.

Councillor Loughrey acquiesced.

V O T I N G.

For the amendment ----- Councillors Baxter, Blaney, Brennan,
Cole, Doherty (Patrick), Gallagher
(Bernard), Gallagher (William),
Kavanagh, Loughrey, Myles, McCauley,
O'Brien and Scott. - 13.

Against ----- Councillors MacFadden, Boyle, Clarke,
Doherty (Edward), Flood, Gallagher
(Francis), Gallen, Hamilton, Mahony,
Mulreany, McBride, MacCreadie, McNulty,
McPhelimy, McShane, O'Donnell,
Sweeney and Walker. - 18.

The Chairman declared motion carried and Report of Committee adopted.

217/28.

T H A N K S.

Councillor Scott returned thanks to the Council for co-opting him a member and said it was a broad minded action which he very much appreciated. He only regretted that such a co-option became necessary through the untimely death of Councillor Black.

218/28.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

On the motion of Councillor Cole, Councillor Scott was appointed a member of the Finance Committee in place of the late Councillor Black.

219/28. DEMANDS FROM URBAN DISTRICT COUNCILS.

As required by Article 79 of the Public Bodies Order, 1925, the Council determined the amounts to be demanded from the Urban District Councils of Buncrana, Bundoran and Letterkenny, in respect of the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1929, as follows:-
Buncrana £1,854:2:10; Bundoran £1,523:8:2; Letterkenny £1803:10:10.

220/28.

ESTIMATES OF RATES.ARTICLES 78 and 79 OF THE PUBLIC BODIES ORDER, 1925.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony, seconded by Councillor Gallagher (Francis), the General Estimate of Rates and Estimate of Rates for Separate Charges in respect of Financial Year ending 31st March, 1929, prepared in connection with the Secretary's Estimates as adopted by the Finance Committee on the 31st January, 1928 were, without amendments, unanimously confirmed.

221/28.

CONDITION OF A ROAD.

Councillor Loughrey moved - "That the County Surveyor be instructed to carry out the necessary repairs on the road from Kerrykeel to Glenvar, between William Cullen's, Milltown and John Heraghty's, Bunnington, which was flooded recently and traffic impassable."

Councillor Baxter seconded.

Minute;- Matter left in Mr. Steadman's hands to deal with.

222/28.

COUNTY MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter, seconded by Councillor Mahony, the consideration of the question of the appointment of a County Medical Officer of Health was further postponed for six months.

223/28.

PROPOSED DEVIATION OF TRUNK ROAD;
BURTONPORT/KINCASSLAGH.

A letter dated 23rd January, 1928, R/RD/7, was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) relative to a deviation of the main road Burtonport/Kincasslagh, and stating that until a road was made over the proposed route the Minister could not amend the route shown in the existing main road schedule.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, submitted the following report which was read:-

I have/

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R. & Dept. Roads.
9/3/28

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9/3/28

"I have to report that I have made another inspection of the proposed deviation of the Trunk Road near Burtonport. The alternate route, though shorter from one County Road to the other, would be more expensive to make. This is due to deeper fillings and condition of existing County Road. From where the alternate route joins the County Road to where the first route meets this road is 108 perches. This length of County Road is narrow, tortuous, has a steep hill and crosses a railway line. I would, therefore, consider the first route the better one as it is more direct and would be cheaper to make. My estimate for making a Trunk Road by the first route is £3,000 which includes a bridge over the railway."

Minute:- No further action taken.

224/28.

CARNDONAGH WORKHOUSE : LETTING OF ROOMS.

A letter dated 20th February, 1928, P.10401/28, Pb., was read from the Local Government Department in regard to the proposal of the Donegal County Council to let rooms in Carndonagh Workhouse to Mr. Charles McLaughlin at a rent of £10 a year and stating that in view of the estimated letting value, as submitted by the Department of Valuation, viz.- £25 a year, the Minister considered that a rent of £10 a year would be much too small. To meet the wishes of the Council in this matter the Minister would be prepared to recommend a letting of £15 a year, the tenant to be liable for rates and maintenance.

The Secretary said that he had sent a copy of above letter to Mr. Charles McLaughlin but had not received a reply.

Councillor Cole said Mr. McLaughlin would agree to a rent of £12:10:0 a year.

Minute:- Consideration adjourned until next meeting.

225/28.

MAGAZINES FOR STORAGE OF EXPLOSIVES.

A letter dated 26th January, 1928, R/IR/45, was read from the Minister of Local Government and Public Health (Roads), stating that the Minister for Justice had informed him that the arrangements by which the Garda Síochána Authorities were at present taking charge of explosives formerly kept in Military Barracks were of a purely temporary character and requesting that the Donegal County Council would take immediate steps to provide themselves with suitable stores or magazines for the storage of the necessary explosives. If the County Surveyor had any doubt as to the requirements with which the stores should comply he should communicate with the Department of Justice.

Minute:- Unanimously resolved on the motion of Councillor Baxter, seconded by Councillor Doherty (Edward), that the Minister for Justice be requested to permit of the erection by the Council of two magazines in the Northern and two in the Southern Divisions of the County for the storage of explosives for use of County Surveyors. The magazines to be put up at Garda Barracks and to be under the control of the Garda; the location of the magazines to be arranged by the County Surveyors.

Extract sent to Local Govt Dept. 9/3/28

Extract sent to Secy. Dept. of Justice 9/3/28

226/28.

NEW BUILDINGS LIST.

A letter dated 27th January, 1928, G.5434/1928, was read from the Local Government Department stating that an Appeal had been received in this Department from Mr. John D. Gallagher, Lurganboyce, Carradoan, Letterkenmy, against the exclusion of his premises from the New Buildings List and requesting that the initial claim and any supporting documents be transmitted to the Department.

The Secretary said that the Department's request had been complied with.

Extract sent to
C.-G. Dept.
9/3/28

227/28.

BURTONPORT HARBOUR.

A letter dated 27th January, 1928, 20752/27, was read from the Office of Public Works, re action of several yawls coming for provisions to the mainland in discharging their ballast (stones) overboard at the slipway at Burtonport Harbour when about to return to the Island loaded with provisions etc. and pointing out that this was a dangerous practice which should be stopped at once in the interests of the fishermen and other boatowners and requesting the Council to instruct their Harbour Master to see that the berths were kept clear in future.

In this connection a report on the matter was read from the Harbour Master.

Extract sent to
Board of Works
9/3/28

Minute:- Report considered satisfactory and copy directed to be sent to Board of Works.

228/28.

CLAIM FOR REMUNERATION AS
INSPECTOR OF LABOURERS' COTTAGES.

A letter dated 30th January, 1928, H.15131/1928 (P.C.), was read from the Local Government Department (Housing) forwarding a communication received from Mr. Charles Molloy, Glenties, respecting his claim as Inspector of Labourers' Cottages in the late Glenties Rural District together with a copy of the Minister's reply for the information of the Council, stating that the amount of remuneration, if any, to be allowed in the matter was one for the Donegal Board of Health and Public Assistance in the first instance.

229/28.

PUBLIC BODIES ORDER, 1927.

A letter dated 31st January, 1928, No. 6320/1928, was read from the Local Government Department, enclosing a printed copy of the Public Bodies Order, 1927 and appending remarks intended for the assistance of County Secretaries in forming the accounts outlined in the new Form of Abstract (Form 25) as prescribed in the Order.

230/28.

HARBOUR MASTER AT DOWNINGS PIER.

A letter dated 14th February, 1928, 2597/28, was read from the Commissioners of Public Works setting forth the conditions under which they proposed to appoint Mr. McGettigan as Harbour Master at Downings Pier and mentioning that applications for this post had also been made to them by Mr. Dan McBride, Murlog, Downings, and Mr. Maurice Kair, Downings.

Extract sent to
Board of Works
9/3/28

Minute:- Conditions acceptable - Security to be given by Mr. McGettigan £25.

231/28.

POSITION OF HARBOUR MASTER AT DOWNINGS PIER.

An application by Mr. Dan McBride, Murlog, Downings, for the above position was submitted.

232/28.

COUNTY DONEGAL.
ROAD MAINTENANCE GRANTS 1927-28.

A letter dated 2nd February, 1928, R/RGM/7, was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) relative to the preparation of claims for Road Maintenance Grants for 1927/28.

233/28. DONEGAL COTTAGE HAND-SPUN FLANNEL INDUSTRY.

Letters were read from the undermentioned acknowledging receipt of copy of the Council's resolution on 31st January, 1928 on above subject.

- (a) Secretary to the President, Irish Free State;
- (b) Department of Industry and Commerce.

In this connection a letter dated 11th February, 1928, No. I was read from the Secretary, Department of Fisheries, stating that with reference to the resolution adopted by the Donegal County Council on 31st January, 1928 re the Donegal Cottage Hand-Spun Flannel Industry, the Department was taking those steps which appeared necessary and within its power to secure the rehabilitation of the Home-Spun Industry in Donegal; a decision on the question of a Tariff on Woollen Home-Spun was outside the scope of the Minister's functions.

234/28.

APPOINTMENT OF Mr. H. REID AS TEMPORARY
CLERK IN COUNCIL OFFICES.

A letter dated 14th February, 1928, G.9545/1928, was read from the Local Government Department stating that the Minister had sanctioned the proposed temporary appointment of Mr. H. Reid as Clerk in Council Offices, for a period of three months, at £2 per week.

RATHMULLAN PIER EXTENSION -- ORIGINAL LEASE.

235/28.

A letter dated 7th February, 1928, 24336/27, was read from the Office of Public Works, enclosing, for retention by the Donegal County Council, the Original Lease to them of above Pier Extension.

236/28.

FORM OF REQUEST IN CONNECTION WITH VACANCIES
FOR POSITIONS UNDER LOCAL AUTHORITIES.

A letter dated 2nd February, 1928, 61571, was read from the Secretary, Local Appointments Commissioners, enclosing a supply of Form of Request drawn up by the Commissioners in connection with the above.

237/28.

re Mr. JOHN MCGINLEY, Ex-SANITARY
SUB-OFFICER, etc. : PENSION.

A letter dated 8th February, 1928, P.H.8001/28, was read from the Local Government Department with regard to the case of John McGinley, Dunfanaghy, Ex-Sanitary Sub-Officer etc. and stating that the Minister was prepared to acquiesce in the Council's proposal (Minute No. 81/28) but with a view to the preparation of the formal Consent Order it would be necessary for the County Council to specify the amount of the Grant recommended by them.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor MacCreadie, seconded by Councillor Mahony, yearly amount fixed at £20:14:4 - equal eleven twentieths of £37:14:4 average yearly salary and emoluments.

238/28.

VETERINARY INSPECTOR FOR DONEGAL NORTH.

A letter dated 10th February, 1928, L.3502-27 was read from the Department of Lands and Agriculture inquiring whether the Donegal County Council had duly appointed the person recommended by the Local Appointments Commissioners as Veterinary Inspector for the District of North Donegal.

The Secretary said he had applied in the negative.

Minute:- Unanimously resolved on the motion of Councillor Cole, seconded by Councillor Walker, that consideration of the appointment of a Veterinary Inspector for Donegal North be further adjourned.

239/28.

re Mr. W.J. KING, WILLBROOK, RATHEARNHAM, Co. DUBLIN.

A letter was read from the above named referring to his letter of 5th December last and desiring to know the decision of the Donegal County Council regarding his appointment as Veterinary Inspector for Donegal North.

240/28.

COST OF LIVING IN AN SAORSTAT.

A letter dated 10th February, 1928, was read from the Local Government Department stating that it had been decided to inquire into the cost of living in An Saorstat as at Mid February and in connection therewith it was necessary to obtain particulars of rents paid at Mid February for housing in places from which returns had been received at the Mid October inquiry and in any other district under the Administration of the County Council which might be selected as being representative, and enclosing forms for completion by the Rate Collectors etc.

The Secretary said the matter was receiving attention.

241/28.

PROPOSED APPOINTMENT OF AN ASSISTANT SURVEYOR.

A letter dated 14th February, 1928, R/RS/7 was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) stating that the Minister had sanctioned the proposal of the Donegal County Council to appoint an Assistant County Surveyor at a salary of £175 per annum, plus cost of living bonus (at present £40:10:0) together with an allowance for vouched travelling expenses, not exceeding such rates and upon such terms as the Minister might from time to time authorise.

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Extract sent to R.S. Dept.
9/3/28

Extract sent to Secy.
Appointments
Commissioners
9/3/28

The Secretary said he had sent a copy of this letter to the Local Appointments Commissioners as requested by them in their letter of 17th January, 1928, L.A.17/3/28.

Extract sent to
R.G. Dept. Roads.
9/3/28

242/28. ROAD WORKS SCHEME FOR 1928-29.

A letter dated 15th February, 1928, R/MM/7, was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) asking to be furnished immediately with a copy of the above scheme.

The Secretary said the matter was receiving attention.

243/28. FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE.

The following copies of Orders made by the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland were submitted:-

Foot and Mouth Disease Order No. 59 dated 17th February, 1928;
Foot and Mouth Disease (Wexford Local Restrictions) Order No. 61 dated 18th February, 1928;
Foot and Mouth Disease (Exhibitions) Order No. 63 dated 18th February, 1928.

244/28. BALLINDRAIT PROPOSED DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

A letter dated 17th February, 1928, was read from the Office of Public Works with reference to the above proposed Drainage District and pointing out that the Commissioners would not be in a position to prepare and exhibit the scheme for the votes of the occupiers unless an assurance was received that the County Council would agree to make the contribution asked for in the Commissioners' letter of 21st September, 1927, No. 18132/27, viz.- an annual amount of £72 for 35 years.

A letter dated 27th February, 1928 was read from Mr. John McDermott, Rossgeir House, Ballindrait, one of the occupiers interested in the above scheme.

Councillor Gallen said he considered the estimated cost of the proposed works excessive.

Minute:- Unanimously decided not to contribute £72 yearly and to send a copy of Mr. McDermott's letter to the Board of Works.

245/28.

PROPOSED PORTSALON AND DUNFINNEY DRAINAGE SCHEME.

A letter dated ^{25th} 21st January, 1928, 24718/27, was read from the Office of Public Works, requesting to be informed whether the Donogal County Council had agreed to contribute 16 2/3rds % of the total actual cost of the expense of carrying out the above proposed Drainage District Scheme.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor MacCreadie, seconded by Councillor Baxter, it was unanimously agreed to contribute 16 2/3rds % of the total actual cost and expenses of carrying out the scheme.

246/28.

LENNAN (Lower) PROPOSED DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

A letter dated 2nd February, 1928, No. 23174/27 was read from the Commissioners of Public Works stating that they had the above scheme inspected by an Engineer and a Land Valuer on their behalf. The area they proposed to deal with extended from Ballyboo/

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Bellyboe, a short distance north of Milltown Bridge to the Mill at Bridge End above Ramelton. It included the drainage of lands on the Maggy's Burn on the north of Lough Fern and the Glashagh River from the townland of Ellistrin Beg to its confluence with the Lennan River. The Engineer estimated that the works necessary to make a substantial improvement only on the Drainage conditions would cost approximately £6,150. The Valuer estimated that the lands affected would derive an annual benefit of £262:10:6. The annual charge to repay £6,150 in 35 years with interest at the rate of $5\frac{1}{2}\%$ per annum was £398:4:3 and maintenance charges might be estimated at £76:17:6. The total annual charge would therefore be £475:1:9 against an annual benefit estimated at £262:10:6 so that a free grant of about $53\frac{1}{3}\%$ would be required to make the scheme economic for the occupiers of the benefited lands.

If the Donegal County Council were desirous that the scheme as outlined should proceed, the Commissioners were willing to ask the Minister for Finance to recommend the Dail to grant $43\frac{1}{3}\%$ of the actual cost provided the County Council would contribute from County Funds the remaining 10% needed to make the scheme economic.

Councillor Baxter said the original scheme brought forward some time ago was for the removal of land and mud banks in the Lower Lennan, but that scheme had been damned by the fact that the Office of Public Works enlarged it and included in it a district for which there was no petition before them at all. In his own district some of the best land in the country was completely ruined simply because these mud banks were not removed. He had seen 300 acres of an inland sea in another district. He proposed that the Council request the Board of Works to send down their Engineer to inspect and report on the original scheme and make a fresh estimate.

Councillor Doherty (Edward) seconded the motion which was passed unanimously.

247/28.

PROPOSED DRAINAGE OF THE UPPER REACHES OF THE LENNAN RIVER.

The Commissioners in their letter dated 2nd February, 1928, No. 23174/27 also referred to the petition for the drainage of the upper reaches of the Lennan River forwarded by the County Secretary on the 19th November, 1925, and stated that they had decided, having regard to its cost, the scheme would prove quite economic and therefore they proposed to proceed no further in the matter.

Councillor Doherty (Edward) commented on the fact that the petition was sent to the Department on the 19th November, 1925, and now, after $2\frac{1}{4}$ years' incubation, they were told by the Board of Works that the scheme was uneconomic and could not be proceeded with, and no special reasons were given for adopting such a course. The Government proposed to pay £600,000 on the Drainage of the Barrow and were spending millions on the River Shannon, but in this County they could not even get a Paltry Free Grant of £5,000 for drainage purposes. At certain times of the year it was a pitiable sight to see hundreds of acres of land flooded along the valley of the Lennan. In the harvest of 1926 a farmer in the district lost 13 acres of corn, some of which was carried away as far as Lough Fern. If the flooding continued much longer the farmers of the district would strike against the payment of rent and the Government would then have to face the question of economics in real earnest. To test the/

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the Good Faith of the Government as regards this drainage scheme the ratepayers along the upper reaches of the Lennan were prepared to accept a loan of £2,000, which it was estimated would cover the cost of the removal of the bedrock obstruction at Cottain Wood, known locally as the "steps", and also the removal of all obstacles under the bridges from Churchill to Kilmacrenan. The obstruction at the "steps" was responsible for most of the flooding. It was further suggested that the proposed loan of £2,000 be obtained and repaid according to the provisions of the Arterial Drainage Act of 1925. This, he considered, was a concrete proposal and it remained to be seen whether the Government would generously respond.

248/28. TIEVEBRACK DRAINAGE SCHEME (Abandoned).

A letter dated 13th February, 1928, 22076/27, was read from the Office of Public Works requesting payment of £5:2:3 the portion payable by the Donegal County Council of the expenses incurred in the preparation of the above scheme.

Minute:- Payment ordered.

249/28.

DRAFT SCHEME OF POLLING DISTRICTS AND POLLING PLACES.

The Secretary submitted above Draft Scheme for each of the five Electoral Areas in the County as prepared by him from representations made by interested parties. A copy was handed to the representatives for the respective areas for the purpose of inserting therein any changes they might consider necessary. Scheme to be returned to County Secretary within a week.

In this connection a letter dated 20th February, 1928, F.10297/28(c) was read from the Local Government Department acknowledging receipt of County Secretary's letter of 14th idem and stating that before expressing an opinion in regard to the Polling arrangements in Donegal County the Minister would be glad to have a copy of the Draft Scheme.

The Secretary said the matter would receive attention.

250/28.

RATE LEVIED FOR DEVELOPING THE TOURIST TRAFFIC.

A letter dated 20th February, 1928, G.10706/1928 Fa. was read from the Local Government Department stating that the Minister had sanctioned the proposed transfer to the Irish Tourist Association of the balance of the sum raised for 1927/28 for the purpose of developing the Tourist Traffic - amount £167:10:0.

251/28.

REGISTRATION AND LICENSING OF MECHANICALLY PROPELLED ROAD VEHICLES.

A letter dated 18th February, 1928, Circular MT/127, was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) stating that the Minister was anxious to get reliable figures from each Licensing Authority in relation to the growth of motor omnibus traffic in the State and requesting to be furnished with particulars of the numbers of vehicles of the omnibus and char-a-banc type respectively which were registered with the Donegal County Council during the calendar years 1925, 1926 and 1927.

The Secretary said that the required information had been furnished on the prescribed Form (R.F.15/6).

Paying Order
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Paying Order
issued

252/28.

LEVEL CROSSING GATES AT PORTHALL STATION.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Great Northern Railway Company, re level Crossing Gates at Porthall Station and stating that the Company's Traffic Manager was giving the matter, of which the County Council complained, immediate attention.

Minute:- Unanimously resolved that the Secretary to the Council be directed to write the Company stating that unless arrangements were made to have the above gates opened within one week from date of letter proceedings would be instituted by the Council.

253/28.

DANGEROUS TURNING AT BARNESMORE BRIDGE.

A letter was read from the County Donegal Railways Joint Committee referring to County Council's resolution re dangerous turning at Barnesmore Bridge and requesting to be informed what the proposal was, as they took it the County Surveyor had prepared a report on the matter.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, reported as follows:-

"The Bridge over the Railway at Barnesmore has two very awkward bends. These could be eased somewhat by setting back the left-hand parapets for a few yards of each approach coming from Donegal and Ballybofey respectively. If this is done the parapets should not be built higher than 4' 6" over the carriageway. At present one of these is 6 feet high and approaching traffic is difficult to see when one is coming towards the Bridge from Ballybofey to Donegal."

Minute:- Secretary directed to send copy of report to County Donegal Railways Joint Committee.

254/28.

DANGEROUS TURNINGS AT RAILWAY BRIDGES.

A letter was read from the Manager, Londonderry and Lough Swilly Railway Company, acknowledging receipt of extract from Minutes of Proceedings of meeting of the County Council held on 31st January, 1928, on above subject.

On the motion of Councillor Hamilton, seconded by Councillor MacCreadie, it was unanimously decided to ask the Local Government Department (Roads) (if they are in a position to do so) to compel Railway Companies to straighten dangerous turnings at Railway Bridges in the County.

255/28.

re Mr. JAMES BOYLE : SUPERANNUATION ALLOWANCE.

A letter dated 21st February, 1928, P.10844/1928 (Sa) was read from the Local Government Department acknowledging receipt of County Secretary's letter forwarding a copy of the resolution adopted by the Donegal County Council on the 31st ultimo in regard to the superannuation allowance proposed to be granted to Mr. James Boyle in connection with his services as Clerk of Dunfanaghy Union and stating that the copy of Mr. Boyle's letter referred to in the resolution did not appear to have been received in that Department.

The Secretary said that the matter had received attention.

Extract Sent to G.N. Ry. Coy.
9/3/28.

Extract Sent to Co. Donegal
Rly. Joint Committee 9/3/28.

Extract Sent to L.G. Dept.,
Roads, 9/3/28.

256/28.

RENT OF PORTION OF LETTERKENNY WORKHOUSE.

A letter dated 21st February, 1928, P.10530/28 (Pb) was read from the Local Government Department enclosing a cheque for £66:19:6 received from Messrs Watt and Company in respect of half-year's rent for portion of Letterkenny Workhouse which had been let to that Firm. The amount was made up as follows:-

Half-year's rent -----	£75: 0: 0
Income Tax deducted -----	8: 0: 6
Balance -----	<u>66:19: 6</u>

257/28.

re REDUCTION OF RATES.

A letter was read from Rowley Elliott Esq., M.P., Coagh, Co. Tyrone, congratulating the Donegal County Council on Reduction of Rates and asking for other certain information relating thereto.

The Secretary said he had furnished Mr. Elliott with the necessary information.

258/28.

RECOUPMENT IN RESPECT OF PREPARATION OF
THE FIFTH REGISTER OF ELECTORS.

A letter dated 22nd February, 1928, S.26/I/27, was read from the Department of Finance enclosing a Paying Order for £812:8:4 being the amount recoupable to the County Council in connection with the preparation of the Fifth Register of Electors under the Electoral Act, 1923 and the Jurors (Amendment) Act, 1924.

259/28.

INSURANCE COMMITTEE FOR COUNTY DONEGAL.

A letter dated 22nd February, 1928, No. I680/28/Dg. was read from the National Health Insurance Commission, Dublin, stating that they had declared Very Rev. John McCafferty, P.P., Stranorlar, appointed a member of the Insurance Committee for County Donegal in succession to Very Rev. Patrick Canon McCafferty, P.P., Burtonport, resigned, to hold office from 20th idem until the seventh day after the next Local Election.

260/28.

ROAD IMPROVEMENT GRANT £200,000.

A letter dated 22nd February, 1928, SGE/201 was read from the Local Government Department (Roads), stating for the information of the Donegal County Council, that a sum of £9,580 had been provisionally allocated to the Council out of the above-mentioned Grant for Main Road Improvement, especially tarring, and setting out the conditions under which the Grant is payable.

Councillor Baxter proposed that the County Surveyor be directed to draw up schemes omitting areas where large Grants had been recently expended, favourable consideration to be given to such areas as Glenties, Dunfanaghy, Milford and Inishowen.

Councillor Loughrey seconded.

Councillor Hamilton proposed as an amendment that the County Surveyors be directed to prepare schemes for submission at next meeting of the Council, sympathetic consideration to be given by them to areas that had not in the past had much in the way of Grants expended on them.

Councillor Sweeney seconded.

Voting/

Extract Sent to L.G.D.,
Roads, 9.3.28.

V O T I N G.

For the amendment: ----- Councillors Doherty (Edward), Flood, Gallen, Hamilton, Mahony, Mulreany, Myles, McNulty, McPhelimy, O'Brien, Scott, Sweeney and Walker. - 13.

Against: ----- Councillors Baxter, Blaney, Brennan, Cole, Doherty (Patrick), Gallagher (Bernard), Gallagher (William), Kavanagh, Loughrey, McBride, McCauley, MacCreadie and O'Donnell. - 13.

The voting being equal the Presiding Chairman gave his casting vote in favour of the amendment which he declared passed.

261/28.

MEETING OF COUNTY COUNCILS' GENERAL COUNCIL.

A letter dated 22nd February, 1928, was read from the Secretary, County Councils' General Council, re postponement of next meeting of the General Council provisionally arranged to be held this month and stating that due notice would be given of the date of the meeting at the earliest possible moment.

262/28.

BUNCRANA COURTHOUSE : FURNITURE REQUIRED.

A letter was read from the District Court Clerk, Buncrana, requesting to be supplied with certain articles of furniture for his office in the Courthouse as was also a letter dated 7th October 1927, from Mr. Hugh C. Cochrane, Under Sheriff, Lifford, enclosing a list of requirements for Buncrana Courthouse.

Minute:- Consideration further adjourned pending receipt of report from Councillors McIvor and Kavanagh.

263/28.

RENT FOR STORAGE OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

In the absence of Councillor McIvor's report re his interview with Mr. James McGuinness, 4, Chamberlain Street, Derry, in respect of rent for storage of Weights and Measures, the property of the Donegal County Council, left at his premises by the old R.I.C. after the Truce, consideration was adjourned until next meeting.

264/28.

COMPENSATION FOR DISTURBANCE OF A QUARRY AT LAGG.

A letter was read from Mr. James Tease, Lagg, Milford, applying for compensation for disturbance to a quarry on his lands at Lagg.

Mr. Steadman reported that the proposed arrangement with Mr. Tease was that 1½d per ton would be paid to him for stones taken out of this quarry for roads repaired under the Road Board Grants and that a protection railing would be put up at the quarry.

Extract Sent to
Mr. Tease
9/3/28.

265/28.

re (a) MONEY STRUCK OFF;
 (b) HIRE OF ROAD MACHINERY.

The following copies of resolutions passed by the Amalgamated Union of Road Contractors, Strabane No. 2 Area and Derry No. 2 Area were submitted:-

Extract sent to Mr. Lee, Carrickfergus, St. Johnston.

- (1) Protesting in the strongest degree against striking off money at the first half-yearly meeting instead of at end of each Financial Year;
- (2) Condemning having to pay for the use of the Council's Roller and complaining that the Contractors were being harshly treated by the County Council as when the cost of breaking and rolling is charged the Council have all the money to get back.

Minute:- No action taken.

266/28.

LAGG QUARRY.

A letter was read from certain Road Contractors resident in the townlands of Lagg, Ballygay, Loughdough, Milford, Moylehill, Oughill and Tullybeg, complaining that the owner of Lagg Quarry was now insisting on a payment of twopence per ton for the stones they took out of this quarry and stating that when lodging their tenders for contracts commencing 1st April next they were not aware that this charge would be made.

Councillor Baxter proposed that under the circumstances the Council agree to pay for the stones.

Councillor Hamilton seconded.

The Chairman ruled that a Notice of Motion would be necessary.

Councillor Baxter said that he would lodge one for consideration by the Council at their next meeting.

267/28. JUDGE'S ROOM IN COURTHOUSE, LIFFORD.

A letter was read from Mr. Hugh C. Cochrane, Under Sheriff, Lifford, re defective stove in the Judge's Room, Courthouse, Lifford, and pointing out that this room badly required to be done up.

Mr. Steadman said that with a little repair the present stove could be put in order.

Minute:- £7 was placed in County Surveyor's hands to have stove repaired and room done up.

268/28.

re FLOODING OF LANDS.

A letter was read from Mr. Joseph Alexander, Solicitor, Derry, on behalf of Mr. Thomas Porter, Carricknee, Inch Island, re flooding of his lands caused by a tail race from a pipe through the County Road at Carricknee being blocked.

Mr. Steadman said that levels would require to be taken by him before he could submit a report and asked that consideration be deferred until next meeting.

Minute:- Agreed to.

Extract sent to Joseph Alexander, Solicitor, Derry, 9/3/28.

269/28.

MALIN COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from Mr. John Harvey, Malin Hall, Malin, agreeing to the conditions, as set out in Minute No. 195/28, under which the Council propose to rent from him premises at Malin for Court Proceedings etc.

270/28.

EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT; (Malin Courthouse)

Agreement - Mr. John Harvey, Malin Hall, Malin, with the Council - in connection with above premises was submitted and on the motion of Councillor Cole, seconded by Councillor McCauley, the Seal of the Council was ordered to be affixed thereto.

271/28.

MALIN COURTHOUSE : FURNITURE.

A letter was read from Mr. W.S. Colhoun, Malin, submitting a quotation at which he offers to supply certain items of furniture found necessary by a Committee of the Local County Councillors for Court purposes at Malin.

Letters were also read from Mr. Edward O'Donnell, District Court Clerk, Carndonagh, appending a list of articles required for above Courthouse and with reference to heating, lighting and the appointment of a Caretaker.

Minute:- Mr. W.S. Colhoun's quotation accepted.

On the motion of Councillor Cole, seconded by Councillor Doherty (Patrick), Mr. Desmond M. Noone, Malin Town, was appointed Caretaker of the Courthouse at Malin at a salary of £6 per annum; he to supply fire and light.

272/28.

FLOODING OF LAND.

A letter was read from _____ Bridget Gallagher, Creevy, Glen, Kilmacrenan, re condition of a field, her property, which was flooded as a result of the Contractor allowing the water from the County Road to run into it.

Mr. Steadman said the matter was being dealt with by him

273/28.

LICENSED TRADE;
PROPOSED REDUCTIONS IN BEER AND SPIRIT DUTIES.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Waterford County Council, transmitting, for adoption by the Donegal County Council, copy of resolution received from the Urban District of Dungarvan calling the attention of the Government to the desperate plight of the Licensed Trade and requesting that provision for very substantial reductions in Beer and Spirit Duties be made in the Budget of 1928.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor MacCreadie, seconded by Councillor Scott, the resolution was unanimously adopted.

274/28.

CONDITION OF A ROAD.

A letter was read from Mr. Bernard McLaughlin, Moneydarragh, Gleneely, on behalf of about 50 ratepayers of that district, calling attention to the bad condition of the road between Pat McGonagle's and Headlines Mearing which had not been out for contract for three years.

Minute:- Referred to Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor.

Desmond M. Noone
written to 9/3/28.
Ex tract sent to
W. S. Colhoun 9.3.28

Ex tract sent to
Bridget Gallagher
9/3/28.

Ex tract sent Secty.
Waterford Co. Council
9/3/28.

Ex tract sent to
Bernard McLaughlin
9/3/28.

275/28.

FLOODING OF PREMISES.

A letter was read from Mr. J.J. McGettigan, Main Street, Killybegs, re flooding of his premises in Church Road, Killybegs, occasioned by a defective water vennel.

Minute:- Referred to Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, for a report.

276/28.

CARETAKER OF PETTIGO COURTHOUSE.

Applications were submitted from Messrs Thomas O'Donnell and John McHugh, both of Pettigo, for the position of Caretaker of above Courthouse.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Flood, seconded by Councillor O'Brien, Mr. Thomas O'Donnell of Pettigo was appointed at a salary of £4 per annum; he to supply fire and light.

277/28.

CONDITION OF A ROAD.

A letter signed by Mr. Patrick Loughrey and five other ratepayers of the Oughterlin district drawing the Council's attention to the present neglected condition of the road leading from Oughterlin to Kerrykeel which was out of contract during the past year, was read.

Councillor Loughrey said that the amount estimated for this road was £45 but through a clerical error £15 appeared in Road Sheet with the result that a Contractor could not be found to tender for the work. He moved that the difference £30 out of the Contingencies Fund in Milford Former Rural District be placed in the County Surveyor's hands for the purpose of having the necessary repairs effected.

Councillor Baxter seconded.

Mr. Steadman having stated that there was no money available for the work, no action was taken.

278/28.

DELAY IN MAKING PAYMENTS.

Councillor Mulreany inquired of Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, the cause of the delay in paying the men employed on direct labour in repairing the road between Bruckless and Killybegs.

Mr. Caffrey said that after meeting the expenditure involved in effecting repairs to other parts in this road under the Road Board Scheme it was ascertained that no money was available to pay the contractors referred to by Councillor Mulreany; however, payment would be made out of the next Grant when received.

279/28.

ROAD FROM GREENHOUSE BRAE TO ROSBEG.

On the motion of Councillor Gallagher (Bernard), it was unanimously decided to request the Local Government Department (Roads) to include the above road in Main Roads Scheme.

280/28.

THE ROOSKEY TENANTS : DOOGAN AND STEELE.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor, enclosing Draft Agreement in connection with the Rooskey Tenants.

Minute/

Extract sent to
J.J. McGettigan
9/3/28.

Extract sent to
Thos O'Donnell
9/3/28.

Extract sent to Mr.
Patrick Loughrey
9/3/28.

Extract sent to
L. & D. Roads
9/3/28.

Extract Sent
to Councils
Sols 9/3/28

Minute:- Conditions approved of. £200 was fixed as the amount of Insurance to be effected by each of the tenants as required by paragraph 5 of the Draft Agreement.

281/28. BALLYBOFEY TOWN LIGHTING.

The following copy resolution passed by Ballybofey and Stranorlar Public Health Committee was submitted:-

"That we, the members of the Ballybofey and Stranorlar Public Health Committee, request the Donegal County Council to provide the sum of £45 for the purpose of lighting and maintaining the lights in Ballybofey for the period from 1st October, 1928 to 31st March, 1929; the rate to be levied off the townland of Ballybofey".

Extract Sent to
A. Timoney
Stranorlar
and
Extract Sent to
L.S.D. 9/3/28

Minute:- Resolution ^{re area of Charge} unanimously adopted and it was decided to ask the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to make an Order fixing the townland of Ballybofey as the Area of Charge.

282/28. PROPOSED SUGAR BEET SCHEME IN COUNTY DONEGAL.

Extract Sent to
Co. Donegal Committee
of Agriculture
10/3/28

A letter was read from Frank Carney Esq., T.D., 17, Westland Terrace, Derry, on the subject of the formulating of a Sugar Beet Scheme in County Donegal, and on the motion of Councillor Baxter, seconded by Councillor Loughrey, a copy of the letter was directed to be sent to the County Donegal Committee of Agriculture.

283/28. DEFECTIVE PIPE.

A letter was read from Mr. Manus Coyle, Ballyderowen, Burnfoot, re a defective pipe at the end of the Muff Road at Burnfoot in consequence of which his land was flooded, and threatening proceedings if pipe was not repaired immediately.

Minute:- Referred to County Surveyor for attention.

284/28. PROPOSED NEW ROAD.

A letter was read from Mr. Peter McKenamin, Kingarow, Fintown, in regard to the Petition for a Relief Grant towards the making of a new road between Kingarow Hill on to the Contract road at Andy Quinn's which the Council approved of at last meeting and sent forward to Land Commission.

Minute:- Copy of letter to be sent to Land Commission.

285/28. ERECTION OF A WALL.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick McShane, Cappagh, Teelin, for permission to erect a wall in front of his dwelling house alongside the County Road in the townland of Cappagh.

Minute:- Permission granted subject to approval of County Surveyor.

Extract Sent
to Patrick McShane
14/3/28

286/28.

CONDITION OF BACK ROAD AT CLOGHAN RAILWAY STATION.

A letter was read from Mr. Joseph Marley, Cloghan, calling attention to the bad state of the above road.

Minute:- Copy of letter to be sent to Railway Company.

287/28.

TAKING OF ROAD CONTRACTS IN COUNTY DONEGAL BY CONTRACTORS FROM COUNTY TYRONE.

A letter signed "Contractor" calling attention to the roads in the Cloghards division which were now coming up for contract and which were worked by Contractors from County Tyrone which he considered very unfair to Contractors in County Donegal, was read and no action taken.

288/28.

SALE OF FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS:
PURCHASE OF ONE SET OF STENCILS.

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siochana, Letterkenny, acknowledging receipt of County Secretary's communication authorising purchase of one set of stencils for Sand Blast Machine under the standardization of Bottle Order, 1927.

289/28.

SALE OF FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS:
PURCHASE OF A SAND BLAST MACHINE.

A letter dated 18th February, 1928, was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siochana, Letterkenny, requesting to be supplied with a Sand Blast Machine or authority to purchase one through the Department of Industry and Commerce.

Minute:- Authorised to purchase machine referred to through the Department of Industry and Commerce.

290/28.

re PROPOSED TARIFF ON FISH BARRELS AND
REOPENING OF LOCAL COOPERAGES.

In accordance with Notice of Motion Councillor O'Donnell moved - "That we, the members of the Donegal County Council, protest against any tariff being placed on Fish Barrels until such time as the local cooperages were reopened and in a position to supply the requirements of the trade. That copies of this resolution be sent to the Tariff Commission, The Minister for Fisheries, Senator McLaughlin and the T.Ds. representing the County."

Councillor O'Donnell said that he maintained that it would be time enough to impose a tariff when the cooperages in the County were in a position to supply all the requirements. His opinion and experience were that it would be disastrous to the fishing trade in the County to impose such a tariff as they were in an entirely different position from any other Maritime County in the Free State.

Councillor O'Boyle seconded.

Councillor McPhelimy said he was strongly in favour of the Tariff.

Councillor Gallen suggested that they leave out the protest aspect and concentrate on a demand for reopening of the local cooperages/

Extracts sent to
C. Donegal Rly. Coy
and Joseph Marley
12/3/28.

Extract sent to
Chief Supt
12/3/28

Extract sent to
Wm. T. Cosgrave
President 12/3/28

cooperages.

After further discussion Councillor O'Donnell agreed to amend his motion to read as follows:-

"That we, the members of the Donegal County Council, request the Government to establish cooperages before imposing any Tariff on fish barrels".

The motion, as amended, was adopted.

291/28.

re APPOINTMENT OF FOOD AND DRUGS INSPECTORS.

A letter dated 18th February, 1928 was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siochana, Letterkenny, acknowledging receipt of appointments of Sergeant P. Doherty, 2166, Glenties, and Sergeant P. Wallace, 5992, Annagry, as Food and Drugs Inspectors.

292/28.

FIXING OF LIMIT OF SPEED etc. OF BUSES AND LORRIES.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Limerick County Council, acknowledging receipt of resolution passed by the Donegal County Council relative to fixing of a limit of speed etc. of Buses and Lorries and adopted by his Council on 28th January, 1928.

293/28.

REPRESENTATIVE ON THE IRISH TOURIST ASSOCIATION.

A letter was read from Mr. Francis Gallagher, LL.B., Solicitor, Donegal, stating that some time ago he was appointed by the Council to represent it on the Irish Tourist Association and that as he now found he could not attend the meetings regularly he desired to resign and let the Council appoint some other member who was more regularly in Dublin and who would thus be better able to represent it on this important Association.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Cole, seconded by Councillor Baxter, Councillor Myles was appointed to fill the vacancy.

294/28.

MILFORD WORKHOUSE.

A letter was read from Mrs Maggie Cullen, Caretaker, Milford Workhouse, reporting that, as a result of the recent storm, some slates had been blown off the roof of the Western portion of that building.

Councillor Baxter said the necessary repairs were being carried out.

295/28.

MILFORD WORKHOUSE PREMISES : RESIGNATION OF CARETAKER.

A letter was read from Mrs Margaret Cullen, Glenkeen, Milford, tendering her resignation as Caretaker of above premises as from the 14th March, 1928.

Minute:- Resignation accepted.

Extracts sent to
Secty. Irish Tourist Assoc.
and Councillor Myles
12/3/28

Extract sent to
Mrs Margaret Cullen
12/3/28

296/28.

MILFORD WORKHOUSE PREMISES : APPOINTMENT OF CARETAKER.

Applications were submitted from Messrs Johnnie McCaffrey and William Barbour, both of Milford, and Patrick Birney of Ray, Letterkenny, for the position of Caretaker of Milford Workhouse premises, as was also an application from William Mooney, Ramelton.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Loughrey, seconded by Councillor Baxter, Patrick Birney, Ex-National Soldier, was appointed at a salary of one penny per week.

297/28.

E.L. POLICY No. 21153.

A letter was read from the General Manager, Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Limited, with reference to above Policy and stating that they were advised by the Company concerned that in view of the claim payments and the difficulty experienced in securing proper and adequate information they regretted that they were not prepared to renew the Policy on the old basis. The Company would, however, consent to renew the Policy provided that they got an increase of 15% of the amount of the old Premium of £153:2:6 making the revised premium £175:17:0.

Minute:- Councillor Mahony proposed that the Secretary be instructed to invite quotations from other Companies.

Councillor Loughrey seconded. Passed unanimously.

298/28.

MOTOR POLICY No. C.V.30065.

A claim for payment of premium £89:18:6 on above Policy to the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Limited was submitted.

Minute:- Payment ordered.

OLD AGE PENSIONERS : MINIMUM AGE LIMIT 65 YEARS.

299/28.

A resolution passed by Roscommon County Council requesting the Government to reduce the minimum age of Old Age Pensioners from 70 to 65 years was submitted.

Minute:- Unanimously adopted.

300/28.

CHILDRENS' ACT, 1908.

A notice dated 10th February, 1928, under the Childrens' Act, 1908, Section 74-6, received from the District Court Clerk, Lifford, re proposed committal at Lifford Juvenile Court on 22nd February, 1928, of a child to an Industrial School, and also a letter dated 16th February, 1928, from Mr. Edward O'Donnell, District Court Clerk, Carndonagh, stating that the applications by the Civic Guards would be made at Carndonagh District Court on Tuesday 21st idem to have four children sent to an Industrial School, were submitted.

301/28.

CONDITION OF ROAD No. 281.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Doherty, Ballynabo, Glencely, forwarding a petition signed by a large number of ratepayers re the dangerous condition of the above road from Hill Head/

Hill Head three roads to Carrowmena three roads which had not been repaired since March, 1927.

Minute:- Referred to County Surveyor.

302/28. PROPOSED EXTENSION OF A ROAD.

A memorial was submitted from ratepayers of the townlands of Crolack, Dergroagh, Benmore, Falgarrow and Glashydevitt, in the parish of Kiltcevogue and the townland of Clogher, in the parish of Inniskeel, requesting the Council to have extended the bye-road running from Falgarrow to Crolack which was about half-a-mile short of reaching a limestone quarry and turbary which was much needed by the farmers of these townlands.

Minute:- Referred to Land Commission.

303/28. MILFORD WORKHOUSE : USE OF DINING HALL.

Councillor Baxter applied, on behalf of Mr. R.H. McDowell, Milford, for the use of the Dining Hall in Milford Workhouse as a temporary store.

Minute:- Permission granted, subject to the sanction of the Local Government Department and to the following conditions:-

- (a) Monthly agreement to be entered into with the Council;
- (b) Rent 10/- per month;
- (c) Insurance to be effected;
- (d) Agreement, which is to be forwarded by Councillor Baxter, to be terminable by either side giving one month's notice.

304/28. SALE OF BEDS AT DUNFANAGHY HOSPITAL.

A letter was read from Mr. Hugh O'Duffy, Auctioneer, Baltony, Gortahork, re sale of beds at Dunfanaghy Hospital and enclosing a list of the purchasers etc.

Minute:- No action taken.

305/28. PRESS FOR USE OF A DISTRICT COURT CLERK.

A letter was read from Mr. Hugh O'Duffy, District Court Clerk, Baltony, Gortahork, requesting to be supplied with a suitable press in which to store Court Records.

Minute:- Consideration adjourned.

306/28. LETTING OF LANDS ATTACHED TO GLENTIES WORKHOUSE.

A letter was read from Mr. John Quinn, Auctioneer, Glenties, stating that, after keen competition, he had let the farm attached to Glenties Workhouse premises to the last occupier - Dan Gallagher - for £12:15:0.

Extracts sent to
Secty Irish Land Commission
& John Brosnan Crolack.
12/3/28

Extracts sent to
L.G. Dept and
R.H. McDowell
12/3/28

Extracts sent to
Mr. O'Duffy
12/3/28

Particulars
furnished to
L.G. Dept
12/3/28

307/28.

BUNCRANA PIER.

A letter was read from Mr. John Porter, Honorary Secretary, Buncrana Pier Committee, appending a list of persons whom the Harbour Master reported had refused to pay licence for carting fish at Buncrana Pier.

Minute:- Council's Solicitor ordered to institute proceedings against parties concerned and make application to the Court for his Costs.

308/28.

CONDITION OF A ROAD.

A letter was read from Mr. William Doherty, New Row, Clonleigh, re reduction to £4 of the amount assigned to the road, New Row, Clonleigh North. At present the road was almost impassable so the cutting down of the money amounted to practically striking it off altogether. If a reasonable amount were given for the road he would take it and have it properly worked.

Minute:- Referred to County Surveyor.

309/28.

BREACH IN A PROTECTION WALL.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Boyle, Meenahooghan, Killybegs, re a breach in a Protection Wall on the C.D.B. road from Drimbarity to Cornhaughan which was a source of great danger to the general public.

Minute:- Referred to County Surveyor.

310/28.

RANNAGH PIER.

A letter was read from Mr. Edward O'Donnell, Harbour Master at Rannagh Pier, reporting that repairs were necessary to this structure.

Minute:- Referred to County Surveyor for a report.

311/28.

re ROAD PROSECUTIONS.

Mr. Steadman reported that with regard to the Council's Solicitor's Costs in these cases it was quite feasible that this work could be carried out without any loss to the Council. Many years ago he took up this matter and put it upon a basis that led to a small gain rather than a loss. He had written the Council's Solicitor some time ago re what was required and he did not expect that any adverse result would arise in the future.

312/28.

GREAT SOUTHERN RAILWAYS
(Miscellaneous Purposes) BILL, 1928.

Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, brought under the Council's notice Clause 9 in the Great Southern Railways Bill, 1928, re accommodation gates on Railways.

On the motion of Councillor Loughrey, seconded by Councillor Baxter, it was unanimously decided to draw the attention of the T.Ds. of the County to Clause 9 of above Bill whereby the Company desire to get rid of their obligation to open or shut accommodation gates, with a view towards having it opposed.

Extract sent to
Council's Secy
and
Extract sent to
Hon. Secy. Pier
Committee 12/3/28

Extract sent to
Wm Doherty, C.E.
12/3/28

Extract sent to
Patrick Boyle
12/3/28

Extract sent to
Edward O'Donnell
12-13/28

Extract sent to
Council's Secy
13/3/28

Each T.D. for
C. Doherty written
to
16/3/28

313/28.

WATER STORAGE ACCOMMODATION AT DOWNINGS PIER.

A letter dated 20th February, 1928 was read from the Secretary, County Board of Health, stating that the Board, at a meeting held on above date, unanimously recommended that the County Council provide sufficient water storage accommodation at Downings Pier to meet the requirements of fishing vessels. It was thought that a storage tank of 20,000 or 25,000 gallons capacity was required.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Baxter, seconded by Councillor Mahony, it was decided to instruct Mr. William Doherty, C.E., to draw up a specification and estimate for submission to the County Council on 20th March, 1928.

Extracts sent to
Co. Board of Health and
Mr. Wm Doherty, C.E.
13/3/28

314/28.

CONDITION OF A ROAD.

A letter was read from Mr. Daniel Quigley, Dooish, Ballybofey, directing attention to the bad condition of the road from Ballybofey to Glenties between Dooish three roads and Magee's Mearing, and threatening proceedings if this road was not put in proper repair.

Minute:- Referred to County Surveyor.

Extract sent to
Daniel Quigley
13/3/28

315/28.

ERECTION OF A PETROL PUMP.

An application was submitted from Mr. Henry Doherty, Motor and Cycle Agent, Buncrana, for permission to erect a Petrol Pump outside his garage in Buncrana.

Minute:- Granted on usual conditions.

316/28.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING OF BUNCRANA COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from the Buncrana Electric Supply Company, thanking the Council for accepting their tender for electric lighting of Buncrana Courthouse and stating that the work would be put in hands at once.

Minute:- It was decided to obtain a certificate from Mr. William Doherty, C.E., Derry, that the work had been satisfactorily carried out before payment be made.

Extract sent to
Buncrana Electric Supply Co.
and Mr. Doherty, C.E.
13/3/28

317/28.

CASE - SAMUEL ROULSTON TO JOHN DUTHIE.

A notice of intended application to the High Court to have discharged Garnashee Order made on 7th April, 1927 in the case - Samuel Roulston to John Duthie - and copy of Master's Order therein were submitted.

Minute:- No action taken.

Extract sent
to Court Surveyor
13/3/28

318/28.

MILFORD TOWN LIGHTING : ERECTION OF POLES.

An Agreement - William Russell, Milford, with Donegal County Council - in connection with the erection of poles, standards, cables and necessary fixtures in town of Milford was submitted.

Minute/

Agreement
is attached and
submitted to
Councils 13/3/28

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Baxter, seconded by Councillor Loughrey, the Seal of the Council was ordered to be affixed thereto.

319/28.

ERECTION OF POLES IN STREETS OF KERRYKEEL.

On the motion of Councillor Loughrey, seconded by Councillor Baxter, permission was granted to the Kerrykeel Lighting Company to erect poles in the streets of Kerrykeel in connection with the installation of Electric Lighting, on the following conditions :-

- (a) Erection of poles to be subject to the approval of the County Surveyor;
- (b) Poles to be removed when required by the Council;
- (c) Rent 1/- per annum;
- (d) Insurance of Poles and Cables against Third Party risk in the joint names of the Company and the County Council;
- (e) An Agreement to be entered into with the Council which is to be prepared by the Council's Solicitor and cost of same defrayed by the Company;

320/28.

MEETING OF TENDERS COMMITTEE HELD AT BURNFOOT.

A report was read from Mr. Patrick Fitzpatrick, Speenogue, Burt, re meeting of Road Tenders Committee held at Burnfoot on Tuesday 7th February, 1928 in which it was stated that the Contractors present, who were members of the Contractors' Union, became very hostile to non-Union Contractors (about 13 in number) getting work with the result that no Bonds were perfected.

321/28.

FORMER DERRY No. 2 RURAL DISTRICT : PROPOSAL No. 79.

A letter was submitted from Mr. Hugh Doherty, Castlecooly, Burt, stating that on 7th instant he lodged a tender at Burnfoot for road No. 79 which, being the lowest tender, was accepted. A number of other Contractors objected to his getting the road with the result that he had been prevented from signing Bond. He considered he was entitled to the road.

322/28.

FORMER STRABANE No. 2 RURAL DISTRICT;
PROPOSALS Nos. 25, 58 and 86.

A letter was also submitted from Mr. Alexander Carlin, Drumatoland, St. Johnston, intimating that he tendered for three roads Nos. 25, 58 and 86 on the Road Sheet and his tenders were accepted but was prevented from signing Bonds. He now hoped the County Council would afford him an opportunity of doing so.

In this connection Mr. John Tracy, Solicitor, Derry, appeared on behalf of the Contractors' Union and asked the Council not to accede to the request of these men, on the ground that they did not belong to the Union. What the Union said was that whenever the County Surveyor allowed an amount for a road no one should be allowed to tender to reduce that amount because if the Council took/

Extract sent to
Hugh Doherty
13/3/28

Extract sent
to Alex. Carlin
13/3/28

took such tenders they did not get the work done right; they also put the Council to serious loss in frequent litigation recovering damages from them and their sureties.

A prolonged discussion ensued in which several Contractors took part.

Minute:- It was decided that the Tenders Committee deal with the tenders and take no cognisance of the Contractors' Union, but accept the lowest tender provided the person tendering was satisfactory.

Consideration of the above letters from Messrs Hugh Doherty and Alexander Carlin was adjourned until next meeting.

323/28. LETTERS ADJOURNED.

The following letters were read and consideration adjourned until next meeting:-

(1) Former Donegal Rural District - Proposal No. II.

Letter from Mr. Patrick Travers, Groagh, Laghey, stating that road No. II on Road Sheet had not been signed for and that he was willing to take the contract and carry out the work;

(2) Former Ballyshannon Rural District - Proposal No. 2II9.

Letter from Mr. R.H. Reid, Solicitor, Ballyshannon, objecting, on behalf of John Doherty, to the proposed building of a flagged pipe between Bundoran Quay and Bundrowes Bridge;

(3) Former Glenties Rural District - Proposal No. 5.

Letter from Con Breslin, Scadaman, Ardara, objecting to a tender lodged and accepted at Glenties for Contract No. 5 in respect of which the Bond had not been signed; being the present Contractor he considered he was entitled to the contract;

(4) Proposal No. 204.

Letter from Mr. John Furey, Stralinchey, Glenties, intimating that he was not proceeding with the work on Contract No. 204 between three roads, Strasallagh and Bridge at P. Molloy's;

(5) Former Inishowen Rural District - Proposal No. 377.

Letter from Mr. James Henderson, Tullydish, Buncrana, stating that he had lodged a tender for Contract No. 377 between three roads south of Tullydish Bridge and four roads north of Scalp Mountain and desiring to know why it had been rejected.

324/28. PROPOSED NEW ROAD.

A joint letter was read from Messrs George Devlin and William J. Doherty, Letter, Fahan, requesting to know if the County Council received any further information from the Land Commission in regard to the proposed new road which runs in conjunction with Fahan and Creesloughkeel roads in respect of which the County Council decided to forward an application to the Commission for a Grant.

Minute:- The Secretary was directed to reply in the negative.

Extract sent to
P. Travers
13/3/28

Extract sent
to R.H. Reid
13/3/28

Extract sent
to
Con Breslin

Extract sent
to
John Furey
13/3/28

Extract sent
to
James Henderson
13/3/28

Extract sent
to
George Devlin
13/3/28

325/28.

ALTAR BRIDGE.

A letter was read from residents of the townland of Glenmacaniff, Glenties, and District, requesting the County Council to have repairs carried out forthwith to the Altar Bridge which spans the river on the road running from the main road at Stranaglough to Glenmacaniff.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, said the proposed work had been included in Provisional Road Works Scheme but owing to no money being available it was struck out. He estimated that £100 would be required to effect the necessary repairs.

Minute:- Consideration adjourned until next meeting.

326/28.

LOAN OF £850.

A letter was read from the Manager, Hibernian Bank Limited, Letterkenny, intimating that his Directors would grant the advance of £850 in connection with the purpose of Granulators; repayment to be made in five years by equal half-yearly instalments; Interest at the rate of $\frac{1}{2}\%$ under Irish Banks Discount Rate for the time being but not less than 4% to be paid half-yearly on the balance outstanding.

327/28.

re Mr. DANIEL KELLY.

On the motion of Councillor Brennan, seconded by Councillor Boyle, it was unanimously decided to again request the Minister for Local Government and Public Health (Roads) to sanction the permanent employment of Mr. Daniel Kelly in the County Council Offices, Lifford.

328/28.

CHILDRENS' ACT.

A letter was read from Superintendent P.J. McGrath, Garda Siochana, Donegal, stating that it was his intention to apply at Donegal District Court on 2nd March, 1928 to have two female children committed to an Industrial School for breaches of the Childrens' Act.

329/28.

LIFFORD COURTHOUSE : DAMAGE TO WINDOWS.

A letter dated 17th February, 1928, was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siochana, Letterkenny, acknowledging receipt of extract from Minutes of Proceedings of meeting of the County Council held on 31st ultimo relative to damage to windows of Lifford Courthouse and stating that the matter was being investigated.

330/28.

re PERMISSION TO ERECT POLES.

An application by Mr. Samuel Holmes, Convoys, for permission to erect 30 poles in streets of Convoys was submitted.

Minute:- Granted on usual conditions and £3 on account of Solicitor's Costs to be paid in advance.

331/28.

BREACH IN SEA WALL AT CARNTULLAGH.

A report was read from Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, re sudden breach by sea in wall at Carntullagh and recommended that

£25/

Extract sent to
Patrick M. Fitz
Stranaglough
12/3/28

Extract sent to
A.G.D. 12/3/28

Extract sent to
Mr. S. Holmes
14/3/28

£20 be expended in carrying out necessary repairs.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Myles, the report was adopted.

332/28. CONDITION OF THE KENOUGHTY AND CRUMLIN ROAD AND GLENCONNELL ROAD.

A letter was read from Councillor Sweeney drawing the Council's attention to the Kenoughty and Crumlin Road which was in a very bad condition; also the Glenconnell road branching off the road from Ardara to Glenties.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, said the work had been included in Provisional Road Works Scheme but owing to no money being available was struck out.

Minute:- No action taken.

333/28. DAMAGE TO BUNCRANA PIER BY S/D CLOVERDALE.

A letter was read from the Honorary Secretary, Buncrana Pier Committee, as was also a letter from the Harbour Master reporting damage to Pier by S/D Cloverdale on the 18th January, 1928.

Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, reported that damage in three places had been done; two of them were slight and would be covered by about £2. The third was of a more serious nature and its position in the South West corner of Pier on the berth side; this damage would take from £90 to £110 to repair. He had been unable to ascertain what vessels were responsible for each damage he had referred to. The County Council appointed a Pier Committee and were paying a Harbour Master. These were parties on the spot and were the ones to apply to for ascertaining definitely what vessels did the damage. The Harbour Master should know as that was what he was being paid for. It would be well for the Council to confine themselves to the serious damage above referred to and ascertain definitely who was the person liable.

Minute:- Mr. Steadman's suggestion was adopted and the Secretary directed to write the Pier Committee on the matter.

334/28. BUNCRANA PIER : DEFECTIVE FENDER PILE.

A letter was read from the Honorary Secretary, Buncrana Pier Committee, reporting a defective fender pile and a cross stay on Buncrana Pier.

Minute:- Referred to County Surveyor with a view to having the necessary repairs effected.

335/28. LETTING OF LANDS ATTACHED TO MILFORD WORKHOUSE.

A letter was read from Messrs John M. Watters & Son, Auctioneers, Milford, stating that they had let the lands attached to Milford Workhouse premises for incoming season to Mr. Peter Patterson of Glenkeen for £4:10:0.

Minute:- Approved.

Extract sent to
John Porter
Hon. Secy. Pier Committee
13/3/28

Extract sent to
John Porter
Hon. Secy. Pier Committee
13/3/28

Particulars sent
to R. S. O'Connell

336/28.

re Mr. WILLIAM McFADDEN, DRIVER, ROLLER No. 16.

Extract sent to
Wm McFadden
13/3/28

A letter was read from Mr. William McFadden, Driver, Roller No. 16, Clar, Donegal, stating that he took unwell after Xmas and Dr. Warnock had him taken to Donegal Hospital where he had to remain for a fortnight in respect of which he had received no pay from the County Council.

Minute:- McFadden instructed to apply for Sickness Benefit to his Insurance Society.

337/28.

SCHEDULE OF TOLLS, DUES etc.

Councillor Myles referred to the charge of £3:0:0 under Part II of above Schedule in which it is proposed that vessels over 65 tons gross engaged in fishing should pay for each Pior used during the periods specified. He considered that this rate should entitle them to use all the Piors under the Council's control.

Minute:- Consideration of the question deferred until next meeting of the Council.

338/28.

FLOODING IN BACK STREET, KILLYBEGS.

In accordance with Notice of Motion Councillor Mulreany moved - "That the Council request the Board of Health to co-operate with the County Surveyor with a view to lessening the danger of the flooding of certain houses situate in Back Street, Killybegs".

Councillor Mulreany said that the flooding was caused by an accumulation of stones in the river bed and that the stones when taken out could be used on the road.

Councillor Walker seconded. Passed unanimously.

R A T E S .

339/28.

NON-COMPLETED COLLECTIONS.

With reference to Minute No. 19/28 Finance Committee, and the Local Government Department's letter dated 10th February, 1928, No. G.8459/1928, the Secretary stated that:-

- Extract sent to L. S. D.
12/3/28
- (a) Roger Logue had not closed his collection for 1926/27;
 - (b) P.J. McHugh (No. 18) had written intimating that he was remitting outstanding rates for 1926/27;
 - (c) Michael O'Donnell had closed his accounts for 1926/27;
 - (d) Hugh McNulty (No. 32) had not lodged a sum of over £10 for 1926/27.

Minute:-

- (a) Subject to sanction time further extended to 20th March, 1928;
- (b) Action deferred until 20th March, 1928; Secretary in the meantime to press for the lodgment of the full warrant;
- (c) Council noted that books for 1927/28 had been issued;
- (d) Collector to be urged to lodge balance outstanding before 20th March, 1928; books for 1927/28 to be meanwhile issued.

340/28.

re Ex-COLLECTOR DENIS BRANNIGAN.

A letter dated 30th January, 1928, L.C.3567/25/Fa. was read from the Local Government Department stating that the Minister consented to the removal from office by the Finance Committee of the County Council of Mr. Denis Brannigan as Rate Collector and that his books should be carefully checked and notices (Form 60) might be issued to some specially selected ratepayers; also that the sureties should not be released from their responsibilities under the Bond until the collection had been fully accounted for.

The Secretary said the books were received on 27th instant and the Minister's instructions would be carried out.

341/28.

ARREARS OF RATES ON LANDS AT LINSFORT
AND BALLYHARRY -- SECTION 18 LAND ACT, 1927.

A letter dated 4th February, 1928, 05691/28 was read from the Irish Land Commission stating that on the 20th December, 1927 they took over possession of the lands of Linsfort containing 210 acres and Ballyharry containing 5 acres, 1 rood comprising the estate of Catherine Harvey in the Electoral Divisions of Desertegney and Buncrana Rural on which date the said lands vested in them and referring the Council to Section 18 of the Land Act, 1927 with regard to arrears of Poor Rates that might be due in respect of these lands.

Minute:- Council directed that their Solicitor in this case adopt the course indicated in Minute 210/28 County Council.

342/28.

PAYMENT OF ORDINARY POUNDAGE SANCTIONED;
ALSO ARREARS OF RATES FOR No. 30 DISTRICT 1925/26.

A letter dated 7th February, 1928, G.7486/1928 was read from the Local Government Department stating that the Minister had sanctioned the proposed poundage fees to Collectors Dawson (No. 28 District) and J.B. O'Donnell (No. 30 District) for half-year ended 30th September, 1927 and half-year ended 31st March, 1927, and requesting to be furnished with a statement of the amount of carried forward arrears in respect of the years 1925/26 which were included in Collector O'Donnell's 1926/27 Warrant.

The Secretary said the information sought by the Minister had been furnished.

343/28.

re COLLECTOR HARVEY.

With regard to the case of Ex-Collector Harvey who failed to close his accounts for 1925/26 within the time fixed in Minute 20/28 of the Finance Committee, Councillor Gallagher (Francis) said that he had gone into the items with Mr. Harvey and ascertained that of the £96 outstanding £70 was totally irrecoverable.

Minute:- It was unanimously decided to call on Mr. Harvey to lodge the full amount by the 20th March, 1928 and to inform him that any claim subsequently made for refunds of irrecoverable rates would receive full consideration.

Extract Sent to L.G.D.
12/3/28

Extract Sent to L.G.D.
12/3/28

Extract Sent to
Thomas Harvey
12/3/28 &
Extract Sent to
L.G.D. & Harris Gallagher,
12/3/28 Donegal.

344/28.

PAYMENT OF ORDINARY POUNDAGE.

Minute:- Council decided, subject to sanction, to allow poundage at the ordinary rate to the undermentioned Collectors on their collections for the periods specified:-

Collector	District	Period	Amount equal to moiety lodged on
Michael O'Donnell	I9	31/3/27	27/2/28
John Farren	21	30/9/27	22/2/28

345/28.

APPLICATIONS FOR REFUNDS OF UNCOLLECTED RATES.

Applications for refunds of uncollected rates, under Article 3 of the Alternative Scheme for Rate Collection were submitted for the following districts and periods:-

No. Of District	Collector	Period
I6	R. Logue	31st March, 1927
5	P. Cassidy	" " "
I4	J. McGlinchey	" " "
30	J.B. O'Donnell	" " "

Minute:- Referred to Rates Inspector for investigation and report.

346/28.

Mr. GEORGE M. DUNNION : TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT SANCTIONED.

A letter dated 7th February, 1928, G.7481/1928 was read from the Local Government Department intimating that the Minister had sanctioned the proposed temporary appointment of Mr. George M. Dunnion as Poor Rate Collector for No. 9 District on the terms set out on the Query Form.

347/28.

ESTATE OF THE IRISH LAND COMMISSION, Record No. S4879;
COLLECTOR E.J. DOHERTY'S DISTRICT.

A letter dated 13th February, 1928, G.8951/1928, was read from the Local Government Department transmitting copy of letter received from the Irish Land Commission regarding the non-payment of £46 illegally collected from Irish Land Commission tenants and requesting to be furnished with an immediate explanation, having regard to the County Council's Minute of the 13th December last. The sum due should be forwarded, without any further delay, and a full report as to the position of Collector E.J. Doherty's account furnished to this Department. A further letter dated 20th February, 1928, G.10536/1928 Fu. from the same Department and a letter dated 21st February, 1928 8416/28 from the Secretary, Irish Land Commission, threatening Legal Proceedings in the event of the amount referred to not being refunded within 7 days, were also read.

Minute:- Refund of amount ordered to be made out of County Fund.

348/28.

COLLECTOR E.J. DOHERTY'S COLLECTION FOR 1926/27.

Minute:- Arising out of Minute 197/28 County Council, the Local Government Department's letter dated 20th February, 1928, G.10536/1928 Fu and Collector Doherty's letter of the 27th February, 1928 the Secretary was directed to furnish a report to the Ministry on his collection after 29th idem.

Councillor Cole assured the Council that this Collector would close his warrant within the time specified.

349/28.

SANCTION OF ORDINARY POUNDAGE TO COLLECTOR GORMAN.

A letter dated 16th February, 1928, G.10061/1928 was read from the Local Government Department stating that the Minister raised no objection to the payment of ordinary poundage fees to Collector Joseph Gorman in respect of his collection for the half-year ended 30th September, 1927 which he had closed.

350/28.

SANCTION OF ORDINARY POUNDAGE TO COLLECTOR HOLMES.

A letter dated 20th February, 1928, G.10544/1928, was read from the Local Government Department stating that the Minister raised no objection to the payment of ordinary poundage fees to Rate Collector William Holmes in respect of the first moiety of the 1927/28 rate which he had closed.

351/28.

APPOINTMENT OF SUBSTITUTE FOR COLLECTOR PHILIP CASSIDY
ARTICLE 104, PUBLIC BODIES ORDER, 1925, YEAR 1927/28.

A letter was submitted from Collector Philip Cassidy tendering his resignation as Collector for No. 5 District on the ground of ill health as attested by a Medical Certificate produced from Dr. Doherty, Donegal, who also stated therein that he had recommended Mr. Cassidy to undergo an operation.

The Secretary informed the Council that £2915:19:0 remained uncollected in the district for the current year and that the procedure indicated under Article 104 of the Public Bodies Order, 1925, which he read, should be adopted.

Mr. Cassidy, who was present, agreed to the course suggested by the Secretary, and named Mr. Denis Callaghan, Ardnawark, Barnesmore, who resides in the district, and who is Collector for the adjoining area of Mountcharles, as his substitute in completing the collection for 1927/28.

Minute:- Council decided, in accordance with the terms of Article 104 of the Public Bodies Order, 1925, to approve of the appointment by Collector Philip Cassidy of Mr. Denis Callaghan, Ardnawark, Barnesmore, as the former's substitute in completing the rate collection for 1926/27, subject to the sanction of the Local Government Department and Mr. Cassidy's sureties; and to issue to Mr. Callaghan a warrant authorising him to collect the outstanding rates.

SANCTION OF ORDINARY POUNDAGE TO COLLECTOR DAWSON (No.25)

352/28.

A letter dated 22/2/28, G.11059/1928 was read from the Local Government Department stating that the Minister sanctioned payment/

Report furnished
to L.G.D. by Secy.

Extract sent to L.G.D.

also
Extracts sent to Philip
Cassidy & Denis Callaghan
12/3/28

payment of ordinary poundage fees to Collector Dawson (No. 25 District) on one moiety of his 1927/28 collection which he had closed.

353/28.

NEXT MEETING.

It was arranged that the next meeting of the County Council be held on Tuesday 20th March, 1928.

Confirmed,

Smahony *Chairman*

20/3/28,

Copy minutes
Sent to
L.G. Dept
R.G. Dept.
Roads
Co. Surveyors
Council's Secy
19/4/28

COPY MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE

DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY THE 20th DAY

OF MARCH, 1928.

A T T E N D A N C E.

The members present were:-

Councillors Blaney, Boyle, Brennan, Clarke, Cole, Doherty (Edward), Doherty (Patrick), Gallagher (Bernard), Gallagher (William), Gallen, Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Mahony, Mahony, Mulreany, Hyles, McBride, McCauley, McClafferty, MacCreadie, McIvor, McNulty, McPhelimy, McShane, O'Brien, O'Donnell, Scott, Sweeney and Walker.

A letter was read from Councillor Baxter regretting inability to attend meeting.

C H A I R M A N.

Councillor Mahony was moved to the chair.

V O T E O F C O N D O L E N C E.

Councillor MacCreadie proposed that the Secretary be directed to convey to Councillor Baxter the Council's sympathy in his bereavement on the death of his mother.

Councillor Clarke seconded the motion which was passed in silence, the members standing.

V O T E O F S Y M P A T H Y..

On the motion of Councillor Cole, seconded by Councillor Scott, it was unanimously resolved:- "That the Council express sympathy with Councillor Quigley in his present illness and hope he may soon be restored to good health".

354/28.

M I N U T E S.

The Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed.

355/28.

R E P O R T O F C O M M I T T E E.

The report of the Scholarships Committee Meeting held on the 14th March, 1928 was unanimously adopted.

In this connection Councillor Brennan drew attention to what he described as a terrible handicap suffered by one of the applicants for a Scholarship - Miss Ellen Boyle, whose father was a migratory labourer, who had a large family, and regularly went to Scotland to earn money for their support. It appeared that while the father was absent on one occasion on the Island of Arranmore, on some small job, a document in connection with his daughter's application was sent to him for his signature, but owing to stormy weather the mail did not arrive on the island in time for him to return the document until it was too late. Considering that the man was marooned on the island, as it were, he thought the Council should make an exception in this case, and allow the applicant to qualify for the Scholarship.

The/

The Secretary said Miss Boyle had six months in which to send in her application, but had only forwarded it on 10th March. The risk the Council ran/that if the application was granted and the applicant qualified for a Scholarship it would be open to one of the candidates who received lower marks to bring an action against the Council on the grounds that they had granted a Scholarship illegally.

On the motion of Councillor O'Donnell, seconded by Councillor Boyle, it was unanimously decided to allow Miss Boyle to sit for the examination, without prejudice to the rights of the other candidates.

356/28.

UNPAID LAND ANNUITIES.

In the absence of the Chairman, Councillor Mulreany moved - "That in view of the high level at which the rates in this County are still maintained owing to deduction from Grants of unpaid land annuities, we urge upon the Land Commission the desirability of establishing a Rent Office in the County. Such a course, by bringing annuitants into closer touch with the Land Commission, would, we are convinced, result in the collection of a considerable amount of the arrears of annuities outstanding with a corresponding increase of Grants and reduction in rates". Councillor McClafferty seconded. Passed unanimously.

357/28.

COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH LOANS.

In accordance with Notice of Motion duly given in pursuance of Section 4 (3) of the Local Government Act, 1927, Councillor Gallen moved:-

- (1) "That this Council hereby approves of the borrowing by the County Donegal Board of Health and Public Assistance of a sum, not exceeding £7,500, for the purpose of carrying out repairs to Labourers' Cottages in County Donegal";
- (2) "That this Council hereby approves of the borrowing by the County Donegal Board of Health and Public Assistance of a sum, not exceeding £7,000, for the purpose of Capital Expenditure under Public Assistance";
- (3) "That this Council hereby approves of the borrowing by the County Donegal Board of Health and Public Assistance of a sum, not exceeding £14,168, for the purpose of carrying out a scheme for water supply for towns of Ballybofey and Stranorlar";
- (4) "That this Council hereby approves of the borrowing by the County Donegal Board of Health and Public Assistance of a sum, not exceeding £1,512, for the purpose of carrying out a scheme for improvement of water supply for town of Donegal".

Councillor Mahony seconded.

Passed unanimously.

358/28.

re S.S. "WENDLA".

A letter dated 20th March, 1928 was read from the Council's Solicitor in regard to the examination of above vessel by a Marine Expert.

Minute/

Ex-tracks sent to
(1) Local Govt. Dept.
(2) Mr. Hooley T.D. Reinstated
(3) The Govt. Collection Branch
Land Commission
4/4/28.

Ex-tracks sent to
Local Govt. Dept. and
County Board of Health, 4/4/28.

Council's Policy
written to
24/3/28

Minute:- Having regard to the period that had elapsed since the alleged damage took place it was unanimously decided not to avail of the services of a Marine Expert.

359/28.

LAGG QUARRY.

The consideration of the following Notice of Motion by Councillor Baxter, was, in his absence, adjourned until next meeting:-

"That this Council pay the owner of Lagg Quarry the price per ton, as arranged by the County Surveyor, for any stones taken out of it by Contractors during the term of the new contracts".

360/28.

CUTTING OF HEDGES.

Councillor Hamilton called the Council's attention to the failure of owners of land along County Roads to cut hedges and referred particularly to a road corner near Laghey where a stump of a tree was growing. The owner of the land had been notified to remove it but he declined to do so.

Minute:- It was unanimously resolved, on the motion of Councillor Hamilton, seconded by Councillor Doherty (Edward), that the Assistant Surveyor for the district be directed to take the necessary proceedings against the owner of the land with a view to having the obstruction removed; further, that it be a general direction to the County Surveyors to see that the regulations in this respect are in future enforced.

361/28.

HEDGE AT ROSSGIER.

On the motion of Councillor Clarke, seconded by Councillor Scott, Mr. Steadman was directed to take the necessary action with a view to having a hedge along the County Road at Rossgier cut.

362/28.

SELECTION OF ROADS FOR ROLLING.

Councillor Hamilton called attention to the selection of roads for rolling; some with large traffic being neglected in favour of those with less.

Minute:- Consideration referred to Roads Committee.

363/28.

DEPUTATIONS.

Councillor Sweeney moved - "That in future any Deputation appearing before the Council must consist of no more than three persons, and that these cannot be admitted to the Council Chamber without first having obtained the sanction of the Council".

Councillor Scott said Deputations appearing before the Council were regulated by Standing Order No. 95 and a special motion was unnecessary.

Minute:- It was unanimously decided that this Standing Order be enforced in future.

Extract sent to
Mr. M. G. Cunningham
8/14/28

364/28.

WORK ON ROAD BETWEEN NEWTOWNCUNNINGHAM AND BRIDGE-END.

A letter dated 12th March, 1928 was read from Councillor Gallagher (William) intimating that at the next meeting of the Council he intended asking the following questions:-

- (a) How many tons of stones were used out of Dooish Quarry on the Road Grant Work between Newtowncunningham and Bridge End and the total cost of same;
- (b) How many tons of stones came from the quarries below Buncrana and total cost of same delivered at the different stations (Bridge End, Carrowen and Newtowncunningham);
- (c) Total amount paid to labourers working on the road;
- (d) Total cost of machinery - Rollers and Breakers;
- (e) Total amount spent on Tar delivered on road;
- (f) How many miles of the road between Bridge End and Newtowncunningham are in the Barony of Inishowen and how many in the Barony of Raphoe.

At Mr. Steadman's request consideration was deferred until after lunch.

365/28.

REPAIRS TO CERTAIN BRIDGES.

Councillor Loughrey moved :- "That the County Surveyor be instructed to carry out the necessary repairs to the following bridges:- Dunmore, Drumatrummon, Gortcally, Legland and Milltown."

Councillor Blaney seconded. Passed unanimously.

366/28.

REPAIRS TO ROAD KNOWN AS "ACRES LANE".

Councillor O'Brien moved - "That the sum of £12 be expended towards repairs to the above road leading from Old Coolmore Road to road at Tullymore, by spreading thereon 40 tons 2" broken stones".

Mr. Caffrey said this was not a County Road.

Councillor O'Brien maintained that it was.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor O'Brien, seconded by Councillor Mulreany, the matter was referred to the County Surveyor with a view to having the necessary repairs carried out.

367/28.

COASTGUARD STATION AT BURTONPORT.

A letter dated 6th January, 1928, 22365/28, was read from the Office of Public Works requesting to be informed if the Donegal County Council were now disposed to accept a lease of the above premises on the terms mentioned, consideration of which was adjourned by the County Council on 25th January, 1927 (Minute No. 13/27) pending action by the Government on the report of the Gaeltacht Commission.

The Chairman ruled that a Notice of Motion was necessary before the matter could be considered.

Minute/

Ex had sent to Mr. J. O'Sullivan 11/11/28

Minute:- Consideration deferred until next meeting;
meanwhile Councillor O'Donnell to lodge a Notice of Motion.

368/28.

LETTING OF ROOMS IN CARNDONAGH WORKHOUSE.

The Secretary said that an anticipated letter from the Local Government Department in regard to the proposal of the Donegal County Council to let three rooms in Carndonagh Workhouse to Mr. Charles McLaughlin had not been received.

369/28.

VETERINARY INSPECTOR FOR NORTH DONEGAL.

A letter dated 29th February, 1928, O.24/306/27, was read from the Secretary, Local Appointments Commissioners, with regard to the recommendation of the Donegal County Council for the filling of the office of Veterinary Inspector in North Donegal, and stating that the Commissioners regretted that they were unable to add anything to their previous letters to the Donegal County Council on the subject.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Cole, seconded by Councillor DeKerty (Patrick), it was unanimously decided, that as the Council considered themselves justified in recommending Mr. McShane, Veterinary Inspector, for the position they again requested the Appointments Commissioners to reconsider their decision in the matter.

370/28.

ROADS IMPROVEMENT GRANT OF £200,000.

A letter dated 22nd February, 1928, SGE/201, was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) stating that out of the above Grant a sum of £9,580 had been provisionally allocated to the Donegal County Council for Main Road Improvement especially tarring.

As directed in Minute No. 260/28 the County Surveyors submitted the following schemes which were approved of:-

Northern Division.

Dunfanaghy.

From 3 roads at Massinas thence for
 $\frac{1}{2}$ mile towards Dunfanaghy
From 3 roads at Portnablagh thence for
 $\frac{1}{2}$ mile towards Croeslough
From Ray Bridge at Carrowcannon thence for
1 mile towards Falcarragh
From 4 roads at Bunbeg thence for $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles
to Derrybeg 3 roads

Miles	Cost	Total
$\frac{1}{2}$	100	
$\frac{1}{2}$	100	
1	200	
$1\frac{1}{2}$	300	700

Inishowen

From point 1 mile East of Ballyliffin
thence for $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles towards Carndonagh
From 3 roads at Cloghan thence for 1 mile
towards Carndonagh
From Derry No. 2 thence for 9
miles towards Moville

$1\frac{1}{2}$	300	
1	200	
9	1640	2140

Derry No. 2/

Extract Sent
to L.G. Dept.
4/4/28

Extract Sent to Local
Appointments Commissioners
4/4/28

Extract Sent to
L.G. Dept. Roads
4/4/28

Derry No. 2.

	Miles	Cost	Total
From 3 roads at Ardmore to Inishowen Mearing	$3\frac{1}{2}$	650	
From 3 roads at Bridge End thence for $\frac{3}{4}$ mile towards Derry	$\frac{3}{4}$	150	800

Letterkenny.

From three roads at Woodhill thence for $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles towards Lifford	$1\frac{1}{2}$	300	
From Letterkenny Urban thence for $2\frac{3}{4}$ miles towards Remelton	$2\frac{3}{4}$	550	850

Milford.

From 4 roads to Devlinmore thence for $\frac{1}{2}$ mile towards Milford	$\frac{1}{2}$	100	
From point 1 mile S.E. of Cranford Bridge thence for 1 mile towards Milford	1	200	300

Southern Division.

With reference to the Grant amounting to £9,580 I am assuming half of this amount will be for the roads in the South.

As no provision has been made for Tarring roads from County Funds, and as £4,790 is a very small amount for this purpose, I would suggest it be divided equally amongst the Districts of Ballyshannon, Donegal, Glenties and Stranorlar, allowing £1197:10 to each.

371/28.

ORDERS.

The following copies of Orders were submitted:-

Copy of the County Mayo (Control of Dogs) Order of 1928;

Orders of the Department of Agriculture and Technical
Instruction for Ireland:-

- (a) No. 59 dated 17th February, 1928 "Application of Part I of the Foot and Mouth Disease (Ireland)-Order of 1915".
- (b) No. 60 dated 17th February, 1928 "Prohibiting the holding of Markets, Fairs and public Sales of Cattle, Sheep, Goats and Swine in Counties of Wicklow, Carlow, Kilkenny and Waterford".
- (c) No. 61 dated 18th February, 1928 "Foot and Mouth Disease (Wexford Local Restrictions) 1928".
- (d) No. 62 dated 18th February, 1928 "Foot and Mouth Disease (Infected Place)".
- (e) No. 63 dated 18th February, 1928 "Foot and Mouth Disease (Exhibitions) 1928".
- (f) No. 64 dated 24th February, 1928 revoking the undermentioned Orders:-

No. 60 dated 17th February, 1928 - no title

No. 63 dated 18th February, 1928 - Foot and Mouth Disease
(Exhibitions) Order of 1928.

(g) No. 65 dated 6th March, 1928 "The Foot and Mouth Disease (County Wexford) Order, 1928".

372/28. DONEGAL COUNTY.

ROAD MAINTENANCE GRANTS 1927/1928.

A letter dated 18th February, 1928, was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health (Roads) with reference to requisitions received from the County Secretary in connection with above.

373/28.

re LICENSING OF A "GRAHAM" OMNIBUS.

Letters dated 23rd February, 1928 and 13th March, 1928, R/MT.7/Rfd, were read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health (Roads) relative to the licensing of a "Graham" Omnibus by Mr. Daniel Kearney in substitution for his destroyed Omnibus IH 2274.

374/28.

REFUND OF MOTOR LICENCE DUTY - CAR IH 1402.

A letter dated 23rd February, 1928, R/MT.7/Rfd. was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health (Roads) with reference to the claim of Messrs Ferry & Coyle, Derrybeg, for refund of Motor Licence Duty in respect of their car IH 1402 and stating that the claim had been approved.

375/28.

THE NOTICE OF RATES ORDER, 1928.

A letter dated 28th February, 1928 was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health forwarding copy of the Order entitled "The Notice of Rates Order, 1928" which the Minister had made and which substitutes for Forms 46 and 49 of the Public Bodies Order, 1925, two new Forms which will be found in the Schedule to the Order.

376/28.

HIRE OF STEAM ROLLERS, CRUSHERS, etc.

A letter dated 24th February, 1928 addressed to the County Surveyor by the Minister for Local Government and Public Health (Roads) re hire of Steam Rollers, Crushers, etc. in connection with work under Road Grants, was submitted.

Minute:- Referred to Roads Committee.

377/28.

PROPOSED LOAN OF £3,500 FOR THE REPAIR OF LABOURERS' COTTAGES.

A letter dated 27th February, 1928, No. H.7649/1928, was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health (Housing) enclosing copy of a letter which had been addressed to the Donegal County Board of Health and Public Assistance respecting their application for sanction to the borrowing of a sum of £3,500 for the repair of Labourers' Cottages and conveying the Minister's sanction to loan.

*Despatch with
by Roads
on 24/2/28*

*Extract sent to
County Council 27/2/28
H. 7649/28*

378/28.

RELIEF GRANT.

A letter dated 28th February, 1928, IO325/28, was read from the Irish Land Commission acknowledging receipt of County Secretary's letter of 23rd idem relative to the resolutions passed by the Council at meeting on 10th January, 1928, requesting that certain roads in the county be dealt with under the scheme in connection with the above Grant and stating that the resolutions had been noted.

379/28.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL.

A letter dated 29th February, 1928, G.9638/1928 M. was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health referring to the Minutes of Proceedings of the Donegal County Council Meeting held on 31st ultimo which extended to 44 stencilled pages and stating that some reduction would appear possible in the size of the Minutes, with consequent economy, if the Council would decide that the speeches or summaries of speeches of members need not in future be included.

Minute:- The Minister's suggestion was unanimously adopted.

380/28.

LAYING OF CONCRETE IN BUNDORAN AND BALLYSHANNON.

A letter dated 29th February, 1928, was read from Mr. James Quigley, Chief Engineer, Department of Local Government and Public Health (Roads) relative to the unsatisfactory way in which the work of laying concrete in Bundoran and Ballyshannon was being carried out and requesting it to be noted that no further payments were to be made on this work after above date, as was also a telegram from the Roads Department in reply to the County Secretary's letter stating that payments for periods ended 25th February, 1928 might be made.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, said that the matter referred to was being dealt with.

381/28.

REVISION OF BONUSES.

A circular letter dated 5th March, 1928, G.14089/1928, was read from the Local Government Department on the above subject in respect of the six months commencing 1st idem.

382/28.

ORDER DETERMINING THAT A BUILDING IN TOWNLAND OF LURGANBOY IS A NEW BUILDING.

A letter dated 6th March, 1928, was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health transmitting Order under Seal dated 1st March, 1928 determining that the building of Mr. J.D. Gallagher in the townland of Lurganboy (Valuation £3) was a new building within the meaning of Section 69 of the Local Government Act, 1925 as amended by Section II of the Local Government Act, 1927 and stating that additional evidence submitted by Mr. Gallagher had been accepted by the Minister as showing that the date of commencement of the building was subsequent to the 1st April, 1920.

Extract Sent to
L.G. Dept.
4/4/28

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L.G. Dept.
4/4/28

383/28.

re ALLOWANCE FOR GRANT WORK TO MESSRS
W. O'NEILL AND P.J. KELLY, ASSISTANT COUNTY SURVEYORS.

A letter dated 5th March, 1928, K/RGS/7, was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health (Roads) stating that the Minister had authorised payment of the appropriate allowance for Grant Work to Mr. W. O'Neill, Assistant Surveyor, as from the date he had been permanently appointed, and that recoupment might be claimed when the next requisition was being submitted.

Regarding the case of Mr. Kelly, Assistant Surveyor, the County Surveyor's observations on Mr. Kelly's report should be furnished.

The Secretary said Mr. Steadman had been asked for his observations on Mr. Kelly's report.

384/28.

ROAD IMPROVEMENTS BETWEEN MILFORD AND CARRIGART.

A letter dated 8th March, 1928, S/20, was read from the Department of Posts and Telegraphs stating that with reference to the letter dated 19th January, 1928 from Mr. P. Dawson, Assistant Surveyor, regarding the removal of a telegraph pole in connection with road improvements between Milford and Carrigart the matter would receive attention and an account for the cost of the necessary alterations to the telegraphs would be rendered to the Council in due course.

385/28.

HEATING OF GLENTIES COURTHOUSE.

A letter dated 8th March, 1928, G.14207/1928, was read from the Local Government Department relative to the report which they had received from the Clerk of the District Court, Glenties, to the effect that the Donegal County Council failed to take steps for the proper heating of the Glenties Courthouse.

Minute:- Referred to County Surveyor for a report.

386/28.

MALINBEG LANDING SLIP.

A letter dated 13th March, 1928, D/18/15, was read from the Department of Fisheries, regarding the necessity for repairs to Malinbeg Landing Slip and stating that the Minister was now in a position to confirm his offer of a contribution from State Funds of one half of the actual cost or £35, whichever was the less sum, towards the cost of carrying out the repairs, provided the County Council completed the work to the satisfaction of the Department's Engineer on whose certificate the State Grant would be paid.

387/28.

SCHEME OF POLLING DISTRICTS AND POLLING PLACES. (Co. Donegal)

The Secretary in submitting above scheme for reconsideration said that in its preparation the main object in view was the convenience of the voters but he wished to make it clear that if adopted the cost of the election would be larger than under the scheme at present in force.

Minute:- The Scheme unanimously approved.

Extract sent to
L.S. 19 Sept. 1928
D.C. Glenties
14/10/28

388/28.

OVERDRAFT - £45,000.

On the motion of Councillor Gallen, seconded by Councillor Mahony, it was unanimously decided to request the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to sanction the continuance of Overdraft of £45,000 until the 30th June, 1928.

389/28.

RAMELTON QUAY.

A letter was read from Mr. Charles Kelly, Ramelton, enclosing letter which he received from the owners of the S.S. "Ben Blanche" re alleged damage to this vessel at Ramelton Quay on the night of the 8th March, 1928.

The Secretary said that this Quay was not the property of the County Council.

Minute:- No action taken.

390/28.

SAND BLAST MACHINE.

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siochana, Letterkenny, acknowledging receipt of copy of resolution of 28th February, 1928 authorising purchase of a Sand Blast Machine.

391/28.

re TARIFF ON FISH BARRELS.

A letter was read from the Secretary to the President, Irish Free State, acknowledging receipt of copy resolution passed by the Donegal County Council on 28th February, 1928 regarding a tariff on fish barrels and the reopening of local co-op stores.

392/28.

FURNITURE FOR BUNCRANA COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from the District Court Clerk, Buncrana, requesting to be supplied with certain articles of furniture for his office in the Courthouse, as was also a letter dated 7th October, 1927, from Mr. Hugh C. Cochrane, Under Sheriff, Lifford, enclosing a list of requirements for Buncrana Courthouse.

Councillor McIvor said that he called at the Courthouse but failed to procure the information necessary to enable him to report re articles required.

Minute:- Consideration further adjourned until next meeting.

393/28.

STORAGE OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

Councillor McIvor reported that he had, as arranged, interviewed Mr. James McGuinness, 4, Chamberlain Street, Derry, in respect of rent for storage of weights and measures, the property of the Donegal County Council, left at his premises by the Cld R.I.C. after the Bruce, and that he would not accept less than £40.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Lavanagh, seconded by Councillor Cole, Councillor McIvor was asked to again interview Mr. McGuinness and offer him £25.

Extract Sent to
Chas. Kelly, Ramelton
4/4/28

Extract Sent to
Wm. J. Cochrane
Buncrana
4/4/28

Extract Sent to
Geo. J. McIvor
4/4/28

394/28.

re FLOODING OF LAND.

A letter was read from Mr. Joseph Alexander, Solicitor, Derry, on behalf of Mr. Thomas Porter, Carricknee, Inch Island, re flooding of his land caused by a tail race from a pipe through the County Road at Carricknee being blocked.

Ex-had sent to Mr. Joseph Alexander 4/14/28

Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, reported that the existing state of affairs had been in operation for a very long period. He could not say exactly how long but Mr. Porter admitted to him that not during his time had the water complained of been conveyed along the course he now suggested. This would cover a period of 40 years. He (Mr. Steadman) got into touch with another party who had been living alongside this place for some 30 years and he stated also that the water had not, during his time, been conveyed along the course that Mr. Porter now suggested.

Minute:- No action taken and on the motion of Councillor Scott a copy of the report was directed to be sent to Mr. Alexander.

395/28.

FLOODING OF PREMISES AT KILLYBEGS.

A letter was read from Mr. J.J. McGettigan, Main Street, Killybegs, re flooding of his premises in Church Road, Killybegs, occasioned by a defective water vennel.

Ex-had sent to J.J. McGettigan 4/14/28

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, reported that in front of the dwelling house there is a little garden plot extending out to metalling of the carriageway, and in a line with adjacent wall referred to in Mr. McGettigan's letter. Water from a field on the upper side of Mr. McGettigan's house flows along a side drain which evidently passed under the garden plot through a pipe or along the open drain before the garden plot was extended out to the road. This side drain was now stopped up and the water came out on to the county road. He will instruct the Contractor for the road to open the side drain as far as the garden plot and Mr. McGettigan must then open the pipe passing under this plot and keep the pipe free so as to prevent the water from field injuring the roadway.

Minute:- Report approved and Secretary directed to write Mr. McGettigan to keep the drain free.

396/28.

PRESS REQUIRED.

A letter was read from Mr. Hugh O'Duffy, District Court Clerk, Baltony, Gortahork, requesting to be supplied with a suitable press in which to store Court Records.

Ex-had sent to Councillor McCafferty & Hugh O'Duffy 4/14/28

Minute:- Councillor McCafferty was asked to have a suitable press made locally at a reasonable cost and the account furnished to the County Secretary. Councillor McCafferty acquiesced.

397/28.

RANNAGH PIER.

A letter was read from Mr. Edward O'Donnell, Harbour Master, Rannagh Pier, reporting that repairs were necessary to this structure.

Ex-had sent to Edward O'Donnell 4/14/28

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, stated that it would take about £20 to have the necessary repairs effected.

Minute:- Mr. Caffrey directed to being forward an application at next meeting.

398/28.

WATER STORAGE ACCOMMODATION AT DOWNINGS PIER.

A letter dated 20th February, 1928, was read from the Secretary, County Board of Health, stating that the Board, at a meeting held on above date, unanimously recommended that the County Council provide sufficient water storage accommodation at Downings Pier to meet the requirements of fishing vessels. It was thought that a storage tank of 20,000 or 25,000 gallons capacity was required.

As instructed in Minute No. 313/28 Mr. William Doherty, C.E., submitted a report and estimate.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor MacGreadie, seconded by Councillor Myles, it was unanimously decided, with a view to having the storage tank erected in time for the May fishing, to direct the Secretary to have an advertisement issued immediately inviting tenders for the work.

Councillors Clarke and Gallen were appointed to examine and deal with tenders.

It was further decided to charge 10/- for each supply of water to vessels calling at Downings Pier.

399/28.

ALTAR BRIDGE.

A letter was read from residents in the townland of Glenmacaniff, Glenties, and District requesting the County Council to have repairs carried out forthwith to the above Bridge which spans the river, on the road running from the main road at Stranaghlough to Glenmacaniff.

Minute:- County Surveyor directed to furnish a report at next meeting.

400/28.

BUNCRAHA AND LETTERKENNY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCILS.

The Secretary reported that the undermentioned amounts were due by the above-named Councils on foot of Annual Estimates and Demands in respect of current Financial Year:-

Buncrana ----- £2,602: 1:11
Letterkenny ----- 1,691: 15: 9

Minute:- Unanimously resolved, on the motion of Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor McPhelimy, that the Secretary request that amounts be lodged with the Council's Treasurer on or before 31st March, 1928.

401/28.

PETROL PUMP LICENCE.

The Secretary reported that there was an outstanding licence for current year in respect of a Petrol Pump erected at Mr. William Crawford Baird's premises, Moville, and although he had made repeated applications for payment there was no response.

Minute:- County Surveyor directed to have the Petrol Pump removed.

Exh. 100 sent to
Mr. Wm. C. Baird &
Stranaghlough
4/14/28

Exh. 101 sent to
Mr. Wm. C. Baird &
Stranaghlough
4/14/28

402/28. re TEMPORARY CLERKS FOR RATE WORK.

The Council decided to leave the appointment of Temporary Clerks for Rate Work in the hands of the Secretary as in former years; remuneration to be at following rates:-

Applotting ----- 6/- per 100
 Copying Demand Notes, Receipts and
 Counterfoils ----- 7/6 " 100

Total cost on approximately 58,000 ratings £391:10:0

403/28.

USE OF ROOM IN THE UNDERMENTIONED COURTHOUSES
 BY MESSRS CAFFREY AND O'NEILL ASSISTANT SURVEYORS.

Arising out of a report of Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, premission was granted to Mr. J.J. Caffrey, Buncrana, and Mr. William O'Neill, Carndonagh, Assistant Surveyors, to use a room in Buncrana and Carndonagh Courthouses respectively to enable each to carry on his work to better advantage, the Courtkeeper to be directed to furnish in each case the Assistant Surveyor with a key of Courthouse and also a fire when necessary.

404/28. re ROAD - BURNFOOT TO INCH.

Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, reported that some months ago he brought this matter before the Council and pointed out the difficulty of trying to maintain this road owing to the drainage being so utterly neglected. If the Agent for Lord Brassey were again written to threatening proceedings it might lead to something being done.

Minute:- Mr. Steadman's suggestion adopted.

404/28.

re DANGEROUS TURN AT CLONLEIGH POST OFFICE.

As directed Mr. Steadman reported that the turn in the road leading from Lifford to St. Johnston was dangerous owing to the view being obstructed by a house at the corner. By making a diversion at this place matters could be greatly improved. The length of the diversion required would be III lineal yards and the probable cost about £55.

Minute:- The Chairman ruled that a Notice of Motion would be necessary.

Councillor Clarke said he would lodge one for consideration at next meeting.

405/28. LIFFORD COURTHOUSE.

On application by Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, £30 was placed in his hands to meet incidental repairs to Lifford Courthouse.

406/28. RATE DEPARTMENT.

Councillor Gallen referred to the amount which had been placed in Mr. Steadman's hands for the purpose of having certain necessary improvements effected in the Rate Office in Courthouse, Lifford.

Ex had sent to
 Council Clerk
 Carndonagh 14/11/28
 E. J. Caffrey &
 Wm. O'Neill
 14/11/28

Ex had sent to
 Mr. J. J. Caffrey
 14/11/28

Ex had sent to
 Councillor Clarke
 14/11/28

407/28.

PROPOSED PUBLIC LAVATORY AT RERE OF COURTHOUSE, BUNCRAHA.

A letter was read from the Town Clerk, Buncrana, stating that he had been directed by the Urban District Council to make application for use of a small portion of ground at the rere of the Courthouse at Buncrana for the purpose of erecting a public lavatory.

As directed in Minute No. 1100/27, Mr. Steadman reported that some time ago, when the building of Buncrana Courthouse was in progress, Mr. Callaghan, the Urban Surveyor, pointed out to him where the Urban District Council desired to erect a public lavatory. At that time there did not appear to him (Mr. Steadman) so much objection to the project as he found out subsequently when the building was completed. If this application were granted then the entrance to the back premisses of Courthouse from a public lavatory would be prevented. Again he found that the Courtkeeper's rooms (or those intended for him) but not yet occupied, would be very close to this lavatory and the Clerks' rooms would also be close although at a higher level with windows overlooking same. A public lavatory without a permanent Caretaker was liable to become a very objectionable place.

Minute:- The Secretary was directed to inform the Urban District Council that the County Council, with the County Surveyor's approval, were willing to facilitate them in the matter. but that they will not entertain the present proposal.

408/28.

PROPOSED CHARGE UNDER PART II SCHEDULE OF TOLLS.

The consideration of the question of the charge of £3 under Part II of Schedule of Tolls, Dues etc., to vessels over 65 tons gross engaged in fishing and payable at each pier under the Council's control, was adjourned until next meeting of the Council.

409/28.

LIFFORD COURTHOUSE : INSTALLATION OF ELECTRIC LIGHT.

As directed Mr. William Doherty, C.E., submitted a further report re proposed installation of Electric Light in Lifford Courthouse, and offices therein and he was directed to invite tenders for submission to the County Council on 24th April, 1928.

410/28.

re REMOVAL OF 2" BROKEN STONES
BELONGING TO COUNTY COUNCIL.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, reported that Mr. M.F. Cunningham, his Assistant, reported that a quantity of 2" broken stones, approximately two or three tons, were removed from the county road and used for a public laneway without any permission from this Council. Mr. Cunningham had ample proof to show that these stones were removed and it now rested with the County Council as to the action to be taken.

Minute:- Matter left in County Surveyor's hands to get value of stones removed or failing this to institute legal proceedings.

*Extract Sent to Chas. Callaghan
Town Clerk
4/17/28*

*Extract Sent to
Mr. Wm. Doherty, C.E.
4/17/28*

*Extract Sent to
Mr. John Caffrey
4/17/28*

411/28.

REPORT OF Mr. CAFFREY re CONTRACT
No. 105 GLENTIES AREA.

Mr. Caffrey reported that with regard to the above Contract for widening 8 perches of the road, between Kincasslagh and Mullaghduff, the work has been completed and payment can be made to the Contractor. The reason this had not been dealt with at the last half-yearly payments was because it did not appear in the County Book owing to the consent for the necessary land not being lodged in time.

Minute:- Report approved.

412/28.

re ROAD MEENBOY TO MEENAVILDERG.

A letter signed by the Rev. James Byrne P.P., and several other ratepayers, requesting the County Council (seeing that they cannot give them any aid themselves) to apply to the Land Commission for a grant with a view to getting the above road in the parish of Killynard repaired, was read.

Minute:- Request acceded to.

413/28.

DONEGAL COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from the Caretaker of the Donegal Courthouse bringing under the notice of the Council the manner in which the Court Room had been abused after the sitting of the recent Road Meetings.

Minute:- Matter to receive attention prior to next meeting of the Roads Committee.

414/28.

APPLICATION FOR INCREASE OF SALARY.

An application was submitted from the Caretaker of the Donegal Courthouse for an increase of salary.

Minute:- Referred to Finance Committee.

415/28.

CONDITION OF ROAD FROM CREEVE TO RAHAN IN
LETTERKENNY FORMER RURAL DISTRICT.

A letter was read from Messrs Edward McFadden and Company, Solicitors, Letterkenny, on behalf of a number of ratepayers living in Creevesmith and Rahan, concerning a road running from Creeve to Rahan; which their clients have to use and which they require put on the County. There are ten ratepayers living on this road, which runs from the foot of the Golf Links parallel thereto to the Rahan Road who have no other means of getting out from or in to their holdings.

Minute:- Referred to County Surveyor for a report.

416/28.

CONFERENCE OF THE INSTITUTION OF
MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY ENGINEERS.

A letter stating that the above Conference would be held in London on 20th, 21st, 22nd and 23rd June next, was read.

Minute:- No action.

Extract Sent to
Irish Road Commission;

also
Extract Sent to
Rev James Byrne
Killynard 4/4/28

Extracts Sent to Mr.
Wm. McFadden & Co.
Caretaker, Donegal
4/4/28

Extract Sent to
Messrs E. McFadden & Co.
4/4/28

417/28.

AUGHAGLASSON MOUNTAIN ROAD.

A letter was read from Mr. Charles Patterson, Grouschall, Gleneely, complaining that the above mountain road had not been included in Provisional Road Works Scheme for 1928 - 1929.

It was pointed out that the County Surveyor had been directed to include this road in above Scheme (Minute No. 813/27).

Minute:- County Surveyor directed to submit an application at next meeting of the Council with a view to having this road repaired.

418/28.

AFFILIATION FEE OF DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL TO COUNTY COUNCILS' GENERAL COUNCIL.

A letter was read from the Secretary, County Councils' General Council, making application for affiliation fee (£20) of the Donegal County Council to the above Council for the year 1928/1929.

Minute:- Payment ordered.

419/28.

APPLICATION FOR POSITION OF FLAGMAN.

A letter was read from Mr. John McDermott, Mountcharles, requesting his name to be entered as a candidate for the position of Flagman of Steam Roller.

Minute:- Referred to Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor.

420/28.

CHILDRENS' ACT, 1908.

A letter was read from Superintendent P.J. McGrath, Garda Siochana, re proposed committal, at Donegal District Court on 6th April next, of children to an Industrial School, under the above Act.

421/28.

LIFFORD COURTHOUSE -- DAMAGE TO WINDOWS.

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siochana, Letterkenny, re damage to windows of Lifford Courthouse and action taken in the matter by the Gardai, Lifford.

422/28.

SALE OF FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS.

A report dated 2nd March, 1928, was submitted from Sergeant John J. Williams, Food and Drugs Inspector, Ballybofey, re samples of new milk taken at Convoy. One of the samples was adulterated; proceedings were taken and case dismissed; also in reference to a similar case pending for Stranorlar District Court to be held on 7th idem in respect of which he asked for the Council's authority to have the Council's Solicitor on the case and have it argued in a proper way to save a repetition of this kind.

In this connection a further letter was read from Sergeant John J. Williams, Food and Drugs Inspector, Ballybofey, re case taken by him against Arthur Walker, Kileadden, for selling milk which, according to the Analyst's Certificate, was adulterated. The case was dismissed on the merits by the District Justice and as this was the second case of the kind to be dismissed he made application to the Council to have it appealed.

Minute/

Minute:- The time for dealing with the above cases having elapsed no action was taken.

As to similar cases in future it was decided that each case be dealt with by the Council on its merits.

423/28. SALE OF FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS;
SERGEANT JAMES HARTIGAN V ALICE MCGILLOWEY.

A letter was read from Sergeant James Hartigan, Food and Drugs Inspector, Buncrana, enclosing cheque for £2:9:6 being amount of fine and costs in a case of adulterated whiskey in which Alice McGillowey, Bridge End, Burnfoot, was the Defendant. The Secretary said the amount had been lodged to credit of the County Account.

424/28. SALE OF FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS;
APPOINTMENT OF AN INSPECTOR.

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siochana, Letterkenny, intimating that Sergeant P.F. Ballantine 302, Food and Drugs Inspector, had been transferred from Letterkenny to Creeslough, an area already covered by Sergeant J. Cahill 829, Milford, and recommending that his appointment be cancelled and Sergeant J. Logue 3346, Kilmacrenan, appointed to his place.

Minute:- Recommendation adopted and the Council's Seal ordered to be affixed to Form of Appointment.

425/28. LOAN OF £850 FOR THE PURCHASE OF GRANULATORS.

A Deed of Charge - Donegal County Council to the Hibernian Bank Limited - in connection with above loan was submitted and on the motion of Councillor Doherty (Edward), seconded by Councillor Myles, the Seal of the Council was ordered to be affixed thereto.

426/28. LISTS OF PROPOSALS FOR MAINTENANCE WORKS, AND
NEW, SPECIAL, AND MISCELLANEOUS WORKS.

Before proceeding to consider above lists in respect of which Tenders were invited at recent meetings of the Tenders Committee, it was decided to receive a Deputation from the Road Contractors' Union for Derry No. 2 Area of the former Rural District of Inishowen.

Mr. Magee, a member of the Deputation, said that nine or ten of the Works on lists had been given to non-Union men at a price lower than that for which Union men offered to do the work, which price corresponded with the Surveyors' Estimates. If the Council gave these contracts to those outside the Union the Union men would withdraw their tenders altogether.

The Secretary stated that under the provisions of the Local Government Act a Committee might, at their discretion, accept the lowest or any tender, or reject every tender. In case the lowest tender was not accepted a Minute would require to be made by the Tenders Committee setting out their reasons for its non-acceptance. Section 61 of the L.G. Act, 1925 imposes upon him the responsibility of warning the Council that if they were going to do anything illegal they would be surcharged for it, and he now warned the Council that if they accepted any tenders other than the lowest they were liable to be surcharged.

After/

After a prolonged discussion Councillor Myles proposed that the Council ratify the actions of the Tenders Committee. Councillor Hamilton seconded.

The Chairman put the resolution to the meeting and there being no amendment declared it passed unanimously.

With regard to the action of members of the Union in preventing certain non-Union men from signing their Bonds the Secretary was instructed to make the necessary arrangements for the completion of the Bonds.

The Council then dealt with the Proposals for Works, their decision regarding each Work being recorded on Official Copy of List.

427/28.

BALLYSHANNON FORMER RURAL DISTRICT : WORK No. 2119.

A letter was read from Mr. R.H. Reid, Solicitor, Ballyshannon, objecting, on behalf of John Doherty, to the proposed rebuilding of a flagged pipe - Proposal No. 2119 in Road Schedule - between Bundoran Quay and Bundrowes Bridge.

The County Surveyor stated that this was a County Pipe and required to be repaired.

Minute:- Contract approved.

428/28.

DONEGAL FORMER RURAL DISTRICT : CONTRACT No. II.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Travers, Greaghs, Laghey, stating that Road No. II on Road Sheet had not been signed for and that he was willing to take the Contract and carry out the work.

Minute:- Contract placed in County Surveyor's charge for one year.

DUNFALLAGHY FORMER RURAL DISTRICT : CONTRACT No. 9.

A letter was read from Messrs Patrick Gallagher and Owen O'Donnell, Contractors, Gweedore, re the action of the Tenders Committee at meeting held at Falcarragh on 11th February, 1928 in accepting for Contractor for Road No. 9, Charles Roarty of Keenamiller, a boy under 20 years of age.

Councillor McBride said that the tender was given to and executed by Charles Roarty, Senior.

Minute:- Contract approved.

430/28.

GLENTIES FORMER RURAL DISTRICT : CONTRACT No. 5.

A letter was read from Con Breslin, Scadaman, Ardara, objecting to a tender lodged and accepted at Glenties for Contract No. 5 in respect of which the Bond had not been signed; being the present Contractor he considered he was entitled to the Contract.

Minute:- Contract placed in County Surveyor's charge for one year.

Extract Sent to
R. H. Reid
4/14/28

Extract Sent to
Patrick Travers
4/14/28

Extract Sent to
Messrs P. Gallagher
4/14/28

Extract Sent to
Con Breslin
4/14/28

431/28.

CONTRACT No. 29.

A letter was read from Mr. James Sweeney, Lackenagh, Burtonport, re Contract No. 29, for which he had been accepted as Contractor by the Tenders Committee at their recent meeting and stating that as the Assistant Surveyor required 1" broken granite supplied, he requested to be relieved of the Contract.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor O'Donnell, seconded by Councillor McClafferty, this Contract was placed in the County Surveyor's hands for one year.

432/28.

CONTRACT No. 204.

A letter was read from Mr. John Furey, Stralinchey, Glenties, intimating that he was not proceeding with the work on Contract No. 204 between three roads, Strasallagh and Bridge at F. Molloy's.

Minute:- Contract placed in County Surveyor's hands for one year.

433/28.

INISHOWEN FORMER RURAL DISTRICT : CONTRACT No. 377.

A letter was read from Mr. James Henderson, Tullydish, Buncrana, stating that he had lodged a tender for Contract No. 377 between three roads south of Tullydish Bridge and four roads north of Scalp Mountain and desiring to know why it was rejected.

The County Surveyor said that Henderson was a Defaulter.

Minute:- Action of Tenders Committee in this case approved.

434/28.

INISHOWEN FORMER RURAL DISTRICT
(Derry No. 2 Area). CONTRACT No. 79.

A letter was read from Mr. Hugh Doherty, Castlecooley, Burt, stating that on 7th instant he lodged a tender at Burnfoot for road No. 79 which, being the lowest, was accepted. A number of other Contractors objected to his getting the road with the result that he was prevented from signing Bond. He considered that he was entitled to the road.

Minute:- Contract placed in County Surveyor's charge for one year.

435/28.

MILFORD FORMER RURAL DISTRICT : CONTRACT No. 39.

A letter was read from Mr. James Friel, Bridge End, Ramelton, stating that he is the Contractor for road No. 39 and at the recent Roads Meeting he again tendered for the work, and desiring to know why the Assistant County Surveyor was not giving him this Contract as he had been Contractor for portion of the same road for the past two years.

Minute:- Contract placed in County Surveyor's charge for one year.

Extract sent to
James Sweeney
4/14/28

Extract sent to
John Furey
4/14/28

Extract sent to
James Henderson
4/14/28

Extract sent to
Hugh Doherty
4/14/28

Extract sent to
James Friel
4/14/28

436/28.

WORK No. 272.

A letter was read from Mr. Michael Callaghan (Senior), Ballyhernan, Kindrum, objecting to work No. 272, Milford Rural District, on the grounds that if the drain was closed according to the specification flooding of his field would ensue as all the water from the drains in his field ran into it.

Minute:- Contract placed in County Surveyor's charge for one year.

437/28.

STRANORLAR FORMER RURAL DISTRICT (Strabane No. 2 Area);
ROADS Nos. 25, 58 and 86.

A letter was read from Mr. Alexander Carlin, Drumatoland, St. Johnston, intimating that he had tendered for three roads Nos. 25, 58 and 86 on the Road Sheet and his tenders were accepted but he was prevented from signing Bonds. He now hoped the County Council would afford him an opportunity of doing so.

The Chairman said that as a result of the Council's decision that day, re Bonds not completed, Carlin would get an opportunity of perfecting his Bonds.

438/28.

COUNCIL'S EMPLOYER'S LIABILITY INSURANCE.

Mr. Brennan, Secretary to the Irish Public Bodies Insurance Company, appeared before the Council with reference to the Council's Employer's Liability Insurance with his Company. He pointed out that last year this Insurance was given to his Company on the condition that the Company would give the re-insurance to other Irish Companies. Since then one of these Companies had raised their terms. An attempt was being made to strangle his Company, and he asked that the Company be released of the condition requiring them to give their re-insurances to certain Irish Companies.

The Secretary said that as directed (C.C. Minute 297/28) he had invited quotations from certain other Companies and those he received were lower than the terms now in force with the Irish Public Bodies Insurance Company. If Mr. Brennan undertook to give as favourable terms as any of these perhaps the Council would release the Company from the condition in regard to re-insurance.

Mr. Brennan said he would give that undertaking, provided it was understood his Company could re-insure if necessary with Companies which could not be described as Irish.

The Chairman said that the Council were dealing with the ratepayers' money, and must, therefore, secure the best terms possible. In their own private business they could exercise as much sentiment as they liked, but that did not apply when they were dealing with the ratepayers' money.

On the motion of Councillor McIvor, seconded by Councillor Clarke, the Council decided to again insure with the Irish Public Bodies Company on the terms stated by the Secretary, the Company to have permission to re-insure wherever they get the best terms.

Extract sent to
Michael Callaghan,
Dew. 4/4/28

Extract sent to
Alexander Carlin
4/4/28

439/28.

MALIN COURTHOUSE -- COUNTY COUNCIL V Mr. HARVEY.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor on the subject of the Agreement proposed to be entered into by the County Council with Mr. Harvey re Malin Courthouse, and stating that before preparing Agreement he desired to be furnished with replies to the following queries:-

- (1) Whether the Council were aware that, under the new arrangements, they would only be part-time tenants;
- (2) Whether the District Court Clerk required the premises as offices, and, if so, had any definite arrangements been made with Mr. Harvey in respect of this?
- (3) Whether the proposed Caretaker was to have custody of a key of the premises, and at what time was he to be entitled to gain admission thereto;
- (4) In case of Tenancy being only part-time what (if any) arrangements had been come to with Mr. Harvey with regard to the furniture which would be provided by the Council and stored in the premises.

Minute:- (1). Yes.

(2). No.

(3). Yes, to be entitled to gain admission immediately before and after District Court Proceedings and meetings of Committees referred to in County Council's Minute 195/28.

(4). Whilst the Courthouse is not under the Council's control the Landlord to be responsible for furniture.

440/28.

re ERECTION OF POLES.

A letter was read from the Secretary, County Board of Health, stating that the Board had agreed to erect poles in connection with the electric lighting of the District Hospital at Letterkenny, subject to the conditions laid down by the County Council.

The Secretary said the Council's Solicitor had been asked to prepare Agreement.

441/28.

MULROY AND LEATBEG PIERS.

A letter was read from Mr. J. Arthur Fraser, Fras-rona, Finaghy, Belfast, referring to the County Secretary's letter of the 20th February last and stating that Lord Leitrim was prepared to receive private offers for the freehold interest of Mulroy and Leatbeg Piers, together with the stores built thereon and right-of-way to each pier etc.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Blaney, seconded by Councillor Loughrey, the Secretary was directed to request Mr. Fraser to state the lowest sum Lord Leitrim would be prepared to accept for above structures.

Extracted from D. P. M. C. Mullin
Dob. 4/4/28.

Extracted from D. A. Fraser,
4/4/28.

442/28.

CLAIM FOR SUPERANNUATION.

A claim was submitted from Mr. James Boyle, Stranorlar, for superannuation for loss of office as Solicitor to the late Stranorlar Rural District Council.

Minute:- Referred to Finance Committee.

443/28.

PROPOSED BRIDGE OVER THE MYRA RIVER.

A letter was read from the inhabitants of Myra and other townlands requesting the County Council's attention to the great inconvenience and hardships they suffer through want of a bridge over the Myra River, above the Falcarragh Railway Station, and requesting that steps might be taken without delay to supply them with the facilities they require by the construction of a bridge at this point.

Minute:- County Surveyor directed to submit an estimate and report to next meeting.

444/28.

ROAD LEADING FROM THE
DERRYCONNOR ROAD THROUGH MEENCORWICK.

A letter signed by a large number of ratepayers requesting the County Council to have the above road put in order as it had not been repaired during the past five years and was at present in bad condition was read.

Councillor O'Donnell asked that the County Surveyor be authorised to expend £10 in having some repairs carried out.

Minute:- Referred to County Surveyor for attention.

445/28.

NOTICE REQUIRING ABATEMENT OF NUISANCE.

A notice from the Secretary, County Board of Health, requiring abatement of nuisance at the premises occupied by Mr. Michael Griffin at Toolatt, was submitted.

The Secretary said that, so far as he was aware, these premises did not belong to the County Council.

Minute:- Secretary, County Board of Health, to be asked to state reason for giving notice in the matter to the County Council.

446/28.

PERMISSION TO ERECT POLES.

A letter was read from the Manager, The Irish Butter and Egg Exporters Limited, Strabane, requesting the County Council's permission to carry an electric wire along and over the road leading to Lifford Railway Bridge from Mr. Paul Gallagher's Factory to their premises adjoining Lifford Station, a distance of, approximately 35 yards.

Minute:- Permission granted on the following conditions:-

- (a) Erection of Poles to be subject to the approval of the County Surveyor;

(b)/

Extract sent to
Mr. J. Boyle
4/4/28

Extract sent to
Rev. Hugh McBurney
4/4/28

Extract sent to
Messrs. McPawson
4/4/28

Extract sent to
Messrs. Co. Board of Health
4/4/28

Extract sent to
Messrs. Gallagher
4/4/28

- (b) Poles to be removed when required by the County Council;
- (c) Rent 1/- per annum;
- (d) Insurance of Poles and Cables against Third party risk in the Joint names of the Company and County Council;
- (e) An Agreement to be entered into with the Council which is to be prepared by the Council's Solicitor and cost of same defrayed by the Company.

447/28.

FENCING OF A ROAD.

A letter was read from Mr. John Wray, Solicitor, Ramelton, stating that he had been instructed by Mr. Hugh Callan and Mr. John McClay, to ask the County Council to have the road leading through the townland of Carrowkeel fenced as it was in a dangerous condition.

Minute:- Referred to County Surveyor for a report.

448/28.

PROVISION OF POUNDS.

A letter was read from the Superintendent, Garda Siochana, Donegal, requesting to be informed of the position regarding the establishment of Pounds in his District.

Minute:- Consideration adjourned until next meeting.

449/28.

CONDITION OF PORTION OF A LANE.

A letter was read from Mr. J.J. Bayfield, Dundredian, Ballymore, calling attention to the bad condition of the portion of the lane leading from Parkmore to his residence. The County Surveyor said this was not a county lane.

Minute:- No action taken.

450/28.

CARETAKER OF BALLYSHANNON COURTHOUSE.

A letter dated 7th March, 1928, was read from Mr. Hugh C. Cochrane, Under Sheriff, Lifford, stating that Mrs Armstrong, the Caretaker of Ballyshannon Courthouse, died on the 2nd instant and that he had appointed Arthur J. Armstrong, her son, as Caretaker, as from the letter date.

Extract sent to
 Mr. J.J. Bayfield
 4/4/28
 Extract sent to
 Deputy for d.d.
 Donegal Siochana
 4/4/28
 Extract sent to
 Mr. John Wray
 4/4/28

452/28.

IRISH TOURIST ASSOCIATION;
COUNTY COUNCIL'S REPRESENTATIVE.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Irish Tourist Association, Dublin, relative to the resignation of Mr. F. Gallagher, Solicitor, Donegal, as the Donegal County Council's representative on the Board of Directors of the above Association and stating that it was the unanimous wish of the Board that Mr. Gallagher should reconsider his resignation, and when this was conveyed to him by the Chairman, who pointed out what a useful member he had been, Mr. Gallagher agreed to withdraw his resignation.

The Secretary said that the Council, at their previous meeting, appointed Major Myles, as their representative on the Association, in place of Mr. Gallagher.

Minute:- Left to Major Myles and Mr. Gallagher to arrange the matter between them.

453/28.

USE OF ROOM IN BUNCRANA COURTHOUSE FOR
STAMPING BOTTLES.

A letter was read from Mr. Charles McLaughlin, Caretaker, Courthouse, Bunrana, reporting that the Civic Guard were using the Solicitor's Room in the Courthouse for stamping bottles causing injury to tables and chairs by water etc., as was also a letter on the matter from the Superintendent.

Minute:- Inspector under Food and Drugs Acts to be directed to use in future the covered in portion of Courthouse premises to rear of Caretaker's rooms.

454/28.

MEAT IMPORTS.

The following copy resolution of Cork County Council was submitted:- "That the question of meat and meat products (such as meat and meals etc.) from countries where Foot and Mouth Disease is endemic, should be seriously considered by the Department of Agriculture as it is thought such imports are a potential source of danger to this country's greatest industry, namely the "Cattle Trade".

Minute:- Adopted.

455/28.

JOHN GALLAGHER V COUNTY COUNCIL.

A copy of a Civil Bill for £100 served in case - John Gallagher, Mullinoy, Burt, (Road Contractor) V County Council - in respect of work and labour done by the Plaintiff for the Defendants, was submitted.

Mr. Steadman recommended that the case be defended.

The Secretary said he had sent the original Civil Bill to the Council's Solicitor to enter a defence.

Minute:- Secretary's action in the matter approved.

456/28.

CONDITION OF A ROAD.

A letter was read from Mr. William Foster, Solicitor, Derry, on behalf of Messrs George Walker, Matthew McClean and David McKinney/

McKinney, Farmers, all of Drummey, Carrigans, calling the County Council's attention to the condition of the road, known as the Drummey Road, leading off the Letterkenny Road.

Mr. Steadman said the matter was receiving his attention.

457/28. CONDITION OF A MOUNTAIN ROAD.

A letter signed by several ratepayers drawing the County Council's attention to the condition of the mountain road that was used by the people of Stroove, Carrowtrasna and Carrowhugh, to draw their turf on and stating that this road had not been contracted for during the past two years as the money allowed was insufficient.

Minute:- County Surveyor directed to readvertise this road with a view to a contract for its repair being entered into.

458/28. INISONEILL ROAD.

Councillor Cole called attention to the bad condition of above road.

Minute:- Referred to Mr. Steadman for attention.

459/28. REQUISITES SUPPLIED FOR DONEGAL COURTHOUSE.

An account for £15:16:0 was submitted from Mr. M. Andrews, Donegal, for requisites supplied for use in Donegal Courthouse.

Minute:- Referred to Finance Committee.

460/28. re Mr. GEORGE DUNNION, DONEGAL.

A letter was read from Mr. George Dunnion, Rates Inspector, Donegal, intimating that he had been appointed to act as Stocktaker in the Mental Hospital at Letterkenny in respect of the half-year ending 31st March, 1928 and requesting the Council to allow him to act.

Minute:- Permission granted.

461/28. HARBOUR MASTER AT DOWNINGS PIER.

A letter dated 14th March, 1928, 5069/28, was read from the Commissioners of Public Works, enclosing copy of a letter which they had addressed to Mr. James McGottigan appointing him Harbour Master of that portion of Downings Pier which was built by them under the Marine Works (Ireland) Act, 1902. The Commissioners presumed that the County Council would arrange for the preparation of the Bond giving the necessary security.

Minute:- An Agreement, with sixpenny stamp attached to be prepared, with two solvent ratepayers as security.

462/28. re ARTERIAL DRAINAGE.

A copy resolution passed by Cavan County Council re Arterial Drainage was submitted.

Minute:- Consideration deferred until next meeting.

*Extract Sent to
Michael Kavanagh
4/17/28*

*Extract Sent to
George Ananian
4/14/28*

*Extract Sent to
Mr. McGottigan,
Harbour Master
Extract Sent to
Board of Works
4/14/28*

*Extract Sent to
Cavan Co. Council
4/17/28*

463/28.

CONDITION OF THE BACK OF ROAD AT
CLOGHAN RAILWAY STATION.

Extract sent to Joseph Marley C.C. 28/2/28

A letter was read from the Manager, County Donegal Railways Joint Committee, referring to letter from Mr. Joseph Marley, Cloghan, which came before the Council on 28th February, 1928 (Minute No. 286/28) calling attention to the bad state of the Back Road at Cloghan Railway Station and stating that he could not find that the Company were under any obligation to maintain this road. It was not a road on the Railway and would appear to be maintainable by the Local Authorities.

R A T E S.

464/28.

COLLECTOR J.B. O'DONNELL : ADDITIONAL PENNY POUNDAGE.

A letter dated 29th February, 1928, G.I2674/1928, was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health stating that the Minister could not consider the payment of additional poundage fees to Collector J.B. O'Donnell until all his collections to the 31st March, 1927 had been closed (F.C. Minute No. 18/28).

465/28.

COLLECTOR G.M. DUNNION'S BOND.

A letter dated 29th February, 1928, G.I2634/1928, was read from the Local Government Department returning Rate Collector G.M. Dunnion's Bond, the form of which was approved (C.C. Minute No. 346/28).

466/28.

PAYMENT OF POUNDAGE FEES.

Extract sent to L.B. O'Connell 4/11/28

A letter dated 2nd March, 1928, G.I2663/1928, was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health, acknowledging receipt of the County Secretary's letter of the 25th ultimo and drawing attention to Article 101(5) of the Public Bodies Order, 1925; also stating that the Minister was not prepared to consent to payment of poundage fees at the normal rate to the Collectors who failed to close their 1926/27 Collections by the 31st January last. If the Council decided to continue such dilatory Collectors in their further services responsibility must rest with them (C.C. Minute Nos. 1373/27 and 339/28).

Minute:- Referred to Finance Committee.

467/28.

COLLECTOR D. CALLAGHAN'S APPOINTMENT AS
DEPUTY FOR COLLECTOR CASSIDY SANCTIONED.

A letter dated 5th March, 1928, G.I3803/1928, was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health stating that the Minister raised no objection to the proposed appointment, pursuant to Article 104 of the Public Bodies Order, 1925, of Collector D. Callaghan as Deputy for Collector Philip Cassidy for the completion of the 1927/28 Collection (C.C. Minute 351/28).

468/28.

APPLICATION FOR REFUND OF UNCOLLECTED RATES.

Exh. sent to L.G. 10 Sept. 24/11/28

A letter dated 5th March, 1928, G.I3894/1928, was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health, transmitting letter with enclosure received from Denis Callaghan, Rate Collector, regarding the question of a refund to him, and requesting to be furnished with the views of the Donegal County Council in the matter (C.C. Minute No. 281/27 and F.C. Minute No. 22/28).

Minute:- Referred to Finance Committee.

469/28.

HOLDING OF JAMES LANGAN, SENIOR, ROCKHILL, BALLINTRA.

A letter dated 1st March, 1928, was read from the Irish Land Commission, requesting to be furnished with the full name and postal address of the person rated for the holding of James Langan, Senior, per John Langan in U.S.A. Lands of Rockhill, County District Ballyshannon No. 1 and to be informed whether the rates for the current year had been paid.

The Secretary said that the information sought had been furnished.

470/28.

re RATES - W.T. BAIRD, MOVILLE.

Exh. sent to L.G. 10 Sept. 24/11/28

A letter dated 13th March, 1928, G.I5922/1928, was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health, transmitting copy of letter received from Messrs Wilson and Gillespie, Solicitors, Derry, regarding rates due on dwelling houses in Moville and stating that the collection of the arrears of rates referred to should be disposed of without further delay.

The Secretary stated that this was a matter solely between the Rate Collector and the owners or other parties interested; the former having lodged his full warrants to the 31st March, 1927.

Minute:- No action taken.

471/28.

RATES DUE BY BALLYSHANNON TOWN COMMISSIONERS AND THEIR TENANTS.

Exh. sent to Collector Gillespie 24/11/28

A letter was read from Collector John Gillespie stating that he had been legally advised to sue the Ballyshannon Town Commissioners and their tenants for the sum of £40 odd - two years' rates to 31st March, 1928 - and before taking definite action in the matter he would feel obliged for permission from the County Council to do so.

Minute:- Permission sought granted.

472/28.

RATES ON THE HOLDINGS OF THE LATE DANIEL BONAR, CAPPRY.

A report dated 27th February, 1928, of the Council's Solicitor, at the request of Mr. George Dunnion, Rates Inspector, re rates on holdings of the above-named was submitted.

Minute:- Referred to Finance Committee.

473/28.

NON-EXECUTED DECREES : COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH
COTTAGES -- COLLECTOR P.J. SWEENEY'S DISTRICT.

A letter dated 29th February, 1928, was read from the Secretary, County Board of Health, acknowledging extract from Minutes in case of Collector P.J. Sweeney and stating that the Board were having Decrees for possession of Cottages executed in 7 cases; over 20 other cases were held over until next meeting (C.C. Minute No. 212/28).

In this connection a letter was read from Collector Sweeney.

474/28.

ARREARS OF RATES FOR 1925/26;
No. 30 COLLECTION DISTRICT.

A letter dated 29th February, 1928, was read from Collector J.B. O'Donnell, re arrears for 1925/26 No. 30 District (F.C. Minute No. 14/28).

The Secretary intimated that this Collector and other members of the household, except his mother, were laid up with the Measles.

Minute:- It was unanimously decided, subject to sanction, to further extend the time for the lodgment of arrears for 1925/26 for above District, to the 24th April, 1928.

475/28.

RATES ON A HOUSE AT MAGHERABEG OCCUPIED
BY DISTRICT JUSTICE JOHN O'HANRAHAN.

A letter dated 3rd March, 1928, was read from District Justice John O'Hanrahan enclosing Demand Note for Poor Rates on the house lately occupied by him at Magherabeg, Donegal, together with cheque for £1:10:5 for one sixth of the second moiety which he sent Collector Cassidy and which was returned by the latter to him, and making formal application to the Council for a determination that his liability in respect of Magherabeg for current year be limited to seven-twelfths of the year's rate '53 & 54 vic. C30 S 30, S 2(2) and 61 & 62 vic. C37 S 62).

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Cole, seconded by Councillor Kavanagh, it was unanimously decided to refuse to make the determination asked for under the Acts.

476/28.

- (a) DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL V MRS CATHERINE HARVEY;
- (b) CHANGES OF NAMES IN RATE BOOKS, etc.

A letter was read from Mr. John Gillespie, Rate Collector, Ballyshannon, with reference to Council's opinion in the matter Donegal County Council V Mrs Catherine Harvey and the extract from Minutes of Proceedings of meeting of the Finance Committee of the County Council held on 26th July, 1927 in connection with changes of names in Rate Books and stating that, at the request of the County Rate Collectors, he forwarded copies of these to the Department of Local Government and Public Health requesting that, in view of the introduction of a new Rating Bill, amendments should be introduced to cover cases like Harvey's. He also forwarded particulars in connection with Collector Cassidy's case in/

*Extract sent to
Collector Cassidy
29/3/28*

*See Memo 613/28
Extract sent to
Collector Cassidy 11/4/28
District Justice O'Hanrahan
accompanied by Cheque
& Demand Note, 4/4/28*

in the Circuit Court where Judge Davitt decided he had made an illegal seizure and enclosing a copy of letter sent from the Department of Local Government and Public Health re the above matters.

477/28.

COLLECTOR E.J. DOHERTY : COLLECTION FOR 1926/27.

A letter, G.I5393/28, dated 14th March, 1928, from the Department of Local Government and Public Health, transmitting copy of letter addressed by the Department to Collector Doherty was read.

The Secretary reported that this Collector had failed to close his collection for the year ended 31st March, 1927 although his suspension had been removed by the Department and the books reissued to him with the time extended to 29th ultimo to enable him to do so. The books had now been taken from him in accordance with the Ministry's instructions and it now rested with them whether they would again remove his suspension or not.

Minute:- If suspension removed books to be again issued to Collector; if not, Secretary to advertise appointment for next meeting.

478/28.

re COLLECTOR LOGUE : YEAR 1926/27.

The Secretary reported that by that morning's post he had received from the Manager, Northern Bank, Dungloe, a cheque for £129:7:0 in respect of Collector Logue's collection for year ended 31st March, 1927, leaving a balance due on foot of the Warrant of £1:0:10, which the Collector is being called on to lodge (C.C. Minute No. 339/28).

Minute:- It was decided, subject to sanction, to allow ordinary poundage to Collector Logue on the second moiety of his collection for 1926/27, like remuneration having been allowed him on the first moiety for that year.

479/28.

PAYMENT OF ORDINARY POUNDAGE.

Minute:- Council decided, subject to sanction, to allow poundage at the ordinary rate to the undermentioned Collectors on their collections for the periods specified.

No. of District	Collector	Period
18	P.J. McHugh	2nd moiety for 1926/27
32	Hugh McNulty	
4	John McGonagle	1st moiety for 1927/28
35	Edward Arnold	

480/28.

APPLICATIONS FOR REFUNDS OF UNCOLLECTED RATES.

Applications for refunds of uncollected rates under Article 3 of the Alternative Scheme for Rate Collection were submitted for the following districts and periods:-

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 R.S. 10 Sept. 14/10/28

Ex had sent to
R. G. 10 Sept
4/10/28

No. of District	Collector	Period
5 ✓	Philip Cassidy ✓	Year ended 31/3/27
14 ✓	Joseph McGlinchey ✓	Do.
15 ✓	P. J. McHugh	Do.
18 ✓	Patrick Moore	Do.

Minute:- Referred to Finance Committee at next meeting; meanwhile, schedules be sent to the local County Councillors for investigation and report.

461/28. SANCTION OF ORDINARY POUNDAGE TO COLLECTORS MICHAEL O'DONNELL AND E. FARREN.

A letter dated 15th March, 1928, G.I.6679/1928 was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health stating that the Minister sanctioned payment of ordinary poundage fees as proposed to Collector Michael O'Donnell in respect of his warrant to the 31st March, 1927, which has now been fully closed, and to Collector J. Farren in respect of his warrant to the 30th September, 1927 which has also been fully lodged (F.C. 344/28).

462/28. RATE COLLECTION FOR PERIODS ENDED 31st MARCH, 1924 : ORIGINAL No. 16 DISTRICT; COLLECTOR LOGUE.

The Secretary submitted application from Collector Roger Logue for poundage on his collection for the original No. 16 District for periods ended 31st March, 1924. In view of this officer's failure to carry out his undertakings in respect of the arrears for those years, as recorded in previous Minutes of both the County Council and the Finance Committee, he (the Secretary) could not recommend payment of ordinary poundage; and if remuneration on a poundage basis be proposed he suggested that this be limited to 50% on the actual lodgments, the question of further payment to be deferred pending the receipt of the Rate Inspector's report on the returns of arrears recently furnished by Mr. Logue.

Minute:- It was unanimously decided to allow, subject to sanction, ordinary poundage to Collector Logue on sums representing 60% of his actual lodgments for periods ended the 31st March, 1924 in the original No. 16 District.

Ex had sent to
Roger Logue
4/10/28

Confirmed,

Thomas J. H. Chairman

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Co. Council
L. J. Dept.
L. J. Dept. Road
Co. Surveyor
Sub. Co. Council
11/5/28

COPY MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MEETING OF THE
DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON THE 24th
DAY OF APRIL, 1928.

A T T E N D A N C E.

The members present were:-

Councillors MacFadden (Chairman),
Baxter, Blaney, Boyle, Brannan, Clarke, Cole, Doherty (Edward),
Doherty (Patrick), Flood, Gallagher (William), Gallagher
(Bernard), Gallagher (Francis), Gallen, Hamilton, Holmes,
Kavanagh, Loughrey, Mahony, Mulreany, Lyles, McCauley, McClaff-
erty, MacCreadie, McIvor, McNulty, McPhelimy, McShane, Quigley,
Scott, Sweeney, Wagentreiber and Walker.

NON--ATTENDANCE.

A telegram was read from Councillor O'Donnell regretting
inability to attend meeting.

483/28.

M I N U T E S.

The Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed.

484/28.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The reports of the following Committees were, on the motion
of Councillor Mahony, seconded by Councillor Clarke, unanimously
adopted:-

Finance - Meeting held 3rd April, 1928;
Roads --- " " " " 3rd " " " "

485/28.

CHANGES OF NAMES OF OCCUPIERS IN RATE BOOKS.

On the motion of Councillor MacFadden, seconded by Councillor
Mahony, it was unanimously resolved that changes of names of
occupiers, notified on or before this date to the Council Office,
be made on the current year's Rate Books under Section 6 of 23
and 24 vic. cap. 4 for year ending 31st March, 1929.

486/28.

LAGG QUARRY.

In accordance with Notice of Motion Councillor Baxter moved:-
"That this Council pay the owner of Lagg Quarry the price per ton,
as arranged by the County Surveyor, for any stones taken out of
it by Contractors during the term of the new contracts" (C.C.
359/28).

Councillor Baxter said that the former owner of this quarry
did not charge for any stones taken out of it by Road Contractors
but the present owner had decided to do so. The Contractors
concerned, when filling their tenders in connection with new
contracts, which came into operation on 1st April, 1928, were not
aware of this and therefore made no provision for the cost of the
material.

Councillor Loughrey seconded.

Councillor McNulty said that if the motion were passed a
precedent, which would have far reaching effects would be enacted.
He/

He therefore moved a direct negative.
Councillor Flood seconded.

On a Vote being taken the Motion was declared lost and
Amendment carried.

487/28.

DANGEROUS CORNER.

In accordance with Notice of Motion Councillor Clarke moved:-
"That the sum of 255 be placed in hands of County Surveyor to
improve a dangerous corner on the road between Rossiger and St.
Johnston, at Clonleigh Post Office" (C.C. 404/28).
The Chairman said that as the resolution (No. 1034/27) on
the books regarding works applied in this case, he ruled the
motion out of order.

488/28.

BURTONPORT COASTGUARD STATION.

The consideration of a letter dated 6th January, 1928,
22365/26, from the Office of Public Works requesting to be
informed if the Donegal County Council were now disposed to accept
a lease of the Burtonport Coastguard Station premises on the
terms mentioned, consideration of which was adjourned by the
County Council on 25th January, 1927 pending action by the
Government on the report of the Gaeltacht Commission (Minute No.
13/27) was adjourned for three months as was also a Notice of
Motion by Councillor O'Donnell - "That we take over the Coastguard
Station at Burtonport on the terms stated by the Board of Works".

489/28.

REBUILDING THREE PIPES.

A Notice of Motion by Councillor O'Donnell - "That the County
Surveyor be directed to expend a sum, not exceeding £13, on the
rebuilding of three existing pipes on the road from Dungloe to
Burtonport, between "Cres and Burtonport", was, having regard to
resolution No. 1034/27, ruled out of order.

Mr. Caffrey said that no money was available for above
proposed works unless specially voted. Any money saved was for
more urgent works which were brought forward at the special
meeting in January last.

490/28.

PROPOSED BOATSLIP AT MALIN HEAD.

On the motion of Councillor Doherty (Patrick), seconded, by
Councillor Quigley, the following resolution was unanimously
passed:- "That we, the Donegal County Council, urgently request
the Minister of Fisheries to visit Malin Head at his earliest
convenience and see that a Boat Slip be erected there for the
convenience of the fishermen of that district whom presently are
running great risk and suffering great hardships through want of
same.

Fishing is the only means of livelihood for the majority of
the inhabitants of this district. The question is so urgent
that we would ask the Minister of Fisheries to make a special
effort/

*Extract sent to
Dept. of Fisheries
9.12.28 for County
Donegal 10/5/28*

the Land Commission, and were it not for this a number of people would put cattle on these farms and pay for the grazing of them. As they stood at present in their derelict state the rates and annuities were pilling up.

Councillor Mahony seconded. Passed unanimously.

494/28.

WAGES PAID TO ROAD WORKERS EMPLOYED
ON ROAD GRANTS AND DIRECT LABOUR.

In accordance with Notice of Motion Councillor McPhelimy moved:- "That the wages paid to Road Workers employed on Road Grants - Direct Labour - by the Donegal County Council be raised from 26/- to 32/- a week so as to put them on an approximate level with the other workers of the Saorstát".

Councillor Gallagher (William) seconded.

Councillor Doherty (Edward) proposed, as an amendment, that the matter be adjourned for three months when the motion could be considered by the new Council, which, he understood, would be largely representative of labour.

Councillor Sweeney seconded.

Councillors Blaney and Mahony supported the motion. The latter suggested that the motion be amended to make the increase 4/- a week, and that it be subject to sanction.

Councillor Doherty (Edward) having withdrawn his amendment and Councillor McPhelimy having agreed to Councillor Mahony's suggestion the motion was passed unanimously.

495/28.

GORTNASATE PIER ROAD WORKS : EXPLOSIVES.

Councillor Boyle inquired from Mr. Caffrey why proper provision was not made by him for an adequate supply of Explosives for the above works, seeing that 90% of the work to be done was blasting.

Mr. Caffrey said that he had to apply to the Civic Guard for a Licence to enable him to obtain the explosives and almost three weeks expired before he received the Licence.

496/28.

REPAIRS TO BACKWARD ROADS.

In accordance with Notice of Motion Councillor Sweeney moved:- "That as we saved a goodly sum of money in the Glenties Union at the recent Road Sessions he would suggest to the Council the advisability of having this money spent on the backward roads in the Glenties Area which are in a very bad state."

Mr. Caffrey said there was no money available for above roads unless it was specially voted; any money saved was for more urgent works which were brought forward at the special meeting in January last.

Minute:- No action.

497/28.

DROWES RIVER PROPOSED DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

A letter dated 11th April, 1928, 3302/28 was read from the Office of Public Works re Drowes River Proposed Drainage District and stating that free Grants under the Arterial Drainage Act, 1925, could at present be made only on the basis which had been fixed by the Government, as set out in the letter of the Commissioners of Public Works of 21st July last (No. 6725/27); consequently/

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Roads 7/5/28

consequently unless a contribution from the County Council was forthcoming, 33 1/3 % was the maximum grant and the cases submitted to the Council could not proceed unless the Council decided to contribute.

498/28.

BALLINDRAIT PROPOSED DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

A letter dated 23rd March, 1928, 5068/28 was read from the Office of Public Works stating that in view of the Council's decision not to contribute towards the cost of Ballindrait Proposed Drainage District Scheme (G.C. Minute 244/28) the Commissioners of Public Works were unable to proceed further with it and they accordingly proposed to reject it. They had no funds at their disposal from which a Grant could be made towards the cost of the scheme suggested by Mr. J. McDermott but as that scheme was estimated to cost less than £1000 the Donegal County Council would, when the Minor Drainage Schemes Bill became Law, themselves be able to deal with it.

499/28.

PORTSALON AND DUNTINNEY PROPOSED DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

A letter dated 5th April, 1928, 5070/28, was read from the Office of Public Works stating that having considered the resolution of the Donegal County Council (C.C. Minute 245/28) and the Petition transmitted to the Commissioners under the Arterial Drainage Act, 1925, in respect of the Portsalon and Duntinney Proposed Drainage District together with the reports of the persons appointed by them to report on the proposals contained in the petition, they were of opinion that the circumstances were such as to justify the preparation of a Drainage Scheme under Section 6 of the Act and the constitution of a separate drainage district to effect the objects of the proposals contained in the petition. The Commissioners had accordingly instructed their Engineer to proceed with the preparation of the scheme.

500/28.

re Mr. P.J. KELLY, ASSISTANT SURVEYOR;
ALLOWANCE FOR GRANT WORK.

A letter dated 5th March, 1928, R/RGS/7, was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) regarding the payment to Mr. P.J. Kelly, Assistant Surveyor of the appropriate allowance for Grant Work and stating that the County Surveyor's observations on Mr. Kelly's report should be furnished (C.C. 323/28).

The Secretary said a copy of the County Surveyor's report on the matter was sent to the Local Government Department (Roads) on 22nd March, 1928.

In this connection a letter dated 24th March, 1928, R/RGS/7 was also read from the Local Government Department (Roads) stating that the Minister saw no justification for revision of the decision conveyed in his letter of 8th December last regarding payment of Grant Work allowance to Mr. Kelly, Assistant Surveyor, in respect of the period ended 30th September, 1927, and that Mr. Kelly should be informed that the question of making any further payment to him in respect of Grant Work could not be considered except on receipt of a favourable report from the County Surveyor upon work in his district.

*Extract sent to Mr. P. J. Kelly
9/5/28.*

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MAKING OF POOR RATES FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING THE 30TH DAY OF MARCH, 1929.

The Secretary having read out the Rates in the Pound for the General and Separate Charges respectively, in respect of the above Financial Year, it was proposed by Councillor Mahony and seconded by Councillor Boyle and unanimously resolved:—"That this Council hereby make Rates, including proportion of Repayment of Loan, under the Local Government (Rates on Agricultural Land) Act, 1924, at the following Rates in the Pound on the property rateable thereto in the County Health District of Donegal under the provisions of the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898, of Acts incorporated therewith, and subsequent Statutes for the service of the Financial Year ending the 30th March, 1929, leviable in two equal moieties, together with Arrears of previous Rates."

And it is further resolved:—"That the Warrants for the collection of the First and Second Moieties, together with Arrears of previous Rates, as above specified, be signed and sealed with the Seal of the Council and issued to the Collectors for the several collection Districts; also that the Annual Estimates and Demands upon Buncrana, Bundoran and Letterkenny Urban District Councils in respect of the above Financial Year be signed and the Seal of the Council affixed thereto."

General Charges		General Charges	
BALLYSHANNON		INISHOWEN	
Construction and Maintenance of Roads	52-3626	Construction and Maintenance of Roads	52-3626
County Services	35-6657	County Services	35-6657
Poor Relief	32-8731	Poor Relief	32-8731
Board of Health Charges	3939	Board of Health Charges	3939
Total	121-2953	Total	121-2953
DONEGAL		LETTERKENNY	
Construction and Maintenance of Roads	52-3626	Construction and Maintenance of Roads	52-3626
County Services	35-6657	County Services	35-6657
Poor Relief	32-8731	Poor Relief	32-8731
Board of Health Charges	3939	Board of Health Charges	3939
Total	121-2953	Total	121-2953
		Deduct one-sixth portion of Credit Balance—	
		Union and District Council adjustments—	
		period ended 31-3-28	10-3600
		Net Total	104-9353
DUNFANAGHY		MILFORD	
Construction and Maintenance of Roads	52-3626	Construction and Maintenance of Roads	52-3626
County Services	35-6657	County Services	35-6657
Poor Relief	32-8731	Poor Relief	32-8731
Board of Health Charges	3939	Board of Health Charges	3939
Total	121-2953	Total	121-2953
		Deduct one-sixth portion of Credit Balance—	
		Union and District Council adjustments—	
		period ended 31-3-28	1-5100
		Net Total	119-7853
GLENTIES		STRANORLAR	
Construction and Maintenance of Roads	52-3626	Construction and Maintenance of Roads	52-3626
County Services	35-6657	County Services	35-6657
Poor Relief	32-8731	Poor Relief	32-8731
Board of Health Charges	3939	Board of Health Charges	3939
Total	121-2953	Total	121-2953
		Deduct one-sixth portion of Credit Balance—	
		Union and District Council adjustments—	
		period ended 31-3-28	1-8700
		Net Total	119-4253

NOTE.—The Agricultural Grant for the year amounts to £41,643, and is equivalent to an abatement of 44-6937 pence in the pound on £226,650 10s 0d, being the total valuation of the agricultural land assessable to the Poor Rate.

From this abatement is deducted 5-33 pence in £1 for Ballyshannon, 5-24 pence for Donegal, 5-93 pence for Dunfarnaghy, 5-64 pence for Glenties, 5-10 pence for Inishowen, 5-72 pence for Letterkenny, 5-26 pence for Milford, and 5-18 pence for Stranorlar former Rural Districts in respect of repayment of Loan obtained under Local Government (Rates on Agricultural Land) Act, 1924, in 1924 for abatement of Rates levied on Agricultural Land for the year ended 31st March, 1925.

AND WHEREAS certain Separate Charges are chargeable on the Areas or Contributory Places hereunder mentioned, the following special Poundage Rates have been added to the Poor Rates above mentioned for the payment of such Separate Charges, and the same form part of and will be collected with the above General Poor Rate.

BALLYSHANNON.			LETTERKENNY.		
Name of Special Area or Contributory Place.	Purpose or Name of Charge.	Special Poundage Rate	Name of Special Area or Contributory Place.	Purpose or Name of Charge.	Special Poundage Rate
No. 459 Former Rural District of Ballyshannon	Malicious Injury	11	No. 6 Former Rural District of Letterkenny	Health District Separate Charge—	
1 do do	Health District Separate Charge—		Labourers' Acts	1-01	
456 do do	Labourers' Acts	1-35	440 to 455 County at Large Charge	Malicious Injuries	1-49
1 Ballyshannon Urban Electoral Division	1/10 portion of Debit Balance—		176 Parish of Raphoe and Parts of the Parishes	Strabane, Raphoe & Convey Railway	5-06
449 to 455 County at Large	Union and R.D.C. Adjustments	3-73	of Convey, Cloughleigh and Taughboyne	Manorcunningham Water Supply	0-7
157 Ballyshannon Urban Electoral Division	Ballyshannon Water Works	7-29	65 Manorcunningham Dispensary District	Malicious Injuries	1-50
453 Bundoran Urban District and Bundoran Rural Electoral Division	Malicious Injuries	1-49	477 and 478 Castleway Electoral Division		
	Malicious Injury	5-2			
	do	2-26			
DONEGAL.			MILFORD		
No. 2 Former Rural District of Donegal	Health District Separate Charge—	0-7	No. 7 Former Rural District of Milford	Health District Separate Charge—	4-7
460 do do	Labourers' Acts	1-15	479 do	Labourers' Acts	1-39
11 Townlands of Donegal, Drumeliff, Milltown, and Mullans	1/10 portion of Debit Balance—	4-69	58 do	1/10 portion of Debit Balance—Union and R.D.C. Adjustments	1-03
12 Townlands of Donegal, Drumeliff, Milltown and Glebe, and Parts of the Townlands of Drumeliff and Mullans	Donegal Waterworks	12-97	480 Milford Electoral Division	Malicious Injury	1-03
13 Pettigo Dispensary District	Donegal Lighting	6-25	481 Rathmellon Electoral Division	do	4-6
449 to 455 County at Large	Pettigo Waterworks	1-64	46 Kilmacnevin & Milford Dispensary District	Milford Waterworks	5-33
161 and 162 Donegal Electoral Division	Malicious Injuries	1-49	47 Rathmellon Dispensary District	Rathmellon Waterworks	3-16
463 Binnah and Bannmore Electoral Divisions	do	5-8	48 Rathmellon Dispensary District	Rathmellon	2-06
464 Carrickmore Electoral Division	Malicious Injury	2-27	49 Rosgull	Downings Water Supply	2-31
465 Pettigo Electoral Division	do	10-97	51 Parts of the Townlands of Rathmellon, Ballyhoe and Bridge End or Drumonaghan	Rathmellon Lighting	8-55
466 Templemore Grousehall and Pettigo Electoral Divisions	do	2-92	50 Parts of the Townlands of Milford, Forquar and Drumeliff	Milford Lighting	7-84
DUNFANAGHY.			45 Farnham Dispensary District	Sanitary Expenses	31
No. 3 Former Rural District of Dunfarnaghy	Health District Separate Charge—	7-0	64 Rosgull Dispensary District	Carrigart Water Supply	8-51
Nos. 449 to 455 County at Large	Labourers' Acts	1-49	Nos. 449 to 455 County at Large	Malicious Injuries	1-49
	Malicious Injuries				
GLENTIES.			STRANORLAR.		
No. 4 Former Rural District of Glenties	Health District Separate Charge—	8-1	No. 8 Former Rural District of Stranorlar, comprising the original Rural Districts of Strabane No. 2 and Stranorlar	Health District Separate Charge—	2-7
497 do do	Labourers' Acts	1-15	176 Parish of Raphoe and Parts of the Parishes	Labourers' Acts	5-06
408 Malinbeg Electoral Division	1/10 portion of Debit Balance—	9-10	177 The Townlands of Carnowen, Kilmacnevin, Middle and Roughan	Strabane, Raphoe & Convey Railway	12-31
24 Townlands of Ardara, Drumbarraun and Woodhill	Union & R.D.C. Adjustments	0-77	482 Convey Electoral Division	Malicious Injury	2-35
Nos. 449 to 455 County at Large	Malicious Injury	4-22	483 Stranorlar	do	4-6
	Ardara Water Supply	1-49	83 Castleban Dispensary District	Lifford Water Supply	1-49
	Malicious Injuries		84 Townlands of Raphoe Townparks & Raphoe Demesne	Raphoe Lighting	15-74
INISHOWEN.			85 Townland of St. Johnston	St. Johnston Lighting	1-05
No. 5 Former Rural District of Inishowen	Health District Separate Charge—	5-5	87 Raphoe Dispensary District	Raphoe Water Supply	4-5
469 do do	Labourers' Acts	1-15	88 do	Raphoe Sewers	2-0
470 Caidan Electoral Division	1/10 portion of Debit Balance—	5-79	Nos. 449 to 455 County at Large	Malicious Injuries	1-49
471 Fahan	Union & R.D.C. Adjustments	1-15	No. 78 Claghlan, Killygordon & Stranorlar Dispensary Districts	Existing Sewers	1-12
472 Redcastle Electoral Division	Malicious Injury	1-31	78 Townlands of Ballybofey and Stranorlar	Ballybofey & Stranorlar Water Supply	2-16
473 Dunall	do	39-10			
51 Part of Townland of Ballynally	do	25-44			
33 Parts of Churchland Quarters & Ballyloskey	Expenses	9-45			
36 Clonmany Dispensary District	Carradonagh Sanitary Expenses	10-51			
449 to 455 County at Large	Clonmany Water Supply	1-49			
474 Clonagannon Electoral Division	Malicious Injuries	5-81			
475 Whitecastle	Malicious Injury	7-89			
476 Malin	do	81			

The Rate Books may be inspected by any person affected thereby at the Council Offices, Lifford, on any day—exclusive of Sundays and Bank Holidays—between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., except on Saturdays, when the hours will be between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m., the said Rates will be payable from and after the publication of this Notice.

Dated at Lifford this 24th day of April, 1929

SEAN D. MACLOCHLAINN,
Secretary of the Council.

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501/28.

re Mr. WM. O'NEILL, ASSISTANT SURVEYOR;
ALLOWANCE FOR GRANT WORK.

A letter dated 5th March, 1928, R/RGS/7, was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) stating that the Minister had authorised payment of the appropriate allowance for Grant Work to Mr. W. O'Neill, Assistant Surveyor, as from the date he was permanently appointed and that recoupment might be claimed when the next requisition is submitted.

502/28.

LETTING OF PORTION OF CARNDONAGH WORKHOUSE.

A letter dated 11th April, 1928, P.22591/1928 (Pb.) was read from the Local Government Department stating that the Minister had communicated with the Department of Finance in regard to the proposal to let portion of Carndonagh Workhouse to Mr. Charles McLaughlin, Carndonagh.

503/28.

HEATING OF GLENTIES COURTHOUSE.

A letter dated 8th March, 1928, G.14207/1928, was read from the Local Government Department relative to a report which they had received from the Clerk of the District Court, Glenties, to the effect that the Donegal County Council failed to take steps for the proper heating of the above Courthouse.

Minute:- Matter referred to Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, for a further report and estimate.

504/28.

AGRICULTURAL GRANT.

A letter dated 31st March, 1928 was read from the Local Government Department enclosing an Order for £10,469 being balance of the Agricultural Grant for the year ended 31st March, 1928.

505/28.

SALARIES OF (a) MEDICAL OFFICERS etc.
(b) SANITARY OFFICERS.

A letter dated 30th March, 1928, was read from the Local Government Department enclosing negotiable receipts, as under:-

- (a) Balance in respect of salaries of Medical Officers etc., during the year ended 30th September, 1927, £1317:9:10;
- (b) Balance in respect of salaries of Sanitary Officers during the year ended 30th September, 1927 £163:1:4.

506/28.

LOCAL TAXATION GRANTS.

A letter dated 15th April, 1928, was read from the Local Government Department stating that the necessary adjustment in connection with the draws upon and repayments to the Guarantee Fund under the Land Purchase Acts in respect of Arrears of Land Purchase Annuities between February, 1927 and February, 1928, had been carried out. So far as possible arrears within that period had been set against the share of each Authority in a proportion of the Estate Duty Grant for 1927-28 and/

and enclosing a negotiable receipt for £2,742:15:6 being the net amount payable to the Donegal County Council and appending a statement showing how this amount is arrived at.

507/28.

PROVISIONAL SCHEME OF POLLING DISTRICTS AND
POLLING PLACES.

A letter dated 5th April, 1928, F.16129/1928 was read from the Local Government Department calling attention to Section 14 (2) of the Local Elections Act, 1927, and inquiring if a Provisional Scheme of Polling Districts and Polling Places had yet been prepared by the Donegal County Council.

508/28.

On the motion of Councillor Doherty (Patrick), seconded by Councillor Brennan, the Provisional Scheme for every Local Electoral Area in the County into Polling Districts, and the appointment of Polling Places under the Local Elections (Polling Districts and Polling Places) Rules, 1928, with amendments, suggested by Returning Officers and Urban Authorities as submitted by the Secretary, was unanimously adopted and the Seal of the Council ordered to be affixed thereto. A letter from the Local Govt. dept. suggesting that special arrangements be made at Edininfagh Polling Station for the Voters at Doocrow and Silverhill was also approved.

509/28.

LANDS: LOUGHAGANNON: TENANT CHARLES BOYCE (Deceased).

A letter dated 9th March, 1928, Corr. No. 384/28, was read from the Irish Land Commission requesting to be informed of the full name and postal address of the person rated in respect of the undermentioned holding and whether he had paid the Poor Rate for the current year:-

Estate; Grove: Tenant - Charles Boyce (Deceased);
Lands - Loughagannon, near Ballymaleal; E.G. Castlewray.

The Secretary said he had furnished the information sought.

510/28.

"THE NOTICE OF RATES ORDER, 1928".

A circular letter dated 15th March, 1928, No. 12845/1928 was read from the Local Government Department relative to inquiries which had recently been addressed to that Department regarding the omission from Form 49, as prescribed by the "Notice of Rates Order, 1928" which was issued to Local Authorities on 28th ultimo, of any reference to the transmission to the stations of the Garda Síochána of duplicate portions of the Rate Books, and stating that it was no longer necessary that copies of the Rate Book, or portions thereof, should be transmitted to those stations.

511/28.

SALE OF PARTS OF THE LANDS OF LEAGHT.

A notice that Mr. Thomas McKee of Ballybofey had been instructed by the Irish Land Commission to sell by Public Auction at his office at the Market Place, Ballybofey on Wednesday the 28th March, 1928 at one o'clock those parts of the lands of Leaght, formerly in the occupation of John Gordon Junior, was submitted.

512/28.

re Mr. H. DOHERTY, CARNDONAGH : REFUND IN
RESPECT OF NATIONAL HEALTH AND UNEMPLOYMENT
STAMPS AFFIXED ON CARDS.

A letter dated 15th March, 1928, G.15331/1928, was read from the Local Government Department, acknowledging receipt of County Secretary's letter requesting sanction to the proposed payment of £5 to above named in full discharge of his claim in respect of stamps affixed on his National Health and Unemployment Cards while employed on County Work and stating that the Minister did not appear to have any functions in the matter which was one for the County Council to deal with on their own responsibility (C.C. 79/28).

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Cole, seconded by Councillor McPhelimy, payment was ordered.

513/28.

LETTING OF DINING HALL AT MILFORD WORKHOUSE.

A letter dated 16th March, 1928, P.16681/1928 (Pb.) was read from the Local Government Department requesting to be informed of the dimensions of the Dining Hall at Milford Workhouse which the Council proposed to let to Mr. R.H. McDowell (C.C. 155/28).

The Secretary said that the required information had been furnished.

514/28.

LETTINGS OF WORKHOUSE LANDS.

A letter dated 16th March, 1928, P.16680/1928 (Pb.) was read from the Local Government Department requesting to be informed whether the proposed lettings of Workhouse Lands in County Donegal for this season were made by Public Auction or if tenders were invited and if highest tender in each case was accepted.

Minute:- Secretary directed to reply in the affirmative.

515/28.

PROPOSED BALLYBOFEY TOWN LIGHTING.

A letter dated 16th March, 1928, P.H.16201/28 was read from the Local Government Department pointing out that it did not appear that Urban powers for lighting had been conferred in respect of Ballybofeey town and enclosing copy of a letter addressed to the Board of Health explaining the procedure (C.C. 281/28).

516/28.

PROPOSED RATHMULLAN PIER EXTENSION.

A letter dated 19th March, 1928, D/4/3, was read from the Department of Fisheries, stating that the Minister had under consideration the possibilities of developing the Herring Fishing Industry at Rathmullan and he had caused a survey to be made of the Harbour. From the survey recently made the Minister believed that to make a Harbour capable of accommodating steam vessels it would be necessary to extend the existing Pier for a distance of 178 feet. An accurate estimate of the cost of such an extension had not been prepared but it was the opinion of the Department that the cost would not exceed £10,000. The Minister would be prepared to recommend to the Government/

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Government that a Grant from State Funds of one half the cost of the suggested work, or £5,000, whichever be less, should be made, provided he could be assured that the County Council would carry out the work and maintain it when constructed.

If the Council was prepared to consider this proposal the Department would suggest that a preliminary investigation on the ground be made by the County Surveyor and the Department's Engineer to settle the plans and prepare detailed estimates.

The Rev. John O'Doherty, P.P., Rathmullan, on behalf of a Deputation from Rathmullan, appealed to the Council to give this matter their sympathetic consideration. He had confidence the County Council would be generous and reasonable. There was a good spirit in Rathmullan itself, and they were quite prepared themselves to do a little. He, however, thought that the Government should have gone a step further, and he thought that the T.Ds. of the County might help the Council in trying to get the Government to increase their grant. He believed that if the County Council showed a reasonable spirit more would be given.

Councillor Baxter said the Council should do what the Government asked. Rathmullan and Buncrana Harbours could be so improved that they could have direct sea communication with the outside world. If they had good Piers at Rathmullan and Buncrana, there was no reason why they should not have direct communication with that part of Donegal at least. The Lough Swilly was the best Harbour in the North of Ireland. The Council should do the best they could for Rathmullan, and they should do something for Buncrana also. Steamers coming direct to Lough Swilly could leave portion of their cargo at Buncrana, and the balance at Rathmullan for that portion of the County.

Councillor MacCreadie agreed with Councillor Baxter, and said he would give notice that at the next meeting of the Council he would move that the Council proceed with the Scheme.

Councillor Mahony considered that pressure should be brought to bear on the Government to give two-thirds of the cost of the scheme. He thought the T.Ds. should approach the Government with this object.

Councillor MacCreadie said he understood Rev. John O'Doherty was so earnestly concerned about this matter that he was prepared to go to Dublin himself, and he might succeed in getting the Government to give a larger Grant.

It was decided to ask the County Surveyor to make a preliminary investigation with the Department's Engineer and submit a report and estimate to the Council.

517/28.

ADDRESS OF TRADE DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

A notice dated 19th March, 1928, C.7/28 was submitted from the above Department that, on and after 26th instant, communications for that Department should be addressed to the Custom House, Dublin, C.10.

518/28.

DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL : ABSTRACTS OF ACCOUNTS.

A letter dated 20th March, 1928, A.S.5572/28, was read from the Local Government Department relative to the outstanding Abstracts of Accounts of the Donegal County Council for the half-year ended 30th September, 1927.

The Secretary said that the cause of the delay in furnishing Abstracts was owing to the impaired health of the Accountant. However, they would be forwarded to the Department in a few days.

519/28.

re ACCOUNT OF Mr. Wm. J. DOHERTY, ARCHITECT.

A letter dated 20th March, 1928, G.15330/1928, was read from the Local Government Department regarding the account of Mr. Wm. J. Doherty, Architect, in respect of his services in connection with claims under the Damage to Property Compensation Act, 1923 and pointing out that some years appeared to have elapsed since the services were rendered and no explanation had been made for the delay. In any event the total claimed was in excess of the amount which had been admitted as not unreasonable in similar cases; as was also a letter from Mr. Doherty explaining delay in furnishing particulars.

Minute:- Copy of Mr. Doherty's letter to be furnished to Local Government Department, with a request that they sanction amount claimed.

520/28.

NOTICE OF AUDIT.

A Notice of Audit of the Accounts of the Donegal County Council, fixed for the 3rd April, 1928, was submitted.

521/28.

WIDENING OF GLENTIES BRIDGE.

A letter dated 23rd March, 1928, R/RG/7, was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) enclosing copy of a letter addressed to Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, notifying approval to the acceptance of a tender for the widening of Glenties Bridge (Route No. 72) in stone masonry. The cost of the work (£475) was being met from Grant and Works No. S.155 had been assigned to the work.

522/28.

CLAIM UNDER SECTION 3(4) (a) OF THE ROAD ACT, 1920.

A letter dated 23rd March, 1928, R/MT/209/7, was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) with reference to the claim of the Donegal County Council under Section 3 (4) (a) of the Roads Act, 1920 in respect of the period 1st April, 1926 to 31st March, 1927 and requesting to be furnished with the Bills of Costs and Taxing Master's Certificates relative to the Legal Expenses amounting to £168:4:11 included in the claim. The Secretary said the matter had received attention.

523/28.

OFFICES OF "ACCOUNTANT" AND "TREASURER".

A letter dated 24th March, 1928, G.55591/1927, was read from the Local Government Department stating that, with the concurrence of the Local Appointments Commissioners, he had decided to declare the office of "Accountant" including the position of "Treasurer", other than a Banking Company, to be an office to which the Local Authorities (Officers and Employees) Act, 1926 applied.

524/28.

OVERDRAFT.

A letter dated 26th March, 1928, G.18796/1928, was read from the Local Government Department, acknowledging receipt of the County Secretary's letter of the 21st idem requesting sanction to the continuance of Overdraft of £45,000 until the 30th June next and requesting to be furnished with a statement showing the present/

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present financial position of the Council; also inquiring what steps it was proposed to take to reduce the amount of accommodation required by way of Overdraft.

The Secretary said he furnished the required information on 4th April, 1928.

A letter dated 12th March, 1928, G.22586/1928, was also read from the Local Government Department stating that the Minister sanctioned Overdraft, not exceeding £40,000, to the 30th June next, and that Interest might be paid thereon at the agreed rate.

525/28.

re SEWERAGE SYSTEM AND MAINTAINING THE
SAME AT THE TOWN OF DONEGAL.

A Sealed Order of the Minister for Local Government and Public Health, dated 27th March, 1928, determining that the Donegal Rural District, as constituted immediately before the 1st October, 1925, shall be the Area of Charge on which all expenses incurred or which might be incurred by the Donegal Board of Health and Public Assistance for the purpose of improving the sewerage system and maintaining the same at the town of Donegal, shall be levied, was submitted.

Minute:- It was unanimously decided to request the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to reconsider his decision, and as suggested by the Donegal County Board of Health, make the lighting area the Area of Charge.

526/28.

PROPOSED MAIN ROAD FROM GREENHOUSE BRAE TO ROSBEG.

A letter dated 28th March, 1928, R/RD/7, was read from the Local Government Department (Roads), requesting that a map tracing showing the proposed main road from Greenhouse Brae to Rosbeg and distinguishing numbers of adjacent roads might be furnished for identification purposes.

The Secretary said that he furnished a Tracing Map on 11th April, 1928.

In this connection a letter dated 13th April, 1928, R/RD/7, was also read from the Local Government Department (Roads) stating that the request of the Donegal County Council to have the road from Greenhouse Brae to Rosbeg scheduled as a main road had been noted for consideration.

527/28.

Mr. FELIX QUINN -- INCREASE OF SALARY.

A letter dated 30th March, 1928, G.16675/1928, was read from the Local Government Department, stating that the Minister sanctioned the proposal of the Donegal County Council of the 31st January last to increase the salary of Mr. Felix Quinn to £240 per annum with annual increments of £10 each, subject to maximum of £284:18:0.

528/28.

re Mr. JAMES BOYLE, Ex-CLERK, DUNFANAGHY UNION.

A letter dated 30th March, 1928, P.12176/28 (Se.) was read from the Local Government Department, forwarding copy of an Order, dated 27th March, 1928, consenting to the payment of a superannuation allowance, at the rate of £91:12:8 a year, to Mr. James Boyle, in respect of his services as Clerk of Dunfanaghy Union.

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A claim for £89:7:3 by Mr. James Boyle, being Compound Interest at 6%, on his yearly pension of £91:12:8 from 1st January, 1923 to 31st December, 1927, was submitted.

Minute:- Unanimously decided to refuse claim.

529/28.

CONCRETE WORKS AT BALLYSHANNON.

A letter dated 30th March, 1928, addressed by Mr. Quigley, Chief Engineer, Department of Local Government and Public Health (Roads), to Mr. John Caffrey, County Surveyor, requesting him to convey to the Donegal County Council that he would raise no objection to any small payments in connection with concrete, Ballyshannon, being made for the period mentioned in Mr. Caffrey's letter, was read.

530/28.

PROVISION OF A TELEPHONE CALL OFFICE AT LIFFORD.

A letter dated 2nd April, 1928, T.2477/28, was read from the Secretary, Department of Posts and Telegraphs, referring to the resolution of the Donegal County Council regarding the provision of a Telephone Call Office at Lifford and stating that negotiations had been concluded for the provision of new premises for the Post Office at Lifford and that in this connection consideration was being given to the question of providing call office facilities at the new building.

531/28.

Mr. J. J. CAFFREY : INCREASE OF SALARY.

A letter dated 2nd April, 1928, R/RS/7, was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) stating that the Minister had sanctioned the proposal of the Donegal County Council to allow £20 per annum extra remuneration to Mr. J. J. Caffrey, Assistant Surveyor, in respect of work in connection with the maintenance and construction of Main Roads in Balerana Urban District.

532/28.

DOCKS REGULATIONS.

A letter dated 3rd April, 1928, was read from the Secretary Department of Industry and Commerce, enclosing Draft of Regulations which the Minister proposed to make under Section 79 of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901 in lieu of existing Regulations dated 24th October, 1904, in respect of the processes of loading, unloading, moving or handling goods in, or at any dock, wharf or quarry and the processes of loading, unloading any ship in any dock, harbour or canal.

533/28.

Mr. JOHN MCGINLEY : SUPERANNUATION ALLOWANCE.

A Sealed Order of the Minister for Local Government and Public Health dated 3rd April, 1928, consenting to a Grant by the Donegal County Council of an annual allowance of £20:14:4 being made to Mr. John McGinley in respect of services rendered as Sanitary Sub-Officer and Collector of Rents of Labourers' Cottages under the Dunfanaghy Rural District Council, was submitted.

534/28.

ROAD IMPROVEMENT GRANT £200,000.

Letters dated 4th April, 1928 and 18th April, 1928, R/SGE/7, was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) referring to above Grant and stating that the Minister had approved of the schemes for the improvement of main roads in the Northern and Southern Divisions of the County Donegal proposed to be carried out under the terms of the Minister's letter (SGE/201) of the 22nd February, 1928, and that the conditions regarding men to be employed attached to previous grant applied to this grant also.

535/28.

VETERINARY INSPECTOR FOR NORTH DONEGAL.

A letter dated 10th April, 1928, P.H.22376/28, was read from the Local Government Department, referring to the County Secretary's letter of 4th idem, and pointing out that having regard to the terms of Section 6 of the Local Authorities (Officers and Employees) Act, 1926, it was the duty of the County Council to appoint Mr. W.J.P. King, Veterinary Surgeon, to the vacant Veterinary position at their next meeting following the 29th July last, and the Minister could not recognise any other application of the salary attaching to the office.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Hamilton, seconded by Councillor Gallagher (Francis), it was unanimously decided to request the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to sanction payment of salary to Mr. P. McShane, V.S., who is acting as Veterinary Inspector in above District to the 30th April, 1928.

536/28.

UNPAID LAND ANNUITIES.

A letter dated 10th April, 1928, 18435/28, was read from the Irish Land Commission, acknowledging receipt of copy extract, relative to unpaid Land Annuities, from Minutes of Proceedings of meeting of the Donegal County Council held on 20th ultimo.

537/28.

MALICIOUS INJURY DECREE;
COASTGUARD STATION AT BUNBEG.

A letter dated 13th April, 1928, 15079/27, was read from the Office of Public Works, Dublin, inquiring whether the Donegal County Council were now in a position to lodge to their credit the amount awarded to them as compensation for the malicious damage sustained by the Chief Petty Officer's House at the former Coastguard Station at Bunbeg centre.

The Secretary said payment had been made.

538/28.

COLLECTION OF LAND PURCHASE ANNUITIES.

A letter dated 14th April, 1928, P.B.1765/28 was read from the Department of Fisheries acknowledging receipt of an extract from Minutes of Proceedings of the meeting of the County Council relative to the collection of Land Purchase Annuities in County Donegal.

Extract sent to L.G. D.

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BUTTER AND MARGARINE ACT, 1907: SECTIONS 8 & 14 (1).

A letter dated 11th April, 1928, L.I245/28, was read from the Department of Agriculture transmitting copies of a list (thirty-first) of names approved by the Department for use in connection with Margarine.

540/28.

re MECHANICALLY PROPELLED ROAD VEHICLES.

A circular letter dated 11th April, 1928, MT/131, was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) requesting to be informed of the number and description of all mechanically propelled road vehicles, the property of Local Authorities, registered with the Donegal County Council for the calendar year 1927 and the amount of Motor Licence Duty paid in respect of each vehicle.

The Secretary said he furnished the information sought on the 13th April, 1928.

541/28. re Mr. P. McGOWAN, VETERINARY INSPECTOR.

A letter dated 14th April, 1928, P.H. 42550/27 was read from the Local Government Department, stating that no record could be traced of the action taken by the Donegal County Council on the recommendation made in September last for the appointment of Mr. Patrick McGowan as Veterinary Inspector for the Milford Area and inquiring how the matter stood (C.C.931/27).

The Secretary said that on the 16th April, 1928, he furnished the Local Government Department with an extract from Minutes of Proceedings of meeting of the County Council held on the 29th Sept., 1927 at which Mr. McGowan was appointed Veterinary Inspector and that a copy of the Minutes of that meeting had been sent to the Department on the 6th October, 1927.

542/28.

LOAN OF £6,440: PAYMENT OF SEVENTH INSTALLMENT.

A letter dated 16th April, 1928, R/RB/7, was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) stating that a payment of £435, being the seventh instalment on the sum of £6,440 raised by loan by the Donegal County Council for the purchase of Road Machinery was made to the County Treasurer on 13th idem.

543/28.

SALE OF FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS : SAMPLES TAKEN.

A letter dated 16th April, 1928, L.I295-28 was read from the Department of Agriculture requesting to be furnished with a return as to the samples taken under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, on behalf of the Donegal County Council in the six months ended 31st March, 1928.

The Secretary said the matter was receiving attention.

544/28.

CONTRACT No. 222 (Derry No. 2 District).

Councillor Gallagher (Wm.) asked Mr. Steadman to explain why £53:5:8 was paid on Contract No. 222 (Derry No. 2 District) as appeared on List of Proposals, Page 37, for half-year ended 30th September, 1927, when same Contract was broken at May meeting, 1927 and a man employed by Direct Labour to surface the road since breaking of Contract.

Mr. Steadman said the man had given the material and was entitled to his money.

545/28.

DATES FIXED FOR HOLDING OF PUBLIC FAIRS.

A circular letter dated 12th April, 1928, S.61617/1928, was read from the Local Government Department stating that it had been brought to the Minister's notice in connection with public Fairs for the sale of live stock, that in some Counties there was considerable clashing of dates fixed for the holding of such Fairs, resulting in inconvenience to intending buyers and possible loss to the sellers of stock. Private rights and interests were mostly involved in the holding of Fairs in rural areas, but it seemed to the Minister, after consultation with the Department of Agriculture and the Live Stock Breeding Consultative Council, that the question might be dealt with locally with the consent of those interested which in Rural Areas the County Councils, through the Committees of Agriculture and in Urban Areas the Urban District Councils would interest themselves in bringing the various interests together when complaints were made that Fairs held in any County or in adjoining Counties overlapped and interfered with each other.

Minute:- Referred to Agricultural Committee and Urban District Councils.

546/28.

CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT.

A letter was read from Mr. Francis Currin, Ballymore, Teelin, stating that he broke 180 tons of two-inch stones before last year, but by some mistake he only got paid for four-inch stones, as was also letters from Mr. James Byrne, Crobane, Teelin, regarding the balance due to him for work done in repairing the road at Carrick last November.

Minute:- Referred to Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor.

547/28.

RETURN OF LAW COSTS PAID DURING THE LAST THREE YEARS.

The Secretary, as directed, furnished the following particulars of Law Costs paid during above period:-

To whom paid	Year ended 31st March	Amount	Total
-----	1926	NIL	£: s: d
Charles A. Flattery Esq. and P. J. Ward Esq.	1927	£: s: d 1143: 17: 1	
Hibernian Bank Limited (Cost of Deed of Charge)	"	15: 12: 6	
Charles A. Flattery Esq.	"	200: 0: 0	
Vincent P. McMullin Esq.	"	1150: 16: 8	
Mr. David Scott (Cost of Appeal)	"	26: 6: 8	2536: 12: 11
Vincent P. McMullin Esq.	1928	673: 15: 1	673: 15: 1
		Total--	3210: 8: 0

Exh. 100 sent to Dep. of
Agriculture and
County C. C. Councils written
on 9/5/28

548/28.

CHILDRENS' ACT, 1908.

A notice dated 12th April, 1928, received from Sergeant Michael Cuff, Raphoe, re proposed application at Raphoe District Court to be held on 24th idem to have a female child committed to an Industrial School was submitted.

549/28.

DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL INSURANCES.

A letter was read from the Branch Manager, The Hibernian Fire and General Insurance Company Limited, 48, Dame Street, Dublin, asking that their proposal for Donegal County Council Insurances, in accordance with the terms of the Council's recent advertisement, be submitted to the next meeting of that body for consideration.

Mr. McHale, representative of the Company, appeared before the Council in support of the application.

It was pointed out that the Council had arranged to give their Insurances to the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Limited.

Councillor Clarke proposed that the Council do not alter their Insurances.

Councillor Blaney seconded.

Councillor Mahony moved, as an amendment, that in the case of future Insurances the Council give them to the Hibernian Insurance Company, provided their quotation is lower than or equal to that of any other Company.

Councillor McNulty seconded.

The Chairman ruled that a rescinding Notice of Motion would be necessary before the matter could be considered.

Councillor Mahony then said he would lodge one for next meeting.

550/28.

FURNITURE FOR BUNCRAHA COURTHOUSE.

Consideration of a letter from the District Court Clerk, Buncrana, requesting to be supplied with certain articles of furniture for his office in the Courthouse, and letter dated 7th October, 1927, from Mr. Hugh C. Cochrane, Under Sheriff, Lifford, enclosing a list of requirements for Buncrana Courthouse were adjourned pending the receipt of a report of Councillors McIvor and Kavanagh.

551/28.

STORAGE OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

Councillor McIvor reported that Mr. James McGuinness, 4, Chamberlain Street, Derry, would not accept less than £45 in respect of rent for storage of Weights and Measures, the property of the Donegal County Council, left at his premises by the Old R.I.C. after the Truce (C.C. 393/28).

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Baxter, seconded by Councillor Loughrey, the Secretary was directed to communicate with the Minister for Justice in the matter.

552/28.

RANNAGH PIER.

A letter was read from Mr. Edward O'Donnell, Harbour Master, Rannagh Pier, reporting that repairs were necessary to above structure.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, applied for and was granted £20 to carry out necessary repairs.

Extract sent to the Manager
of the Hibernian Fire & General
Insurance Co. Ltd.
9/5/28

Extract sent to
Edward O'Donnell
9/5/28

553/28.

ALTAR BRIDGE.

A letter was read from residents in the townland of Glenmacaniff, Glenties, and District requesting the County Council to have repairs carried out forthwith to the above bridge which spans the river on the road running from the main road at Stranaglough to Glenmacaniff.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, said that he proposed to build this bridge, which he estimated would cost £100, out of the amount which would accrue from reductions in the estimated amounts allowed for maintenance contracts and special works as a result of competition (C.C. Minute No. 9/28).

Minute:- Mr. Caffrey was directed to bring forward an application at next meeting of the County Council.

554/28.

The following amendments were made under Part II of Schedule of Tolls:-

A. Composition of Tonnage Rates.

For every vessel engaged in fishing and using the Harbour as a composition in full of tonnage rates payable in advance for the period 1st May to 30th September or 1st October to 30th April:-

Original Scale	Proposed Amended Scale
If over 65 tons gross - £3:0:0	Trawlers and Liners --- £: s: d
If 25 tons gross or over but not exceeding	Steam Drifters----- -: 15:0
65 tons gross ----- 1:0:0	Motor Boats----- -: 10:0
If under 25 tons gross - 15:0	Small Fishing Boats---- -: 5:0
If under 10 tons gross - 2:6	Rowing Boats----- -: 2:6

B. Ordinary Tonnage Rates.

For every vessel which has not paid in advance the foregoing composition rates, there shall be payable on each occasion of entering the Harbour:-

Original Scale	Proposed Amended Scale
For every trawler, liner or Drifter propelled by steam or other mechanical power, £: s: d	Trawlers and Liners --- £: s: d
If over 65 tons gross-----5:0:0	Steam Drifters----- -: 5:0
If 25 tons gross or over, but not exceeding 65 tons gross----- :3:6	Motor Boats----- -: 3:6
If under 25 tons gross---- :2:6	Every vessel other than the above----- -: 2:6
For every Fishing Vessel other than the above----- :2:6	

Extract sent to P.M.
Mr. Rice, Stranaglough,
Glenties
9/5/28

555/28.

LIFFORD COURTHOUSE -- INSTALLATION OF ELECTRIC LIGHT.

Tenders were submitted from the undermentioned persons for Electric Lighting of Lifford Courthouse and officer therein.

Name	Address	Amount
Messrs		£: s: d
George G. Crooks	4, Spencer Road, Derry	300:12: 6
Joseph Donaghy	9, Waterloo Place, Derry	298: 0: 0
Thomas May	Great James Street, Derry	240: 0: 0
Wm. Ferguson	Linonhall Street, Derry	238: 0: 0
D. McAnaney	59, Foyle Road, Derry	236:10: 0
J.S. Loughnan	112, Curran Road, Larne Harbour	198:18: 0

Minute:- It was unanimously decided to accept the tender of Mr. J.S. Loughnan which Mr. William Doherty, Architect, said appeared to be in order and the latter was directed to have contract prepared and duly signed.

556/28.

BUNCRANA COURTHOUSE : INSTALLATION OF ELECTRIC LIGHT.

A letter was read from Mr. W.J. Doherty, Architect, 12, Castle Street, Derry, re Buncrana Courthouse Electric Lighting and stating that as far as he could see the Contractors (Buncrana Electric Supply Company), whilst not tendering for best class of work, has carried out fully what he agreed to do, and the price £29 for 22 lights of fairly long runs was not excessive; in consequence he thought the account should be paid.

Minute:- Payment ordered.

557/28.

CONDITION OF A ROAD.

A letter was read from Messrs Edward McFadden & Co., Solicitors, Letterkenny, on behalf of a number of ratepayers living in Greevesmith and Rahan concerning a road running from Creeve to Rahan which their clients had to use and which they required put on the County. There were ten ratepayers living on this road, which runs from the foot of the Golf Links parallel thereto to the Rahan Road, who have no other means of getting in or out of their holdings.

Minute:- Referred to Mr. Steadman for a report.

558/28.

AUGHAGLASSON MOUNTAIN ROAD.

A letter was read from Mr. Charles Patterson, Grouschall, Glencely, complaining that the above road was not included in Provisional Road Works Scheme in accordance with County Council Minute No. 813/28.

Minute:- Referred to Mr. Steadman for a report.

559/28.

MULROY AND LEATBEG PIERS.

A letter was read from Mr. J. Arthur Fraser, Fras-rona, Finaghy, Belfast, referring to the County Secretary's letter of the 20th February last and stating that Lord Leitrim was prepared to receive private offers for the freehold interest of Mulroy and Leatbeg Piers, together with the stores built thereon and right-of-way to each Pier etc.

Minute/

Minute:- Consideration adjourned pending receipt of a reply from Mr. Fraser as to the lowest sum Lord Leitrim would be prepared to accept for above structures.

It was also decided to request the Ministry of Fisheries to instruct their Engineer, when in the District inspecting Rathmullan Pier, to also inspect Mulroy and Leatbeg Piers and furnish the Council with a report, with a view to their being taken over.

560/28.

PROPOSED BRIDGE OVER THE MYRA RIVER.

A letter was read from the inhabitants of Myra and other townlands requesting the County Council's attention to the great inconvenience and hardships they suffered through want of a bridge over the Myra River, above the Falcarragh Railway Station, and requesting that steps be taken without delay to supply them with the facilities they require by the construction of a bridge at this point.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor McClafferty, seconded by Councillor Brennan, Mr. Steadman was directed to prepare a report and estimate for submission at next meeting of the Council with a view to a bridge being built; further that the Irish Land Commission be asked to contribute towards the work.

561/28.

re FENCING OF A ROAD.

A letter was read from Mr. John Wray, Solicitor, Ramelton, stating that he had been instructed by Mr. Hugh Callan and Mr. John McClay, to ask the County Council to have the road through the townland of Carrowkeel fenced as it was in a dangerous condition.

Minute:- No action taken.

562/28.

ESTABLISHMENT OF POUNDS.

A letter was read from the Superintendent, Garda Siochana, Raphoe, requesting to be informed of the position regarding the establishment of pounds in his district.

Minute:- Secretary directed to state in reply that no money was available for this purpose.

563/28.

ARTERIAL DRAINAGE.

A copy resolution passed by Cavan County Council, re Arterial Drainage, at their meeting held on 13th March, 1928, was submitted.

Minute:- "Read".

564/28.

SHEEP DIPPING SCHEME.

It was unanimously decided to adopt the Sheep Dipping Scheme which was in force in the County last year for the forthcoming prescribed Dipping periods in present year and to re-appoint the Sheep Dipping Inspectors employed last year at the same rate of remuneration.

The consideration of a report of Mr. P. McGlinchey, Veterinary Inspector, re working of scheme in his district for 1927, was referred to the new Council.

565/28.

re Mr. JAMES HERON, ACCOUNTANT.

The Secretary reported that Mr. James Heron was still unable to resume duty and that the term of leave granted to him on 10th January last had expired and his case was due for reconsideration.

The matter was referred to the Special Committee appointed to consider position caused by illness of Mr. Heron.

The Committee, consisting of Councillors Baxter, Gallagher (Francis), and Gallen met after lunch and subsequently submitted the following recommendations which were unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor Gallagher (Francis), seconded by Councillor McClaafferty,

- (1) That Mr. Heron be relieved of the position of Accountant but be retained on the Staff at his present salary and be given leave of absence for a further three months;
- (2) That the Local Appointments Commissioners be asked to recommend for appointment, Accountant for Donegal County Council at a salary of £300 rising by biennial increments of £5 to £350;
- (3) That the Temporary Clerk recently appointed (Mr. H. Reid) be retained until the new Accountant be appointed.

566/28.

CONTINUANCE OF EMPLOYMENT OF Mr. DANIEL KELLY.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony, seconded by Councillor McClaafferty, it was unanimously decided to request the Minister for Local Government and Public Health (Roads) to sanction the continuance of the employment of Mr. Daniel Kelly in the County Council Office at a salary of £3 per week; further, that as Mr. Kelly has been over five years in the employment of the Council and has carried out his duties efficiently his appointment be made permanent.

567/28.

FINANCE COMMITTEE AN "AUTHORISED COMMITTEE".

On the motion of Councillor Mahony, seconded by Councillor Myles, it was unanimously decided to request the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to make the Finance Committee an "Authorised Committee" under Section 63 of the Local Government Act, 1925.

568/28.

re EXPLOSIVES.

Mr. Steadman reported that he had so often referred to the drawback in getting quarry work carried out owing to the difficulty of getting explosives that he need not dwell on same. To aid Road Contractors he would suggest the following:- That £10 or £15 in respect of each Rural District be placed at his disposal to acquire explosives in first instance; then at each half-year when he was making out the payments to Contractors that the money value of any explosives supplied to each Contractor be struck off and in this way the County be recouped.

Minute:- Report unanimously approved of, and the sum of £15 in respect of each former Rural District to be placed at Mr. Steadman's disposal to acquire explosives.

Extra Clerk
 to L.G. B.
 9/5/28
 Written to
 Secy. Dep't. L.G. B.
 3/5/28

569/28.

DRIVERS OF COUNTY PLANT.

Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, reported that having regard to the serious damages that could arise through an accident where County Plant might be lying along County Roads during night and the usual lights not put up by Drivers, it would be well if the Secretary were directed to send out a short circular expressing the Council's opinion in regard to any case where neglect was found in future regarding this important matter. Furthermore working hours should be more closely adhered to. There was a tendency on occasions for some men to leave earlier than 1 p.m. on Saturday and not return until late on a Monday morning.

Minute:- The Secretary was directed to send a circular to the Driver of each Road Roller and Breaker threatening dismissal in any case where the County Plant was left along county roads during night without the usual lights; also that working hours would in future would have to be more closely adhered to.

570/28.

RETURN OF ROADS ROLLED.

Councillor Gallen said that Engine Drivers should be directed to furnish the Council with a return of roads rolled. The matter was referred to the Roads Committee.

571/28.

PAYMENTS TO ROAD CONTRACTORS : HALF YEARLY MEETINGS.

The dates of half-yearly meetings in connection with payments to Road Contractors in respect of half-year ended 31st March, 1928 were arranged.

572/28.

CASES FOR PROSECUTION.

Mr. Steadman said that he found it necessary to take Proceedings in the following cases in order that work might be proceeded with:-

- (1) To enter a quarry on the lands of Col. Baptist Barton, Portsalon;
- (2) To enter a quarry to enable the work connected with a grant to be carried out at Shanky, Kerrykeel

Geo. McNutt, Aghtore,
Ml. Sheerin, " "
Wm. McDaid, " "
Ed. McDaid, " "
Peter Doherty, Drumatrummon
- (3) And in connection with same Grant against Hugh Coyle, Meentaugh, Glenvar;
- (4) For neglect in not opening drains whereby the County Road is seriously affected at Glentogher, against:-
John Doherty, Carrowmore, Glentogher;
Reps. of Elister Northey, Carrowmore;
- (5) Also against the following for not opening tail drains leading from pipes on the County Road at Bridge End:-
Terence McManus, Carrowreagh, Bridge End;
John Mortimer, Bridge End,
Henry S. Hamilton, Bridge End;

Minute:- Report approved of and Proceedings ordered to be taken against the parties therein named.

573/28.

re ROAD BURNFOOT TO INCH.

Mr. Steadman reported that nothing had been done to clean the tail drains leading from pipes on the road Burnfoot to Inch which he brought before the Council some months ago. He recommended that Proceedings be taken against Mr. Barton, The Bush, Antrim, who was Agent for Lord Brassy and responsible for this neglect whereby the road was seriously injured.

Minute:- Secretary directed to write and inform Mr. Barton that in the event of the tail drains referred to not being cleaned within seven days Proceedings would be instituted against him forthwith.

Mr. Steadman was directed to interview Mr. Hunt, Manager, Londonderry and Lough Swilly Railway Company, in the matter.

574/28.

DAMAGED BRIDGE ON ROAD No. 1. 1st APRIL, 1928.

A report of Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, re building a damaged bridge on above road, Inishowen Rural District, was read and he was directed to submit an application to the Council at next meeting.

575/28.

BRIDGE AT CLONDALLON.

Councillor Loughrey having inquired of Mr. Steadman when work would be commenced at above bridge the latter said he hoped to start work soon.

576/28.

CARTING OVER A RIGHT-OF-WAY.

A letter was read from Mr. David Wilson, Raphoe, on behalf of Mr. Charles Lynch of Carrickadawson, Raphoe, with regard to carting by Road Contractors, of materials for use on the adjacent County Roads over a right-of-way which his client was entitled to from his premises in Carrickadawson over the lands of Mr. William Lynch of Carrickadawson, from whose lands the road material was being taken, with the result that the right-of-way was being rendered useless to his client.

Mr. Steadman said the matter was one for arrangement between Mr. Lynch and the others concerned.

Minute:- No action taken.

577/28.

MEETINGHOUSE STREET, RAPHOE.

A letter was read from Mr. David Wilson, Solicitor, Raphoe, drawing the Council's attention to the dangerous state of Meetinghouse Street, Raphoe, owing to the largely increased motor traffic, between Derry and Stranorlar, along this street. The street at a part opposite the Post Office was only about 15 feet wide; there was a curve at this point and the view approaching it from either side was obstructed by a dwelling house owned by Mr. Patrick Duffy.

Mr. Steadman said the only way an improvement could be effected was by acquiring the house referred to.

Minute:- No action taken.

Extract sent to Mr. N. D. M. Barton
re Bush, Co. Antrim
9/5/28

Extract sent to
Mr. David Wilson
9/5/28

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Mr. David Wilson
9/5/28

578/28.

PROVISION OF CERTAIN LANDING FACILITIES
AT MULLAGHDUFF IN THE GORTNASATE AREA.

A letter dated 20th April, 1928, No. D/I was read from the Department of Fisheries stating that the Minister had been giving careful consideration to representations which had been made to him as to the need for providing certain facilities at Mullaghduff in the Gortnasate Area. While the Minister would not be prepared to recommend an expenditure of public funds upon the setting up at this place of facilities for the landing and curing of fish, in view of the existence so close at hand of the well-equipped fishing port of Gortnasate (Kincasslagh) he was disposed to consider favourably the construction of a simple work which would enable the Mullaghduff men on their return periodically during the season from Gortnasate to unload their nets and lay their boats up safely where they would be under their immediate observation. Such a work, however, would be useless without a link or approach road of from $1\frac{1}{4}$ to $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles in extent which would connect up with the county road. The Minister would, therefore, be glad to learn whether, in the event of his agreeing to recommend state expenditure upon such landing facilities as those just indicated, the Donegal County Council would be prepared to undertake the construction and maintenance of the approach road referred to.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Boyle, seconded by Councillor Brennan, Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, was directed to visit the place and submit a report and estimate of the cost of proposed link or approach road.

579/28.

REGULATIONS FOR THE CONTROL OF DOGS.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony, seconded by Councillor Doherty (Edward), the Secretary was directed to write and request the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siochana, Letterkenny, to enforce the Regulations for the Control of Dogs between sunset and sunrise in the Rural District of Letterkenny.

580/28.

COMPLAINT BY Mr. JOSEPH McCALLION, MULLANEY, BURT.

A letter was read from Mr. Joseph McCallion, Mullaney, Burt, complaining in regard to his dismissal, by order of Mr. Steadman, from carting at Bridge End Railway Station.

Mr. McCallion, who was present, stated the grounds of his complaint.

The County Surveyor said that he reserved the right to himself to dismiss any man and he declined to give any reason, and that the Council might take it that he had very good reasons for any action he took in this particular case.

581/28.

ROAD BETWEEN LOUGHESKE AND CLAR CHAPEL.

A letter was read from Mr. Jim Kearney, Clar, Donegal, re above road which was badly torn up by the floods in January last.

Minute:- Referred to Mr. Caffrey for attention.

Extract sent to
Chief Superd Garda
Diochana
9/5/28

Extract sent to
Joseph McCallion
Mullaney
Burt
9/5/28

Extract sent
to Jim Kearney
9/5/28

582/28.

ROAD LEADING FROM WHITE HOUSE TO WHINPARK ROAD.

A letter was read from Mr. James Cunningham, White House, Glentogher, in regard to the state of the above road.

Minute:- Referred to Mr. Steadman for attention.

583/28.

MECHANICALLY PROPELLED VEHICLES USED IN CONNECTION WITH
STEAM ROLLING AND MAINTENANCE OF ROADS;
EXEMPTION FROM DUTY.

On the motion of Councillor McIvor, seconded by Councillor Brennan, the following resolution passed by Waterford County Council was unanimously adopted:- "That we are of opinion that all mechanically propelled vehicles used in connection with the steam rolling and maintenance of roads, the property of County Councils, should be exempted from duty, and we request the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to take the necessary steps to have Section 20 (4) of the Finance Act, 1926 amended so as to include all vehicles as well as road rollers, the property of County Councils, which are used in connection with the maintenance of roads."

584/28.

CHILDRENS' ACT.

A notice was submitted from Sergeant Patrick J. Brennan, Raphoe, of his intention to apply at District Court on 27th March, 1928 to have a female child committed to an Industrial School.

585/28.

SAND BLAST MACHINE : SET OF STENCILS etc. REQUIRED.

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent's Office, Garda Siochana, Letterkenny, making application for one set of stencils ($\frac{1}{2}$ pint S.E. 342) for use in the new sand blast machine which would be used in connection with the stamping of bottles under the Standardization of Bottles Order, as was also a letter making application for a new rubber cone for use in sandblast machine at present in use.

Minute:- Applications granted.

586/28.

REMOVAL OF STONES FROM FENCES.

A letter was read from Mr. John McGonigal, Stranorlar, reporting that the stones in the fences between the plots of Paddy McNulty and John McDermott (Labourers' Cottages) near Ballybofey, on the Barnes Road had been taken out and piled on the County Road for measurement.

Mr. Caffrey said he investigated the matter and ascertained that the signature to letter was fictitious and that the report was groundless.

587/28.

CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION.

A letter was read from Mrs Bridget Walsh, Donegal Road, Ballybofey, claiming damages in respect of injuries sustained by her on the 13th December last coming from Ballybofey. In stepping into the side of the road her foot caught in a deep water track with the result that she got her ankle broken.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, in a report stated that it seemed/

seemed on the night of the 15th December, 1927, Mrs Walsh was going home from Ballybofey about 8 p.m.. At a place near the pump, about half a mile from Ballybofey, a motor car overtook her. She stepped on the grass margin to let the car pass. She then stepped forward and put her foot into a channel which conducts the surface water across the grass margin, fell and broke her ankle. The carriageway at this place is 19 feet wide.

A letter dated 17th April, 1928, was also read from the General Manager, Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Limited, 43, Dame Street, Dublin, relative to the P.L. Claim - Mrs Bridget Walsh - stating that they had been in communication with the Company concerned regarding this claim and had been advised by them that morning that they could not see that the Council was liable to pay damage in this case and they should be glad, therefore, if the Council would deny all liability in connection with the matter.

Minute:- It was unanimously decided to deny liability.

588/28.

PROVISION OF A SET OF PIGEON HOLES.

A letter was read from Mr. Seamus O'Donnell, District Court Clerk, Ballyshannon, again requesting the County Council to give him permission to procure a set of pigeon holes for use in his office at Ballyshannon Courthouse for the purpose of preserving District Court Records.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Lyles, seconded by Councillor Gallagher (Francis), Mr. Caffrey was directed to have a set of pigeon holes made.

589/28.

MALICIOUS INJURY CLAIMS DANIEL DUNLEVY AND PETER TAYLOR V COUNTY COUNCIL.

A letter dated 26th March, 1928, was read from the Council's Solicitor reporting that the Malicious Injury Claims above referred to came on for hearing at the Circuit Court in Letterkenny on 15th idem and were dismissed. A Notice of Appeal had been received in Dunlevy's case and he (the Council's Solicitor) was taking the necessary steps to protect the Council's interests in these cases.

590/28.

PROPOSED NEW ROAD IN CONNECTION WITH THE CONSTRUCTION OF A BRIDGE BETWEEN INNISCOO ISLAND AND LIGHTER ISLAND.

A letter was read from Mr. John O'Donnell, J.S. Clyde BIRTH, Ligeramore, Co. Antrim, stating that he had been informed that a grant was made for the construction of a bridge between Inniscoo Island and Lighter Island; as portion of the bridge was on his land he considered he was entitled to compensation for making a road through his land in connection with this bridge.

Minute:- No action taken.

Extra sent to Seamus O'Donnell 9/5/28

Extra sent to John O'Donnell 9/5/28

591/26.

USE OF CARNDONAGH COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from Messrs R. Moore and P.W. Anderson, Assistant Secretaries, Inishowen Agricultural Society, Carndonagh, making application for the use of the Courthouse there on the 19th July next for a Home Industries Exhibition in connection with their show.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Cole, seconded by Councillor McIvor, the application was granted.

592/28.

DISMISSAL OF GANGER DAN MCGINLEY.

A letter was read from Mr. Dan McGinley, Gortnasade, Kincasslagh, relative to his dismissal as Ganger on the Kincasslagh and Gortnasade Pier Road.

A report on the matter was also read from Mr. Frank Kearney, Assistant County Surveyor, which was considered satisfactory and no action deemed necessary.

593/29.

CLAIM FOR PAYMENT.

A further claim was submitted from Mr. James Thompson, Meenletterbale, Lecamy, for payment of £1 being balance due for repairing a bridge at Mossyglan.

Minute:- Referred to Mr. Steadman for attention.

594/28.

POSITIONS OF DRIVER AND FLAGMAN.

Applications for the position of Flagman were submitted from:-

Patrick McGinley, Umiskin, Kilcar;
Francis McGinley " " "

as was also an application for either the position of Driver or Flagman from James Anderson, Drumenan, St. Johnston.

Minute:- Referred to County Surveyor.

595/28.

BUNCRANA, CARNDONAGH AND DONEGAL COURTHOUSES.

A letter was read from Mr. William J. Doherty, Architect, 12, Castle Street, Derry, enclosing final certificate for Mr. Joseph Donaghy, Plumbing Contractor in Bunrana, Carndonagh and Donegal Courthouses, and a statement of a claim for £326:0:8 for extra work made by Mr. Patrick Diver, Building Contractor for the Donegal Courthouse, certified for by Mr. Doherty at £129:9:8; also a certificate for £70 on account of total balance due Mr. Diver.

Minute:- Payments, as certified, ordered.

596/28.

GREAT SOUTHERN RAILWAYS
(Miscellaneous Purposes) BILL, 1926.

A letter was read from Mr. A.J. Cassidy M.D., acknowledging receipt of County Secretary's letter of 16th March last with reference to Section 9 of the above Bill and stating that he had already decided to oppose the Section referred to.

Extract sent to
Mr. Robert Moore
9/5/28

Extract sent
to Dan McGinley
9/5/28

Extract sent
to Mr. Thompson
9/5/28

Applications
written to 9/5/28

Mr. W. J. Doherty
sent to 10/5/28
Payments made

597/28.

PERMISSION TO ERECT A PETROL PUMP.

An application was submitted from Messrs McNeilis & Company, Nesbitt Arms Hotel, Ardara, requesting permission to erect a Petrol Pump on the public street at their premises.

Minute:- Granted on usual conditions.

598/28.

CLAIM FOR PAYMENT.

A letter was read from Mr. John Platt, Bocan, Culdaff, stating that the County Council took over part of his farm to open a quarry for which he was to be paid 25 yearly and complaining that no payment had yet been made.

Minute:- Mr. Steadman was directed to interview Mr. Platt and arrange for payment of amount due.

599/28.

CINEMATOGRAH ACT.

An application was submitted from Mr. Richard Hamilton, General Merchant, Raphoe, for a renewal of a licence under the above Act.

Minute:- Renewal granted on usual conditions.

600/28.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE ACT.

A notice dated 31st March, 1928, from Sergeant James Mullahy, Newtowncunningham, re his intention to apply to the next District Court for the committal of two female children to an Industrial School under Section 17 (4) of the School Attendance Act, 1926, was submitted.

601/28.

re ASSISTANT COUNTY SURVEYORS' SALARIES.

A letter was read from the Honorary Secretary, The Engineers' Association, 12, Dawson Street, Dublin, stating that the attention of the Association had been drawn to the fact that the Donegal County Council had advertised for an Assistant County Surveyor at a salary which, in their opinion was grossly inadequate. The Association hoped that the Council, on considering this letter, would revise the salaries offered and readvertise the post at a salary which the Association could recommend their members and Engineers in Ireland generally to accept.

Minute:- No action taken.

602/28.

REGISTRATION EXPENSES : ADVANCE OF £150.

A letter dated 2nd April, 1928, was read from Mr. F.J. Ward, Registration Officer, Lifford, stating that he had now revised the Electors' Lists and Jurors' Lists for a number of districts and the printers would begin printing new Register in a few days and desiring to know in what Polling Districts (if any) it was proposed to make alterations which would affect the making up of the Register in regard to townlands; also making application for the usual advance of say £150 on account of expenses.

Minute:- (a) Secretary to interview Mr. Ward re proposed alterations;
(b) Payment of £150 ordered.

Ex tract sent
to Mr. Platt
10/5/28

License
renewed

Ex tract sent
to Hon. Secy.
Engineers' Assn.
10/5/28

603/28.

ADVANCE TO COUNTY SECRETARY.

An advance of £400 was made to County Secretary for the purpose of paying Temporary Staff engaged at Rate Work.

604/28.

C O M P L A I N T.

*Exh. A Sent to
Ratepayers
10/5/28*
A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Hynes, Shore Road, Remelton, drawing attention to the unfair way that work had been distributed to the unemployed in that district and complaining that on different occasions he applied to the Assistant County Surveyor for work but as yet he had not been taken on.

Mr. Steadman said Hynes's allegation was not correct as he had got opportunities for obtaining work.

Minute:- No action.

605/28.

CASE JOHN GALLAGHER V COUNTY COUNCIL.

A letter dated 4th April, 1928, was read from the Council's Solicitor stating that the case - John Gallagher, Mullaney, Burt V County Council - was disposed of at Lifford on 3rd idem when the Circuit Court Judge awarded a Decree for £10, without Costs, to the Plaintiff etc.

606/28.

CHILDRENS' ACT.

A letter dated 4th April, 1928, was read from Mrs Margaret H. Lapsley, District Court Clerk, Newtowncunningham, stating that an application would be made at Newtowncunningham District Juvenile Court on 20th idem to commit two children to an Industrial School.

607/28.

DONEGAL PIER.

*Exh. A Sent to
Newtowncunningham
10/5/28*
A letter was read from the Harbour Master at Donegal referring to his report that planks for the protection of steamers calling at Donegal Pier were necessary and stating that nothing had yet been done in the matter.

Mr. Caffrey reported that this Pier required a sum of £10 to be expended in providing and fixing wood fenders and repairs to surface. The Harbour Master should be instructed not to allow rubbish to be dumped over the sides of both Piers at Donegal. This rubbish caused the berths to be silted up and money had to be expended to clean the rubbish away.

Minute:- (a) £10 placed in Mr. Caffrey's hands to have work executed;
(b) Copy report to be sent to Harbour Master with a direction not to allow rubbish to be dumped over the sides of Piers in future.

608/28.

CASE BERNARD DIVER V COUNTY COUNCIL.

A Civil Bill for £20 served by Mr. John Tracy, Solicitor, Derry, on behalf of Bernard Diver, Coorey, Glencely, for work and labour done and materials supplied by Plaintiff for Defendants' use at their request and for damages for breach of contract, was submitted.

Minute:- Council's Solicitor instructed to defend case.

609/28.

DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL V HIBERNIAN INSURANCE COMPANY.

A letter dated 11th April, 1928, was read from the Council's Solicitor with reference to the claim in above case for the Costs incurred by the Council in defending the action brought by Alphonsus Gallagher (by his brother Wm. J. Gallagher) and enclosing copy of Counsel's opinion for the Council's consideration. In view of Counsel's opinion, and the peculiar circumstances under which this claim arose he (the Council's Solicitor) was of opinion it would be waste of money to put this matter any further as against the Insurance Company.

Minute:- Case against Insurance Company not to be further proceeded with.

610/28.

ROAD BETWEEN PAT MCGONAGLE'S AND HEADLINES HEARING.

A letter was read from Mr. Bernard McLaughlin, Moneydarragh, Gleneely, stating that up to the present nothing had been done to the road between Pat McGonagle's and Headlines Hearing, which had been out of contract for three years (C.C.274/28).

Minute:- Ruled out of order in accordance with County Council Minute No. 1034/27).

611/28.

INSPECTION AND VERIFICATION OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

A letter was read from Mr. John McGrory, Merchant, Culdaff, stating that great inconvenience and loss of time was caused to a large number of traders in that area by having to send their weights and measures etc. for inspection and verification to Melin, a distance of five miles or thereabouts, and requesting the County Council to recommend that an inspection be carried out in Culdaff this year.

Minute:- It was unanimously resolved that to meet the convenience of traders the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siochana, be requested to have weights and measures verified at the following centres in the County:-

Culdaff

Quigley's Point
Carrigans and
Kerrykeel.

612/28.

CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION.

A letter was read from Mr. John ^{Wray}~~Pracy~~, Solicitor, Ramelton, stating that he had been instructed by Mr. John Doherty of Killycreen to enquire what arrangements were proposed to compensate him for the quarrying of stones in the Prabbin Quarry; the quarrying of these stones was still proceeding.

Minute:- Referred to Mr. Steadman for attention.

Ex-hausted to
Mr. Wray 10/5/28
Ch. of P. Wray
Garda District and
written to 4/5/28

Ex-hausted to
Mr. John Wray
10/5/28

613/28.

re PROPOSED ERECTION OF A KEROSENE DEPOT AT MILFORD.

A letter was read from Mr. J.A. Wylie, Milford, stating that the Irish B.P. Company Limited proposed, subject to the County Council's permission, erecting a Kerosene Depot at Milford in a yard owned by Mr. James Diver, on the Kilmacrenan road.

Councillor Baxter proposed that permission be granted on the understanding that the Council would not be responsible for any accidents that might occur subsequent to erection.

Councillor Scott seconded.

Councillor Gallen said he understood this Company had dismissed a number of Irish employees and pending an explanation he moved as an amendment a direct negative.

Councillor Gallagher (Francis) seconded.

V O T I N G.

For the amendment ----- Councillors Quigley, Cole, Doherty (Patrick), Gallagher (Francis), Gallen, McIvor and McNulty - 7.

Against ----- Councillors Baxter, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Myles, McCauley, Wagentreiber and Scott - 7.

The acting Chairman decided not to exercise his casting vote.

Consideration of the matter was adjourned until next meeting.

614/28.

LIGHTING OF HOSPITAL AT LETTERKENNY : ERECTION OF POLES.

An Agreement - Donegal County Board of Health with Donegal County Council - re erection of Poles in connection with the lighting of Hospital at Letterkenny was submitted and on the motion of Councillor Wagentreiber, seconded by Councillor Scott, the Seal of the Council was ordered to be affixed thereto.

615/28.

AGREEMENT - DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL WITH JOHN DOOGAN.

On the motion of Councillor Wagentreiber, seconded by Councillor Scott, the Seal of the Council was ordered to be affixed to Agreement - Donegal County Council with John Doogan (a Rooskey Tenant).

616/28.

CASE -- ROULSTON V DUTHIE.

A letter was read from Mr. Frank Sweeney, Solicitor, Dungloe, enclosing Notice of Motion; copy Affidavit of Mr. Henry Kiernan, Manager, Northern Banking Company Limited, Dungloe, and copy of Master's Order in case - Roulston V Duthie.

The Secretary having said that this matter had already been dealt with by the Council no action was taken.

617/28.

REMOVAL OF Mr. E. J. DOHERTY FROM THE OFFICE OF POOR RATE COLLECTOR.

A letter dated 10th April, 1928, P.H.19442/28, from the Department of Local Government and Public Health, transmitting an Order under Seal dated 4th April, 1928, removing Mr. E.J. Doherty from the office of Collector of Poor Rate under the Donegal County Council, was submitted.

Extract sent to Mr. J.A. Wylie 10/5/28

Agreement sealed and returned to Council 10/5/28

Agreement sealed and returned to Council 10/5/28

Extract sent to Mr. Frank Sweeney 10/5/28

618/28.

COLLECTION OF POOR RATE IN THE ELECTORAL DIVISIONS OF
BALLYLIFFIN, DUNAFF, CARNDONAGH, GLENTOGHER,
GLENAGANON AND STRAID.

Applications were submitted from the undermentioned persons for the Collection of the Poor Rate in the above Electoral Divisions in accordance with the terms of the Council's advertisement (Minute 54/28 F.C.):—

A. Electoral Divisions - Ballyliffin, Dunaff and Straid.

No.	Name	Address
1.	Edward F. Doherty, P.C.	Clonmany
2.	Patrick Canny	Carrowreagh, Carndonagh
3.	Edward Quigley	Clonmany

B. Electoral Divisions of Carndonagh, Glentogher and Gleneganon.

No.	Name	Address
1.	Michael Deery	Ballagh, Malin
2.	Wm. J. Crampsey	Diamond, Carndonagh
3.	John Kelly	Ballyloskey, Carndonagh
4.	Patrick Canny	Carrowreagh, Carndonagh
5.	Edward J. Doherty	Ballyloskey, Carndonagh
6.	Charles McLaughlin	Malin Street, Carndonagh
7.	John Canny	Carndonagh
8.	Edward Quigley	Clonmany

C. Entire Collection District.

No.	Name	Address
1.	William J. Crampsey	Diamond, Carndonagh
2.	Edward F. Doherty, P.C.	Clonmany
3.	John Kelly	Ballyloskey, Carndonagh
4.	Patrick Canny	Carrowreagh, Carndonagh
5.	Edward J. Doherty	Ballyloskey, Carndonagh
6.	Charles McLaughlin	Malin Street, Carndonagh
7.	Bernard Doherty	Terhoran, Clonmany
8.	John Canny	Carndonagh
9.	Edward Quigley	Clonmany

A letter was also submitted from the Rev. J. Maguire, P.P., Clonmany, calling attention to the economic conditions in both the Clonmany and Carndonagh Parishes, and mentioning the qualities which he considered the person or persons appointed should possess.

Councillor McCauley said that Mr. Edward J. Doherty, the former Collector, had that day lodged the full warrant for 1926/27 and there was a general feeling in both the Clonmany and Carndonagh Areas that he should be again appointed. He, accordingly, proposed his appointment as Collector for the district as constituted prior to his removal from office.

Councillor Sweeney seconded the motion which was supported by Councillors Blaney, McIvor, McPhelimy and Scott.

Mr. Charles McCormick, Solicitor, who appeared in support of the candidature of Mr. Edward J. Doherty, read a memorial on his behalf/

behalf from a large number of residents in the locality.

Councillor Gallagher (Francis) moved that Mr. Edward F. Doherty, P.C. be appointed for the combined districts of Clonmany and Carndonagh.

Councillor Flood seconded.

Councillor Gallagher (William) proposed that Mr. Edward Quigley be appointed for the combined districts of Clonmany and Carndonagh. This proposal was not seconded.

No other candidates were proposed.

After some discussion, the motions of Councillor Gallagher (Francis) and Gallagher (William) were, at the request of Councillor McCauley, withdrawn, and the motion appointing Mr. Edward J. Doherty was declared unanimously passed, subject to the sanction of the Local Government Department.

Mr. Edward J. Doherty named as his Personal Sureties Messrs John Doherty, Ballyloskey, Carndonagh, Farmer, and Stephen Butler, Bank Place, Carndonagh, Merchant, and these the Council accepted for the amount set out in the present Bond, the Guarantee to be provided by the Insurance Company also to remain at the present figure.

The Council also unanimously decided, in the event of the Local Government Department refusing to sanction the appointment of Mr. Edward J. Doherty, that steps be taken to again advertise the whole area as one district with the view to a new appointment being made at the next meeting of the County Council to be held on the 29th May, 1928.

619/28.

EMPLOYMENT OF TEMPORARY CLERICAL ASSISTANCE.

A letter dated 4th April, 1928, G.20058/1928, was read from the Local Government Department regarding the appointment of temporary clerical assistance in connection with the rate applotment and inquiring why it was proposed to increase the rate of remuneration per 100 for this year and stating that the Minister was anxious that the cost of this work should be kept within reasonable limits.

The Secretary said the matter had received attention.

In this connection a letter dated 13th April, 1928, G.22394/28, was also read from the Local Government Department acknowledging receipt of the County Secretary's letter of 5th idem and stating that the Minister would, in the circumstances, raise no objection to the adoption of the scales proposed for the remuneration of the temporary staff engaged on the applotment etc. of the rates for 1928/29 and requesting that a statement as to the ascertained cost of the work should be submitted to this Department in due course.

620/28.

re COLLECTOR J.B. O'DONNELL.

EXTENSION OF TIME FOR THE LODGMENT OF ARREARS; YEAR - 1925/26.

A letter dated 4th April, 1928, G.21086/1928, was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health regarding the proposal to grant an extension of time to Collector J.B. O'Donnell for the lodgment of arrears in respect of the year 1925/26 (F.C. Minute No. 48/28) and referring the County Council to the second paragraph of the Department's letter of the 29th ultimo. If the Collector closed his warrant as proposed the Minister would give careful consideration to any recommendation of the County Council regarding poundage.

Ext. time granted to J.B. O'Donnell 11/5/28

621/28.

- (a) COLLECTORS McGONAGLE AND ARNOLD : SANCTION TO
PAYMENT OF POUNDAGE FEES;
(b) COLLECTORS McHUGH AND McNULTY : OUTSTANDING BALANCES.

(a) Letter dated 12th April, 1928, G.22593/1928, was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health stating that the Minister assented to the payment of Poundage Fees at the ordinary rate to Collectors McGonagle and Arnold in respect of the first moiety of their collections for 1927/28.

(b) In regard to Collectors McHugh and McNulty reference is made to relevant entry in the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Council on the 28th February last and inquiry is made if these Collectors have lodged the outstanding balances referred to therein;

(c) In connection with future requests for sanction to payments of poundage fees particulars, as shown on Form enclosed in letter, should be transmitted, with the condition of each warrant thereon.

Minute:-

- (a) Read.
(b) Secretary stated that Collectors had lodged outstanding amounts.
(c) Council noted Department's requirements.

622/28.

PROPOSED PAYMENT OF POUNDAGE FEES TO COLLECTOR LOGUE.

A letter dated 12th April, 1928, G.22587/1928, was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health regarding the payment of poundage fees to Collector R. Logue and requesting to be furnished with a statement showing the amounts of rates collected by him on the warrant outstanding in respect of each year together with a copy of the Rate Inspector's report.

The Secretary stated that the information required had been furnished to the Department (Reference Letters 14th and 21st April, 1928 and Minute Finance Committee No. 44/28).

623/28.

RATES ON A HOUSE AT MAGHERABEG OCCUPIED
BY DISTRICT JUSTICE JOHN O'HANRAHAN.

A further letter was read from Sean O'Hanrahan, District Justice, Inisfail, Ballyshannon, with reference to his application to the County Council for a statutory determination that his liability for rates in respect of Magherabeg for 1927/28 be limited to seven-twelfths of the year's rate.

The Secretary said that the Council, at their last meeting, decided to refuse to make the determination asked for under the Acts (Minute No. 475/28).

It was decided that a rescinding motion would be necessary before the matter could be reconsidered.

Councillor Gallagher (Francis) said he would have one lodged.

624/28.

re COLLECTOR JOHN B. O'DONNELL.

A letter was read from Mr. Jeremiah Shields enclosing a Medical Certificate dated 13th April, 1928 for John B. O'Donnell, Rate Collector, to the effect that the latter was still unable to resume work.

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625/28.

ORDINARY AND ADDITIONAL Id POUNDAGE : 1927/28.

The Secretary informed the Council that the undermentioned Collectors had closed their collections for 1927/28.

Minute:- It was unanimously decided, subject to sanction, to allow both ordinary and additional Id poundage in the cases and to furnish the following particulars to the Department:-

Collector	Original remuneration in the £I	Present remuneration in the £I	Date Warrant for 1926/27 was closed	Date Warrant for 1927/28 was issued	Date Collection for 1927/28 closed.
J. Gillespie (No.2)	8d	8d	5/5/27	8/7/27	13/4/28
J. Gillespie (No.3)	8d	8d	5/5/27	8/7/27	13/4/28
M. Deery	8d	12d	24/5/27	8/7/27	30/3/28
V. Gallagher	7d	7d	11/5/27	28/6/27	30/4/28
V. C'Donnell	6d	6d	2/6/27	11/7/27	30/4/28
J. Friel	6d	6d	20/5/27	5/7/27	27/4/28
D. O'Kane	6d	6d	29/4/27	28/6/27	20/4/28
C. McGinty	10d	12d (Conditionally)	31/3/27	21/6/27	30/3/28

R. C. 10.9.28 written to 11/11/28

626/28. SANCTION OF ORDINARY POUNDAGE TO COLLECTORS CASSIDY, CALLAGHAN, BONNER AND McATEER.

A letter dated 16th April, 1928, G.24267/28 Pa. was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health stating that the Minister sanctioned payment of poundage fees at the ordinary rate to the above-named Collectors on the first moiety of their Collections for 1927/28 which they had closed (F.C. Minute No. 52/28).

627/28. re BACKWARD CONDITION OF THE RATE COLLECTION AND APPOINTMENT OF A SMALL SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

A letter dated 29th March, 1928, G.16677/28, was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health on the subject of the backward condition of the Rate Collection in the County and advising that a small Sub-Committee of the Finance Committee be entrusted with full power over all the Rate Collectors.

Minute:- Referred to new Council.

628/28. APPLICATIONS FOR REFUNDS OF UNCOLLECTED RATES.

Applications for refunds of uncollected rates under Article 3 of the Alternative Scheme for Rate Collection were submitted for the following districts and periods by the Collectors named:-

No. of District	Collector	Period
✓ II	Hugh McNulty	Year ended 31st March, 1927
✓ I2	Same	" " " " " " " "
✓ 32	Same	" " " " " " " "
✓ I4	Joseph McGlinchey	" " " " " " " "
✓ I5	P.J. McHugh	" " " " " " " "
✓ I7	Patrick Moore	" " " " " " " "
✓ 30	J.B. O'Donnell	" " " " " " " "

The Council, after full consideration, made the following general rulings in addition to those recorded in certain cases on the sheets:

- (1) That the returns of Collector McNulty for Nos. II, I2 and 32 Districts be referred to the local County Councillor for his observations;
- (2) That as regards the remaining Collectors all items reported by the Rates Inspector, or local County Councillors as collectable be disallowed and that all sums reported by Rates Inspector or Local Councillors as irrecoverable be struck off and refunded to the Rate Collectors.

625/28.

RETURN OF HACKNEY VEHICLES (over six seats)
LICENSED WITH THE DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL.

A circular letter dated 5th April, 1928, Ref. No. MT.130, was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health (Roads), stating that it was noted from the County Secretary's return of Hackney Vehicles (over six seats) that 25 such vehicles were licensed with the Donegal County Council during last month and requesting to be furnished on accompanying Form with the particulars required by the headings thereof in relation to each of the vehicles above mentioned.

The Secretary said the matter had received attention.

626/28.

APPLICATION FOR ADDITIONAL REMUNERATION.

An application was submitted from Mr. Michael Doherty, Courthouse Keeper, Carndonagh, for additional remuneration in respect of opening, cleaning and heating Courthouse in connection with recent Road Meeting and the clerical work connected therewith.

Minute:- Consideration adjourned for three months.

627/28.

S.S. "BEN-RANCHE".

A letter dated 3rd April, 1928, was read from Mr. Charles Deeney, Harbour Master, Rathmullan Pier, reporting that the above vessel came alongside Rathmullan Pier to discharge a cargo of coal. The vessel was berthed in the usual place. Captain reported that his vessel sustained some damage owing to the roughness of the Pier Wall; also that he (the Harbour Master) did not consider this report serious as it was only a matter of having the boat properly fendered off.

Minute:- Unanimously decided to deny all liability.

628/28.

HOLDING : REPS. PATRICK CALLAGHAN : LANDS TULLINASCREE.

A letter dated 16th April, 1928, No. 630/28, was read from the Irish Land Commission requesting to be furnished with the full name and Postal Address of the person rated in respect of above holding and inquiring whether the Poor Rates assessed thereon had been paid by him.

Minute:- Referred to Rate Collector for the District.

629/28.

HOLDINGS IN THE ISLANDS OF TORY AND INISHBOFIN.

A letter dated 17th April, 1928, No. 4124/27, was read from the Irish Land Commission requesting to be informed whether the Poor Rates assessed on the holdings in the Islands of Tory and Inishbofin had been paid by the occupiers.

On the suggestion of Councillor Gallen it was decided not to furnish the information sought owing to the way in which the I.L.C. had treated an application from the Board of Health for the continuance of subsidy given by the C.D.B. towards maintenance of a nurse on Tory Island.

630/28.

POOR RATES ASSESSED ON LANDS OF GOLA ISLAND.

A letter dated 17th April, 1928, No. 1213/28, was read from the Irish Land Commission requesting to be informed whether the Poor Rates assessed on the lands of Gola Island were paid by the occupiers of the holdings therein and if payment had not been made by the occupiers whether the sums payable were recovered from any other person, and if so, by whom payment was made.

Minute:- Secretary directed to furnish the information sought.

631/28.

S.D. "CARRIGART" Ly 923.

A letter dated 16th April, 1928, was read from the Managing Director, The United Scottish Herring Drifter Insurance Company Limited, Head Office, 2, Rose Street, Peterhead, stating that the Donegal County Council were held liable in respect of damage which the above vessel sustained while lying at Buncrana Pier on the 29th March last and that the damage was caused by a projecting piece of wood on the Pier; also if the Council would get in touch with Mr. James Watson, The Pier, Buncrana, he would arrange for a survey of the "Carrigart."

Minute:- Matter left in hands of Insurance Company with whom the Council are insured against risks of this nature.

632/28.

PROPOSED WATER TANK AT DOWNINGS.

A letter was read from Mr. Edward Griffin, General Draper, Carrigart, enclosing copy letter received from the Department of Fisheries re proposed erection of a Water Tank opposite Mr. John Shields' shop on the left hand side on the way to Downings Pier.

Minute:- The Secretary was directed to write and request Mr. Shields to state the amount of compensation he would be prepared to accept in the event of the Council deciding to erect the Tank on this site.

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Mr. J. Shields
Mr. J. Shields

633/28.

SALE OF FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS;
EQUIPMENT FOR AN INSPECTOR.

*E + had sent to
Chief Deputy
4/10/28*

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siochana, Letterkenny, making application for one set of equipment for Sergeant P. Wallace, 5992, Food and Drugs Inspector.

Minute:- Consideration deferred until next meeting.

634/28.

LIFFORD COURTHOUSE.

*E + had sent to
Chief Deputy
4/10/28*

Mr. Steadman reported that another pane of glass in above building had been broken as a result of the playing of football and other games in the Square at Lifford.

Minute:- The Secretary was directed to write the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siochana, on the matter.

635/28.

DANGEROUS CROSSINGS.

*E + had sent to
Mr. Hunt
4/10/28*

A letter was read from Mr. H. Hunt, Manager, Londonderry and Lough Swilly Railway Company, Derry, stating that so far as that Company was concerned they had not received any complaint in regard to the dangerous crossings at Railway Bridges which were precisely the same now as when the lines were first built years ago, and requesting to be advised what the Council's proposal really meant as he took it that the County Surveyor would have prepared a report for the Council on the subject giving details.

Minute:- Mr. Steadman directed to furnish Mr. Hunt with the required information.

636/28.

BUNCRANA PIER.

*E + had sent to
Mr. Deputy
4/10/28*

Letters dated 18th and 23rd April, 1928, were read from Mr. John Porter, Honorary Secretary, Bunrana Pier Committee, re

- (a) Damage done to Bunrana Pier by S/D "Cloverdale" and S/D "L'Industrie";
- (b) Appointment of an assistant Harbour Master to act during May Fishing;
- (c) Posters regulating the position of boats at Pier subsequent to discharge of fish.

Minute:- Consideration deferred until next meeting.

637/28.

PROPOSED NEW ROAD ON INISHFREE ISLAND.

*E + had sent to
Edwards & Griffiths
Inishfree Island
4/10/28*

A letter was read from the ratepayers of Inishfree Island, Burtonport, referring to their repeated applications to the Council to have a road constructed on that Island, and stating that this year they had applied to the Government, in the interest of the Fishing Industry, to have a Pier or Landing Place constructed but were unsuccessful; also that they had agreed to pay half rates beginning with Rate Collector Greene, the remaining half to be expended in carrying out necessary repairs to certain works on the Island.

Minute:- Council could not entertain any proposal under which the islanders could expend the rates themselves but if the rates were paid up to date the Council would favourably consider any application for expenditure in connection with necessary works submitted by the County Surveyor.

*Confirmed
by Mr. MacGibbon*

Chairman

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COPY MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF SPECIAL MEETING OF
THE DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY THE 29th
DAY OF MAY, 1928.

A T T E N D A N C E.

The members present were:-

Councillors MacFadden (Chairman),
Baxter, Blaney, Brennan, Clarke, Cole, Doherty (Edward), Doherty
(Patrick), Flood, Gallagher (Bernard), Gallagher (William),
Gallagher (Francis), Gallen, Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughrey,
Mahony, Mulreany, Myles, McBride, McCauley, McClafferty,
MacCreadie, McIvor, McNulty, McPhelimy, McShane, O'Brien,
O'Donnell, Quigley, Sweeney, Wagentreiber and Walker.

638/28.

M I N U T E S.

On the Minutes of previous meeting coming up for confirmation
Councillor Gallagher (William), in accordance with Notice of
Motion, asked why he was ruled out of order at the last meeting
when he questioned Mr. Steadman re payments to Contractors
(Minute No. 544/28) and Councillor Gallagher (Francis) given a
hearing on the same matter over his head.

The Chairman said that Councillor Gallagher (William) was not
ruled out of order and the Minute referred to being a correct
record of what transpired no action was taken. The Minutes
were accordingly unanimously confirmed.

639/28.

VOTES OF CONDOLENCE.

The following votes of condolence were passed in silence, the
members standing:-

- (a) With Mrs Regan and family on the death of her husband
(Dr. Regan);
- (b) With Councillor O'Brien on the death of his brother; and
- (c) With Charles Dawson, Rate Collector, on the death of his
wife.

640/28.

CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION FOR LOSS OF OFFICE
BY Mr. JAMES BOYLE, SOLICITOR, STRANORLAR.

A letter dated 28th May, 1928, was read from Messrs Wilson &
Simms, Solicitors, Strabane, stating that they had been instructed
to act for the above-named with reference to his claim for
compensation lodged with the Council for loss of office as
Solicitor to the late Stranorlar Rural District Council and
requesting to be informed whether the County Council were prepared
to take the necessary steps for making this allowance under
Section 42 of the Local Government Act, 1925 (III) which should
relate back to the 30th September, 1925, the date he ceased to
hold office.

The Secretary said that Mr. Boyle's compensation came before
the Finance Committee at a meeting held on 24th April, 1928 when
it/

it was unanimously recommended that the claim be not considered as long as Mr. Boyle continued to act as Solicitor to the Donegal County Board of Health (Minute No. 68/28).

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Mahony, seconded by Councillor Walker, the Committee's recommendation was unanimously adopted.

641/28. REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

The report of the Finance Committee meeting held on 24th April, 1928 was unanimously adopted.

642/28. PROPOSALS FOR PAYMENT.

The Lists of Proposals for Payment to Road Contractors in respect of half-year ended 31st March, 1928, were submitted and on the motion of Councillor McIvor, seconded by Councillor Mahony payment was ordered.

643/28. CONTRACT No. 18 IN GROUP COMMENCING 1st APRIL, 1925 -- FORMER GLENTIES RURAL DISTRICT.

A letter was read from Mr. Charles Gallagher, Meenakillew, Ardara, complaining of short measurement of road material supplied by him for above Contract as returned by Mr. Finnegan, Temporary Assistant Surveyor.

Minute:- Referred to Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, for investigation.

644/28. ROAD -- GROUSEHALL/WAVES ROCK.

Councillor Quigley moved:- "That a sum of money, to be agreed on, be placed in hands of County Surveyor to repair road from Grousehall to Waves Rock in Glencely, and also the road from the three roads at Charles McGonagle's to end of road leading to bog, in townland of Cloontagh".

As directed by Minute No. 491/28 C.C. Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, applied for £15 for each of above roads to be placed in his hands to have the necessary repairs affected.

Minute:- Unanimously agreed to.

645/28. LOAN OF £7,000.

In accordance with Notice of Motion duly given Councillor Gallon moved:- "That this Council hereby approves of the borrowing by the County Board of Health and Public Assistance of £7,000 for the purpose of providing a water supply for the County Home at Stranorlar".

Councillor Mahony seconded. Passed unanimously.

646/28. ATTENDANCES OF MEMBERS.

As asked for by Councillor Hamilton the Secretary submitted a return of the attendances of members at County Council meetings held between the 6th July, 1925 and 29th May, 1928 (both dates included).

Extract sent to
Chas. Gallagher
3/7/28

Extract sent
to Clerk of
County Board
by copy of
minutes

647/28. NATIONAL GRANT - BALLINTRA STREET.

Councillor Hamilton moved:- "That the County Surveyor be, and is hereby instructed to expend at once that portion of the National Grant allocated to Ballintra Street".

Councillor O'Brien seconded. Passed unanimously.

648/28. SCHEDULE OF TOLLS etc.

A letter dated 21st May, 1928, T.55889, was read from the Department of Industry and Commerce, Transport and Marine Branch, Dublin, acknowledging receipt of copy of Schedule of Tolls etc. in which further amendments had been proposed by the Donegal County Council and in view of the desirability of having the charges fixed on a fair basis and as far as possible in uniformity with similar charges recently settled in connection with certain other fishery harbours the Minister suggested that two or three representatives of the Council informed in the details of the question should attend at this office for the purpose of discussing the proposed changes.

The Secretary said that on receipt of this letter he wrote Messrs MacFadden, Myles and Blaney, T.Ds., enclosing a copy of letter and requested them to call with the Department as suggested and go into the changes proposed.

The Secretary's action was approved.

In this connection Councillor Myles asked that the following Notice of Motion standing in his name be adjourned to next meeting:- "That this Council refund to those Drifters who have paid under revised Schedule of Tolls dated 13th September, 1927, the amount overpaid according to Schedule as amended on 24th April, 1928."

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649/28.

RATES ON MAGHERABEG HOUSE, DONEGAL.

Councillor Gallagher (Francis), in accordance with Notice of Motion signed by himself and five other members, moved:- "That the resolution of the Donegal County Council No. 475/28 passed at the March meeting 1928 re rates payable by Mr. Sean O'Hanrahan, District Justice, on Magherabeg House, Donegal, be rescinded and that he be exempted from liability of rates in respect of the period during which Magherabeg House was not occupied by him."

Councillor Walker seconded.

Councillor Baxter proposed, as an amendment, a direct negative.

Councillor Cole seconded.

After some discussion it was suggested that Councillor Gallagher (Francis) withdraw his motion. The latter agreed to this course.

650/28.

DISTRICT 16A -- RATE COLLECTION 1925/26 and 1926/27;
COLLECTOR PETER GREENE.

A letter dated 25th April, 1928, G.27684/1928, was submitted from the Local Government Department acknowledging receipt of the County/

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County Secretary's letter of 20th idem and stated that the Minister noted the issue of the 1926/27 warrant to Collector Peter Greene. A special report as to the then position of this man's collections for all unclosed warrants should be submitted early in June with any recommendation of the County Council in the matter (Minute No. 47/28 F.C.).

651/28.

POUNDAGE ON RATES LODGED FOR 1926/27 THROUGH
THE COUNCIL OFFICE PRIOR TO THE ISSUE OF COLLECTING
BOOKS -- COLLECTOR ARNOLD.

A letter dated 26th April, 1928, G.27683/1928, was submitted from the Local Government Department stating that it was with considerable hesitation that the Minister assented on this occasion to the proposal to pay Collector Arnold poundage at the ordinary rate on a sum of £312:16:0 which had been lodged direct by ratepayers prior to the issue of his warrant for 1926/27. The Minister would not be disposed to repeat this concession under any consideration which might point to the priority of direct lodgments being due to the delay of the Collector concerned in taking up his warrant for the year to which such lodgments referred.

652/28.

RATE COLLECTION FOR PERIODS ENDED
31st MARCH, 1924 - ORIGINAL No. 16 DISTRICT-
COLLECTOR LOGUE.

A letter dated 26th April, 1928, G.27608/1928, was submitted from the Local Government Department stating that in view of the failure of Collector Logue to properly discharge his duties in relation to his collection for the original No. 16 District for period ended 31st March, 1924 and to the resulting difficulties experienced by the Council, the Minister was not prepared to authorise the payment of poundage fees in excess of 6d on the sums collected and lodged by Logue, and payment at this rate was now agreed to (Minutes Nos. 482/28 and 622/28 C.C.).

653/28.

RATE COLLECTION -- PERIODS ENDED 1921/22 to
1923/24 : DISTRICTS NUMBERED 9, 16 (as originally
constituted) and 19.

A letter dated 26th April, 1928, G.27610/1928, was submitted from the Local Government Department acknowledging receipt of the County Secretary's letter of 20th idem and stating that if the County Council approved the Minister would have no objection to the arrangements detailed for the collection of the arrears for periods ended 31st March, 1923 in District No. 9 and for periods ended 31st March, 1924 in Districts Nos. 16 and 19, and requesting to be furnished with a report at the end of June showing the progress of the collections of the above arrears under the arrangements now sanctioned.

654/28.

DISTRICT No. 16B - YEAR 1925/26;
COLLECTOR J.B. O'DONNELL.

A letter dated 30th April, 1928, G.27682/1928, was submitted from the Local Government Department acknowledging the County Secretary's letter of the 20th idem, and stating that when Collector O'Donnell closed the warrant for his district in respect of the year 1925/26 the Minister would be prepared to give equitable consideration to any proposals the County Council might formulate in regard to the payment of poundage fees (45/28 F.C.).

655/28.

PROPOSED APPOINTMENT OF Mr. E.J. DOHERTY AS
COLLECTOR FOR No. 20 COLLECTION DISTRICT.

A letter dated 3rd May, 1928, G.30080/28 was submitted from the Local Government Department relative to the proposal of the Donegal County Council to re-appoint Mr. E.J. Doherty as Poor Rate Collector for No. 20 District and stating that the Minister could not consent to Mr. Doherty's appointment on account of his former unsatisfactory discharge of duties (Minute 618/28 C.C.).

656/28.

APPOINTMENT OF RATE COLLECTOR FOR THE ELECTORAL
DIVISIONS OF BALLYLIFFIN, DUNAFF, CARNDONAGH,
GLENTOGHER, GLENEGANON AND STRAID.

Applications were submitted from the undermentioned persons for the position of Rate Collector for the above Electoral Divisions in accordance with the terms of the Council's advertisement (Minute No. 618/28 C.C.).

No.	Name	Address
1.	Wm. Jas. Crampsey (Senr.)	Clonmany
2.	Edward F. Doherty P.C.	Clonmany
3.	Patrick Canny	Carrowreagh, Carndonagh
4.	Michael Deery	Ballagh, Malin
5.	Edward J. Doherty	Ballyloskey, Carndonagh
6.	W.J. Crampsey	Diamond, Carndonagh
7.	John Canny	Pound Street, Carndonagh.

The Secretary informed the Council that Mr. W.J. Crampsey, The Diamond, Carndonagh, had that morning verbally requested that his application be considered as withdrawn.

Councillor McCauley proposed that Mr. Edward J. Doherty, Ballyloskey, Carndonagh, be appointed.

Councillor Blaney seconded the motion which was supported by Councillors Cole, Sweeney and Quigley.

All the other applicants except one were, it was stated, willing to withdraw in favour of Mr. E.J. Doherty, on whose behalf a memorial from a large and representative body of rate-payers in the district was submitted by Mr. Charles McCormick, Solicitor, Derry.

The appointment was also proposed of Mr. Edward F. Doherty, P.C., Clonmany, for whom Mr. William Kelly, Solicitor, Letterkenny, appeared.

Councillor Mahony said that as it was the unanimous feeling of the Inishowen representatives that Mr. Edward J. Doherty should get another chance he suggested that the Councillors from the other divisions of the County support his application for restoration to office.

After further discussion, it was unanimously decided:-

(1) To recommend the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to reconsider his decision and sanction the appointment of Mr. Edward J. Doherty, as made by the Council on 24th April, 1928; and

(2) In the event of his refusing to do so to authorise the Secretary to again advertise the district with the view to a new/

new appointment being made at the next meeting of the County Council on the terms set out in Minute 54/28 F.C. with the designation of the position as part time and non-pensionable as stipulated in the Local Government Department's letter of the 26th April, 1928, G.27880/1928.

657/28. ADDITIONAL Id POUNDAGE -- 1927/28.

Applications for additional Id poundage on their collections for 1927/28 were submitted by or on behalf of Collectors J.J. McAteer, G. Dawson (No. 28), Bernard Browne, John Farren and Wm. Holmes.

Minute:- Council unanimously decided, subject to sanction, to allow an additional Id poundage to the Collectors in question, all of whom had lodged their full warrants within ten months from dates of issue of their books (Minute 226/27 F.C.) as the following details show:-

Collector	Date of Appointment	Original remuneration in the £I	Present remuneration in the £I	Date Warrant for 1926/27 was closed	Date Warrant for 1927/28 was issued	Date Collection for 1927/28 closed.
J.J. McAteer	11/ 8/1905	9d	9d	28/6/27	14/7/27	19/5/28
C. Dawson (No. 28)	21/ 6/1921	7d	7d	29/6/27	18/7/27	18/5/28
B. Browne	21/ 6/21	7d	7d	17/ 6/27	13/7/27	1/5/28
J. Farren	17/ 4/17	8d	8d	26/5/27	11/7/27	21/5/28
Wm. Holmes	16/12/24	6d	6d	26/7/27	26/7/27	30/5/28.

658/28.

ADDITIONAL Id POUNDAGE : 1927/28 : COLLECTORS
GILLESPIE (Districts 2 & 3), Wm. GALLAGHER, Wm. O'DONNELL,
J. FRIEL AND D. O'KANE.

A letter dated 17th May, 1928, G.33901/1928 was submitted from the Local Government Department stating that the Minister would raise no objection to the payment of ordinary and additional Id poundage to Collectors Deery and McGinty in respect of their 1927/28 collections which were closed on the 31st March last, but that in regard to the other Collectors included in the Council's application, and whose names are given above, the Minister referred to the Department's letter of 30th September last which laid down the conditions which should be complied with before qualifying for the additional poundage in cases where Collectors took up their warrants at a late date. In view of the failure of the Collectors to comply with such conditions the Minister was not disposed to sanction the payment to them of remuneration other than that calculated at the ordinary rate of poundage in each case to which he now agreed (625/28 C.C.).

Minute:- Council unanimously decided to again recommend the Department to sanction the additional Id poundage to the Collectors in question, all of whom had closed their collections within from nine to ten months from the dates of issue of their books (Minute 226/27 F.C.).

659/28.

ADDITIONAL PENNY POUNDAGE : 1925/26 and 1926/27;
COLLECTOR PATRICK J. McHUGH (Nos. 15 & 18 Districts).

An application was submitted by Collector P.J. McHugh for additional penny poundage on his collections for Nos. 15 & 18 Districts for 1925/26 and 1926/27, ordinary poundage only having been allowed for these years.

Minute:- Council unanimously decided, subject to sanction, to allow an additional penny poundage to Collector McHugh on the above Collections, in view of his having lodged the full warrants for 1926/27 within practically nine months from dates of issue of his books as shown below (Minute No. 203/27 F.C.).

Collector	Date of Appointment	Original remuneration in the £1	Present remuneration in the £1	Date Warrant for 1925/26 was closed	Date Warrant for 1926/27 was issued	Date collection for 1926/27 closed
P.J. McHugh (No. 15)	25/ 3/24	9d	9d	28/3/27	1/4/27	16/ 1/28
P.J. McHugh (No. 18)	24/10/22	9d	9d	14/5/27	20/5/27	6/ 3/28

660/28.

ADDITIONAL PENNY POUNDAGE : 1928/29 COLLECTIONS.

Minute:- Council decided to consider applications for additional penny poundage on 1928/29 Collections in cases only in which the full warrants are lodged within eight months from dates of issue of books, the ten months limit fixed in this connection by Finance Committee on 13/9/27 remaining in force for 1927/28 (Minute 226/27).

COLLECTOR ARNOLD : TEMPORARY PHYSICAL INCAPACITY.

661/28.

A Medical Certificate dated 14th May, 1928, was submitted from Dr. J. Gormley certifying that Collector Arnold was suffering from Rheumatism, and would be unable to resume duties for 14 days.

Minute:- Council decided, subject to sanction, to further extend the time for the completion of Collector Arnold's Collection for 1927/28 to the 16th June, 1928 (Minute 49/28 F.C.).

662/28.

RATES ON COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH COTTAGES AT
MEENMORE, DUNGLOE : Mrs EILEEN O'DONNELL.

A letter was submitted from Mrs Eileen O'Donnell, Meenmore, Dungloe, on the subject of the payment of rates on a labourer's cottage situate in the townland of Meenmore.

Minute:- Council refused to make a determination limiting applicant's liability for payment of rates for 1925/26 to her alleged actual period of occupancy of the premises.

663/28.

ORDINARY POUNDAGE FEES : 1926/27 and 1927/28.

Minute:- Council unanimously decided, subject to sanction, to allow ordinary poundage to Collectors McAteer, Dawson (No. 28), Browne, Holmes and Farren, on the second moiety of their collections for 1927/28 which they have lodged; and like remuneration to Collectors McNulty (No. 11), J.B. O'Donnell (No. 13), and Dorrian on sums equal to a moiety of their collections for the same year which they have also lodged.

664/28.

APPLICATIONS FOR REFUNDS OF UNCOLLECTED RATES.

Applications for refunds of uncollected rates under Article 3 of the Alternative Scheme for Rate Collection were submitted for the following districts and periods:-

Collector	No. of District	Period
✓ Thomas Harvey	9	31/3/1924
✓ Peter Greene	16a	31/3/1925
✓ Denis Callaghan	8	31/3/1926
✓ Roger Logue	16	" "
✓ Philip Cassidy	5	31/3/1927
✓ Roger Logue	16	" "
✓ Patrick J. McHugh	18	" "
✓ Michael O'Donnell	19	" "
✓ John Gillespie	2	31/3/1928
✓ John Gillespie	3	" "
✓ Michael Doery	23	" "
✓ Charles Dawson	28	" "
✓ James Friel	33	" "
✓ Denis O'Kane	34	" "

Minute:- Council made the following general rulings in addition to those recorded in certain cases on the sheets:-

- (1) That all items reported either by the Rate Inspector or local Councillors as collectible be disallowed; and
- (2) That all remaining sums be struck off as irrecoverable and refunded.

665/28.

RATE COLLECTION 1927/28;
COLLECTOR CHARLES DAWSON (No. 25 District).

Minute:- Council decided, in view of the prolonged illness and death of his wife, to allow, subject to sanction, a further extension of time to the 16th June, 1928 to Collector Charles Dawson for the lodgment of his warrant for No. 25 District for 1927/28 (Minute No. 49/28 F.C.).

666/28.

RATE COLLECTION : 1925/26 : DISTRICTS 16B and 30;
1927/28 : DISTRICT 30 : COLLECTOR J.B. O'DONNELL.

Minute:- Council, in view of the prolonged illness of Collector J.B. O'Donnell, decided, subject to sanction, to grant him a further/

further extension of time to the 16th June, 1928 for the lodgment of his warrants for above districts and years (Minutes 45/28 and 48/28 and 49/28 F.C.).

667/28.

REVISION OF VALUATION AND RATES -- Mr. DENIS MEEHAN,
MUCKROSS, KILCAR : COLLECTOR MICHAEL O'DONNELL'S DISTRICT.

A letter from Mr. Denis Meehan, Muckross, Kilcar, was submitted stating that without any cause his valuation in Tawny was raised a few years ago. He got no notification of the increase for two years as there was no Rate Collector in the district. When he discovered the valuation had been raised he at once appealed and got it reduced to the original figure. He now refused to pay rates on the increased valuation and enclosed a Money Order for £4:0:2 in respect of the full period for which rates were due as calculated on the original valuation.

The Secretary stated that this matter was before the County Council on the 25th October, 25th November and 13th December, 1927 (Minutes Nos. 1132/27, 1263/27 and 1363/27), and it was decided on the last mentioned date to take no action, the Council having no statutory authority to make changes affecting value. The holding consisted entirely of land and the original valuation of £2:6:0 - increased to £3:3:0 for the years 1925/26, 1926/27 and 1927/28 - was restored in the Valuation Lists for 1928/29.

Minute:- Council decided, subject to sanction, to determine Mr. Meehan's entire liability on the basis of the restored valuation, the balance of the assessments to be treated as irrecoverable.

668/28. RATES LEVIED AND IRRECOVERABLE RATES;
YEARS 1922/23 to 1926/27.

Letters dated 23rd April, 1928 and 4th May, 1928, G.27921/28 Misc. (Fa), were submitted from the Local Government Department requesting to be furnished with return of irrecoverable rates in the County for the above years.

Minute:- Council noted that the information asked for had been furnished to the Department.

669/28. RATE COLLECTION 1926/27;
DISTRICT No. 20 -- Mr. E.J. DOHERTY.

Minute:- Council, subject to sanction, decided to grant poundage, at the ordinary rate, to Mr. Edward J. Doherty, Ballyloskey, Carndonagh, on his collection for 1926/27, which he closed on the 30th April, 1928.

Dept of Fisheries
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670/28. PROPOSED SMALL PIER AT GREENCASTLE.

Councillor McCauley moved:- "That the Council again ask the Minister for Fisheries to send their Engineer to inspect and report on the above proposed structure."

Councillor Kavanagh seconded. Passed unanimously.

671/28. COLLECTION DISTRICT No. 20.

The following Notice of Motion by Councillor Scott and five other members was, on the absence of the former, moved by Councillor Clarke:- "That No. 54/28 of the Finance Committee of this Council relative to the issue of advertisement on an alternative basis for the collection of the Poor Rate in the District Electoral Divisions of Carndonagh, Glentogher, Gleneganon, Ballyliffin, Dunaff and Straid, be rescinded."

Councillor Mahony said he did not see the necessity for such a motion and accordingly opposed it.

Councillor McIvor seconded the motion which was passed.

672/28. PROPOSED BOATSLIP AT MALIN HEAD.

Councillor Doherty (Patrick) moved:- "That this Council expend on the erection of a Boatlip at Malin Head, a sum not exceeding £200, provided that a similar sum, at least, be expended on this urgent and necessary work by the Department of Fisheries."

Councillor Quigley seconded and Councillor MacCreadie supported the motion which was passed unanimously.

673/28.

PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS AT RATHMULLAN PIER.

In accordance with Notice of Motion duly given Councillor MacCreadie moved:- "That this Council contribute one-third, not exceeding £3,333, of the cost of the proposed improvements at Rathmullan Pier, the amount to be raised by way of loan extending over a period of 20 years (516/28)."

Councillor Gallen suggested that the period of repayment be 35 years.

Councillor MacCreadie agreed to amend his motion in this respect.

Councillor Mahony seconded.

Councillor McCauley proposed as an amendment that consideration of the matter be referred to the new Council.

Councillor Myles supported the amendment.

A vote was then taken on the amendment.

V O T I N G.

For ----- Councillors Clarke, Gallagher (William), Hamilton, Mulreany, Myles, McClaafferty, O'Brien, Sweeney, Wagentreiber and Walker. - 10.

Against ----- Councillors MacFadden, Baxter, Blancy, Brennan, Colo, Doherty (Edward), Doherty (Patrick), Flood, Gallagher (Bernard), Gallagher (Francis), Gallen, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Mahony, McBride, McCauley, MacCreadie, McIvor, McNulty, McPhelimy, McShane, O'Donnell and Quigley. - 23.

The amendment was declared lost.

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Councillor MacCreadie's motion was then put as a substantive motion and declared carried.

It was further decided that the amount of above loan be obtained from the local Loans Fund or Treasurer of the County.

Councillor MacCreadie handed in a telegram that he had just received from the Rev. John O'Doherty P.P., Rathmullan, stating "Rathmullan Pier a hive of industry; absolutely congested with Drifters".

674/28.

RATHMULLAN PIER IMPROVEMENTS.

A letter was read from Mr. Hugh A. Law, T.D., acknowledging receipt of County Secretary's letter of 11th May, 1928 re Rathmullan Pier Extension and stating that he and other T.Ds. including the Chairman of the County Council had already approached the Minister for Finance with a view to an increase of the Grant and he had reason to think that this application would be favourably considered provided the County Council pledged itself by resolution to contribute, say one-third of the cost.

A letter was also read from Mr. Eugene Doherty, T.D., Dungloe, stating that he would support the County Council's request to have the State Grant for the proposed Pier Extension at Rathmullan increased to two-thirds of the cost.

675/28.

BALLYSHANNON MAIN STREET.

Councillor O'Brien moved:- "That the County Council take immediate steps to have the Main Street of Ballyshannon put in such a state of repair as to make it safe for horse traffic". He said this street, in its present condition, was a death trap to both man and beast. He had seen as many as five horses falling on it on one day. If this state of affairs was allowed to continue the business of the town would be ruined as farmers were refusing to bring in their produce.

Councillor Myles in seconding the motion also referred to the present dangerous condition of this street. He expressed the view that before work of this kind was carried out in any district the local County Councillors should be consulted. Protests were being made daily, but he and Councillor O'Brien took this opportunity of disclaiming any responsibility in the matter.

In this connection a letter was read from Messrs Robert Anderson & Company, Ballyshannon, stating that the Main Street in Ballyshannon was very hard for horses to walk on except on the side which was made a garage for motor cars from Monday morning until Saturday night.

On the matter being referred to Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, the latter said he would have the street corrugated. He was directed to have this done immediately.

676/28.

COUNCIL'S INSURANCES.

In accordance with Notice of Motion signed by Councillor Mahony and five other members the former moved:- "That the resolution of this Council 96 B (c) of the 25th October, 1926, giving the Council's Insurances to the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Limited, be, and is hereby rescinded."

Councillor McNulty seconded.

Councillor Gallen moved, as an amendment, a direct negative.

Councillor Cole seconded.

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V O T I N G.

For the Motion ----- Councillors Kavanagh, Loughrey,
Mahony, McCafferty, McNulty,
McShane and Sweeney - 7.

For the Amendment ----- Councillors MacFadden, Baxter,
Blaney, Brennan, Clarke, Cole,
Doherty (Edward), Doherty
(Patrick), Flood, Gallagher
(Bernard), Gallagher (William),
Gallagher (Francis), Gallen,
Hamilton, Mulreany, Myles,
McBride, McCauley, MacCreadie,
McIvor, McPhelimy, O'Brien,
O'Donnell, Quigley, Wagentreiber
and Walker - 26.

The Chairman declared amendment carried.

The following further Notice of Motion by Councillor
Mahony was not proceeded with:- "That the Insurances of this
Council be given, as they fall due, to the Hibernian Insurance
Company, always providing that the quotation of this Company is
as low as that of any other Company."

677/28.

HIBERNIAN FIRE AND GENERAL INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

A letter was read from the Branch Manager, The Hibernian
Fire and General Insurance Company Limited, 12, High Street,
Belfast, asking that their proposal for the Donegal County
Council's Insurances, in accordance with the terms of the
Council's recent advertisement, be submitted to the next meeting
of that body for consideration (549/28 C.C.).

Mr. McHale, representative of the Company, was in attendance.

678/28.

IRISH PUBLIC BODIES MUTUAL INSURANCES LIMITED.

A letter dated 4th May, 1928, was read from the Manager,
Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Limited, 43, Dame Street,
Dublin, enclosing copy of certificate from Ministry of Industry
and Commerce, as was also a letter dated 25th May, 1928, enclos-
ing statement made in the Dail on latter date by the Minister
for Local Government and Public Health.

679/28.

PERMISSION TO OPEN COUNTY ROAD.

Councillor Cole moved:- "That permission be given to the
following occupiers of land:- B. Merricks; P.J. Doherty;
Mrs Coyle and Jeremiah O'Callaghan, to open road and sink a pipe
at Carrowreagh, Gortinny and Carn three roads, to the satisfaction
of the County Surveyor."

Councillor Quigley seconded. Passed unanimously.

680/28.

MOTOR VEHICLE LICENCES : PROPOSED
REDUCTION FOR SHORTER PERIODS THAN ONE YEAR.

Councillor Loughrey moved:- "That we again call on the
Government to reduce the amount of Motor Vehicle Licences for
shorter periods than one year from 20% over annual rate to 5%
over annual rate (48/28 C.C.) and that the T.Ds. of the County
be/

*Copy of Licence
R.S. app. Roads,
and
S.D. written*

be asked to take the matter up with the Department of Finance and Local Government Department (Roads) respectively.

Councillor Baxter seconded. Passed unanimously.

681/28.

WORKS.

As intimated in a letter dated 22nd May, 1928, Councillor Loughrey asked Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, for an explanation re the cause of delay in carrying out the following works:-

- (1) Reconstruction of road at Shankey on the main road from Kerrykeel to Rathmullan;
 - (2) Repair of road at Dunmore;
 - (3) Repair of road at Magherawarden;
 - (4) Building of fence at Fanavolty;
 - (5) Repair of road and building a fence at Kindrum;
 - (6) Repairs to a number of bridges that are in a most dangerous state;
 - (7) Repair of road at Tully, Ballyhoerin.
- Mr. Steadman replied:-

- (1) Intended starting work next week;
 - (2) Work advertised; no tenders received;
 - (3) Work advertised; no tenders received; would roadvertise;
 - (4) No contractor; work placed in charge of County Surveyor.
- Owner of land, who also tendered for the works, refused to give consent.

A letter was here read from Mr. James McGettigan, Moonreagh, Kilmacrenan, stating that owing to consent of owner of land not being lodged he, as Secretary of the Road Contractors' Union of Milford, had decided to allow Mr. Michael Callaghan, Fanavolty, Kindrum, who is the owner of the land where the proposed fence is to be built and has no other work on hands, to proceed with the building of the fence..

On the motion of Councillor Loughrey, seconded by Councillor Baxter, the contract was given to Mr. Callaghan and the Assistant Surveyor for the District asked to have the Bond executed by Mr. Callaghan and his sureties.

- (5) Owner of land refused to give consent.
- Councillor Loughrey suggested that Mr. Steadman and himself interview the owner re the matter;
- (6) Mr. Steadman to bring forward a proposal at next meeting;
 - (7) Work in County Surveyor's hands. Mr. P. Dawson, Assistant Surveyor, could not get a contractor to carry out the work.

682/28. DONEGAL HOME MADE FLANNEL COTTAGE INDUSTRY.

In accordance with Notice of Motion Councillor Sweeney moved:- "That we call upon the Government to begin the revival of the Donegal Home Spun Flannel Industry at once, and that we can see no reason why its start is so long delayed, considering that the Government, as well as this Council, know the terrible poverty of the Donegal small farmers. If a considerable sum of money were required for the start there might be some reason for the delay but as so little is required the delay seems altogether inexplicable. That the T.Ds. for the County be requested to give the project their full support in every possible way."

Councillor Mulreany seconded. Passed unanimously.

Extract sent to Rep. of Industries and Commerce 2/6/28

683/28.

BUNCRANA PIER.

Councillor Kavanagh moved:- "That this Council call upon the Government to take immediate steps to make effective the resolution passed by us almost two years ago agreeing to hand over to the local body the Buncrana Pier; and further that we call upon the Government to provide at once the Grant promised for this Pier a few months ago to the Deputation from Buncrana Urban District Council.

Councillor Cole seconded. Passed unanimously.

It was further resolved on the motion of Councillor Quigley, seconded by Councillor Cole, that the Buncrana Urban District Council be given to the 30th June next to finally decide whether or not they will take over the Pier at Buncrana from the County Council.

684/28.

LETTING OF PORTION OF CARNDONAGH WORKHOUSE.

The Secretary said no further letter had been received from the Local Government Department re proposed letting of portion of Carndonagh Workhouse to Mr. Charles McLaughlin (502/28 C.C.).

685/28.

HEATING OF GLENTIES WORKHOUSE.

A letter dated 8th March, 1928, G.I4207/1928, was read from the Local Government Department relative to a letter which they had received from the Clerk of the District Court at Glenties to the effect that the Donegal County Council had failed to take steps for the proper heating of Glenties Courthouse as was also a further letter dated 14th May, 1928 from the Local Government Department requesting to be informed how the matter now stood and report and estimate of Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor (385/28 and 503/28 C.C.).

Minute:- Referred to next Council for consideration.

686/28.

PROVISION OF CERTAIN LANDING FACILITIES
AT MULLAGHDUFF IN THE GORTNASATE AREA.

A letter dated 20th April, 1928, No. D/I, was read from the Department of Fisheries on the subject of the provision of certain landing facilities at Mullaghduff in the Gortnasate area, and with reference to the necessity for a link or approach road from $1\frac{1}{4}$ to $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles in extent which would connect up with the county road, as was also Mr. Caffrey's report and estimate of the cost of proposed link or approach road (578/28 C.C.).

Minute:- Referred to the new Council for consideration.

687/28.

MIDWIVES (Ireland) ACT, 1918.

A letter dated April, 1928, was read from the Secretary, Central Midwives' Board, Saorstát Éireann, intimating that the proportion payable by the Donegal County Council under Section 15 of the Midwives (Ireland) Act, 1918 in respect of the year ended 31/12/'27 was £10:0:10.

Minute:- Payment ordered.

*Clerk to D.C. W. Fisher
to 6/6/28.
Clerk to President being
4 re-estimated written*

*Extract sent to L.G.D.
3/4/28*

*Extract sent to Dept.
of Fisheries
3/4/28*

688/28. REQUISITION FOR AN INSTALMENT
IN RESPECT OF THE MAINTENANCE GRANT.

A letter dated 24th April, 1928, R/RGM/7, was read from the Local Government Department (Roads), referring to the County Secretary's letter of the 28th February last enclosing a Requisition for an instalment in respect of the Maintenance Grant and stating that owing to reports furnished by an Inspector of that Department of unsatisfactory maintenance work in Donegal the Minister could not see his way to sanction the amount requisitioned pending the result of a further inspection of the work which would take place in the course of the present week.

689/28. PROVISIONAL ALLOCATION OF A GRANT
TOWARDS THE COST OF THE UPKEEP OF
MAIN AND TRUNK AND LINK ROADS.

A letter dated 4th May, 1928, RGM/201, was read from the Local Government Department (Roads), with reference to this Department's letter of 27th January last, notifying the provisional allocation of a grant towards the cost of the upkeep of Main and Trunk and Link Roads for the present financial year, and requesting to be informed by return of post, in what way the County Council had dealt with the Grant. Some County Councils had applied the Grant in whole or in part to the relief of the rates and others had applied the grant to the carrying out of new works of maintenance.

The Secretary said he replied stating that the Council had applied the part towards the upkeep of main roads in whole to the relief of the rates.

690/28. LETTERKENNY MENTAL HOSPITAL : AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS.

A letter dated 25th April, 1928, Ref. No. A.S.24370/28, was read from the Local Government Department enclosing a copy of the Auditor's report on his Audit of the Accounts of the Letterkenny Mental Hospital for the thirteen half-yearly periods ended 30th September, 1927.

Minute:- Referred to now Council for consideration.

691/28. ABSTRACT OF ACCOUNTS OF DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL.

A letter dated 27th April, 1928, A.S.5672/1928, was read from the Local Government Department relative to the Abstract of Accounts of the Donegal County Council in respect of half-year ended 30th September, 1927.

The Secretary said the Abstracts had since been transmitted to the Department.

692/28. ABSTRACT OF ACCOUNTS AND SECRETARY'S STATEMENT.

A letter dated 10th May, 1928, A.S.3079/1928, was read from the Local Government Department acknowledging receipt of the Abstract of Accounts of the Donegal County Council for the half-year ended 30th September, 1927 and requesting to be furnished with a Secretary's Statement in respect of the same period.

The Secretary said that the Secretary's Statement had since been furnished.

693/28.

CONTRACT No. 300 - FORMER MILFORD RURAL DISTRICT.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter, seconded by Councillor Loughrey, it was unanimously decided that the amount (£15) of above contract for repairing a road be "deferred" instead of "struck off" as it was contemplated the work would be completed to the County Surveyor's satisfaction.

694/28.

SANDBLAST MACHINE.

A letter dated 28th April, 1928, was read from the Department of Industry and Commerce enclosing a certified account for £24:10:0 from Mr. T.H. Mason, 5, Dame Street, Dublin, for the supply of a sandblast machine for the use of the Inspectors of Weights and Measures in County Donegal.

Minute:- Payment ordered.

695/28.

FURTHER EXAMINATION OF BOVINES.

A letter dated 28th April, 1928, L.2971/28, was read from the Department of Agriculture requesting that a further examination be made of the bovines on the premises of Mr. J.R. Alexander, Glasseygowan, St. Johnston, and Mr. William Gallagher, Tubber, Carrigans, and a full report in regard thereto furnished to the Department.

The Secretary said he had asked the Veterinary Inspector for the District to make an examination and furnish a report.

In this connection a further letter dated 16th May, 1928, L.2971/28, was read from the Department of Agriculture advising to their letter of the 28th ultimo respecting cattle, the property of Mr. J.R. Alexander, Glasseygowan, St. Johnston, and Mr. William Gallagher, Tubber, Carrigans, and requesting to be furnished with a reply in the matter.

The Secretary said he again wrote the Veterinary Inspector in the matter.

696/28.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS : SAMPLE OF MILK TAKEN.

A letter dated 28th April, 1928, L.1473/28, was read from the Department of Agriculture stating that a sample of milk which was taken at Logan Co-Operative Creamery, Sallybrook, Manorcunningham, on the 16th February last by an Inspector of this Department from the mixed milk of eight cows, the property of Mr. Samuel Lyons, Rylands, Newtowncunningham, was found on Biological test to contain tubercle bacilli and requesting that the Veterinary Inspector for the District be instructed to make a careful clinical examination of all the cows and other bovines on Mr. Lyons's premises, paying particular attention to the udders of the cows.

The Secretary said he had sent a copy of letter to the Veterinary Inspector for the District.

In this connection a further letter dated 16th May, 1928, L.1473/28, was read from the Department of Agriculture on the subject of the finding of Tubercle Bacilli in milk, the property of Mr. Samuel Lyons, Newtowncunningham, and requesting that an examination of the bovines on Mr. Lyons's premises be made without further delay.

The Secretary said he had again written the Veterinary Inspector in the matter.

697/28.

re SALARY OF Mr. P. DAWSON, ASSISTANT COUNTY SURVEYOR.

A letter dated the 30th April, 1928, R/RS/7, was read from the Local Government Department (Roads), relative to the remuneration of Messrs Cunningham and Kearney, Assistant Surveyors, and requesting the County Secretary to verify the salary of Mr. P. Dawson, Senior Assistant Surveyor. In the Return R/42 Table A prepared by the Secretary on 15th July, 1927 the salary was shown as £225 while in the Minutes of the Finance Committee £245 was mentioned.

The Secretary said the matter had received attention.

698/28.

CONTRACTORS FOR EMULSIFIED BITUMEN.

An Order dated the 8th May, 1928 of the Minister for Local Government and Public Health setting out the names of Official Contractors for Emulsified Bitumen during the period up to the 1st day of April, 1929 for the area of Saorstát Éireann and the conditions of supply in lieu of the conditions prescribed by article 7 of the Local Authorities (Combined Purchasing) Regulations 1926, was submitted.

699/28.

CONTRACTORS FOR TAR AND BITUMEN COMPOUND etc.

Orders of the Minister for Local Government and Public Health under the Local Authorities (Combined Purchasing) Act, 1925, setting out the names of accepted Contractors, prices, etc. of Tar and Bitumen Compound, Bitumen Spray, Bitumen (Grout Type) Refined and Dehydrated Tar, for 12 months ending 1st April, 1929, were submitted.

700/28.

SHEEP DIPPING.

A letter dated 1st May, 1928 was read from the Department of Lands and Agriculture stating that the Department of Justice had intimated that the Garda Síochána had been instructed to renew, for this year, the arrangements made last year in connection with the enforcement of the Sheep Dipping Order etc.

701/28.

HOLDING - LANDS TULLINASCREE;
TENANT -- REPS. PATRICK CALLAGHAN.

A letter dated 1st May, 1928, was read from the Secretary, Irish Land Commission, requesting to be favoured with the name and postal address of the person rated in respect of above holding.

The Secretary said the information sought was being obtained from the Rate Collector for the District.

702/28.

re Mr. H. REID -- TEMPORARY
CONTINUANCE OF APPOINTMENT SANCTIONED.

A letter dated 1st May, 1928, G.29325/1928, was read from the Local Government Department stating that the Minister sanctioned the temporary continuance of Mr. H. Reid pending the appointment of an Accountant, and requesting to be furnished with an outline of the duties to be assigned to the position of Accountant, the qualifications deemed desirable and the age limits contemplated.

The Secretary said the matter had received attention.

703/28.

OFFICE OF "ACCOUNTANT" INCLUDING THE POSITION
OF "TREASURER".

A letter dated 18th May, 1928, G.55591/1927, was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health adverting to their letter of 24th March last and transmitting copy of an Order dated 22nd March, 1928 made by the Minister under Section 2 of the Local Authorities (Officers and Employees) Act, 1926, declaring the office of "Accountant" including the position of "Treasurer" other than a Banking Company, to be an office to which the Act applies.

704/28.

POSITION OF ACCOUNTANT : SALARY AND DUTIES.

A letter dated 17th May, 1928, G.31998/1928, was read from the Local Government Department stating that the Minister concurred in the Council's proposal to fill the position of Accountant at a salary of £300 per annum. The age limits, except for existing officers engaged in similar or analagous duties, should be from 25 to 40 years, and enclosing a schedule of duties for the position.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Cole, seconded by Councillor McIvor, the schedule of duties for the position was unanimously agreed to.

In this connection a letter dated 21st May, 1928, L.A.13/4/28, was read from the Local Appointments Commissioners, 33, St. Stephen's Green N., Dublin, acknowledging receipt of the Council's request relative to the proposed appointment of an Accountant to the Donegal County Council, and stating that the matter would receive immediate attention.

705/28.

ROAD WORKS SCHEME : YEAR 1928/29.

A letter dated 3rd May, 1928, R/RM/7, was read from the Local Government Department requesting to be furnished immediately with a copy of the above Scheme.

The Secretary said the matter had received attention.

706/28.

SCHEME OF POLLING DISTRICTS AND POLLING PLACES.

A letter dated 3rd May, 1928, F.27617/1928, was read from the Local Government Department, inquiring if copies of the Scheme of Polling Districts and Polling Places framed by the Donegal County Council were yet available and if any representations in regard to the scheme had been received from the Local Authorities affected thereby.

The Secretary said the matter had been attended to.

707/28.

ADDITIONAL POLLING STATION.

A letter dated 18th May, 1928, F.35102/28, was read from the Local Government Department referring to the County Secretary's letter of 15th idem in regard to the Polling Districts Scheme and stating that the necessary alterations would be made so as to provide an additional Polling Station for the accommodation of electors from specified townlands in the District Electoral Divisions of Maas and Glenties.

708/28. ADVANCE FOR ELECTION PURPOSES.

The Secretary applied for and was granted an advance of £100 in connection with Local Government Elections.

709/28.

MESSRS M.F. CUNNINGHAM AND F. KEARNEY,
ASSISTANT COUNTY SURVEYORS : INCREASE OF SALARY SANCTIONED.

A letter dated 5th May, 1928, R/RS/7 was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) acknowledging receipt of the County Secretary's letter of 1st instant and stating that the Minister had concurred with the proposal of the County Council to grant a salary of £245 per annum, with a cost of living bonus of £42 per annum, to the above-named Assistant County Surveyors.

710/28.

re Mr. DANIEL KELLY.

A letter dated 7th May, 1928, G.59910/1927, was read from the Local Government Department regarding the permanent appointment of Mr. Daniel Kelly in the County Council Offices and stating that the Minister raised no objection to the continuance of Mr. Kelly's services as heretofore but the Minister did not see his way to accord sanction to the appointment in a permanent capacity etc.

It was understood that the necessity for the continuance of Mr. Kelly's services was largely due to the abnormal amount of work at present arising in connection with road maintenance. When the National Scheme was completed towards the end of this year the administrative work should not be so onerous. Mr. Kelly's position could then be further considered in the light of the staff then available and the work to be performed.

Minute:- Consideration referred to new Council.

711/28.

ADVANCE "ON ACCOUNT" OF SALARIES OF SANITARY OFFICERS.

A letter dated 7th May, 1928, was read from the Local Government Department enclosing a Negotiable Receipt for £220:6:4 being an advance "on account" of proportion of expenditure incurred by the Board of Health and Public Assistance on salaries of Sanitary Officers during the year ended 30th September, 1928.

712/28. ADVANCE "ON ACCOUNT" OF SALARIES
 OF MEDICAL OFFICERS etc.

A letter dated 7th May, 1928, was also read from the Local Government Department enclosing a Negotiable Receipt for £145:0:1 being an advance "on account" of proportion of expenditure incurred by the Board of Health and Public Assistance on salaries of Medical Officers etc. during the year ended 30th September, 1928.

713/28.

AGRICULTURAL GRANT.

A memorandum was submitted from the Local Government Department stating that in view of the deductions from the Agricultural Grant for the year ended 31st March, 1928, which it was necessary to make in some Counties, it has been decided to make an advance payment "on account" of the Grant for the current financial year. The present payment had been fixed at one-half of the normal amount of the instalment usually issued in July of each year. The share of the Donegal County Council in the amount now available for distribution was £5,234:10:0.

714/28.

POSITION OF ASSISTANT COUNTY SURVEYOR - South Donegal.

*Secretary appointments
to be written to
4/6/28*

A letter dated 8th May, 1928, L.A.17/3/28, was read from the Local Appointments Commissioners stating, that in compliance with the request from the Donegal County Council in connection with the position of Assistant County Surveyor, Donegal, they recommended Mr. Thomas J. Reilly (otherwise O'Reilly) 19, Carlisle Street, South Circular Road, Dublin, for appointment and appending a summary of the recommended candidate's qualifications.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor MacCreadie, seconded by Councillor Brennan, it was unanimously decided to request the Local Appointments Commissioners to recommend Mr. John T. Finnegan for appointment as Assistant County Surveyor, Donegal, in addition to Mr. Thomas J. Reilly, and with regard to future appointments to send down the names of the three most suitable persons.

715/28.

WORKHOUSE BUILDINGS AT MILFORD : LETTING OF DINING HALL.

A letter dated 11th May, 1928, P.33386/1928 (Pb.) was read from the Local Government Department in regard to the proposal to let the Dining Hall of the disused Workhouse Buildings at Milford to Mr. R.H. McDowell for use as a temporary store and stating that the Department of Valuation suggested that 30/- monthly would be a fair rent for the use of the Dining Hall and requesting to be informed whether Mr. McDowell was prepared to pay rent at that rate.

The Secretary said he had written Mr. McDowell on the matter but received no reply.

Minute:- Consideration adjourned until next meeting.

716/28.

PROPOSED INCREASE OF WAGES.

*L.G. Dept., Roads
written to
6/6/28*

A letter dated 12th May, 1928, R/SGN/7, was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) relative to the proposal of the Donegal County Council to increase from 26/- to 30/- per week the wages of labourers employed on grant work and stating that the County Council had not furnished any reason to show why they should pay higher wages on grant work than if the work was being done out of rates. The rate paid by the Council to Labourers employed on road work paid for out of the Council's ordinary account was 26/- per week according to the return furnished by the County Secretary on 15th July last.

The Secretary was directed to state in reply that although not expressly mentioned in the Council's resolution of 24th April last (494/28) the intention was that the proposed increase apply to all work carried out under Direct Labour.

717/28.

SUPPLY OF GOODS QUOTED IN
OFFICIAL LIST ISSUED BY TRADE DEPARTMENT.

A letter dated 12th May, 1928, 33813/28 (Pg), was read from the Local Government Department (Trade), referring to the County Secretary's letter of 8th instant and stating that the Minister understood an arrangement had been made between Mr. Singleton and Messrs Gestetner to supply goods of the latter firm's manufacture at the discount quoted on the Official List.

The Secretary said this had reference to the supply of stencils used in connection with Gestetner Duplicating Machine.

718/28. re SALARY OF Mr. F. McSHANE, ACTING
VETERINARY INSPECTOR FOR NORTH DONEGAL.

A letter dated 12th May, 1928, P.H.33662/28, was read from the Local Government Department acknowledging receipt of the County Secretary's further letter of 9th idem with regard to the services of Mr. McShane as Veterinary Inspector for the North Donegal Area, and stating that the Minister could only refer the County Council to their letter of 10th ultimo in which it was stated that it was the duty of the County Council to appoint Mr. W.J.P. King, V.S., to the vacant Veterinary position at their meeting next following the 29th July last and the Minister could not recognise any other application of the salary attaching to the office.

The Secretary said that the above letters had reference to the Council's request contained in Minute No. 535/28 that the Minister sanction payment of salary to Mr. McShane to 30th April, 1928.

719/28. VETERINARY INSPECTOR FOR NORTH DONEGAL.

On the motion of Councillor MacCreadie, seconded by Councillor Hamilton, it was unanimously decided to again request the Local Appointments Commissioners to appoint Mr. F. McShane to the position of Veterinary Inspector for North Donegal.

720/28. CHARGEABILITY OF THE COST OF SEWERAGE
IMPROVEMENT AT DONEGAL.

A letter dated 14th May, 1928, P.H.33631/28, was read from the Local Government Department enclosing a copy of the resolution of the Board of Health on the 20th February last with regard to the chargeability of the cost of sewerage improvement at Donegal as furnished to that Department, e.g. "That the Area of Charge of the proposed new sewer at Donegal be the area of the Rural District of Donegal, as constituted immediately before the 1st October, 1925".

Minute:- Referred to the Board of Health.

721/28,

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOGNISED AS AN "AUTHORISED COMMITTEE".

A letter dated 14th May, 1928, G.33665/28 was read from the Local Government Department stating that the Minister sanctioned the recognition of the Finance Committee of the Donegal County Council as an "Authorised Committee" under Section 63 of the Local Government Act, 1925.

722/28. PROPOSED RATHMULLAN PIER EXTENSION.

A letter dated 14th May, 1928, No. D/4/4 was read from the Department of Fisheries on the subject of the proposed extension of the Pier at Rathmullan and stating that the Department's Engineer was being asked to communicate with the County Surveyor as to arranging a suitable date for a joint preliminary inspection on the ground, for the purpose of settling the plans and preparing detailed estimates of the cost of the proposed work.

Extract sent to
L.G.D. 31/7/28

723/28.

DEFAULTING LAND PURCHASE ANNUITANTS.

A letter dated 15th May, 1928, was read from the Secretary, Irish Land Commission, Dublin, transmitting, for the information of the Donegal County Council, list of Defaulting Land Purchase Annuitants in the County against whom legal proceedings had been directed to be taken for the recovery of the instalments due on the 1st November and 1st December last in respect of advances made under the Land Purchase Acts and stating that as these instalments were in course of collection through the State Solicitor it was probable that in a number of cases the arrears had been paid since the lists were prepared.

724/28.

MULROY AND LEATBEG PIERS.

A letter dated 16th May, 1928, D/2 was read from the Department of Fisheries referring to the County Secretary's communication of the 9th idem and enclosure relative to Mulroy and Leatbeg Piers, and stating that the Department's Engineer was fully occupied in matters bearing directly on Fishery Harbours, and while he would be available, if the County Surveyor desired to consult him, his services would not be available for a detailed inspection and report on the Piers proposed to be acquired from Lord Leitrim.

725/28.

re Mr. Wm. J. DOHERTY : CLAIM IN RESPECT OF
SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH MALICIOUS INJURY CLAIMS.

A letter dated 14th May, 1928, G.3363/1928 was read from the Local Government Department regarding the account of Mr. Wm. J. Doherty, Architect, in respect of his services in connection with Malicious Injury Claims and stating that the Minister would raise no objection to the payment of £300 in full settlement of the claim as was also a letter dated 16th May, 1928 from Mr. William J. Doherty agreeing to accept the above amount in settlement of his claim for £313:19:0 which was the amount of his detailed account for Malicious Injuries.

726/28. re Mr. Wm. J. DOHERTY : BALANCE OF CLAIM.

A letter dated 16th May, 1928, was read from Mr. Wm. J. Doherty, Architect, relative to a balance of £50:16:1 due to him in respect of his services in connection with claims under the Damage to Property Act.

Minute:- Unanimously decided to request Minister for Local Government and Public Health to sanction payment of the amount.

727/28.

PAYMENT OF LAND ANNUITIES.

A letter dated 16th May, 1928, F.56/7/25, was read from the Department of Finance acknowledging receipt of a copy of the resolution passed at the meeting of the Donegal County Council held on the 24th ultimo on the above subject.

728/28.

CRIMINAL INJURY DECREES;
ADJUSTMENT WITH LOCAL AUTHORITIES.

A letter dated 16th May, 1928, F.25/4/27, was read from the Department of Finance, referring to the Minister's letter of the 1st April, 1927 relative to the adjustment with Local Authorities in/

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Mr. W. J. Doherty
3/11/26*

in respect of certain Criminal Injury Decrees and other matters which were set out in the statement which accompanied that letter and stating that the Minister was now in a position to pay the final balance due to the Donegal County Council in respect of this adjustment and he enclosed a Payable Order for £1410:19:4.

729/28. COUNTY LIBRARY SIGN.

A letter dated 18th May, 1928, was read from the Secretary, The Carnegie United Kingdom Trust, Comely Park House, Dunfermline, Fife, on the subject of the provision of signs to be set up in front of every centre where the County Library was in operation.

Minute:- Secretary ordered to interview Librarian as to number of signs required.

730/28. COUNTY MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

A letter was read from the Secretary, County Board of Health, appending the following extract from Minutes of Proceedings of the Board at their meeting held on 21st May, 1928:-

"That in view of the vacancy for a Tuberculosis Officer occasioned by the tragic death of Dr. Ed. Regan, we request the Donegal County Council to take steps for the appointment of a County Medical Officer of Health to whom will be assigned the duties of Chief Tuberculosis Officer and Chief School Medical Officer for County Donegal".

The Secretary said that the Council, at a meeting held on 28th February, 1928 (Minute 222/28) decided to further postpone the consideration of the question of the appointment of a County Medical Officer of Health for six months.

Minute:- Consideration deferred until the August meeting of the Council.

731/28. COUNCIL'S REPRESENTATIVE ON THE IRISH TOURIST ASSOCIATION.

A letter dated 31st March, 1928, was read from the Secretary, Irish Tourist Association, regarding the question of the Donegal County Council's representative on the Association (243/27 and 293/28).

The Secretary said that Councillors Gallagher (Francis) and Myles had arranged the matter between them.

732/28. FURNITURE FOR DISTRICT COURT CLERK'S AND ASSISTANT COUNTY SURVEYOR'S OFFICES IN COURTHOUSE, BUNCRAHA.

A letter was read from the District Court Clerk, Buncrana, requesting to be supplied with certain articles of furniture for his office in the Courthouse as was also a letter dated 7th October, 1927 from Mr. H.C. Cochrane, Under Sheriff, Lifford, enclosing a list of requirements for Buncrana Courthouse (392/28 and 550/28 C.C.).

Councillor McIvor reported that he interviewed the District Court Clerk on the matter who desired the Council's permission to the purchase of the necessary articles of furniture.

The Secretary said that Mr. Caffrey, Assistant County Surveyor, also required a Press, Table and Pigeon Holes for his office in the Courthouse.

Minute/

Extract sent to Secy. Co. Board of Health 3/7/28

Extract sent to Secy. Irish Tourist Association 3/7/28

Extract sent to Mr. H.C. Cochrane 3/7/28

Minute:- It was unanimously decided to ask Councillors McIvor and Kavanagh to purchase locally whatever furniture was necessary for both the District Court Clerk and Mr. Caffrey.

Councillors McIvor and Kavanagh said they would attend to the matter.

733/28.

CONDITION OF A ROAD.

*Extract sent to
Messrs E. McFadden
& Co. 3/7/28*

A letter was read from Messrs E. McFadden & Co., Solicitors, Letterkenny, on behalf of a number of ratepayers living in Greevesmith and Rahan concerning a road running from Greeve to Rahan which their clients have to use and which they required put on the County. There are ten ratepayers living on this road which runs from the foot of the Golf Links parallel thereto to the Rahan Road who have no other means of getting in or out of their holdings (415/28 & 557/28).

It was stated that this road had not been repaired for a lengthened time and that the grass was growing over it.

Minute:- Mr. Steadman asked to include road in next Provisional Road Works Scheme.

734/28.

PROPOSED BRIDGE OVER THE MYRA RIVER.

*Extract sent to Irish Land Commission 3/7/28 av. 5
Extract sent to Rev. Hugh McE. Nugent P.P. Letterkenny 3/7/28*

A letter was read from the inhabitants of Myra and other townlands drawing the County Council's attention to the great inconvenience and hardships they suffered through want of a bridge over the Myra River above the Falcarragh Railway Station and requesting that steps be taken without delay to supply them with the facilities they required by the construction of a bridge at this point (443/28 & 560/28 C.C.).

Mr. Steadman reported that at this place a Ford only existed and to put up a bridge would cost £150.

The Secretary said that the Council, at their last meeting, decided to ask the Irish Land Commission to contribute towards the work but that a reply had not been received.

Minute:- It was decided to again write the Irish Land Commission on the matter.

735/28.

PERMISSION TO ERECT A KEROSENE DEPOT.

Extract sent to Mr. J.A. Wylie, Milford 3/7/28

A letter was read from Mr. J.A. Wylie, Milford, stating that the Irish B.P. Company Limited, proposed, subject to the County Council's permission, erecting a Kerosene Depot at Milford in a yard owned by James Diver (613/28 C.C.).

Councillor Baxter moved that permission be given.

Councillor McClafferty seconded.

Councillor McPhelimy said that as the Irish B.P. Company had dismissed a number of the Irish employees he opposed granting them facilities and therefore, moved as an amendment, that permission be not granted.

Councillor Callen seconded.

After some discussion Councillor McPhelimy said that as the matter had been ventilated he withdrew his amendment.

The motion was declared passed and permission granted.

736/28.

EQUIPMENT FOR A FOOD AND DRUGS INSPECTOR.

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siochana, Letterkenny, making application for one set of equipment for/

for Sergeant P. Wallace, 5992 Food and Drugs Inspector (633/28).

Minute:- The Secretary was directed to procure the articles required.

737/28. ARTICLES OF IRISH MANUFACTURE.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Irish Industrial Development Association, Dublin, relative to the insertion of a clause in the advertisements of Public Bodies tenders forms, bonds etc. to the effect that all articles supplied to them as being of Irish manufacture must be branded with the Irish Trade Mark and the register number of the manufacturer.

Minute:- Approved.

738/28. re Mr. JAMES McGETTIGAN,
HARBOUR MASTER, DOWNINGS : SURETIES.

A letter was read from Mr. James McGettigan, Harbour Master, Downings, submitting the names of Anthony McGettigan, Mulroy, Downings, and Patrick McGettigan, Barton, Gleneragh, Glen, as his sureties in the sum of £35.

The Secretary said he had a Bill Stamp signed by the Harbour Master and his sureties.

Minute:- Approved.

739/28.
CONTRACT No. 35 : FORMER DUNFANAGHY RURAL DISTRICT.

A letter was read from Mr. Michael Doogan, Meenderrygamph, Gweedore, re above.

Mr. Doogan, who was present, explained that he was declared the Contractor by the Tenders Committee at Falcarragh on 11th February last, but, through a misunderstanding, did not get an opportunity of signing Bond.

On the motion by Councillor Gallagher (Bernard), seconded by Councillor McClafferty, this contract was given to Mr. Doogan for a period of three years and Mr. Dawson, Assistant Surveyor, was directed to have Bond signed by Mr. Doogan and Sureties.

740/28.
CONTRACT No. 9 : FORMER DUNFANAGHY RURAL DISTRICT.

A letter was read from Mr. Michael Doogan, Meenderrygamph, Gweedore, relative to the protest made by Patrick Gallagher and Owan O'Donnell, Contractors, against Charles Roarty (Junior), Meenamiller, being accepted Contractor for Road No. 9, former Dunfanaghy Rural District and stating that he (Mr. Doogan) could verify the statement made by Patrick Gallagher and Owen O'Donnell in their joint letter of 24th February, 1928.

Councillor McRide having stated that it was Charles Roarty (Senior) who got the contract no action was taken.

741/28. COMPLAINT.

A letter was read from Mr. Thomas H. Greene, Dromore, Ballintra, stating that he had been supplying the County Council's Road Rollers etc. with coal during the past few years and that the contract had been taken from him and given to another person without acquainting him or inviting tenders.

Minute:- Left in County Surveyor's hands.

Letter read to Mr. J. J. McGettigan, Harbour Master, Downings, 3/7/28

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742/28.

PERMISSION TO OPEN A COUNTY ROAD.

An application was submitted from Mr. James Kelly, Magherabog, Manorcunningham, for permission to open the County Road at Magherabog for the purpose of laying a 1½ inch water pipe.

Minute:- Permission granted subject to approval of County Surveyor and the signing of the usual agreement.

743/28.

REFUSAL OF CERTAIN CONTRACTORS TO START WORK.

A letter enclosing a list of the Road Contractors of St. Johnston Amalgamated Union, consisting of Inishowen and Strabane No. 2 Districts, who refused to start work was submitted.

Minute:- No action taken.

744/28.

OBSTRUCTION ON ROAD.

Letters dated 22nd April and 2nd May, 1928, were read from Major R.L. Moore, Cliff Lodge, Ballyshannon, calling attention to the two heaps of stones (road metal) covering half of the road leading from Ballyshannon to Corlea (south side of the river Erne) between the Shiel Hospital and the Rectory.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, stated that the matter had been dealt with.

745/28.

RAILWAY CROSSING GATES AT PORTHALL STATION.

Correspondence was submitted from Great Northern Railway Company (I) re level crossing at Porthall Station as was also a memorandum of interview between certain officials of the Company and County Secretary (139/28 & 252/28 C.C.).

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Clarke, seconded by Councillor Wagentreiber, it was unanimously decided to inform the Great Northern Railway Company that the County Council will be satisfied if the crossing gates are kept closed at night and unlocked.

746/28.

re PURCHASE OF FLAGS.

A letter was read from Mr. F. McManus, East Barrs Quarries, Glenfarne, Co. Leitrim, inquiring if the Donegal County Council would give him an order for a supply of flags for side paths in Bundoran and any other part of Donegal.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, said that a quantity of flags were being purchased.

747/28.

SALE OF WATER AT DOWNINGS PIER.

A letter was read from the Secretary, County Board of Health, appending, for adoption by the County Council, scale of charges for sale of water at Downings Pier.

Minute:- Consideration deferred until the water tank is erected.

Extract sent to
Mr. James Kelly
3/7/28

Extract sent to
Mr. Moore
3/7/28

Extract sent
to Mr. McManus
3/7/28

Extract sent
to Board of
Health
3/7/28

748/28.

PLACING OF AN OVERGROUND TELEGRAPHIC LINE.

An application by the Engineer-in-Chief, Department of Posts and Telegraphs, Dublin, for the Council's consent to the placing of an overground telegraphic line between the Railway Line and Rossylongan House, was considered and consent given on the conditions contained in Minute No. 1246/27.

APPLICATION BY VETERINARY INSPECTORS IN THE
COUNTY FOR INCREASE OF SALARY.

749/28.

On the motion of Councillor Cole, seconded by Councillor Kavanagh, an application by Veterinary Inspectors in the County for an increase of salary was marked "read",

750/28.

APPLICATION FOR THE POSITION OF FLAGMAN.

An application by Mr. Owen McGarvey, Laghey, Donegal, for the first vacancy as Flagman on one of the Council's Rollers was referred to Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor.

751/28.

* AGREEMENT - DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL WITH
JAMES STEELE (Rooskey Tenant).

The Secretary said that the above tenant called at the office to sign Agreement but when he ascertained that he was being held responsible for the payment of Insurance on the house he refused to sign. The Secretary also said that although John Doogan - the other Rooskey Tenant - signed Agreement he was also against paying Insurance.

Minute:- It was unanimously decided to waive the Insurance and to direct the Secretary to have the houses of both tenants insured for £100 each.

752/28.

COUNTY COUNCIL V JAMES GARVIN.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor conveying result of case County Council V James Garvin, Ardloughfield, in respect of the larceny of 3 tons 2" broken stones from the contract of Michael Munday of Dunmuckrum and stating that the defendant had lodged an appeal. (410/28 C.C.).

753/28.

BERNARD DIVER V COUNTY COUNCIL.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor intimating that the Civil Bill in case Bernard Diver, Boorey, Gleneely V County Council, was heard at Lifford District Court on 9th idem when it was dismissed without prejudice,

754/28.

AGREEMENT - JOHN HARVEY WITH DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor enclosing, for execution, Agreement in above for letting of Malin Courthouse.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Quigley, seconded by Councillor McIvor, the Seal of the Council was ordered to be affixed thereto.

Consent returned to Engineer-in-Chief 30/5/28
Extract sent to Veterinary Inspectors 31/5/28
Extract sent to County Surveyor 31/5/28
Agreement referred to Mr. Co. Council 30/5/28

755/28. FURNITURE FOR MALIN COURTHOUSE.

A claim by Mr. William T. Colhoun, Contractor, Malin, for payment of £19:12:6 in respect of furniture supplied by him for Malin Courthouse (Minute No. 271/28) was submitted.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Quigley, seconded by Councillor Cole, payment was ordered.

756/28.

APPOINTMENT OF COUNTY OFFICIALS BY THE GOVERNMENT.

A copy resolution passed by Kilkenny County Board of Health strongly protesting against the Bill recently introduced in the Dail providing for the appointment of County Officials by the Government was submitted.

Minute:- Marked "read".

757/28.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES INSPECTOR, BUNCRAHA;
APPLICATION FOR USE OF SOLICITOR'S ROOM
AND FOR A PRESS IN COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from the Superintendent, Garda Siochana, Buncrana, stating that the covered in portion of the Buncrana Courthouse, to the rear of Courtkeeper's rooms, was now being utilised by the Food and Drugs Inspector for stamping bottles etc. It would be appreciated, however, that there was considerable clerical work attaching to duties under Weights and Measures Acts, and for said purpose the Inspector would require access to the Solicitor's Room. It would be further necessary to provide a suitable press for correspondence etc.

Minute:- Consideration adjourned until next meeting.

758/28.

T H A N K S.

A letter was read from Mr. John McGinley, ex-Sanitary Sub-Officer, Dunfanaghy, thanking the members of the County Council for their kind consideration of his claim for superannuation allowance.

759/28.

FLOODING OF ROAD LEADING FROM TOOBAN JUNCTION
TO BURNFOOT VILLAGE.

A letter dated 1st May, 1928, was read from Mr. H.D.M. Barton, The Bush, Antrim, in reply to the County Secretary's letter of 13th ultimo regarding the flooding of the road leading from Tooban Junction to Burnfoot Village and stating that the Burnfoot river had been cleaned from time to time and in the ordinary course would be cleaned during the present season (404/28 & 573/28).

It was mentioned that the river was being cleaned.

Minute:- Further action deferred for the present.

*Extract sent to
County Kilkenny
Co. Board of Health
3/7/28*

*Extract sent to
the Sup. Garda
Division, Buncrana
3/7/28*

760/28.

MULROY AND LEATBEG QUAYS AND STORES etc.

A letter was read from Mr. J. Arthur Fraser, Fras-rona, Finaghy, Belfast, stating that the lowest sum Lord Leitrim was prepared to accept for Mulroy and Leatbeg Quays and Stores with right-of-ways, was £1,500; His Lordship, of course, reserving the right to import and discharge coal at these piers on payment of agreed harbour dues (441/28 and 559/28 C.C.).

Minute:- Consideration referred to new Council.

761/28.

GLENTIES No. 1 PENSION SUB-COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from Mr. Michael McNelis, Glenties, requesting that the Rev. Alphonsus Ward be appointed a member of above Committee in place of Father McGrorty.

Minute:- Agreed to.

762/28.

CLAIM FOR REMUNERATION.

A letter was read from Mr. John Jordan, Castle Street, Ramelton, claiming remuneration for acting as Caretaker and cleaning and lighting the Courthouse at Ramelton.

Minute:- Consideration referred to new Council.

763/28.

FLOODING OF LANDS.

A letter was read from Mr. Willaim J. McGrory, Killygarven, Rathmullan, complaining of damage being done to a field of his which adjoins the main road marked Map No. 5R, caused by water flowing from the watertable across the road.

Mr. Steadman said he had asked Mr. Dawson, Assistant County Surveyor, to examine the place and report.

764/28.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE ACT, 1925.

A letter dated 19th April, 1928 was read from Sergeant T.B. Statford, Garda Siochana, Bunbeg, stating that he intended making application at Bunbeg District Court on 10th proximo to have certain children committed to an Industrial School under the provisions of above Act.

765/28.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE ACT, 1925.

A letter dated 28th April, 1928, was also read from Superintendent P.J. McGrath, Garda Siochana, Donegal, stating that it was his intention to apply at Donegal District Court on 4th proximo to have three children committed to Industrial Schools under above Act.

766/28.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE ACT, 1925.

A letter dated 4th May, 1928, was also read from Sergeant Patrick Lewis, Garda Siochana, Dungloe, stating that he intended making application at the next District Court to be held at Dungloe on 11th idem to have five children committed to Industrial Schools.

Extract sent to Wm. McGrory 3/7/28

767/28. SCHOOL ATTENDANCE ACT, 1925.

A letter dated 7th May, 1928, was read from Sergeant James Mullahy, Garda Siochana, Newtowncunningham, stating that the application for committal of Mary and Susan Gallagher to an Industrial School had been adjourned to District Court at Newtowncunningham on 18th idem when it was proposed to have same renewed before the District Justice then present.

768/28. SCHOOL ATTENDANCE ACT, 1925.

A letter dated 16th May, 1928, was read from Mr. Wm. Arthur, District Court Clerk, Lifford, stating that an application would be made at District Court, Lifford, on 23rd idem to have two children committed to an Industrial School.

769/28. COUNTY DONEGAL (Control of Dogs) ORDER OF 1913.

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siochana, Letterkenny, stating that the necessary steps were being taken to have the Regulations for the Control of Dogs enforced between sunset and sunrise in the former Rural District of Letterkenny.

770/28. CINEMATOGRAPH ACT, 1909.

An application by Mr. W.B. Walker, Forester's Hall, Killybegs, for a renewal of licence under above Act was granted on the usual conditions.

771/28. CENTRES FOR VERIFICATION OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siochana, Letterkenny, acknowledging receipt of Council's resolution requesting that, to meet the convenience of Traders, Weights and Measures be verified at Culdaff, Quigloy's Point, Carrigans and Kerrykeel, and stating that the matter was receiving attention. (611/28).

772/28. re RAISING OF A FOOTPATH.

A letter was read from Mr. Alexander Houston, Moyle, Newtowncunningham, stating that he had spoken to Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, with reference to the necessity of raising a footpath made by him (Houston) along the County Road at his residence due to the road being much higher than the footpath by reason of recent repairs.

773/28. HIRE OF COUNCIL'S ROLLER.

A letter was read from Mr. Michael McGinley, Drumnatinney, Falcarragh, requesting the hire of the Council's light steam Roller for one day when it would come to the district to roll the avenue leading to Ballyconnell College, Falcarragh, as was also a letter from Mr. J. Thornton Towers, 6, Crawford Square, Derry, stating that the North West Golf Club, Lisfannon, requested the hire of the Council's 5 ton Roller for a couple of days for the purpose of rolling the Club's fairways.

Minute:- Hire granted in each case at ordinary daily rate.

*Exhibited to
Mr. Houston
3/7/28*

*Exhibited to
Michael McGinley
3/7/28*

774/28.

ULSTER BANK LIMITED, GLENTIES - re CONVEYANCE.

3/7/28
Extract sent to Mr. Gilchrist

A letter was read from Mr. T. Gilchrist, Pro Manager, Ulster Bank Limited, Glenties, stating that his Directors had written him stating that they had no objection to the widening of Glenties bridge as proposed but said that as the piece of rock on which the new bridge wall was to be erected appeared to belong to the Bank, the County Council would require to get a conveyance from the Bank. The Directors also wished to know under what authority the Surveyor was entering on the work.

Minute:- Mr. Caffroy, County Surveyor, directed to interview Mr. Gilchrist and report to the Council.

775/28. PERMISSION TO ERECT A PETROL PUMP.

An application was submitted from Mr. Michael McNelis, Glenties, for permission to erect a Petrol Pump at his premises on the Main Street at Letterkenny on the footpath opposite Hegarty's Hotel.

Minute:- Permission granted on usual conditions.

776/28. APPLICATION BY COUNTY AND ASSISTANT SURVEYORS FOR RESTORATION OF 6d MOTOR ALLOWANCE.

The above application was, on the motion of Councillor Cole, seconded by Councillor Gallagher (William), referred to the new Council for consideration.

777/28. DEFECTIVE PIPE AND BRIDGE.

3/7/28
Extract sent to Mr. Packer, Mr. Gilchrist

A letter was read from the ratepayers of the townland of Drung, Quigley's Point, drawing the Council's attention to a road between Lough Inn and Meenahone, in the townland of Drung, and also to a defective bridge and pipe.

Mr. Steadman said this road was out for tender a year ago but no tender was received.

Councillor McIvor suggested that Mr. Steadman prepare a specification for this road and readvertise it when it was hoped a Contractor could be procured to carry out the work.

Mr. Steadman said he would act on Councillor McIvor's suggestion.

Minute:- Agreed on.

778/28. TOURIST ROAD GRANTS.

3/7/28
Extract sent to Mr. Kelly, Irish Tourist Association

A letter was read from the Secretary, Irish Tourist Association, Lower O'Connell Street, Dublin, appending the following copy of a resolution passed at the meeting of his Board on 9th May, 1928:-

"That the attention of the Minister for Local Government be again called to the prime importance of good roads as a means of attracting tourists to Ireland and the urgent need of special grants for important road improvements in Tourist centres; further, that the Minister be requested in making provisions for such grants, to confine them, as far as possible, to areas whose Councils have shown recognition of the importance of tourist traffic and of the importance of their areas from the tourist point/

point of view, by making special allocations in their estimates for Tourist Advertising purposes".

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Quigley, seconded by Councillor McIvor, the resolution was unanimously adopted.

779/28.

COWSHEDS ORDER.

A letter was read from Mr. James Doherty, Main Street, Buncrana, drawing attention to the cowshed of John McLaughlin, West End, Buncrana, which is not in order, according to the rules, for the supply of milk to the public.

Minute:- Referred to County Board of Health and Buncrana Urban District Council.

780/28.

DONEGAL COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from Councillor Hamilton stating that he considered the attention of the Architect should be drawn to the many defects in the Donegal Courthouse before he would give his final certificate, as was also a letter from Mr. Wm. Doherty, Architect, stating that his reason for holding the final certificate so long was precisely for defects such as were referred to in the foregoing letter and he had already requested the Contractor to attend to them.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Hamilton, seconded by Councillor Myles, it was unanimously decided that money be withheld until all the defects are remedied to the satisfaction of the Architect.

781/28.

APPLICATIONS FOR INCREASE OF WAGES.

Applications were submitted from the undermentioned Drivers of the Council's Plant for increase of wages.

John Peoples, Driver, Roller No. 9, St. Johnston;
William MacCrossan, Driver, Roller No. 15, Railway Road, Raphoe;
George McDermott, Driver, Breaker No. 17, Aughnagaddy, Ramelton.

The Secretary having said that the above-named Drivers were being paid according to scale no action was taken.

782/28.

LIFFORD COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siochana, Letterkenny, re resolution recently passed by the County Council re damage caused to windows of Lifford Courthouse as a result of the playing of football and other games in the Square at Lifford and stating that the matter was receiving attention (634/28).

783/28.

APPLICATION FOR USE OF PIER AT KILLYBEGS (Kelly's Quay).

Councillor Mulreany stated that Mr. Joseph Slater, Fish Merchant, had approached him in reference to the letting, at a nominal rent, of County Council's Pier (Kelly's Quay) at Killybegs.

Minute/

*8-2-28 sent to
Board of Health
& Buncrana
Urban District Council
3/7/28*

*8-2-28 sent to
Mr. Wm. Doherty, C.E.
3/7/28*

*8-2-28 sent to
Applications
3/7/28*

*8-2-28 sent to
Mr. Slater
3/7/28*

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor O'Donnell, seconded by Councillor Clarke, it was decided to let, to end of September next, above Quay to Mr. Slater for the sum of £10.

784/28. APPLICATION FOR A QUANTITY OF GRIT.

An application was submitted from Brigadier General Ovens, Ramelton, asking if the Council would supply him with a few tons of grit.

Minute:- Application acceded to subject to payment by applicant of cost of quantity supplied - to be determined by Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor.

785/28.

CONTRACT No. 108 - DUNFANAGH FORMER RURAL DISTRICT.

A letter was read from Mr. Denis McHugh, Dunmore, Falcarragh, stating that owing to a heavy motor lorry, about 8 tons, using above road from Falcarragh Railway Station to Carrowcannon, for which he is Contractor, he was unable to keep it in proper repair.

Minute:- Referred to Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, to deal with as he thinks fit.

786/28. re CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW ROAD.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick McNulty, Ballyshannon, stating that over three years ago he took the contract of making 100 perches of a road in the townland of Lisahully. He had the heaps on this road for measurement. About three weeks ago Mr. Cunningham, Assistant County Surveyor, inspected the road but refused to measure the heaps with the result that the material could not be spread.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, said this Contractor was not carrying out his contract according to the terms of the specification; instead of making a new road he was only throwing metal on an old one.

Minute:- No action taken.

787/28.

APPLICATION BY Mr. PATRICK KENNEDY, COURTKEEPER, GLENTIES, FOR A SET OF CHIMNEY SWEEPING BRUSHES.

Consideration of above application was referred to the new Council.

788/28. DAMAGE TO STEAM DRIFTER S/D IIO.

A report was submitted from the Harbour Master at Rathmullan that the above Drifter when coming alongside Rathmullan Pier on 14th May, 1928 hit one of the piles and partly damaged same; also requesting to be furnished with a copy of amended Schedule of Dues.

The Secretary said he wrote the Harbour Master for certain particulars in connection with the matter but received no reply.

Minute:- Secretary directed to again write the Harbour Master to furnish, at once, the information sought and to censure him for his negligence in this respect.

789/28.

COMPLAINT.

A letter was read from Mr. Michael Doogan, Meenderrygamph, Gweedore, stating that no notice of the Roads Meeting held at Falcarragh on 5th May, 1928 had been posted up in this district; that he understood 25/- had been deducted off his contract for steam rolling. Last year he made an application for 10/- overcharged for rolling and he now made a similar application if a deduction had been made; also requesting payment of amount in respect of Contract No. 9 between Bryan's Bridge and three roads at Meenacung.

Minute:- Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, was directed to investigate the matter and report to next meeting.

790/28.

CONTRACT No. 104 - FORMER GLENTIES RURAL DISTRICT;
MAKING OF DRAINS.

A letter was read from Mr. James Breslin, Upper Monargan, Ardara, stating that no action had been taken to have drains made along the county road from Ardara to Donegal, between Meenabraden three roads and Monargan three roads in respect of which a contract had been entered into 2½ years ago.

Minute:- Referred to Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, for a report.

791/28.

BUNCRANA PIER -- HARBOUR DUES.

A letter was read from the Honorary Secretary, Buncrana Pier Committee, on the subject of the Dues payable by steamers carrying part cargo to different ports or piers in County Donegal.

Minute:- Consideration deferred until next meeting.

792/28. BUNCRANA PIER - REMOVAL OF AN OBSTRUCTION.

A letter was read from the Honorary Secretary, Buncrana Pier Committee, making application for the sum of 4/- incurred by him in having removed from the fairway of river of above Pier a piece of iron about 25 feet long 4" X 1" part of belting of some boat which at low water was projecting 4 feet and which he considered an obstruction and most dangerous to shipping.

Minute:- Payment ordered.

793/28.

CLAIM FOR PAYMENT IN RESPECT OF
STONES FOR ROAD MATERIAL SUPPLIED.

A letter was read from Messrs Lipsett & Ramage, Solicitors, Ballyshannon, stating that on the 24th September, 1926, Mr. H.P. Armour, Temporary Assistant County Surveyor, entered into an arrangement with Mr. Patrick Ward of Meenatuggart to supply a quantity of stones for road material on the county road at Meenbuoy, the price to be paid for same being £19:11:0. Six days afterwards Mr. Armour sent a note to Mr. Ward informing him that he did not require him to supply the stones but prior to the receipt of this note the work had been done and Mr. Ward had to pay three men employed by him in connection with same. Mr. Ward had not yet received payment in respect of this work and had instructed them (Messrs Lipsett & Ramage) to institute proceedings/

Extract sent to
Mr. J. A. J. Keenan
3/11/28

Extract sent to
Hon. Secy.
Pier Committee
3/11/28

Extract sent
to Hon. Secy.
Pier Committee
3/11/28

Extract sent to
Lipsett & Ramage
3/11/28

proceedings against the County Council unless same was paid forthwith.

Minute:- Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, directed to make inquiries from Mr. Armour and report to the Council at next meeting.

794/28.

WORKS.

The following list of repairs required in the former Rural District of Glenties submitted by Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, was passed:-

Road			£:	s:	d
No. 72 Ap. '28	-	Dungloe-Doochary new pipe-----	5:	0:	0
181 " "	-	To repair wooden bridge Drimnacrossh----	10:	0:	0
Map					
No. I234	" "	- Rebuild wall of bridge-----	15:	0:	0
I235	" "	- Rebuild Pipe-----	5:	0:	0
I427	" "	- Rebuild retaining wall-----	8:	0:	0
I501	" "	- " " " " " "-----	5:	10:	0
I096	" "	- " " parapet " "-----	5:	0:	0
866		To construct in concrete			
		Altar Bridge-----	100:	0:	0

795/28.

DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL WITH Mr. J.S. LOUGHNAN.

An Agreement in above in connection with the installation of Electric Light in Lifford Courthouse and offices therein was submitted and on the motion of Councillor Mahony, seconded by Councillor Sweeney, the Seal of the Council was ordered to be affixed thereto.

796/28. WORKMENS' COMPENSATION CLAIM - P. KEARNEY.

A letter dated 24th May, 1928, was read from Messrs Hugh C. O'Doherty and Son, Solicitors, Derry, stating that they were instructed by Mr. Patrick Kearney, Red Roe, Buncrana, , that on the 17th idem while engaged in the course of his employment attending the discharge of a vessel at Buncrana Pier he met with serious injury to his left knee and thigh owing to the careless, neglectful and dangerous state in which the said Pier was maintained and giving notice that when their client fully ascertains the extent of his injuries he will take legal proceedings against the County Council for compensation.

Minute:- Unanimously decided to deny liability and to refer letter to Insurance Company.

797/28. WORKMENS' COMPENSATION CLAIM - J. FULLERTON.

A letter dated 25th May, 1928, was read from Mr. Charles McCormick, Solicitor, Derry, on behalf of John Fullerton, Sladran, Buncrana, claiming compensation under the Workmens' Compensation Act in respect of an injury received by him to the third finger of his left hand whilst engaged in the employment of the Council as a labourer at Gorey, Buncrana, on the 28th November, 1927 and stating that unless an immediate agreement as to compensation for his injury is arrived at proceedings will be taken against the Council for the next Circuit Court at Lifford.

Minute:- Unanimously decided to deny liability and refer letter to the Insurance Company.

*Agreement
affixed to
Seal of Council
30/5/28*

*Extract sent to
Hugh C. O'Doherty
3/6/28*

*Extract sent to
Mr Charles McCormick
3/7/28*

798/28.

re Dr. EDWARD REGAN, DECEASED.

*Extracted from 1/5 Minutes
Norwich Union Fire
Insurance Society Ltd
3/17/28*

A letter dated 7th May, 1928, was read from the Manager, Norwich Union Fire Insurance Society Limited, with regard to an accident to an Austin Car, the property of the late Dr. Edward Regan, which occurred on Sunday 29th ultimo and stating that as the cause of the accident was patches of stones placed on the road by the County Authorities, apparently with the object of preventing speeding on the part of motorists, and as one of these patches was undoubtedly the cause of the accident, the Company have to look to the County Council on behalf of the Representatives to make good the damage to the car an estimate for which was being prepared and which would be forwarded in due course.

Minute:- Unanimously decided to deny liability and refer letter to Insurance Company.

799/28.

LIFFORD BRIDGE.

Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, reported that portion of above structure badly needed repair and if not properly attended to traffic over this bridge would be interrupted resulting in great inconvenience to the public. He recommended that a sum of £200 be placed in his hands for dealing with these urgent repairs. He had been touch with the County Surveyor for County Tyrone and he was to act in a similar manner; both Counties to put up £1 for £1.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Myles, seconded by Councillor Clarke, the recommendation was unanimously adopted.

800/28.

CONTRACT No. 222 - DERRY No. 2 ARBA.

Councillor Gallagher (William) moved:- "That the sum of £53:6:8, which was paid on above contract, be refunded into the Treasury of the County Council by Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, as same was not spent on that Contract (544/28 C.C.).

Councillor Gallagher asked Mr. Steadman how he paid McBride £53:6:8 when in his report to the Council re breaking of this contract the County Surveyor stated very little work had been done.

The County Surveyor stated that with his knowledge at the time that would be correct but shortly after contract was broken Mr. Kelly let him know that McBride had up stone at Dooish Quarry for his road and that it would be a hardship were it not to be taken off his hands. The County Surveyor recognised that it would only be fair to do so under the circumstances and as the contract was placed in his hands and he required the stone McBride then supplied it and was accordingly paid for so doing.

801/28.

AUGHAGLASSON MOUNTAIN ROAD.

A letter was read from Mr. C. Patterson, Grousehall, Glencely, complaining that the above road was not included in Provisional Road Works Scheme (417/28 & 558/28).

Minute:- Consideration of the matter adjourned again pending Mr. Steadman's report.

*Extracted from 6
Mr. C. Patterson
3/17/28*

802/28.

BUNCRANA PIER.

A letter was read from the Honorary Secretary, Bunrana Pier Committee, stating that owing to the way this Pier had been repaired it would be impossible for either the Pier Committee or Harbour Master to protect it. It was like a table with three legs the missing leg leaving an opening for boats to get underneath the Pier and lift the decking and perhaps do damage to the boats.

Mr. Steadman said when this Pier was repaired it was left in perfect order in this respect but boats coming alongside the Pier knocked out one of the piles and that so long as proper supervision was not maintained by the Harbour Master dealing with boats coming alongside the Pier damage of this nature was likely to occur.

Minute:- Harbour Master's attention to be called to the matter with a view to preventing further damage.

Confirmed,

Patrick Quigley Chairman,

10/7/28.

*Exha of Sent to
Mr. Com. Do. Harb. Master
3/7/28*

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THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE NEWLY ELECTED MEMBERS
OF THE DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL WAS HELD IN THE
COURTHOUSE, LIFFORD, ON TUESDAY 10th JULY, 1928.

A T T E N D A N C E.

The members present were:-

Councillors Baxter, Blaney, Boyle (Daniel), Boyle (James), Boyle (Manus), Brady, Callaghan, Cole, Doherty (Patrick), Doherty (Philip), Doogan, Douglas, Gallagher (Bernard), Gallen, Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Mahony, Myles, McCauley, McCrea, MacCreadie, MacFadden, McIvor, McPhelimy, McShane, Nyhan, O'Doherty (Patrick), O'Donnell, Quigley, Scott, and Sweeney.

DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE.

Each member present signed a Declaration of Acceptance of Office on taking his seat as a County Councillor.

TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN.

In the absence of the Chairman Councillor Quigley, Vice-Chairman, accepted the chair while the Chairman for the ensuing year was being appointed.

APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony, seconded by Councillor Gallen, Councillor Michael Og MacFadden was unanimously elected Chairman for the ensuing year.

The newly appointed Chairman, on taking the chair, thanked the Council for the honour conferred upon him.

APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN.

On the motion of Councillor Cole, seconded by Councillor Callaghan, Councillor Quigley was unanimously elected Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year.

Councillor Quigley returned thanks.

803/28. M I N U T E S.

The Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed.

804/28. THE NEW DERRY BRIDGE.

Councillor Blaney moved the suspension of the Standing Orders in order to call the attention of the Council to a matter which he considered of public importance and that was in connection with a decision of the Derry Corporation at their meeting on 9th instant to have a Bill promoted in Parliament enabling them to construct a newly fixed bridge in lieu of the existing swivel bridge which had existed for 65 years. This was opposed by Strabane and the right to have a swivel bridge maintained.

It was stated, however, that the interests of Donegal were threatened as the passages to Carrigans, St. Johnston, and Porthall for sea-going vessels would be closed for all time. If that were so, under the Treaty they in Donegal had a right to that part of the river from Carrigans to Porthall and it was a matter

matter that the Council should give consideration to.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor O'Donnell, seconded by Councillor McCauley, it was unanimously decided to request Councillor Blaney, T.D., in conjunction with the other Deputies, to take the matter up in the Dail.

804/28. APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES.

A letter dated 3rd July, 1928, F.47554/1928, was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health referring to the rules according to which members of the Board of Health are to be elected as set out in the second schedule to the Local Government Act, 1925 and enclosing an example of an election of a Board of Health.

A copy resolution passed by Ballyshannon Town Commissioners requesting the Donegal County Council to have their local County Councillor - Mr. D.J. Nyhan - appointed on the Public Health Committee and Donegal Mental Hospital Committee and that the Ballyshannon Town Commissioners be recommended by the County Council for appointment as Local Committee of Board of Health, was also read.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

The Council then proceeded to elect the following members to the Board of Health in accordance with the instructions laid down in the letter above referred to:-

Name	Address	Elected for County Electoral Area of
Patrick Quigley Esq.	----- Carrickabraghey,--Buncrana Clonmany.	
James Sproule Myles T.D.	----- Ballyshannon-----	Donegal.
Daniel Edward Boyle Esq.	----- Kincasslagh-----	Glenties.
Eugene Mahony Esq.	----- Letterkenny-----	Letterkenny.
Manus A. MacCreadie Esq.	----- Milford.	

Additional Members.

Kenny J. Brennan	-----	Dungloe.
James Clarke Esq.	-----	Port Hall, Clonleigh, Ballindrait.
Francis Gallagher Esq.	-----	Donegal.
Edward Gallen Esq.	-----	Broomfield, Castlefin.
Denis McCauley Esq.	-----	James Street, Moville.

The following were elected on the Committees named:-

Mental Hospital.

Name	Address
Neal Blaney T.D.	Rossnakill.
Manus Boyle	Mountcharles.
Francis Callaghan (Senr)	Castlebane, Stranorlar.
James Clarke	Port Hall, Clonleigh, Ballindrait.
Michael Doogan	Meenderrygamph, Gweedore.
Edward Gallen	Broomfield, Castlefin.
Eugene Mahony	Letterkenny.
James Sproule Myles, T.D.	Ballyshannon.
James Patrick McIvor	Quigley's Point, Co. Donegal.
Charles McPhelimy	Monellan, Crossroads, Killygordon.
Denis Nyhan	West Port, Ballyshannon.
James F. O'Donnell	Burtonport.
Very Rev. John McCafferty P.P.	Stranorlar.
Rev. John O'Doherty, P.P.	Rathmullan.
Rev. J. Burns, C.C.	Killymard.
Rev. A.P. Conniff, B.A.	Ramelton.

Agricultural.

Name	Address
Rev. James Maguire, P.P., V.F.	Clonmany.
Rev. John Logan, C.C.	Glebe, Linsfort.
Rev. Daniel Reid, C.C.	Carndonagh.
Frank J. Alexander	Imlick, Carrigans.
Samuel A. Baxter	Milford.
Neal Blaney, T.D.	Rossnakill.
William Borland	Cloughfin, Rossnakill.
Charles Browne	Kill, Carrigart.
James Clarke	Port Hall, Clonleigh, Ballindrait.
Patrick John Cole	Bridge Street, Carndonagh.
Patrick Doherty	Dunmore, Carrigart.
W.H. Donaldson	Glenafon, Welchtown.
Michael Doogan	Meenderrygamph, Gweedore.
James Elkin	Termone, Carrowmena.
Neal Faulkner	Culdaff.
Bernard Gallagher	Kilclooney, Narin, Glenties.
Charles Gallen	Broomfield, Castlefin.
Edward Gallen	Broomfield, Castlefin.
Edward Gillen	Carrick, Moville.
John S. Hamilton	Brownhall, Ballintra.
William Holmes	Ballybogan, Lifford.
Patrick Kavanagh	Sladrin, Buncrana.
Patrick Kerr	Morass, Tamney.
Patrick Loughrey	Kerrykeel, Letterkenny.
Andrew Lowry	Argery, Ballindrait.
Eugene Mahony	Letterkenny.
Robert Mooney	Borough House, Burt.
Basil McCrea	The Mall, Ramelton.
James McDaid	Magherard, Carndonagh.
John McDermott	Rossgier House, Rossgier, Ballindrait.
Henry McDevitt	Cloughfin, Castlefin.
Michael Og MacFadden T.D.	Kilcar.
Patrick McGeehan	Fintown.

Agricultural (Continued).

Name	Address
James Patrick McIvor-----	Quigley's Point, Co. Donegal.
Thomas McShane-----	Dunkineely.
James McSheffrey-----	Claremount, Castleary.
Denis Nyhan-----	West Port, Ballyshannon.
Patrick O'Doherty-----	Umgall, Malin.
Hugh O'Donnell-----	Porthall, Clonleigh.
James F. O'Donnell-----	Burtonport.
John O'Flaherty-----	Garrick, Castlefin.
Samuel Patterson-----	Drumoghill, Manorcunningham.
Neal Quigley-----	Lagg, Malin.
Patrick Quigley-----	Carriackabraghey, Clonmany.
T.B. Rankin-----	The Cloon, Carrigans.
Patrick E. Rogers-----	Massinass, Creeslough.
John Scott-----	Birdstown House, Burnfoot, Lifford.
Wm. H. Wagentreiber-----	Lifford.

Joint Technical Instruction.

Name	Address
Very Rev. Canon McGinley, P.P.--	Ballyshannon.
Rev. James Maguire, P.P.V.F.---	Clonmany.
Rev. Michael McGeown P.P.---	Carndonagh.
Rev. John O'Doherty, P.P.---	Rathmullan.
Rev. Michael Sheerin, P.P.---	Moville.
Rev. T.A. Agnew, C.C.---	Buncrana.
Rev. John Cunningham, C.C.---	Glenties.
Rev. T.R. Griffith, C.C.---	Ballyshannon.
Rev. John B. Tarleton-----	Ballyshannon.
Frederick W. Anderson-----	Hollymount, Carndonagh.
Samuel A. Baxter-----	Milford.
Neal Blaney T.D.-----	Rossnakill.
Wm. Borland-----	Cloughfin, Rossnakill.
James Boyle-----	Falcarragh.
Manus O'Boyle-----	Mountcharles.
William Boyle P.C.-----	Letterkenny.
Kenny J. Brennan-----	Dungloe.
James Clarke-----	Port Hall, Clonleigh, Ballindrait.
Patrick J. Cole-----	Bridge Street, Carndonagh.
Daniel Coll-----	Bunbeg.
Daniel Diver-----	Letterkenny.
Patrick Doherty-----	Dunmore, Carrigart.
Michael Doogan-----	Meenderrygamph, Gweedore.
Neal Faulkner-----	Culdaff.
Edward Gallen-----	Broomfield, Castlefin.
John S. Hamilton-----	Brownhall, Ballintra.
Robert Holmes-----	Mondooey, Manorcunningham.
Patrick Kavanagh-----	Sladain, Buncrana.
Patrick Kerr-----	Morass, Tamney.
Andrew Lowry-----	Argery, Ballindrait.
Patrick Loughroy-----	Kerrykeel.
Eugene Mahony-----	Letterkenny.
Robert Morgan-----	Ravenscliffe, Movillo.
Patrick A. Mulreany-----	Killybegs.
Basil McCrea-----	The Mall, Ramelton.
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Patrick McGeehan	Fintown.
Michael McGlinchey	Buncrana.
Patrick F. McGlinchey	Raphoe.
James P. McIvor	Quigley's Point, Co. Donegal.
Thomas McShane	Dunkineely.
Denis Nyhan	West Port, Ballyshannon.
Patrick O'Doherty	Umgall, Malin.
James F. O'Donnell	Burtonport.
Neal Quigley	Lagg, Malin.
Patrick Quigley	Carrickabraghey, Clonmany.
John Scott	Birdstown House, Burnfoot.
Wm. H. Wagentreiber	Lifford.
James A. Walker	Carntullagh, Bruckless.

Authorised Committees.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter, seconded by Councillor Loughrey, it was unanimously decided to request the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to sanction the designation of the County Donegal Committee of Agriculture and County Donegal Joint Technical Instruction Committee respectively as "Authorised Committees" under Section 65 of the Local Government Act, 1925.

Finance & Roads Committees.

Name	Address
Samuel A. Baxter	Milford.
Neal Blaney, T.D.	Rosnakill.
James Boyle	Falcarragh.
Manus O'Boyle	Mountcharles.
Brian M. Brady	Killybegs.
Kenny J. Brennan	Dungloe.
Francis Callaghan	Castlebane, Stranorlar.
James Clarke	Port Hall, Clonleigh, Ballindrait.
Patrick John Cole	Bridge Street, Carnadonagh.
Michael Doogan	Meenderrygamph, Gweedore.
Francis Gallagher	Main Street, Donegal.
Edward Gallen	Broomfield, Castlefin.
John Stewart Hamilton	Brownhall, Ballintra.
Eugene Mahony	Letterkenny.
Denis McCauley	James Street, Moville.
Manus A. MacCreadie	Milford.
Michael Og MacFadden T.D.	Kilcar.
James Patrick McIvor	Quigley's Point, Co. Donegal.
Charles McPhelimy	Monellan, Crossroads, Killygordon.
Thomas McShane	Dunkineely.
Denis Nyhan	West Port, Ballyshannon.
Patrick O'Doherty	Umgall, Malin.
James F. O'Donnell	Burtonport.
Patrick Quigley	Carrickabraghey, Clonmany.
John Scott	Birdstown House, Burnfoot, Lifford.

Diseases of Animals Committee.

All members of the Council.

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Rev. John McCafferty, P.P.	Stranorlar.
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Rev. Michael McGeown, P.P.	Carndonagh.
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Patrick M. Ward Esq. <i>M.P.</i>	Ramelton.

County Library Committee.

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Rev. John O'Doherty, P.P.	Rathmullan.
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The appointment of a Law Committee was relegated to the Finance Committee.

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John E. Boyle Esq.-----	Dungloe
Kenny J. Brennan Esq.-----	Dungloe
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John Starret Esq.	Malin

Letterkenny.

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George McClenaghan	Letterkenny
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John Bradley Esq.	Ture, Ture P.O.
Wm. T. Huey Esq.	Drumskellan, Ture P.O.
Rev. J. Kelly C.C.	Iskahoon, Muff
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Captain John Scott	Birdstown House, Burnfoot
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Rev. J.R. Sides V.C.	Newtowncunningham
Rev. S.J. Parker	The Manse, Newtowncunningham
Hugh Conaghan Esq.	Ballyhaskey, Newtowncunningham
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Captain John Scott	Birdstown House, Burnfoot

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Rev. J. Sheridan	Carrigart
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Strabane No. 2.

Names	Addresses
Right Rev. Monsignor Doherty P.P. V.G.	Strabane
Rev. James Black	Castlefin
Alexander Browne Esq.	St. Johnston
James Clarke Esq.	Port Hall, Clonleigh
Andrew Lowry Esq.	Argery
James McCosker Esq.	Lifford
Henry McDevitt Esq.	Cloughfin, Castlefin
P. O'Donnell Esq.	Clonleigh
M. H. Wagentreiber Esq.	Lifford.

Stranorlar.

<u>Names</u>	<u>Addresses</u>
Rev. J. McCafferty P.P.	Stranorlar
Rev. C. Byrne C.C.	Crossroads
Rev. J. Kelly, C.C.	Convoy
Rev. J. Curry	Stranorlar
Francis Callaghan Esq.	Castlebane, Stranorlar
Patrick Herron Esq.	Stranorlar
James Magee Esq.	Ballybofey
Henry McNulty Esq.	Ballybofey
Charles McPhelimy Esq.	Monellan, Crossroads, Killygordon

LOCAL PENSIONS

ALL THE MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL.

RATES.

805/28.

re Mr. GEORGE DUNNION. RATE AND RENT INSPECTOR.

The Secretary informed the Council that the Local Government Department's sanction, dated the 12th July, 1927, G.23534/1927, to the appointment of Mr. George Dunnion, Rate and Rent Inspector, had now expired, and it would, therefore, be necessary to review the position and make future arrangements in accordance with the terms of Minute 77C/27 of the County Council.

In reply to members present, the Secretary stated that Mr. Dunnion had satisfactorily discharged his duties during the past year, and had also given the Rate Collectors assistance and advice in cases of difficulty.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor MacCreadie, seconded by Councillor Mahony, it was unanimously decided, subject to sanction, to appoint Mr. Dunnion permanently to the position of Rate and Rent Inspector for the Administrative County of Donegal at the respective scales of remuneration set out in the Minute quoted.

806/28.

PROPOSED RE-APPOINTMENT OF Mr. E.J. DOHERTY AS COLLECTOR FOR No. 20 COLLECTION DISTRICT.

A letter dated 13th June, 1928, G.41914/1928 was submitted from the Local Government Department referring to extract from Minutes of Proceedings of the Donegal County Council at their meeting held on 29th ultimo regarding the appointment of a Rate Collector for No. 20 Collection District and stating that the Minister could not sanction the re-appointment of Mr. E.J. Doherty. The appointment of a suitable person to collect the rates in the District should be made without further delay (656/28 C.C.).

Minute:- Councillor McCauley proposed that the Minister for Local Government and Public Health be again requested to reconsider his decision and sanction the re-appointment of Mr. E.J. Doherty as made by the Council on the 24th April, 1928. Mr. Doherty, he pointed out, had discharged his full liability to the Council, and there was no reason why he should not be re-appointed.

Councillor Cole seconded the motion, which was supported by Councillor Scott and passed unanimously.

807/28. APPLICATIONS FOR APPOINTMENT OF RATE
COLLECTOR FOR DISTRICT No. 20.

Applications received for the position of Rate Collector for No. 20 Collection District from the following persons were not considered (656/28 C.C.):—

Name	Address
John Canny-----	Pound Street, Carndonagh
Edward F. Doherty-----	Clonmany
Wm. James Crampsey-----	Clonmany
Bernard McColgan-----	Legahurry, Clonmany
Edward J. Doherty-----	Ballyloskey, Carndonagh
Michael Deery-----	Ballagh, Malin
Patrick Canny-----	Carrowreagh, Carndonagh

808/28. SANCTION OF ADDITIONAL 1d POUNDAGE;
1927/28 : COLLECTORS MCATEER, DAWSON (No.28), BROWNE,
FARREN AND HOLMES.

A letter dated 19th June, 1928, G.42912/1928 was submitted from the Local Government Department sanctioning the proposal of the Donegal County Council to pay an additional Penny Poundage in the cases set out in Minute 657/28 C.C.

809/28. SANCTION OF ADDITIONAL 1d POUNDAGE;
1927/28 -- COLLECTORS GILLESPIE (Nos. 2 & 3), GALLAGHER,
WILLIAM O'DONNELL, FRIEL and O'KANE.

A letter dated 19th June, 1928, G.42917/1928, was submitted from the Local Government Department sanctioning the proposal of the Donegal County Council to allow an additional 1d poundage in the cases set out in Minute 658/28 C.C.).

810/28. SANCTION OF ADDITIONAL 1d POUNDAGE;
1925/26 and 1926/27 - COLLECTOR McHUGH;
(Nos. 15 and 18).

A letter dated 19th June, 1928, G.42913/1928, was submitted from the Local Government Department sanctioning the proposal of the Donegal County Council to allow an additional 1d poundage to Collector McHugh on his collection for Nos. 15 and 18 Districts for 1925/26 and 1926/27 (659/28 C.C.).

811/28.
ADDITIONAL 1d POUNDAGE : 1928/29 COLLECTION.

A letter dated 19th June, 1928, G.42918/28, was submitted from the Local Government Department sanctioning the arrangement for payment of an extra 1d poundage to Collectors in respect of the year 1928/29 provided that the period of eight months specified in Minute 660/28 of the County Council dates from the time when the books are ready for issue.

812/28.

* SANCTION OF ORDINARY POUNDAGE: 1927/28;
COLLECTORS McATEER, DAWSON (No. 28), BROWNE, HOLMES,
FARREN, McNULTY (No. 11), J.B. O'DONNELL (No. 13)
AND DORRIAN.

* Letters dated 31st May, 1928, G.37278/1928; 19th June, 1928 G.42909/1928 and 3rd July, 1928, G.47725/1928, were submitted from the Local Government Department sanctioning payment of poundage at the ordinary rate in the cases set out in Minute No. 663/28 C.C.

813/28. ORDINARY AND ADDITIONAL Id POUNDAGE;
1927/28 - COLLECTOR CHARLES DAWSON (No. 25 District).

* A letter dated 18th June, 1928, G.42915/1928, was submitted from the Local Government Department sanctioning an extension of time to the 16th June, 1928 to Collector Dawson for the lodgment of his warrant for No. 25 District for 1927/28, his poundage, in the event of his failure to close by that date, to be reduced by Id (665/28 C.C.).

The Secretary stated that this Collector had closed his collection on the 27th June, 1928, and he now applied for both ordinary and additional Id poundage.

Minute:- Council decided, subject to sanction, to allow both ordinary and additional Id poundage, the prolonged illness and death of the Collector's wife preventing him from giving the time and attention necessary for the lodgment of the warrant within the period stipulated in Minute 226/27 of the Finance Committee.

814/28.

RATE COLLECTION 1925/26; DISTRICTS 16B and 30;
1927/28 - DISTRICT 30 - COLLECTOR J.B. O'DONNELL.

A letter dated 19th June, 1928, G.42914/28, was submitted from the Local Government Department sanctioning an extension of time to the 16th June, 1928 to Collector J.B. O'Donnell for the lodgments of his warrants for Districts 16B and 30 for 1925/26; and for District No. 30 for 1927/28, his poundage, in the event of his failing to close by that date, to be reduced by Id 666/28 C.C.

Minute:- Council recommended that the time for the lodgment of the full warrants for Districts 16B and 30 by Collector J.B. O'Donnell for 1925/26 be further extended to 31st July, 1928, the terms of Minute 45/28 F.C., in regard to the former area and districts 13 and 30 meanwhile to remain in force.

815/28. REVISION OF VALUATION AND RATES.
Mr. DENIS MEEHAN, MUCKROSS, KILCAR -- COLLECTOR
MICHAEL O'DONNELL'S DISTRICT.

Letters dated 19th June, 1928, G.42916/28 from the Local Government Department and 25th June, 1928, No. 2806171 from the Valuation Department were submitted regarding the revision of the Valuation of the holding of Mr. Denis Meehan, Tawny, Largymore, and consequent adjustment of the rates for the years 1925/26, 1926/27 and 1927/28 (667/28 C.C.).

Minute:- Council noted that the required adjustment of the rates in the case had been effected.

816/28.

SANCTION OF ORDINARY POUNDAGE : 1926/27;
Mr. EDWARD J. DOHERTY.

A letter dated 13th June, 1928, G.42131/1928, was submitted from the Local Government Department sanctioning payment of poundage at the ordinary rate to Mr. Edward J. Doherty on his collection for 1926/27 (669/28 C.C.).

817/28.

SANCTION OF ORDINARY POUNDAGE; 1927/28;
 COLLECTORS J.B. O'DONNELL (No. 13).
McNULTY (No. 11) and DORRIAN.

A letter dated 27th June, 1928, G.45773/1928, was submitted from the Local Government Department sanctioning payment of poundage at the ordinary rate to Collector J.B. O'Donnell (No. 13) Hugh McNulty (No. 11) and Hugh Dorrian on the amount of the first moiety of their 1927/28 collections which they had closed (663/28 C.C.).

818/28. ORDINARY AND ADDITIONAL Id POUNDAGE;
1927/28; COLLECTOR EDWARD ARNOLD.

A letter dated 19th June, 1928, G.42911/28, was submitted from the Local Government Department sanctioning an extension of time to the 16th June, 1928 to Collector Arnold for the lodgment of his warrant for 1927/28, his poundage, in the event of his failure to close by that date, to be reduced by Id (661/28 C.C.).

The Secretary stated that this Collector had closed his collection on the 30th June, 1928 and he now applied for both ordinary and additional Id poundage.

Minute:- Council decided, subject to sanction, to allow both ordinary and additional Id poundage having regard to Mr. Arnold's satisfactory record as evidenced by the fact that he had now brought the Rate Collection in his District, which was considerably in arrear at the time he assumed office, practically into line with the adjoining areas.

819/28.

RATE COLLECTION : HALF-YEAR MARCH, 1922;
ORIGINAL No. 16 DISTRICT : ex-COLLECTOR MCCOLE.

Letters dated 13th June, 1928, G.39773/1928 and 22nd idem G.43837/1928, were submitted from the Local Government Department sanctioning payment of 50% of the poundage fees on ex-Collector McCole's actual lodgments in respect of half-year ended 31st March, 1922 (76/28 F.C.).

820/28.

COLLECTION OF THE RATE : 1927/28 and 1928/29.

A letter dated 14th June, 1928, G.40639/1928, was submitted from the Local Government Department calling attention to the failure of certain Collectors to close their accounts within the times fixed in Minute 49/28 of the Finance Committee, and recommending the imposition of a further fine of Id in the poundage rate in the cases in which the warrants had not been closed by the 30th June, 1928.

Minute/

Minute:- The Council, having fully considered each case, made the following rulings:-

Districts 4, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12, 13 and 22 - Time for completion of collections for 1927/28 further extended to the 31st July, 1928 the books for 1928/29 meanwhile to be issued;

Districts 5 and 29 - Time for completion of Collections for 1927/28 further extended to the 31st July, 1928 the books for 1928/29 meanwhile not to be issued;

Districts 9, 16, 16a, 16B and 30 - Further postponed to next meeting of the Finance Committee.

821/28. DISTRICT 16a - YEARS 1925/26 and 1926/27;
COLLECTOR PETER GREENE.

Minute:- Council recommended that the time for the lodgment of the full warrant for No. 16a District by Collector Greene for 1925/26 be further extended to the 31st July, 1928, the question of the fixing of a date for the closing of the 1926/27 collection being postponed until next meeting of the Finance Committee (Minute No. 47/28 F.C.).

822/28. NOTICE OF RATES MADE -- 1928/29.

A letter dated 14th June, 1928, Stat. 42760/1928, was submitted from the Local Government Department referring to the Notice of Rates Order, 1928 and requesting to be furnished with a copy of Form 49 therein (Notices of Rates having been made) in respect of rates made by the Donegal County Council for the current financial year.

Minute:- Council noted Secretary's report that copy of Notice referred to was duly forwarded to the Department.

823/28. IRISH LAND COMMISSION INQUIRIES re PERSONS RATED.

Letters dated 28th April, 1928 and 21st and 31st May, 1928 were submitted from the Irish Land Commission requesting to be furnished with the full name and postal address of the persons rated in respect of the lands: Rosstown Lower, tenant. Edward Kelly (Hugh Senior), County District of Ballyshannon.

Minute:- Council noted that the information referred to had been duly given.

824/28. ORDINARY AND ADDITIONAL 1d POUNDAGE;
1927/28 -- COLLECTOR JOHN GILLESPIE;
(No. 1 DISTRICT).

An application by Collector John Gillespie, who was in attendance, for both ordinary and additional 1d poundage on his Collection for No. 1 District for 1927/28 was submitted.

The Secretary stated that this Collector had closed his Collection on the 20th June, 1928.

Minute:- Council decided, subject to sanction, to allow both ordinary and additional 1d poundage to this Collector who had closed his accounts for Nos. 2 and 3 Districts for the same year on the 13th April, 1928.

825/28. PROPOSED RESIGNATION OF COLLECTOR DAWSON (District No. 25) and SUBSEQUENT WITHDRAWAL.

A letter dated 23rd June, 1928, was submitted from Mr. Charles Dawson, Rate Collector for Districts Nos. 25 and 28 tendering his resignation for the former area. A later communication from Mr. Dawson was also laid before the Council expressing his desire to retain both districts.

Minute:- Council agreed to Mr. Dawson's continuance in office for Districts numbered 25 and 28.

826/28. CLAIM FOR REFUND OF RATES FOR 1921; Mr. D. SCANLAN, BALLINAMORE.

A letter was submitted from Mr. D. Scanlan, Ballinamore, claiming a refund of rates alleged to have been paid by him in error since 1921.

Minute:- Secretary directed to inform claimant that the Council had no power to entertain the claim.

827/28. SEED DISTRIBUTION SCHEME -- CREESLOUGH AREA.

A letter dated 29th June, 1928, was submitted from the County Council's Solicitor requesting further instructions as to whether or not Decrees obtained for seed potatoes supplied in the Creeslough area should be lodged by him with the Sheriff (Minute 167/27 F.C.).

Minute:- Council directed that Decrees be lodged with Sheriff.

828/28. ILLNESS OF COLLECTOR GORMAN.

A certificate dated 30th June, 1928 was submitted from Dr. McColgan, Rushbrooke, Bridgtown, certifying that Collector Gorman was suffering from a severe attack of influenza since 23rd June, and that he would be unable to resume work for a fortnight at least.

Minute:- Time for completion of collection for 1927/28 further extended to 31st July, 1928.

829/28. ADDITIONAL 1d POUNDAGE -- 1926/27; COLLECTOR MICHAEL O'DONNELL.

An application was submitted from Collector Michael O'Donnell for additional 1d poundage on his collection for 1926/27. In this case the books were issued on the 8th July, 1927 and the collection closed on the 27th February, 1928, poundage at the ordinary rate only having been paid.

Minute:- Council decided, subject to sanction, to allow an additional 1d poundage to Collector O'Donnell for the year mentioned.

830/28.

ANNUAL REVISION OF VALUATION.

A letter dated 21st June, 1928, No. 2806148, was submitted from the Commissioner of Valuation fixing dates for the transmission to his Department of Lists of Tenements requiring revision in the former Rural Districts of the County for 1929/30.

Minute:- That the Revisions of Valuations requested by Rate Collectors, Ratepayers and other persons in lists and letters received at the County Council Office since June, 1927 be made by the Commissioner of Valuation in the Valuation Lists for the ensuing year.

831/28.

NEW AND IMPROVED BUILDINGS AND OTHER HEREDITAMENTS NOT VALUED.

The Secretary reported that in five Collection Districts complete returns of cases requiring revision had not been furnished. This also applied to the whole of District No. 20 which was at present vacant.

Minute:- Matter referred to next meeting of the Finance Committee.

832/28.

RATES ON HOLDING OF MISS MARGARETTA JOHNSTON; MARQUIS OF CONYNCHAM ESTATE; SALT HILL DEMESNE, MOUNTCHARLES.

Correspondence was submitted from Mr. James Johnston, "Lisnaveane", Sandown Road, Knock, Belfast, regarding claim for rates on lands situated at Salt Hill, Mountcharles, to which his sister obtained legal title on the 19th May, 1927 from the Irish Land Commission.

Minute:- Council decided on the facts disclosed in the correspondence to leave the matter in the hands of the Collector who is responsible for the collection and lodgment of the rates.

833/28.

ORDINARY POUNDAGE FEES : 1926/27 and 1927/28.

Minute:- Council decided, subject to sanction, to allow poundage at the ordinary rate to Collector George M. Dunnion on sums equal to one moiety of his collection for 1926/27 which he had lodged; and like remuneration to Collectors McNulty (Nos. 12 and 32), Michael O'Donnell and J.B. O'Donnell (No. 30) on sums equal to one moiety of their collections for 1927/28 which they had also lodged.

834/28.

APPLICATIONS FOR REFUNDS OF UNCOLLECTED RATES.

Applications for refunds of uncollected rates under Article 3 of the Alternative Scheme for Rate Collection were submitted for the following districts and periods:-

Collector	No. of District	Periods ended
✓ Edward J. Doherty	20	31/3/1927.
✓ John Gillespie	1	31/3/1928
✓ John Farron	21	Do.
✓ James J. McAteer	31	Do.
✓ Bernard Browne	36	Do.

Minute/

Minute:- Council decided to make the following general rulings in addition to those recorded in certain cases on the sheets:-

- (1) That all items reported either by the Rate Inspector or Local Councillors as collectible be disallowed; and
- (2) That all remaining sums be struck off as irrecoverable and refunded.

835/28. CLAIM FOR REFUNDS OF RATES : 1925/26
ex-COLLECTOR THOMAS HARVEY.

An application for refunds of rates lodged for 1925/26 for No. 9 District under the terms of Minute 887(1)/1927 C.C. was made by ex-Collector Thomas Harvey.

Minute:- Claim referred to next meeting of the Finance Committee.

836/28. SUB-COMMITTEE OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

A letter dated 29th March, 1928, G.I.6677/1928, was read from the Local Government Department recommending the Donegal County Council to entrust full power over all Rate Collectors to a small Sub-Committee of the Finance Committee.

Minute:- Referred to Finance Committee.

837/28. REPRESENTATIVES OF THE DONEGAL COUNTY
COUNCIL ON THE GENERAL COUNCIL OF COUNTY COUNCILS.

The Chairman and Councillor Clarke were re-appointed as the Council's representatives on the General Council of County Councils.

838/28.

REPRESENTATIVE ON IRISH TOURIST DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION.

Councillor Francis Gallagher was re-appointed as the Council's representative on above Association.

839/28. REPRESENTATIVE ON DIRECTORATE
LONDONDERRY AND LOUGH SWILLY RAILWAY.

Councillor James F. O'Donnell was re-appointed as the Council's representative on above.

840/28. SMOKING.

Councillor Baxter moved:- "That no smoking be allowed during the sittings of the Council".

Councillor Callaghan seconded.

Councillor Mahony suggested that Councillor Baxter alter his motion to read - "That there be no smoking until after the luncheon interval".

Councillor Baxter acquiesced.

Councillor Scott proposed, as an amendment, a direct negative.

Councillor Nyhan seconded.

Voting/

V O T I N G.

For the amendment-----Councillors Blaney, O'Doherty (D.E.), Boyle (James), O'Boyle (Manus), Brady, Coll, Doherty (Patrick), Doherty (Philip), Doogan, Gallagher (Bernard), Gallen, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Myles, McCauley, McCrea, McPholimy, O'Doherty O'Donnell and Scott. - 20.

Against-----Councillors Baxter, Callaghan, Douglas, Hamilton, Mahony, MacCreadie, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, Nyhan, Quigley and Sweeney. - 12.

The Chairman declared amendment carried.

841/28. REVISED SCHEDULE OF TOLLS.

The following Notice of Motion by Councillor Myles was, at his request, withdrawn for the present:- "That this Council refund to those Drifters who have paid under Revised Schedule of Tolls dated 13th September, 1927, the amount overpaid according to Schedule as amended on 24th April, 1928". (648/28 C.C.).

842/28. PRINTED SCHEDULE OF TOLLS.

A letter dated 25th May, 1928, T.55889 was read from the Department of Industry and Commerce, Transport and Marine Branch, requesting to be furnished with six or eight copies of the printed Schedule of Tolls as approved by the Department on the 13th September last.

The Secretary said that when the schedule was printed he transmitted six copies to the Department; now he had only one copy left; he wrote the Department to that effect; also as it was proposed to further amend the present schedule he did not get additional copies printed.

843/28. DANGEROUS TURNINGS AT RAILWAY BRIDGES.

Councillor Hamilton inquired whether any, and if so, what steps had been taken as to dangerous corners crossing Railways.

The Secretary having replied in the negative Councillor Hamilton moved:- "That this Council ask the T.Ds. for the County to request the Government to bring in the necessary Legislation to compel the Railways to co-operate with the County Council in the matter.

Councillor Nyhan seconded. Passed unanimously.

844/28. HEATING OF GLENTIES COURTHOUSE.

A letter dated 8th March, 1928, G.14207/1928, was read from the Local Government Department relative to a letter which they had received from the Clerk of the District Court at Glenties to the effect that the Donegal County Council had failed to take proper steps for the heating of Glenties Courthouse and a further letter dated 14th May, 1928 from the Local Government Department requesting to be informed how the matter now stood.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, in his report recommended that the most satisfactory and feasible method of heating the Courthouse was by means of a low-pressure hot water system; estimated cost £100.

Councillor/ was proposed to further amend the schedule of Tolls and to get additional copies printed.

Councillor O'Donnell proposed that the County Surveyor's recommendation be adopted and that the work be carried out immediately.

Councillor Gallagher (Francis) seconded.

Councillor Baxter moved, as an amendment, that a stove, with a pipe projecting through the roof, be placed in a convenient place in the building.

Councillor Scott seconded.

V O T I N G.

For the amendment ----- Councillors Baxter, O'Boyle (D.E.), Boyle (James), O'Boyle (Manus), Brady, Callaghan, Cole, Doherty (Philip), Douglas, Gallen, Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Mahony, Myles, McCauley, McCrea, MacCreadie, McIvor, McPhelimy, McShane, Nyhan, O'Doherty, Quigley, Scott and Sweeney. - 26.

Against ----- Councillors Gallagher (Bernard) and O'Donnell. - 2.

The Chairman declared amendment carried.

845/28.

LETTERKENNY MENTAL HOSPITAL : AUDITOR'S REPORT.

A letter dated 25th April, 1928, Ref. No. A.S.24370/28, was read from the Local Government Department enclosing a copy of the Auditor's report on his Audit of the accounts of the Letterkenny Mental Hospital for the thirteen half-yearly periods ended 30th September, 1927 (690/28 C.C.).

Minute:- Referred to Mental Hospital Committee.

846/28.

CARNDONAGH WORKHOUSE : LETTING OF ROOMS.

A letter dated 7th June, 1928, P.39525/1928 was read from the Local Government Department regarding the proposal of the Donogal County Council to let rooms at Carndonagh Workhouse to Mr. Charles McLaughlin and requesting that the Minister might be furnished with a map showing the rooms to be let drawn exactly to scale.

The Secretary said that the matter had received attention.

In this connection a further letter dated 21st June, 1928, P.43784/1928 (Pb.) was also read from the Local Government Department in regard to the proposal to let rooms in Carndonagh Workhouse to Charles McLaughlin and enclosing a drawing of the ground plan of the North Wing of the Workhouse and requesting that the Minister might be informed if the three rooms to be let were those indicated by the letters A, B & C etc. (684/28 C.C.).

The Secretary said the information sought had been furnished.

847/28. "THE NOTICE OF RATES ORDER, 1928".

A copy of above Order was submitted.

848/28.

REVISION OF STANDING ORDERS OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL.

The above matter was postponed until next meeting of the County Council.

The Chairman, Councillors Gallen and Scott, in conjunction with the Secretary, were appointed to revise Orders meanwhile and submit their recommendations to the Council.

849/28.

COST OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS, 1928.

At the Secretary's request an advance of £1350 was made to him to cover cost of above Elections.

850/28.

OVERDRAFT.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony, seconded by Councillor Myles, it was unanimously resolved to request the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to sanction the continuance of Overdraft of £25,000 until 30th September, 1928.

851/28.

DEFAULTING HOUSING ANNUITANT.

The Secretary reported that Mr. John Doherty (Tailor), Glenmakee, was a defaulting Housing Annuitant and that repeated applications had been made to him for payment of the amount due (£3:6:11).

Minute:- Referred to Council's Solicitor to institute Legal Proceedings.

852/28.

ANNUAL ESTIMATE AND DEMAND;
BUNCRANA URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

The Secretary reported the failure of above Council to lodge amount (£1718:12:11) of Estimate and Demand in respect of Financial Year ended 31st March last.

Minute:- Given one month within which to pay amount; otherwise the County Council's Solicitor will be instructed to institute Legal Proceedings for its recovery.

853/28.

re Mr. JAMES HERON OF THE COUNCIL'S OFFICE STAFF.

The Secretary reported that on the 23rd December last Mr. James Heron of this Council's Clerical Staff became incapacitated. At the following meeting on 10th January he was granted three months' leave of absence. Being still unfit to resume duty at the end of this period a further three months' leave of absence was granted in April. This had now expired and as Mr. Heron was still unable to resume duty the matter was due for reconsideration.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Scott, seconded by Councillor MacCreadie, it was unanimously decided, subject to the sanction of the Local Government Department, to grant a further three months' leave of absence and at the expiration of this period to relegate the matter to a small Committee. if Mr Heron was still unable to resume.

854/28.

MARGARINE.

A letter dated 10th May, 1928, L.1245/28, was read from the Department of Agriculture stating that the Department had approved "Dello" "4.4" "Dublo Four", "Plough", "Redbreast" and "P.G" as names for use in connection with Margarine.

855/28.

PIER AT BUNCRANA.

A letter was read from the Secretary to the President, Irish Free State, acknowledging receipt of the resolution of the Donegal County Council regarding the taking over of the above structure by the Buncrana Urban District Council from the County Council.

856/28.

BUNCRANA PIER : REVENUE RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE.

A letter dated 29th May, 1928, T.54564 was read from the Department of Industry and Commerce, Transport and Marine Branch, requesting to be furnished with a statement of the Revenue Receipts and Expenditure of Buncrana Harbour for the year ended 31st March, 1928 and also information of a similar character for the financial years ended March, 1924 and 1927.

The Secretary said the information sought had been furnished.

857/28.

ROAD MAINTENANCE GRANT 1927/28;
ALLOCATION TO DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL - £1,3267.

A letter dated 30th May, 1928 was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) intimating that a payment of £6,219 in respect of above Grant was made to the County Treasurer on the 25th idem.-

Trunk Roads-----	£4,698
Link Roads-----	1,521

858/28. LETTING OF LANDS AT MILFORD WORKHOUSE.

A letter dated 31st May, 1928, P.38885/1928 (Pb.) was read from the Local Government Department regarding the proposal of the Donegal County Council to let above lands to Mr. Peter Patterson for grazing and requesting that the Minister might be informed what class of animals would be grazing on the lands, i.e. whether horses, cattle or sheep.

The Secretary said the matter had been dealt with.

859/28.

LETTING OF LANDS AT LETTERKENNY WORKHOUSE.

A letter dated 31st May, 1928, P.38882/1928 (Pb.) was read from the Local Government Department re the Donegal County Council's proposal to let lands at Letterkenny Workhouse to Mr. John Boyle for grazing and requesting to be furnished with similar information to that asked for in preceding item.

The Secretary said the matter had also received attention.

860/28.

PROPOSED LANDING FACILITIES AT MULLAGHDUFF.

A letter dated 20th April, 1928, No. D/I was read from the Department of Fisheries on the subject of the provision of certain landing facilities at Mullaghduff in the Gortnasate area, and with reference to the necessity for a link or approach road from $1\frac{1}{4}$ to $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles in extent which could connect up with the County Road as was also Mr. Caffrey's report and estimate on the cost of proposed link or approach road (578/28 & 686/28 C.C.).

Minute:- Consideration adjourned until next meeting.

861/28.

PORTSALON AND DUNLINNEY PROPOSED DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

A letter dated 1st June, 1928, 5070/28 was read from the Office of Public Works re above, and stating that as a result of a detailed survey made by their Engineer it appeared that the cost of the necessary works of drainage in the case of the above-named proposal would be £1,500, an increase of £150 over the preliminary estimate on the basis on which the Donegal County Council agreed to contribute 16 and two-thirds % of the cost so that free grants to the extent of 72.8 % would now be required to make the scheme economic for the occupiers of affected lands. If the County Council thought it desirable that the scheme should proceed the Minister for Finance was willing to ask the Dail to contribute 50% of the actual cost and expenses of carrying out the scheme provided the County Council was prepared to contribute the remaining 22.8% which on the basis of the estimate was £342 involving an annual charge of about £22 for 35 years etc. (498/28 C.C.).

The Chairman ruled that as the percentage which the Council were now expected to contribute towards the scheme had increased a Notice of Motion was necessary before the matter could be considered.

Councillor Blaney said he would have a Notice of Motion lodged prior to next meeting.

862/28.

ASSISTANT COUNTY SURVEYOR : SOUTH DONEGAL.

A letter dated 6th May, 1928, L.A.17/3/28 was read from the Secretary, Local Appointments Commissioners, with reference to the recommendation made by them for the filling of the vacancy of the office of Assistant County Surveyor, South Donegal and stating that after the most careful examination the Commissioners saw no grounds on which they should interfere with the placings of the respective candidates as determined by the Board of Selection and in those circumstances they were unable to vary the recommendation they had made.

863/28.

APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT COUNTY SURVEYOR.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter, seconded by Councillor Gallen, it was unanimously decided to appoint, subject to sanction of the Minister for Local Government and Public Health (Roads), Mr. Thomas Joseph Reilly (otherwise O'Reilly), 19, Carlisle Street, South Circular Road, Dublin, as Assistant County Surveyor for South Donegal at a salary of £175 per annum plus cost of living bonus (at present £40:10:0) together with vouched travelling/

travelling expenses, not exceeding such rates and upon such terms as the Minister might from time to time authorise (Minute 241/28 C.C.).

864/28. re EMPLOYMENT OF Mr. FINNEGAN
AS TEMPORARY ASSISTANT SURVEYOR.

A letter dated 7th June, 1928 R/RS/7 was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) with reference to the recommendation of the Local Appointments Commissioners of a person suitable for appointment by the Donegal County Council as Assistant County Surveyor and stating that from an inquiry addressed to this Department by Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, it appeared the County Council did not act upon the recommendation in accordance with their statutory duty. The Council must understand that in the circumstances sanction to the temporary employment of Mr. Finnegan in the office was withdrawn.

865/28.
re Mr. J.T. FINNEGAN, TEMPORARY ASSISTANT SURVEYOR.

A letter dated 13th June, 1928, R/RS/7 was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) stating that the Minister would raise no objection to payment, at the rate already sanctioned, by the Donegal County Council of Mr. J.T. Finnegan Acting Assistant County Surveyor, up to the date (29th May, 1928) the Council received a recommendation from the Local Appointments Commissioners of a person suitable for the permanent appointment.

866/28. re Mr. P.J. KELLY : INCREASE OF SALARY.

A letter dated 6th June, 1928, R/RS/7, was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) stating that the Minister had concurred with the proposal of the Donegal County Council to increase the salary of Mr. P.J. Kelly, Assistant Surveyor, from £190 to £245 per annum with cost of Living Bonus (£42) as in cases previously dealt with.

867/28. DONEGAL HOME SPUN FLANNEL INDUSTRY.

A letter dated 7th June, 1928, was read from the Department of Industry and Commerce acknowledging receipt of extract from Minutes of Proceedings at meeting of the Donegal County Council held on 29th May, 1928 relating to above and stating that this was a matter which could only be considered by the Department of Fisheries to which, no doubt, a copy of the resolution had been sent (682/28 C.C.).

The Secretary said a copy of the resolution had also been sent to the Department of Fisheries.

868/28. PROPOSED SMALL PIER AT GREENCASTLE.

A letter dated 8th June, 1928, D/73/7 was read from the Department of Fisheries acknowledging receipt of the County Secretary's letter of 2nd idem relative to the proposed small pier at Greencastle and stating that the Engineer to this Department would visit the place as soon as possible. He had at present, a lengthy list of prior cases for inspection (670/28 C.C.).

869/28. PROPOSED BOATSLIP AT MALIN HEAD.

A letter dated 8th June, 1928, D/62/I6, was read from the Department of Fisheries acknowledging receipt of the County Secretary's letter of 2nd idem transmitting copy of resolution adopted by the County Council relative to the erection of a boatslip at Malin Head and stating that he had called for an official report on the project from the fisheries point of view. When that report had been received and considered a further communication in the matter would be addressed to the Council (672/28 C.C.).

870/28. HEAVY MOTOR CAR (Amendment)
ORDER, 1928, DATED 25th MAY, 1928.

A letter dated 8th June, 1928 RV/209-RV/218 was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) on the above subject.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony it was unanimously decided to ask the Civic Guard Authorities to enforce the Order relating to Mirrors on Motor Lorries.

871/28. NOXIOUS WEEDS.

A letter dated 11th June, 1928, L.1970/28 was read from the Department of Agriculture stating that in connection with arrangements now being made by the Department for the inspection of lands for noxious woods, it was requested that the County Surveyor be asked to take such steps as might be necessary with a view to ensuring that roads and lands in the control of the County Council would, as far as possible, be kept cleared of noxious weeds (Thistle & dock etc.) throughout the present season.

Minute:- Referred to County Surveyor for attention.

872/28. WATER SUPPLY AT DOWNINGS.

A letter dated 11th June, 1928, D/2 was read from the Department of Fisheries stating that the Minister had received a report drawing attention to the inadequate water supply which was available at Downings for the use of steam fishing vessels and operating from that port. It was stated that steam drifters requiring to have their boilers blown down had to leave for other ports to do so, the present supply being scarcely sufficient for one boat per day. As it was only possible for fishing boats to blow down their boilers during week ends the present arrangements were causing much inconvenience and the Minister would, accordingly, be glad if the County Council could arrange for an additional supply of water to be made available at an early date.

In this connection a letter was also read from Mr. Edward Sheils, Downings, stating that he was prepared to accept the sum of £20 for the portion of ground required for Water Tank at Downings.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor MacGreadie, seconded by Councillor Baxter, the offer was unanimously accepted, an Agreement between Mr. Sheils and the County Council to be drawn up by the Council's Solicitor.

It was also decided to direct Mr. William Doherty, Civil Engineer, to proceed with the erection of the Tank.

873/28. OLD AGE PENSIONS ACT, 1928.

A letter dated 13th January, 1928 was read from the Secretary, Department of Local Government and Public Health, enclosing copy of Old Age Pensions Act, 1928 which came into operation on 6th April, 1928 under which an allowance of 10/- a week is authorised to persons otherwise qualified whose yearly means, as calculated under the Old Age Pensions Acts, do not exceed £15:12:6.

874/28. re Mr. C. McGOWAN, Ex-SUPERINTENDENT
REGISTRAR : PENSION.

A letter dated 14th June, 1928, P.33328/1928 Sc. was read from the Local Government Department in regard to the application by Mr. C. McGowan for compensation for loss of emoluments as Superintendent Registrar for the Ballyshannon area and enclosing, for the information of the Donegal County Council, copy of an Order made by the Minister on the 12th idem determining the amount of the compensation in this case (£11:18:1) payable as from the 13th January, 1926.

875/28. MALINBEG LANDING SLIP.

A letter dated 15th June, 1928, D/18/16 was read from the Department of Fisheries with reference to previous correspondence on the subject of the repairs to above Landing Slip and stating that the Minister for Fisheries would be glad to learn the present position regarding the work and the date by which it was expected that the repairs would have been completed.

The Secretary said that Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, informed him that he had invited tenders for the work and when one had been accepted the work would at once be put in hands.

The Secretary also said that he had replied to the Department to that effect.

876/28. FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS;
RESULT OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS.

A letter dated 15th June, 1928, L.2056-28, was read from the Department of Agriculture referring to the County Secretary's letter of the 31st ultimo enclosing a return as to samples taken under the Food and Drugs Acts in County Donegal during the six months ended the 31st March, 1928 and stating that the Department noted that three of the five cases in respect of samples of milk certified as adulterated had been dismissed. The Department would be glad to be informed of the results of the Proceedings in respect of the other two samples of milk and of the samples of butter certified as adulterated.

The Secretary said he wrote the Chief Superintendent, Garda Síochána, to furnish the information sought.

877/28. LOCAL AUTHORITIES (Officers and Employees) ACT, 1926.

A letter dated 16th June, 1928, S.29.991/1928, was read from the Local Government Department enclosing copy of an Order made by the Minister in pursuance of Section 12 of the above Act assessing the amount payable thereunder by the several Counties and County Boroughs in Saorstát Éireann in respect of the period ended the 31st March, 1928. The amount assessed on County Donegal was £95:6:4.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Mahony, seconded by Councillor Nyhan, payment was ordered.

878/28. ROADS ADMINISTRATION : STATISTICS.

A circular letter dated 18th June, 1928, No. R/42(1928) was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) on above subject and requesting to be supplied, after consultation with the County Surveyor, with certain particulars relating to Roads Administration in the County Donegal as on Sunday 1st July, 1928.

The Secretary said the County Surveyors were supplying the required particulars.

879/28. LETTING OF LANDS AT GLENTIES WORKHOUSE.

A letter dated 20th June, 1928, F.43293/1928 (Pb.) was read from the Local Government Department in regard to the proposal of the Donegal County Council to let lands at Glenties Workhouse to Mr. Daniel Gallagher and enclosing an Agreement in duplicate and requesting that the County Secretary would arrange to have the documents signed by Mr. Gallagher and the signatures witnessed. The documents should then be returned to the Department.

The Secretary said Mr. Gallagher had refused to sign the Agreement as he considered Bank Bill was sufficient.

The Council agreed that, under the circumstances, an Agreement was unnecessary.

880/28. LETTING OF LANDS AT LETTERKENNY WORKHOUSE.

A letter dated 20th June, 1928 P.43581/1928 (Pb.) was read from the Local Government Department in regard to the proposal of the Donegal County Council to let lands at Letterkenny Workhouse to Mr. John Boyle and enclosing an Agreement in duplicate and requesting that the Agreement should be signed and returned to the Department.

The Secretary said he had transmitted Agreement to Mr. Boyle for signature.

881/28. COMPLAINT.

A letter was read from Mr. Wm. J. McGrory, Killygarvan, Lr., Rathmullan, complaining of damage being done to a field of his which adjoins the main road marked Map No. 5R caused by water flowing from the watertable across the road as was also a further letter from Mr. McGrory on the matter (763/28 C.C.).

Minute:- Referred to County Surveyor.

882/28. HOLDING OF MR. WILLIAM JOSEPH McGRORY,
KILLYGARVAN LOWER.

A letter dated 20th June, 1928, 27916/28 was read from the Irish Land Commission enclosing copy of a letter from Mr. Wm. J. McGrory, the registered owner of a holding in the townland of Killygarvan Lower, which was vested under the provisions of the Land Acts 1891 - 1896, in Susan McGrory in respect of which Mr. McGrory alleges that certain substantial damage was being done to a field of his, containing about 8 acres, adjoining the main road, caused by water flowing across the road into the field, and asking for the favour of the Council's observations thereon.

Mr. Dawson, Assistant County Surveyor, said the matter had received attention and was now all right.

Minute:- Secretary directed to reply to Land Commission to that effect.

883/28. UPKEEP OF ARRANMORE ROAD;
CONTRIBUTION FROM COMMISSIONERS OF IRISH LIGHTS.

A letter dated 22nd June, 1928, was read from the Cashier, Irish Lights Office, Dublin, enclosing a Cash Order for £16:10:0 in settlement of the following account:-

Contribution for upkeep of Arranmore Road during years 1926-27.

884/28. re Mr. EDWARD BOYLE, CASTLEFIN,
SHEEP DIPPING SUB-INSPECTOR.

A letter was read from Mr. Edward Boyle, Sheep Dipping Sub-Inspector, Castlefin, re Sheep Dipping Baths and tendering his resignation as Sheep Dipping Sub-Inspector for the former Rural District of Stranorlar.

Minute:- Resignation accepted and Mr. Charles Boyle (Senior), Castlefin, who had been acting as Sheep Dipping Sub-Inspector in the district for some time, appointed to the position, subject to the approval of the Department of Lands and Agriculture.

885/28.

SHEEP DIPPING SUB-INSPECTORS : APPOINTMENTS APPROVED.

A letter dated 25th June, 1928, L.1757/28 was read from the Department of Agriculture conveying the Department's approval of the appointment of Sheep Dipping Sub-Inspectors during the dipping periods of the current year with remuneration in each case at the rate of £25 to cover both dipping periods and also with reference to the provisions of Baths.

- Minute:-
- (1) Consideration deferred until September meeting of the County Council, that the Department of Lands and Agriculture be requested to send an Inspector to the meeting and that Messrs Daniel McGlinchey, Cloghan and John McLoone, Glenties, who are interested in the rearing of sheep, be also invited to attend;
 - (2) Copy of letter to be sent to the County Donegal Committee of Agriculture with a request that they deal with the matter at their August Meeting and furnish the Council with their observations thereon.

886/28. LOAN OF £7,500 FOR REPAIRS TO
LABOURERS' COTTAGES SANCTIONED.

A letter dated 2nd July, 1928, H.42461/1928 (Pc.), was read from the Local Government Department enclosing copy of a letter which had been addressed to the Donegal County Board of Health and Public Assistance sanctioning a loan of £7,500 in connection with the repairs to Labourers' Cottages in the County.

887/28. DANGEROUS BRIDGES.

With reference to a number of bridges that were in a most dangerous state and which were referred to by Councillor Loughrey at last meeting (Minute No. 681/28 C.C.) Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, said he would include them in the next Provisional Road Works Scheme.

888/28.

COMPLAINT re SHORT MEASUREMENT OF ROAD MATERIAL.

A letter was read from Mr. Charles Gallagher, Meenakillew, Ardara, complaining of short measurement of road material supplied by him for Road Contract No. 18 in group commencing 1st April, 1925 - Former Glenties Rural District - as returned by Mr. Finnegan, Temporary Assistant Surveyor.

Minute:- Consideration adjourned pending investigation by Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor.

889/28.

MULROY AND LEATBEG QUAYS.

A letter was submitted from Mr. J. Arthur Fraser, Fras-rona, Finaghy, Belfast, stating that the lowest sum Lord Leitrim was prepared to accept for above Quays and stores with right-of-ways, was £1,500. His Lordship, of course, reserving the right to import and discharge coal at these piers on payment of agreed harbour dues (441/28 & 559/28).

Minute:- Marked "read".

890/28.

CLAIM FOR REMUNERATION.

A letter from Mr. John Gordon, Castle Street, Ramolton, claiming remuneration for acting as Caretaker and cleaning and lighting the Courthouse at Ramolton was marked "read".

891/28.

WIDENING OF GLENTIES BRIDGE.

A letter was read from Mr. T. Gilchrist, Pro-Manager, Ulster Bank Limited, Glenties, stating that his Directors had written him stating that they had no objection to the widening of Glenties Bridge as proposed, but said that as the piece of rock on which the new bridge wall was to be erected appeared to belong to the Bank, the County Council would require to get a conveyance from the Bank. The Directors also wished to know under what authority the Surveyor was entering on the work (774/28 C.C.).

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, said he interviewed Mr. Gilchrist and that the matter had been settled.

892/28. APPLICATION BY COUNTY AND ASSISTANT COUNTY SURVEYORS FOR RESTORATION OF 6d MOTOR ALLOWANCE.

At the request of the County and Assistant County Surveyors consideration of above application was adjourned.

893/28.

COUNTY COUNCIL MEETINGS.

It was decided to hold the meetings of the Council on the 1st Tuesday of each month, excepting for December, for which an earlier date be arranged by the Secretary having regard to Xmas. holidays.

894/28.

MEETINGS OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

In accordance with Notice of Motion Councillor Baxter moved:- "That the meetings of the Finance Committee of the Council be held on the morning of the Council meeting at 11 o'clock a.m. It was decided that the matter be left in the hands of the Secretary, to arrange, as far as possible, so as to comply with the motion.

895/28.

re MAKING OF DRAINS.

A letter was read from Mr. James Breslin, Upper Monargan, Ardara, stating that no action had been taken to have drains made along the county road from Ardara to Donegal, between Meenabradden three roads and Monargan three roads in respect of which a contract had been entered into 2½ years ago (790/28). Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, said the matter was being dealt with.

896/28.

EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT;
COUNTY COUNCIL WITH JAMES STEELE, ROOSKEY TENANT.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony, seconded by Councillor MacCreadie, the Seal of the Council was ordered to be affixed to above Agreement.

897/28.

REGULATIONS FOR THE CONTROL OF DOGS
BETWEEN SUNSET AND SUNRISE.

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siochana, Letterkenny, relative to complaints regarding the non-enforcement of the above Regulations and stating that the attention of all Stations in the County had again been called to the matter.

In this connection a letter dated 7th June, 1928, was also read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siochana, Letterkenny, with reference to the County Secretary's telephonic conversation on 25th ultimo to that office intimating that the Gardai at Carndonagh Station had informed sheep owners that the Gardai had no power to enforce the Regulations for the Control of Dogs between Sunset and Sunrise and stating that inquiries did not tend to support this allegation and accordingly it would be appreciated if the County Secretary furnished the name and address of the person making the complaint and such further particulars as were in his possession with a view to having inquiries made.

898/28.

VETERINARY INSPECTOR FOR DONEGAL NORTH.

A letter (L.A.O.24/306/27) was read from the Local Appointments Commissioners, referring to their communication of the 29th July last forwarding the Donegal County Council a recommendation in favour of Mr. Wm. J.P. King for appointment as Veterinary Inspector for Donegal North and stating that Mr. King had now withdrawn his candidature for this position. In the circumstances the Commissioners now recommended Mr. Francis McShane, Dunkineely, Co. Donegal, for appointment as Veterinary Inspector for the District.

899/28.

APPOINTMENT OF Mr. FRANCIS McSHANE.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony, seconded by Councillor Hamilton, Mr. McShane was unanimously appointed to the position at the salary already fixed.

In this connection the Secretary said that Mr. McShane, having acted temporarily as Veterinary Inspector from the 29th July, 1927, the date on which the Local Commissioners recommended Mr. King for the appointment, it would be necessary to obtain the sanction of the Minister for Local Government and Public Health before payment of salary to him for this period could be made.

On the motion of Councillor Hyles, seconded by Councillor Hamilton, it was unanimously decided to request the necessary sanction.

900/28.

CONTRACT No. 306 - MILFORD FORMER RURAL DISTRICT.

A letter was read from Mr. Daniel McAteer, Garland, Kerrykeel, relative to above contract which he had not completed within the prescribed time and which the Assistant Surveyor struck off and stating that he could have the material ready for measurement on 23rd July.

Councillor Baxter said the matter had been dealt with at last meeting (693/28 C.C.).

901/28. LIFFORD COURTHOUSE : DAMAGE TO WINDOWS.

A letter dated 28th May, 1928, was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siochana, Letterkenny, re damage to windows of Lifford Courthouse alleged to have occurred as a result of football or other games being played in Lifford Square and stating that the Gardai were unable to state what caused the damage and possibly it occurred accidentally.

902/28. CLAIM FOR PAYMENT.

A letter was read from Mr. John Diver, Lunniagh, Derrybeg, claiming payment on behalf of Neil McFadden of Lunniagh, James McGarvey of Carrick and himself in respect of work done last August under the supervision of Denis McCarry in repairing a pipe across the county road between the townlands of Lunniagh and Carrick.

Minute:- Referred to Mr. Steadman for a report.

903/28. PLACING OF AN OVERGROUND TELEGRAPHIC LINE.

An application was submitted from the Engineer-in-Chief, Department of Posts and Telegraphs, Dublin, for the consent of the Donegal County Council to the placing of an Overground Telegraphic Line along the Drumlane Road from Lifford - Letterkenny Road to Swilly Valley Mills.

Minute:- Consent given on usual conditions (1246/27 C.C.).

904/28. CHILDRENS' ACT, 1908.

A notice was submitted from Mrs Margaret H. Lapsley, District Court Clerk, Newtowncunningham, that under above Act an application would be made at Newtowncunningham District Juvenile Court on the 15th June, 1928 to have two children committed to an Industrial School.

905/28. PROPOSED CHAIR OF HIGHWAY ENGINEERING.

A circular letter was read from the Secretary, The Institution of Municipal and County Engineers, London, re the proposed establishing of a Chair of Highway Engineering at the City and Guilds (Engineering) College and requesting a subscription from each Local Authority.

906/28. re DAMAGE TO "PARADIGM" Fr. 89.

A letter dated 1st June, 1928, was read from the Managing Director, The United Scottish Herring Drifter Insurance Company Limited, 2, Rose Street, Peterhead, requesting to be informed if the Donegal County Council would admit liability in respect of damage done to the above through a projection on the Pier at Buncrana on the 25th May last and if the County Council wished an opportunity to survey that could be done at Buncrana by arrangement with Mr. James Watson, The Pier, Buncrana.

Minute:- Unanimously decided to deny liability.

907/28. CONDITION OF BUNCRANA PIER.

A letter dated 1st June, 1928, was read from the Scottish Herring Drifter Insurance Company Limited, stating that they had received intimation that the Pier at Buncrana was in an unsatisfactory state. There was no fender to prevent vessels going underneath the Pier decking and the Company would hold the County Council responsible for all and any damage received by Drifters insured in this Company through the present state of the Pier; also they must deny liability for damage which might be done to the Pier through there being no fender to keep boats from getting underneath the Pier.

Minute:- Unanimously decided to deny liability.

908/28. re DAMAGE TO "HELEN BOWIE" Bck 432.

A letter was read from the Managing Director, The United Scottish Herring Drifter Insurance Company Limited, Peterhead, stating that he would be glad to hear of liability being admitted in respect of damage which the above vessel sustained at Buncrana Pier on account of bolt or bolts projecting from a pile and that survey on this vessel could be made by arrangement with Mr. Watson, The Pier, Buncrana.

Minute:- Unanimously decided to deny liability.

909/28. APPLICATION FOR THE POSITION OF FLAGMAN.

A letter was read from Mr. Henry O'Brien, Croban, Ramelton, applying for the position of Flagman on one of the Council's Steam Rollers or Breakers.

Minute:- Referred to Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor.

910/28. re HOLDING OF FAIRS.

A letter was read from the Town Clerk, Buncrana, relative to the County Secretary's letter of 9th May last regarding the holding of Fairs and stating that the Buncrana Urban District Council again considered circular letter and decided to take no action in the matter (545/28).

911/28.

APPLICATION BY BUNCRANA URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL
FOR USE OF A ROOM IN THE COURTHOUSE, BUNCRANA,
IN WHICH TO HOLD MEETINGS.

A letter was read from the Town Clerk, Buncrana, requesting use of room in the Courthouse for the purpose of holding meetings of Buncrana Urban District Council and stating that the ordinary meetings were held on the first Monday of every month at 6-30 p.m.; special meetings were also held sometimes twice a month; these were held at different times but usually in the evenings.

It was unanimously decided to let the Buncrana Urban District Council have the use of the Buncrana Courthouse for their meetings on the following conditions:-

- (1) A rent of £10 per annum to be paid;
- (2) Not more than 24 meetings to be held in year; prior notice to be given to Caretaker;
- (3) Meetings not to interfere with Sittings of Courts;
- (4) The County Council to be responsible for heating, Lighting and cleaning;
- (5) The Urban Council to be responsible for the care of all furniture, fittings etc. whilst in occupation of Courthouse;
- (6) An Agreement to be entered into by both bodies embodying these conditions;
- (7) Agreement to be terminable on three months notice by either side;
- (8) Agreement to be prepared by County Council's Solicitor;
- (9) Costs of Agreement to be borne by Buncrana Urban District Council.

912/28. REPAYMENT OF LOANS AND INTEREST.

An application by Hibernian Bank Limited for payment of instalments and interest due 1st June, 1928 on the under-mentioned Loans was submitted:-

Improvement to Burtonport Harbour----- £129:15:10
Repairs to Redcastle - Merville Road-----210:10:11

Minute:- Payment ordered.

913/28. WEIGHTS AND MEASURES INSPECTOR AT
BUNCRANA : PRESS REQUIRED.

A letter was read from the Superintendent, Darda Siochana, Buncrana, stating that the covered in portion of the Buncrana Courthouse, to the rear of Courtkeeper's rooms, was now being utilised by the Food and Drugs Inspector for stamping bottles etc. It would be appreciated, however, that there was considerable clerical work attaching to duties under Weights and Measures Acts and for said purpose the Inspector would require access to the Solicitor's Room. It would be further necessary to provide a suitable press for correspondence etc. (757/28 G.C.).

Minute:- Matter referred to Councillor McIvor and Kavanagh to provide a suitable press.

914/28.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE ACT.

A letter dated 9th June, 1928, was read from Superintendent P. McGrath, Garda Síochána, Donegal, stating that it was his intention to apply at Ballintra District Court on 19th idem to have seven children committed to an Industrial School for breaches of the School Attendance Act.

915/28.

HARBOUR DUES : BUNCRANA PIER.

A letter was read from the Honorary Secretary, Bunrana Pier Committee, on the subject of the dues payable by steamers carrying part cargo to different ports or piers in County Donegal (791/28 C.C.).

The Secretary was directed to obtain, for the information of the Council, copies of the Schedules of Tolls in force at certain Harbours in Scotland.

916/28.

INJURY SUSTAINED.

A letter was read from the Rev. Francis Moran, Methodist Minister, Ballintra, re injury to a man named William Kerr living at Lismintin, near Ballintra, who, while standing in the Diamond, Donegal, on 11th May last, was struck in the face with a small bullet fired from a rifle that was being used at a shooting gallery.

Minute:- No action taken.

917/28.

WAGES OF LABOURERS EMPLOYED ON GRANT WORK.

A letter dated 16th June, 1928, R/SGN/7 was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) with reference to the County Secretary's letter of 6th instant relative to a proposal of the Donegal County Council to increase from 26/- to 30/- per week the wages of labourers employed on Grant Work and pointing out that the resolution definitely applies only to works under Grants. No alteration can be made in regard to the wages condition attached to Grants already made (716/28 C.C.).

Councillor Mahony said that the idea was that labourers employed under the new Grant be paid at the rate of 30/- per week.

918/28.

re BALANCE OF PENSION DUE TO
Mr. JOHN GILBRIDE (Deceased).

A letter was read from Miss Amelia Gilbride, Ardara, stating that her father - Mr. John Gilbride - died on 17th April, 1928 and that she did not propose taking out letters of Administration as the only asset possessed by the deceased was the amount due to him by the County Council in respect of his pension. She would be obliged if the Council would pay the amount due on a letter of indemnity which she was prepared to sign.

Minute:- The Council agreed to pay amount to Miss Amelia Gilbride on production to the County Secretary of a letter of indemnity signed by her and two solvent persons.

919/28.

FLOODING OF LANDS.

A letter dated 22nd June, 1928, was read from the Local Government Department transmitting, for the favour of the observations of the Donegal County Council, a letter received from Mr. John McDermott, Rossgier House, Ballindrait, regarding the flooding of his lands as was also a letter addressed by Mr. McDermott to the County Council on the matter.

Minute:- Referred to Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, for attention.

920/28.

INDICATION BOARDS SUPPLIED BY THE
IRISH AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION.

A letter was read from Sergeant J. Healy, Garda Siochana, Bundoran, stating that numerous complaints had been received there from tourists and others concerning the "Indication Boards" supplied by the above Association and erected at the junction of the Manorhamilton - Kinlough road with the Main Street, Bundoran, near the bridge.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, said that the matter was receiving his attention.

921/28.

FOOD AND DRUGS INSPECTOR;
SERGEANT J. LOGUE - 3346, KILMACRENAN.

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siochana, Letterkenny, with reference to his recommendation that Sergeant J. Logue, 3346, Kilmacrenan, be appointed Food and Drugs Inspector in lieu of Sergeant Ballantine, 302, Creeslough, and stating that the former was recently married and his early transfer ex the Division was expected. In the circumstances the appointment of Garda William Wall, 3111, Kilmacrenan was recommended.

Minute:- Recommendation adopted.

922/28.

FOOD AND DRUGS INSPECTOR;
GARDA JAMES CAFFREY - 5542, CARRIGANS.

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siochana, Letterkenny, recommending the appointment of Garda James Caffrey, 5542, Carrigans, as Food and Drugs Inspector in lieu of Sergeant Michael Cuff, 392, who was now transferred to Clogher from Raphoe an ~~early~~ already covered by Sergeant O. area. Flaherty, 2166, Glenties.

Minute:- Recommendation adopted.

923/28.

re FIRE INSURANCE AND WORKMENS' COMPENSATION.

A letter was read from the Manager, National Employers' Mutual General Insurance Association Limited, Dublin, re above.

924/28.

CUTTING OF TREES.

A letter was read from Mr. H. Bracken, Dromanaire, Co. Leitrim, stating that it had been reported to him that two trees had been cut on the Mall, Ramelton, by order of the County Council and requesting to be informed of the Council's authority for doing so (Sir Henry Stewart Bt. Estate).

Mr. Steadman said that complaints having been made to Mr. Patrick Dawson, Assistant County Surveyor, regarding those three which were destroyed he, not knowing who the owner was, had them removed as a protection to the public and that he (Mr. Steadman) would write Mr. Bracken re the matter.

925/28.

CONTRACT No. 20 GLENTIES FORMER
RURAL DISTRICT : re MONEY DEFERRED.

A letter was read from Mr. James Dunlevy, Solicitor, Donegal, on behalf of Mr. Con Breslin of Scadaman, Ardara, re measurement of road material for Contract No. 20 Glenties Former Rural District and the stoppage of £20 out of contract.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, said the reason for deferring amount was owing to the contractor not supplying the full quantity of road material.

926/28.

TEELIN PIER : PAYMENT OF HARBOUR DUES.

A letter was read from Hugh O'Byrne, Harbour Master, Teelin, reporting that the skippers of the four oared fishing boats at Teelin had refused to pay him Harbour Dues for season 1st May to 30th September, 1928.

Minute:- Consideration adjourned until next meeting.

927/28.

TEELIN PIER : DANGEROUS ROCKS.

A letter dated 2nd July, 1928 was read from Mr. Hugh O'Byrne, Harbour Master, Teelin, reporting that there were dangerous rocks at Teelin Pier and the Steam Drifter "Roverboration" went aground on 7th ultimo in low water and got badly damaged on them.

Minute:- Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, to inspect and furnish a report to next meeting of the Council.

928/28.

LOUGHSALT WATER SUPPLY.

A letter dated 19th June, 1928 was read from the Resident Medical Superintendent, District Mental Hospital, Letterkenny, forwarding, for the County Council's information, copy of report of Professor Purcell M.I.C.E. relative to his recent inspection of the above water supply.

Minute:- Referred to Mental Hospital Committee.

929/28.

REBUILDING OF A PROTECTION WALL.

A letter was read from Mr. Peter Gallagher, Glenties, requesting permission to move back and rebuild the protection wall alongside the river in order to widen the entrance to his yard from Glenties Street.

Minute:- Permission granted, subject to approval of Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor.

930/28.

POST OFFICE LANE, LIFFORD.

A letter was read from Mr. W.J. Harte, Post Office Lane, Lifford, pointing out the present neglected condition of this lane.

Minute:- Mr. Steadman having stated that this lane was not County property no action was taken.

931/28. BUNCRANA PIER : DEFAULTING CARTERS.

A letter dated 19th June, 1928 was read from the Council's Solicitor, re above and enclosing statement of licences paid to him and cheque for £1:10:0 and appending the names and addresses of eight carters still in default.

Minute:- Referred to Finance Committee.

932/28.

COUNTY COUNCIL V GARVIN.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor reporting result of appeal in above case.

In this connection a letter was also read from Mr. Michael Maguire, Solicitor, Ballyshannon, requesting payment of £5:5:0 awarded the defendant and £5:5:0 Solicitor's Costs.

Minute:- Payment ordered.

933/28.

CHILDRENS' ACT, 1908.

A letter was read from Mr. Edward O'Donnell, District Court Clerk, Carndonagh, stating that an application would be made at Carndonagh District Court on 19th July, 1928 to commit a child to an Industrial School under above Act.

934/28.

CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION UNDER WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION ACTS.

A letter was read from Mr. John Wray, Solicitor, Ramelton, stating that he had been instructed by Mr. Thomas Gallagher of Little Bridge, Ramelton, to give notice that on 19th May last whilst a workman in the Council's employment he was personally injured and he claimed the compensation to which he was entitled under the above Acts.

The Secretary said he had notified the Insurance Company.

Minute:- Liability denied.

935/28.

CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION UNDER WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION ACTS.

A letter was read from Mr. John Wray, Solicitor, Ramelton, giving notice that on the 24th May last Mr. James Gallagher of Ballybocarragh, whilst a workman in the Council's employment, was personally injured in respect of which he claimed compensation under the above Acts.

The Secretary said the claim had been dealt with by the Insurance Committee.

Minute:- Liability denied.

936/28. "OLD BRIDGE RIVER" AT KILLYBEGS.

A letter was read from the Secretary, County Board of Health, Stranorlar, stating that it had been reported to the Board that the above river was becoming blocked with refuse thrown into it and that a large quantity of stones also contributed to the block. The Medical Officer of Health recommended that the place be cleared up and the Board requested the Council to have the stones complained of removed which could be used for road metal.

Minute:- Referred to Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, for attention.

937/28. SALESAIN AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE,
WARRENSTOWN, DRUMREE, Co. MEATH.

A letter was read from P.J. O'Grady, S.C. Rector of above College, enclosing a copy of College Prospectus and also a circular for submission to the County Council at their first meeting.

Minute:- Referred to Committee of Agriculture.

938/28. RENUNCIATION OF WAR AND FOR DISARMAMENT.

A letter enclosing Synopsis of a Scheme for the above purpose was read.

939/28. CLOSING OF A GRAVEL PIT.

A letter was read from Mr. John Byrne, Upper Dore, Bunbeg, requesting the County Council to take steps to have closed the gravel pit where his child was drowned. It was impossible for him to save his children while the pit was open and he would be prepared to close it for £1:0:0.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Quigley, seconded by Councillor Mahony, it was decided to allow, without prodrjuice, £1:0:0 for the purpose stated.

940/28. CONDITION OF A ROAD.

A letter was read from Mr. Owen Gallagher, Arlands, Burtonport, drawing attention to the condition of the road from Forker's to Arlands and stating that he would be prepared to put up 60 tons for £15:0:0.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, said that a contract had been entered into.

941/28. DAMAGE TO RATHMULLAN PIER BY S.S. GOWAN (S/D IIC).

A letter was read from the Harbour Master, Rathmullan, relative to the damage estimated at £5 done to Rathmullan Pier by above vessel registered as being owned by J.G.A. Stephens and W. Hardy.

Minute:- Secretary directed to make application for payment. In the event of non-payment, it was decided, having regard to the expenses involved, not to institute Legal Proceedings for recovery of the amount.

Confirmed,

Mr. MacFadden, Chairman
28/8/28.

A MEETING OF THE DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL
WAS HELD ON TUESDAY THE 28th DAY OF AUGUST, 1928.

A T T E N D A N C E.

The members present were:-

Councillors MacFadden, T.D. (Presiding), Baxter, Blaney, Boyle (Daniel Edward), Boyle (James), Boyle (Manus), Brady, Brennan, Callaghan, Clarke, Cole, Doherty (Patrick), Doherty (Philip), Doogan, Douglas, Gallagher (Bernard), Gallagher (Francis), Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Mahony, Myles, McCauley, McCrea, MacCreadie, McIvor, McPhelimy, McShane, Nyhan, O'Doherty, O'Donnell, Quigley, Scott, Sweeney and Wagentreiber.

CONDOLENCE.

Councillor Mahony moved a Vote of Sympathy with Councillor Brennan on the death of his wife.

Councillor Francis Gallagher seconded.

The motion was passed in silence, the members standing.

Councillor Brennan suitably acknowledged.

942/28.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony, seconded by Councillor Hamilton, the Minutes of meeting held on 10th July, 1928, were unanimously confirmed.

943/28.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony, seconded by Councillor Hamilton, the report of the Finance Committee was unanimously adopted, the recommendation that the Harbour Master at Downings be asked to undertake duty of cleaning Pier having first been deleted.

944/28.

STANDING ORDERS.

The Standing Orders as prepared by the Special Committee were, with certain amendments, adopted by the Council on the motion of the Chairman and a vote of thanks was passed to the Committee for its work.

945/28.

SEWERAGE IN CARRIGART.

A Notice of Motion by Councillor Doherty - "That the terra-cotta piping of the recently constructed sewerage in Carrigart be extended about 35 yards further towards the tide mark so as to carry enclosed the sewerage from the entrance at Logue's Hotel where it now empties in the river and creates a nuisance and in hot weather a "stench" was referred to the County Board of Health with a recommendation that the work be carried out.

946/28.

SEA WALL IN TIRLOUGHAN.

A Notice of Motion by Councillor Doherty - "That the sea wall which is being undermined by the action of the tide in the townland of Tirloughan, Carrigart, be immediately repaired; also the road alongside between Carrigart Village and Mulroy Pier be raised with about 2 feet of pit gravel for a space of 150 yards in order to prevent continuous flooding of the road and adjoining field during spring and winter" was referred to the County Surveyor for a report.

ROAD FROM GLENTIES TO GLENMORE, via BALLINAGRATH.
947/28.

Councillor Gallagher (Bernard) moved - "That we call the attention of the Local Government Department to the fact that the importance of the road leading from Glenties to Glenmore, via Ballinagrath, demands its inclusion in the Main Roads of the County".

Councillor Sweeney seconded.

Minute:- Passed.

948/28.

TRUNK ROAD GRANT.

A Notice of Motion by Councillor Doogan - "That the Minister for Local Government and Public Health be asked to have the unexpended portion of the Trunk Road Grant for Donegal County expended before the coming winter or the end of the present year" was ruled out of order by the Chairman.

949/28.

DANGEROUS JUNCTION AT ENTRANCE TO RAMELTON.

Councillor McCrea moved - "That the County Surveyor be instructed to investigate and report to next meeting on the dangerous junction on the road at the entrance to Ramelton known as the "cup and saucer" with a view towards making it safe for motor traffic".

Minute:- Resolution carried.

950/28.

DANGEROUS CORNER NEAR ROSSNAKIL.

Councillor Loughrey called attention to a dangerous corner on the road near Rosanakil and the matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

951/28.

DANGER SIGNALS.

Councillor McCrea moved - "That the Automobile Association be requested to supply at least 100 Warning and Danger Signals for erection at dangerous corners and crossings throughout the County; the cost of erection to be borne by the County Council".

Minute:- Resolution carried.

952/28.

HEDGES.

Councillor Boyle called attention to danger from hedges not being cut.

Councillor MacFadden stated that instructions had already been issued.

953/28.

POLLING SCHEME.

Councillor Mahony moved - "That the Polling Scheme for the County as prepared by the Council and approved by the Minister for Local Government and Public Health on 1st June, 1928, be made applicable to Dail Elections and that the Register of Electors be printed in accordance with the Revised Polling Districts".

Minute:- Carried unanimously.

954/28.

re HEAVY LORRY TRAFFIC.

Councillor Scott moved - "That the report of Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, dated 24th October, 1925 re above be typed and circulated to the members of the Council and that meantime the report be referred to the Roads Committee for their consideration, and report to the next meeting of the Council; a special meeting of Roads Committee to be summoned if necessary.

Councillor Hamilton seconded and the motion was carried.

955/28.

LABOURERS' COTTAGES.

Councillor Scott moved - "That the County Board of Health be requested to prepare and furnish for circulation to the Council a return showing:-

- (a) The occupation or employment of all the tenants of Labourers' Cottages throughout the County;
- (b) Arrears of rent due in each case (if any);
- (c) Amount spent on repairs on each Cottage during the last three years."

Minute:- Motion carried.

956/28.

SOLICITOR TO THE COUNCIL.

Councillor Scott moved - "That the terms and conditions of appointment of the Solicitor to the Council be reviewed."

Minute:- Referred to Finance Committee.

957/28.

COMPOSITION OF THE MENTAL HOSPITAL COMMITTEE.

Councillor Scott called the attention of the Council to the composition of the Mental Hospital Committee. He pointed out that Buncrana Electoral Area had only one representative.

958/28.

KILLYBEGS HARBOUR.

Councillor Brady moved - "That the Council take steps to have that portion of Killybegs Harbour immediately outside Kelly's Quay dredged and for that purpose employ the Minister for Fisheries dredger when at work at Killybegs Pier."

Councillor Myles suggested that the matter be postponed for one month.

Councillor MacFaddon stated that he and Major Myles were interested and would approach the Board of Works.

Minute:- Motion passed; cost not to exceed £100.

959/28. LOAN FOR WATER SUPPLY FOR DUNGLOE.

In the absence of Councillor Gallen Councillor Brennan moved "That this Council hereby consents to the borrowing by the County Board of Health of £900 for the purpose of providing a water supply for Dungloe."

Councillor MacCreadie seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

960/28. MALIN HEAD BOATSLIP.

Councillor Quigley called attention to Malin Head Boat slip and the failure to carry out proposed works.

961/28. GREENCASTLE PIER.

Councillor McCauley suggested that the money allocated for improvements to Greencastle Pier could be more profitably be expended in dredging if the services of the dredger working at Killybegs were obtained.

The Council unanimously agreed to the suggestion and it was decided to ask the Minister for Fisheries to bear half the cost.

962/28. APPROACH ROAD TO THE LANDING PORT AT MULLAGHDUFF.

Councillor O'Donnell moved - "That we instruct Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, to proceed with the construction of the approach road to the landing port at Mullaghduff; cost not to exceed £150 and that the Minister for Fisheries be informed and requested to have the promised landing facilities thereat constructed as soon as it is possible to do so."

Councillor Boyle (Daniel E.) stated, on the authority of Mr. E. Doherty, T.D., that the boat slip would be constructed irrespective of whether or not the road were made.

Minute:- Work to be included in Road Works Scheme and reconsidered at Annual Road Works Meeting.

963/28. GRAVEYARDS.

Councillor O'Donnell moved - "That in view of the deplorable state of many graveyards throughout the County we instruct the Secretary to levy one penny in the £1 when preparing the estimate for the coming year and that the money be allocated to the different parishes in accordance with the population as shown by the last census with the view to having all our graveyards put in order."

Minute:- Matter referred to County Board of Health.

964/28. OWENTACKER BRIDGE.

Councillor Sweeney moved - "That immediate attention be given to the above bridge which is out of repair and a danger to the public at the present time."

Minute:- Matter referred to County Surveyor.

965/28.

AUDIT.

Councillor Sweeney moved - "That the Council call upon the Local Government Authorities for an explanation why the accounts of the different Institutions in the County were not audited for the last six years and call upon them to have them immediately audited."

The Secretary stated that the Auditor opened the audit and adjourned it and he understood it would be completed in the near future.

966/28.

BOOKLET GIVING LISTS OF COMMITTEES.

Councillor Hamilton moved - "That a small booklet be provided for each member of the Council giving lists of the various Committees with dates of their meetings; also names and addresses of Instructors."

Minute:- Motion carried; Councillor MacCreadie recommended Standing Orders to be also included in booklet.

967/28.

COUNCIL COMMITTEES.

A letter was read from Councillor Douglas inquiring:-

- (a) Who is responsible for various changes made on Council Committees with particular reference to Inishowen No. 3 Pension Sub-Committee on which Mr. James C. Doherty has been replaced by Councillor Cole?
- (b) Have members of County Council been furnished with copies of the Auditor's report on the accounts of the Mental Hospital, Letterkenny?
- (c) When was the last annual report issued by the County Council on Mental Hospital Administration?
- (d) Where may copies of last audit report be obtained?

Minute:-

- (a) Secretary stated that County Council appointed Councillor Cole on Committee. Councillor Baxter said it was understood bad attenders should be put off;
- (b) Secretary stated members were not supplied with copies;
- (c) None issued;
- (d) Withdrawn by Councillor Douglas.

968/28.

re DUNFANAGHY OLD AGE PENSION SUB-COMMITTEE.

Councillor Doogan moved that the Clerk be instructed to hold the meetings for the Gweedore area in Derrybeg School as formerly.

Minute:- Motion carried.

969/28.

COLLECTOR PHILIP CASSIDY.

A claim by Collector Philip Cassidy was submitted for £10:5:6 costs incurred in an action against him in the Circuit Court by Charles Slevin for seizure of sheep to meet demands for rates for the four years ended March, 1927 on the holdings rated to Denis Gildea, Ardnawark.

Councillor Gallagher (Francis) explained circumstances as set out in correspondence.

Minute:- Pay amount of costs subject to sanction of the Local Government Department; refunds of rates for periods mentioned also authorised.

970/28.

SALE OF LANDS : BERNARD DOHERTY, DOOLISH.

An extract from Iris Oifigiúil, July 3rd, 1928, was submitted re sale by public auction of parts of the lands of Doolish comprised in Folio No. 4939 and now or formerly in the occupation of Bernard Doherty.

971/28.

re CONDITION OF ROAD BETWEEN ARDARA AND MORGANSTOWN.

A letter was read from Mr. Hugh Melly, Tullycleave, Ardara, in connection with above.

Minute:- Adjourned pending County Surveyor's report.

972/28.

JOINT TECHNICAL COMMITTEE.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony Rev. D. Reid, C.C., Carndonagh, was appointed a member of the Joint Technical Committee.

973/28.

re FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE.

It was unanimously decided to request the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to make the Sub-Finance Committee, which was formed on the suggestion of the Ministry, an Authorised Committee under Section 63 of the Local Government Act, 1925.

974/28.

re DISPOSAL OF SAMPLES PURCHASED UNDER FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS.

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Síochána, Letterkenny, asking for instructions in connection with above.

Minute:- It was unanimously decided to instruct him to have them sent to the nearest District Hospital.

975/28.

COMMISSION ON PAYMENTS OF RATES MADE DIRECT.

A letter was read from Mr. John Reid, Carndonagh, enclosing cheque for £68:19:2 in respect of rates on his property for the two years ending 31st March, 1929 and inquiring if any commission is allowed on payments of rates direct.

Minute:- Referred to Finance Committee.

976/28.

Mr. BLACK.

The Secretary reported the absence, through illness, of Mr. Black.

Councillor Brennan proposed and Councillor Hamilton seconded that Mr. Black be given two months' leave of absence.

Councillor MacGreadie proposed and Councillor Clarke seconded a vote of sympathy with Mrs Black on the illness of her husband and hoped that he would soon be restored to health.

The Secretary associated himself with the remarks and several other members joined in a tribute to Mr. Black's services.

977/28. re COUNTY MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

Resolutions were submitted regarding the amalgamation of the positions of County Medical Officer of Health and County Tuberculosis Officer from the Board of Health and the Insurance Committee.

The Council decided to keep the appointments distinct and to adjourn consideration of the appointment of the County Medical Officer of Health for six months; the Board of Health to take steps to have the Tuberculosis Officership filled without delay.

978/28. APPLICATION FOR INCREASE IN WAGES.

An application was submitted from Mr. Andrew Porter, Flagman, Breaker No. 17, for an increase in wages.

Minute:- Application granted if entitled according to scale.

979/28. ROAD No. 86, MAP No. 1453.

An unsigned letter complaining on behalf of a number of ratepayers that the road material which is being supplied for use on above road in the former Stranorlar Rural District is not according to specification was not read.

980/28 GLENTIES AND ARDARA ROAD.

A letter was read from James O'Donnell, Road Contractor, Kilraine, Glenties, claiming £3 which was withheld in connection with the upkeep and repair of portion of the Glenties and Ardara Road.

981/28 ROAD BETWEEN DOOISH OLD ROAD AND DOOISH NEW ROAD.

A petition signed by a number of residents in the townlands of Dooish, Capprey and Corrairie, in former Rural District of Stranorlar asking the Council to take under its control and maintain a road lying between Dooish Old Road and Dooish New Road.

Minute:- Referred to County Surveyor for report.

982/28 CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION - M. LOUGHLIN.

A letter was read from Michael Loughlin, Tonry, Ballyshannon stating that owing to the state of the street of Ballyshannon a horse of his fell and injured itself, and claiming £7 compensation therefor.

Councillor Nyhan said horses and cows were falling daily on this street and that, in its present condition farmers could not use it with safety.

Minute:- Liability denied.

5/28

APPLICATION FOR POSITION OF FLAGMAN.

An application was read from Peter McGonagle, Meencargagh, Ballyfofey, for the position of flagman under the Donegal County Council.

984/28

IRISH TOURIST ASSOCIATION.

A letter was submitted from Secretary, Irish Tourist Association in which he enclosed copy of the scheme approved by the Minister for Industry and Commerce for the current Financial Year under which the Association was authorised to expend the fund voted by public bodies for advertising purposes and asking the Council's approval thereof.

Minute:- Approved.

985/28

"SCALP ROAD" BETWEEN MONREAGH AND CARNAMOYLE.

A letter signed Cunningham, John Lambertson and John O'Donnell, Tooban was read complaining of the bad state of the road known as the "Scalp Road" between Monreagh and Carnamoyle, and asking the Council to have the road rolled.

Minute:- Referred to County Surveyor to carry out such repairs as might be necessary.

986/28

Re:- REGISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTORS.

A letter was received from F. J. McGrath, Secretary, Local Ratepayers, Pettigo, in which he complained that a number of persons entitled to appear on last Register as Local Government Voters were not on and that a number who were not entitled appeared as Local Government Voters.

Councillor Brady said that as complaints were numerous all over the County all Rate Collectors should be warned to exercise more care in this work.

987/28

LOCAL AUTHORITIES (COMBINED PURCHASING) ACT, 1925.

A letter dated 10/7/28, S.34883/1928, was received from the L.G.D. in which they forwarded copy of an Order made by the Minister for L.G. & P.H. under section 10 of the Local Authorities (Combined Purchasing) Act, 1925 in regard to expenses incurred in the administration of the Act during the year ended 31st. March, 1928, and asked that a Paying Order for £115 : 4 : 2 being the amount assigned on Donegal County Council, be forwarded to them.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter and seconded by Councillor Nyhan the required payment was ordered to be made.

988/28

DRAINAGE MAINTENANCE ACT.

A letter dated 12/7/28, G.50168/1928, from the L.G.D. in which they gave information as to the working and financing of Drainage Committees to enable them to meet expenditure incurred in maintenance work under the Drainage Maintenance Act was referred to the Finance Committee.

989/28.

KELLY'S QUAY, KILLYBEGS.

A letter was received from Joseph Slater Limited, enclosing cheque for £10 : 0 : 0 in payment of the Rent of Kelly's Quay Killybegs, and asking that the letting be extended to the end of October at same charge.

On the motion of Councillor Brady, seconded by Councillor Boyle the application was granted.

990/28

CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION - T. TUNNEY.

A letter was received from Mr. W. Ramago, Solicitor, Ballyshannon, in which on behalf of Mr. Terence Tunney, Connaghlagh, he claimed £25 damages by reason of an accident to the latter's horse in West Port, Ballyshannon, on 5th. June, 1928 and alleged that the accident occurred owing to the unsuitable surface of the cement road at "Christy's Hill", West Port, Ballyshannon.

Minute:- Liability denied.

991/28

CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION - T. Boyle.

A letter was received from Mr. W. Ramago, Solicitor, Ballyshannon, in which on behalf of Mr. Terence Boyle, Ednagor, he claimed balance of £97 : 10 : 0 alleged to be due in connection with supplying stones for the Belleek Road for the past three years and threatened proceedings if amount were not paid within seven days.

The County Surveyor stated matter had been dealt with, Boyle having been paid the amount to which he was entitled.

Minute:- No action taken.

992/28

JOSEPH McCORMICK, COOLAGHY, RAPHOE.

A letter was received from Mr. R. Burke, Solicitor, Strabane, on behalf of Joseph McCormick, Coolaghy, Raphoe, with regard to the latter's injury while attending a stone breaker on 30th. May, 1928, and in which he asked that payment be continued till Dr. Bannigan certified him fit for work or light work which he could do with his left hand be provided.

The Secretary stated that compensation had been paid to him.

993/28

MALICIOUS INJURY CLAIMS.

A report was read from Council's Solicitor of results of Malicious Injury Claims heard and disposed of at sittings of Circuit Court in County Donegal in June - July, 1928.

994/28

LATE Dr. REGAN.

A letter was read from Messrs Edward McFadden & Co., Solicitors, Letterkenny, in which they alleged that the accident to the late Dr. Regan, which caused his death, was due to the negligence of the Council's servants in having a heap of stones placed on the public road known as Port Road, Letterkenny and they stated that if full compensation were not paid to Mrs Regan and children immediate proceedings would be taken.

Minute:- The Council decided to deny liability.

995/28

Re:- LATE Dr. REGAN.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor asking to be furnished with a report from the County Surveyor in this matter. Mr. Steadman said the required report had been furnished.

A letter dated 25/7/28 was also read from Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurance Ltd., with reference to P.L. Claim - Dr. Regan in which they asked the Councils co-operation in defending claim made by representatives of above named deceased.

Minute:- It was unanimously decided to give the required co-operation.

996/28

RE GLASSAGH AND LOWER LEANNAN PROPOSED DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

A letter dated 20/7/28, No. 5071/28 was read from the Commissioner of Public Works re Glassagh and Lower Leannan proposed Drainage District in which he described the contemplated improvements and cost with the amount required from County Council and asked if, in the circumstances, the Council would make a contribution to the proposed scheme.

Minute:- On the Motion of Councillor Baxter it was unanimously decided to ask the Commissioner to give full particulars of the drainage work proposed.

997/28

PROPOSED DRAINAGE DISTRICT - UPPER LEANNAN.

A letter dated 20/7/28, No. 5064/28 was read from the Commissioner of Public Works re Leannan (Upper) proposed Drainage District in which he stated that the Upper Leannan proposal would cost £10,000 and asked if the Council would be prepared to contribute £2,000 if the scheme proved feasible.

Minute:- The Secretary was instructed to reply that the Council was not prepared to contribute the amount asked.

998/28

C O U N T Y A N A L Y S T.

A letter was read from Dr. John Keane, University College, Dublin, tendering his resignation as County Analyst.

Minute:- Resignation accepted. Local Appointments Commissioners to be asked to recommend a suitable person for the position. Dr. Keane to be asked to continue acting until his successor was appointed.

999/28

RE HARBOUR DUES -- Teelin.

A letter was read from the Harbour Master at Teelin in which he stated that three Motor Boats belonging to the Department of Fisheries visited Teelin, and that although he had written for payment of dues no reply had been received by him.

A further letter was read from Harbour Master at Teelin with reference to his previous communication saying that he had since been paid in respect of one of the boats.

Minute:- The Secretary was instructed to write the Department of Fisheries in the matter.

II.

1000/28 RE FLOODING OF LAND BY THE DROWES RIVER.

A letter was submitted from Mr. Patrick Doherty, The Ross, Bundoran, in which he enclosed copy of resolution passed at meeting of tenants of Magheracor, Bundoran, re flooding of land by the Drowes River and asked the Council to take action in the matter; A letter was also read from Very Rev. Cannon McGrath, P.P. Bundoran, on same subject.

Councillor Nyhan stated that a contribution of about £100 was required from the Donegal County Council which was equivalent to an annual contribution of £7 approximately and he moved that the required contribution be made.

Minute:- The Chairman ruled that the resolution could not be considered without a Notice of Motion.

1001/28. ROAD No. 355.

A letter was read from Mr. Joseph Doherty, Tullydish, in which he stated that his accepted tender on Road No. 355 was for £26 : 15 : 0 and that he was only paid £20 : 15 : 0.

Minute:- On the Motion of Councillor Boyle; seconded by Councillor Nyhan it was decided to take no action in the matter.

1002/28. CONSUMPTION OF FUEL - GLENTIES COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from Courtkeeper, Glenties, giving reasons for extra quantities of fuel consumed as requested by the Finance Committee.

Minute:- The Council considered explanation unsatisfactory but decided to pay amount claimed. Courtkeeper to be instructed to be more economical in future, and to supply District Court Clerk's office with a fire not more than one day per week.

1003/28 CARRICK COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Cunningham, Carrick, Co. Donegal, in which he claimed that the rent for Carrick Courthouse should be paid to him as owner and not to his brother James Cunningham.

1004/28 RE INCREASE OF VALUATION - JOHN GRANT.

A letter was read from John Grant, Fohenagh, Ballymagan, in which he complained that a house he built 13 years ago and valued at £2 was this year raised to £4 without his having made any alteration.

Minute:- The Council decided to ask Mr. Grant to apply for a revision in his valuation before June next and if not satisfied with result he could appeal against it.

1005/28 WOMENS' PRISONERS' DEFENCE LEAGUE.

A letter was submitted from Secretary, Womens' Prisoners' Defence League, enclosing leaflet for the consideration of the Council issued by Political Prisoners' Committee.

Councillor Boyle proposed that leaflet be read.
Councillor Baxter proposed as an amendment that it be not read.

Minute:- Chairman ruled matter out of order.

1006/28

DOWNINGS WATER SUPPLY.

A letter was submitted from the Councillor's Solicitor in which he enclosed communication from Mr. Edward Shiels, Downings, re giving of land in connection with Downings Water Supply.

Minute:- Matter adjourned.

1007/28

ROAD FROM MOVILLE TO DRUNG.

A letter was read from Rev. Percy Shipway, Moville, complaining of large stones being placed on the road leading from Moville to Drung and stating that these were a menace to motorists and prevented visitors from using the road.

Minute:- Matter adjourned to next meeting on the motion of Councillor McCauley; seconded by Councillor Scott.

1008/28

CHARLES BOYLE, KILLYBEGS.

A letter was read from Mr. Charles Boyle, Killybegs, claiming payment for work done in connection with roads 18 months ago in company with Mr. Andrew Boyle whom he said was paid his share in November last.

Minute:- The matter was referred to County Surveyor.

1009/28

IRISH PUBLIC BODIES MUTUAL INSURANCE Ltd..

A letter was read from the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurance Ltd., which stated that each Local Authority which was a member of Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Limited was entitled to appoint one of its members or officers or any other person authorised in that behalf by it to attend and vote at general meetings of the Company and exercise every other right of such membership.

Minute:- The Council unanimously appointed the Chairman to represent them on the motion of Councillor Mahony; seconded by Councillor Baxter.

1010/28

MALINBEG LANDING SLIP.

A letter dated 9/8/28 was read from the Department of Fisheries in which they requested to be informed as to the present position regarding the Malinbeg Landing Slip and when it was expected the repairs would be completed.

Minute:- The County Surveyor stated the work would be finished in a few days.

1011/28

IRISH TOURIST ASSOCIATION.

A letter dated 14/8/28 was read from the Secretary, Irish Tourist Association which stated that owing to heavy expenditure in advertising they would be glad if the Council could arrange to issue a Paying Order to them for half the amount of the current year's levy for that purpose at next meeting.

Minute:- It was unanimously decided to make the required payment.

1012/28

HARBOUR MASTER, TEELIN.

A letter was read from Harbour Master, Teelin, reporting that the Skippers of the four oared fishing boats at Teelin had refused to pay him Harbour Dues for Season 18th. May to 30th. September, 1928.

Minute:- The Chairman said they have now agreed to pay.

1013/28 RE DANGEROUS ROCKS AT TEELIN PIER.

The following report was read by Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, re dangerous rocks at Teelin Pier:-

"As directed by the Council I visited Teelin Pier and made an examination of the harbour.

From soundings which I took the water varies in depth from 28 feet at head of pier to 8' 6" at a point 72 yards from the head. These are depths at high tides. To provide a minimum depth of 16ft. of water for fishing boats 24 yards along the breast of the pier would require to be excavated to an average depth of 5ft.

To carry out this work and other repairs to the pier a sum of £100 is required."

Minute:- It was decided to send a copy to Department of Fisheries with a request for assistance in carrying out the required work; consideration deferred in the meantime.

1014/28

TEMPLECARN DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

An application from 13 rated occupiers in specified townlands in the parish of Templecarn for approval of a separate drainage District being formed under Section 2 (2) of the Arterial Drainage Act, 1925, was referred to the County Surveyor for an initial report in the matter.

1015/28

RENEWAL P.L. POLICY No. 50055.

A letter was read from General Manager, Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurance Ltd., in which he enclosed renewal notices on P.L. Policy No. 50055 at an increased premium of £40.

Minute:- Councillor Clarke proposed and Councillor Boyle seconded that the increased premium be paid.

Councillor Mahony proposed and Councillor McIvor seconded that other companies be asked to quote for this policy.

On a show of hands the amendment was defeated and the motion carried.

1016/28.

GLENTIES No. 1 PENSION COMMITTEE.

A letter was received from Mr. Michael McNelis, Clerk, Glenties No. 1 Pension Committee asking that the name of Mr. Willie O'Donnell be substituted for Mr. Michael Og McFadden, Co. C., T.D., as a member of Committee and stating that Mr. McFadden was agreeable to this change.

Minute:- Councillor McFadden stated that Kilcar would be without a representative and on his proposal Rev. Father O'Donnell C.C. was appointed in his (Chairman's) place.

1017/28

DERRYREEL ROAD -- COMPLAINT.

A letter signed "Townland", Derryreel, complaining of the state of Derryreel road was submitted.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter, seconded by Councillor James Boyle, it was decided that anonymous letters be not submitted in future.

1018/28 APPOINTMENT OF FOOD AND DRUGS INSPECTOR.

A letter was read from Inspector J. Dows, Garda Siochana, Letterkenny, stating that as Sergeant James Hartigan (1847) Inspector under Food and Drugs Act was due to leave on transfer his appointment should be cancelled and recommending the appointment of Guard Lawrence Connolly (5034) as his successor.

Minute:- Recommendation adopted.

1019/28

BATH GREENS, MOVILLE.

A letter was read from Messrs Harvey & Sons, Estate Agents, Londonderry, enclosing letter from Bishop Montgomery, New Park, Moville, asking the Council to take over, as Trustees, the Bath Greens in Moville and setting out the conditions under which he would like this to be done.

Minute:- Councillor Mahony proposed that the offer be accepted on the conditions mentioned.

Councillor McCauley seconded and further proposed that the best thanks of the Council be extended to His Lordship for his gracious gift to the townspeople of Moville.

It was decided to suggest that the Local Health Committee appointed by the County Board of Health be entrusted with the care and maintenance of the greens.

Minute:- Proposal carried unanimously.

1020/28

STRANORLAR PENSION SUB-COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from the Clerk, Stranorlar Sub-Pension Committee recommending the appointment of Rev. S.E. Foot, Stranorlar, as a member of the Committee in room of Mr. Henry McNulty resigned.

Minute:- Recommendation adopted.

B Mr. J. FINNEGAN, SPIDDAL, FORMER ASSISTANT(ACTING) SURVEYOR.

A letter was read from Mr. J. Finnegan, Spiddal, former Acting Assistant Surveyor, acknowledging receipt of Paying Order for £42:2:10 as payment to 29th May, 1928 and stating that as he worked up to 1st July, 1928 he was entitled to salary and expenses to that date.

Minute:- Secretary stated that the Council had already decided to pay to date mentioned subject to sanction by the Department of Local Government and Public Health.

B ARTERIAL DRAINAGE (Minor Schemes) BILL, 1928.

A letter dated 3rd August, 1928, No. S.55036/1928 was submitted from the Local Government Department enclosing copy of above Bill with synopsis for the consideration of the Council.

Minute:- Matter referred to the Finance Committee.

1023/28

COMPLAINT re ROADS IN CULDAFF.

A letter was read from Rev. P. Tracy, P.P., Culdaff, drawing attention to the state of the roads in that locality and particularly to road leading from Bocan Catholic Church to Carrowmore.

~~Councillor Scott proposed that the patches of stones system on roads so as to deviate traffic be discontinued.~~

~~Councillor Gallagher (Francis) seconded.~~ Passed unanimously.

1024/28

HEATING OF GLENTIES COURTHOUSE.

A letter dated 4th August, 1928, G.54576/1928 was submitted from the Local Government Department with reference to above and asking to have the matter submitted to the Council with a view to having County Surveyor's suggestion acted upon.

Minute:- Secretary to inform the Department that there is no hot water system in Glenties Courthouse from which an extension to heat the Court Chamber can be made.

1025/28

CLAIM FOR SALARY.

A letter was read from the Caretaker, Pettigo Courthouse, stating that he would not continue to discharge the duties if not paid for his services up to date, being appointed on 9th March, 1928 at a salary of £4 per annum.

Minute:- Payment ordered.

1026/28

re GRAVEL PIT AT DORE.

A letter was read from Mr. John Byrne, Upper Dore, Bunbeg, stating that the gravel pit where his child was drowned was now closed in; also report from Mr. Michael J. Dawson, Assistant Surveyor, in the matter.

Minute:- Payment of £1 ordered to Mr. Byrne.

1027/28

CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT TO COUNTY TREASURER.

A letter was read from the County Treasurer asking that Paying Orders be issued to him to cover Instalment and Interest on the undermentioned Loans due 1st August, 1928:-

Loan for additional Steam Rolling Plant-----	£213:13: 5
Loan for purchase of Fordson Roller-----	41: 2: 6
Loan re Purchase of Steam Roller etc.-----	120: 0: 2
Loan for Purchase of Granulator-----	106:10: 9

Minute:- Payments ordered.

1028/28

PREPARATION OF SIXTH REGISTER OF ELECTORS.

A letter dated 6th July, 1928, F.39774/1928 was read from the Local Government Department in connection with above and referring to correspondence which took place regarding the Preparation of the Fifth Register of Electors in which certain Collectors were warned regarding their duties in this matter and stating that notwithstanding this warning an undue number of objections had been sustained in the areas of Collectors E.J. Doherty, H. McNulty and J.B. O'Donnell and in the case of E.J. Doherty a large number of claims. These Collectors should, through the County Secretary, send in explanations before payment of their fees was made.

The Secretary stated he had received explanations from Collectors McNulty and O'Donnell.

Councillor Cole said Mr. E.J. Doherty would send an explanation also.

ABSTRACTS OF ACCOUNTS HALF-YEAR, MARCH, 1928.

Letters dated 3/8/28 and 17/8/28 A.S. 44101/28 re submitted from the L.G.D. regarding Abstract of Accounts for the half-year ended March last.

MILFORD WORKHOUSE.

1030/28

A letter dated 11th July, 1928, P.49,768/1928, was submitted from the Local Government Department enclosing an Agreement to be signed by Mr. Patterson in connection with the letting of lands for grazing at Milford Workhouse.

AGRICULTURAL GRANT.

1031/28

A letter dated 13th July, 1928 was submitted from the Local Government Department enclosing Paying Order for £5,234:10:0 in respect of balance of Instalment of Agricultural Grant for year ending 31st March, 1928.

re "IMPROPER USE OF GOAD".

1032/28

A circular letter dated 12th July, 1928, L.1833/28 was submitted from the Secretary, Department of Land and Agriculture, transmitting copy of Notice re above in driving cattle and asking the Council to have it prominently displayed on Hoardings under their control.

OVERDRAFT.

1033/28

A letter dated 17th July, 1928, G.50964/1928, was read from the Local Government Department acknowledging receipt of County Secretary's letter of 13th instant and assenting to an Overdraft by the Council of £25,000 from the 1st July, 1928 to 30th September, 1928; Interest to be paid at agreed rate.

A letter was also read from the County Treasurer stating that an advance of the above amount to the Council had been sanctioned by the Directors up to the 30th September, 1928.

1034/28 PAYMENT TO Mr. W.J. DOHERTY, ARCHITECT.

A letter dated 20th July, 1928, G.51156/1928 was submitted from the Local Government Department transmitting Form E.412 for completion with regard to payment of £50:16:1 to Mr. W.J. Doherty Architect, in connection with claims under the Damage to Property Act.

Minute:- Referred to Secretary.

GRATUITIES, PENSIONS etc. OF LATE DISTRICT COUNCILS AND BOARDS OF GUARDIANS.

1035/28

A circular letter dated 20th July, 1928, 50,001/1928 was submitted from the Local Government Department enclosing Forms in duplicate to be filled in giving particulars of Gratuities, Pensions and other transferred liabilities of late District Councils and Boards of Guardians.

Minute:- Referred to Secretary for completion.

1036/28

RE SHEEP SCAB.

Letters dated 6th July, 1928 and 20th July, 1928, L.2322-28, were submitted from the Secretary, Department of Agriculture re Scab in a Sheep and Lamb which arrived at Heysham from Derry as was also a letter from Mr. P.C. McGowan, V.S., on same subject.

1037/28

re NEW DERRY BRIDGE.

A letter was read from Mr. A.J. Cassidy, T.D., acknowledging receipt of County Secretary's circular letter of the 20th instant re above and stating that he was taking the matter up with the Department concerned.

SHEEP DIPPING SCHEME.

1038/28

A letter dated 20th July, 1928; L.1757-28, was read from the Department of Agriculture adverting to previous letter of 25th ultimo and inquiring if an improved Sheep Dipping Scheme had been adopted on the lines suggested therein.

re SHEEP DIPPING SCHEME.

1039/28

A letter dated 31st July, 1928, L.1757-28 was read from the Department of Agriculture acknowledging receipt of extract from Minutes of meeting of the County Council held on 10th instant and approving of the employment of Charles Boyle, Senior, Castlefin, as Sheep Dipping Sub-Inspector for Stranorlar District in place of Edward Boyle resigned.

1040/28

GENERAL CATTLE DISEASES FUND.

A letter dated 23rd July, 1928, G.44628/28, was submitted from the Local Government Department enclosing copy of an Order made by the Minister under Section 71 of the Diseases of Animals Act, 1894 assessing the amount payable thereunder by the several Counties in Saorstát Éireann according to the annual valuation of the property in each County now in force, the amount being equivalent to a rating of $\frac{1}{4}$ d in the £1 on the entire valuation; the amount payable by the Donegal County Council was £337:15:3 and asked that this amount be paid to the Bank of Ireland for the credit of the above named Fund.

A letter was also read from the County Treasurer stating that £337:15:3 had been charged to the General Account being the amount payable by County Donegal under the General Cattle Diseases Fund, Diseases of Animals Act, 1894.

Mr. FRANCIS McSHANE, M.R.C.V.S.

1041/28

A letter dated 25th July, 1928, L.2343/28 was read from the Department of Agriculture enquiring if Mr. Francis McShane, V.S., the candidate now recommended by the Local Appointments Commissioners, had yet been appointed Veterinary Inspector for North Donegal District, and if so, from what date.

REPORTS OF PUBLIC ANALYSTS.

1042/28

A circular letter dated 27th July, 1928, P.H.53004/1928, was read from the Local Government Department stating that certified copies of reports of Public Analysts should be transmitted annually to the Minister for Local Government and Public Health and asking that this procedure be carefully observed in future.

IO43/28 LOCAL CONFERENCES ORDER. 1928.

A circular letter dated 27th July, 1928, 52589/1928, was submitted from the Local Government Department enclosing copy of above Order and stating that subject to the procedure detailed therein it was open for the Local Body to arrange for representation at Public Health Congress to be held in Dublin on 15th to 20th proximo.

IO44/28 Mr. T.J. O'REILLY.

A letter dated 28th July, 1928, R/RS/7, was read from the Local Government Department acknowledging County Secretary's letter and enclosure of 25th idem and stating that the Minister had noted the appointment of Mr. T.J. O'Reilly as Assistant Surveyor for South Donegal on the recommendation of the Local Appointments Commissioners.

IO45/28 re DANGEROUS TURNINGS AT RAILWAY BRIDGES.

A letter was read from Mr. A.J. Cassidy, T.D., acknowledging receipt of copy of resolution of the Donegal County Council re above and stating that the matter would have attention.

IO46/28 Mr. FRANCIS McSHANE, V.S.

A letter dated 28th July, 1928, P.H.53333/28, was read from the Local Government Department acknowledging receipt of County Secretary's letter of 25th idem regarding, retrospective, payment in the case of Mr. Francis McShane, V.S., and stating that it would be necessary to consult the Department of Agriculture in the matter when a further communication would be sent.

IO47/28 Mr. FRANCIS McSHANE, V.S.

A letter dated 17th August, 1928, P.H.57093/28, was read from the Local Government Department in reply to County Secretary's letter of 25th ultimo with reference to the remuneration of Mr. Francis McShane as Veterinary Inspector and stating that his jurisdiction in the matter is limited by the terms of Section 5 (2) of the Local Authorities (Officers and Employees) Act, 1926 but so far as he is indirectly concerned he would be prepared to acquiesce in the proposal of the Council provided that the duties were in fact performed by Mr. McShane.

A letter dated 23rd August, 1928, L.2564-28 was also read from the Department of Agriculture approving of Mr. McShane's appointment as Veterinary Inspector for the North Donegal Area at 70% of the salary (£100 per annum) approved for duties under both the Diseases of Animals and Public Health Acts, the appointment to date from the 10th July, 1928, but previous temporary service, which was understood to be continuous from 1st September, 1926 to be regarded as entitling him to remuneration at the same rate. The Department added that Mr. McShane's salary, and the salaries of the other Local Authority Veterinary Inspectors must be regarded as subject to review if it should become necessary to reconsider the question of remuneration for duties under the Bovine Tuberculosis Order either in County Donegal or generally.

IO48/28 LOCAL AUTHORITIES (Officers and Employees) Act, 1926.

A letter dated 28th July, 1928, A/Cs.53552/28, was read from the Local Government Department acknowledging receipt of Paying Order for £95:6:4 being the amount assessed on Donegal County Council under above Act in respect of the year ended 31st March, 1928.

IO49/28 re Mr. JAMES HERON, ACCOUNTANT.

A letter dated 30th July, 1928, G.53329/1928 was read from the Local Government Department agreeing to the arrangement made in regard to the further leave of absence granted to Mr. James Heron, Accountant.

IO50/28 WAGES TO LABOURERS EMPLOYED ON GRANT WORK.

A letter dated 30th July, 1928, R/SGN/7/2, was read from the Local Government Department acknowledging receipt of County Secretary's letter of 25th instant on the above subject and stating that the Minister could not assent to expenditure under Grant Works at a higher rate than that authorised by the County Council on works financed from their own funds.

IO51/28 COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE AN AUTHORISED COMMITTEE.

A letter dated 31st July, 1928, G.52326/1928, was read from the Local Government Department stating that the Minister sanctioned, for the current financial year, the recognition of the County Donegal Committee of Agriculture as an Authorised Committee for the purpose of making contributions in aid of travelling expenses to the members thereof under Section 63 of the Local Government Act, 1925, but pointing out that Section 63 did not apply to the Joint Technical Instruction Committee as such Committee was not a Committee appointed solely by a County Authority.

IO52/28 ESTATE DUTY GRANT.

A letter dated 1st August, 1928, was submitted from the Local Government Department stating that arrangements had been made for the distribution of the balance of the Estate Duty Grant for the year ended 31st March, 1928 and that a Negotiable Receipt for the amount of the Donegal County Council's share - £1,031:3:9 was enclosed.

IO53/28 re WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACT.

A letter dated 3rd August, 1928, 21440 was submitted from the Department of Industry and Commerce which enclosed copy of a letter addressed to the Treasurer of the Council re Weights and Measures Act.

IO54/28 WATER SUPPLY AT DOWNINGS.

A letter dated 1st August, 1928, D/II/10 was read from the Minister of Fisheries acknowledging, with thanks, receipt of County Secretary's letter of 25th July, 1928 with enclosure regarding above.

IO55/28 SAMPLES TAKEN UNDER FOOD AND DRUGS ACT.

A letter dated 15th June, 1928, L.2056-28 was submitted from the Secretary, Department of Agriculture with reference to returns re samples taken under Sale of Food and Drugs Act for six months ended 31st March, 1928 which stated that the Department had noted that three of the five cases where milk was certified as adulterated were dismissed and he asked to be informed of the result of the proceedings in connection with the other two samples of milk and one sample of butter certified as adulterated. A letter from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Síochána, was also read in the matter.

re MEMBERS TRAVELLING EXPENSES.

56/28

A circular letter dated 26th June, 1928, G.25022/1927, was read from the Local Government Department enclosing Form on which particulars were to be given of the amounts paid under Section 63 of the Local Government Act, 1925 towards expenses of members of Local Authorities and Authorised Committees in attending meetings in respect of the half-years ended 30th September, 1927 and 31st March, 1928.

ROADS STATISTICS.

57/28

A letter dated 10th July, 1928, R/42/1928, was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) asking for statistics as requested in their letter of 18th June, 1928, R/42/28.

re SEWERAGE IMPROVEMENTS, DONEGAL.

58/28

A letter dated 6th July, 1928, P.H.48882/28, was read from the Local Government Department acknowledging receipt of County Secretary's communication of 3rd idem re above and stating that it was receiving attention.

59/28 NOTICE OF RESULT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTION.

A letter dated 11th July, 1928, was read from the Local Government Department, acknowledging, with thanks, receipt of copies of Notice of Result of above Election, in County Donegal.

60/28

DUBLIN SWINE FEVER ORDER OF 1928, No. 2.

A letter was submitted from the Department of Agriculture transmitting copy of above Order.

61/28

re FIRE AT COUNTY COUNCIL OFFICES;
MONETARY COMPENSATION.

A letter dated 12th July, 1928, G.14151/1928, was submitted from the Local Government Department sanctioning the proposal of the County Council at their meeting on the 28th February last to pay, for extra clerical work caused by the fire in the County Council Offices, the following sums:-

Mr. James Heron, Accountant	£200
Mr. W.H. Black	50
Mr. Andrew Heron	25
Mr. S.D. Maclochlaim, Secretary	50

FOOD AND DRUGS INSPECTORS.

62/28

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siochana, acknowledging receipt of Extract from Minutes of the County Council at meeting held on 10th July, 1928 sanctioning the appointment of Garda Wm. Wall, 3111, Kilmacrenan and Garda James Cafferty, 5542, Carrigans, as Food and Drugs Inspectors for the County.

63/28

re HEAVY MOTOR CAR (Amendment Order) 1928.

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siochana, acknowledging receipt of Extract from Minutes of the County Council at meeting held on 10th July, 1928 re above and stating that the matter was being brought to the notice of the Divisional Force.

re HIRE OF ROLLER.

1064/28

A letter was read from the Secretary, Lisfannon Golf Club, enclosing cheque for £2:10:0 being cost for two days rolling of their course.

re ROOSKEY TENANTS.

1065/28

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor re above acknowledging receipt of executed Agreement of James Steele.

1066/28

INTEREST ON THE DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL'S ACCOUNTS.

A letter dated 27th July, 1928 was read from the Council's Treasurer stating that the interest on the Donegal County Council's accounts on the 29th June, 1928 was a net credit of £24:2:4 and that this amount had been credited to the General Account on 29th ultimo.

1067/28

CLAIM UNDER SECTION 3 (4) (a) OF THE ROADS ACT, 1920.

A letter dated 14th August, 1928, MT/209/7, was read from the Local Government Department stating that a payment of £402:14:11, being 75% of the claim of the Donegal County Council under above Act in respect of the period from 1st April, 1926 to 31st March, 1927 had been made to the County Treasurer on the 13th instant.

1068/28

ABERDEEN HARBOUR : TABLE OF RATES.

A booklet was submitted from the Aberdeen Harbour Master showing Table of Rates for vessels and goods.

1069/28

REPORT ON THE PUBLIC MUSEUMS OF THE BRITISH ISLES.

A letter was submitted from the Secretary, Carnegie United Kingdom Trust, transmitting above report.

1070/28

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR PREVENTION OF TUBERCULOSIS.

Correspondence was submitted from the above Association enclosing report of Council 1927 and Forms for appointment of delegates and private members wishing to attend annual conference to be held on 15th and 16th October, 1928.

1071/28

HOUSING ACTS 1925 - 1926.

A circular letter dated 16th August, 1928 was read from the Local Government Department (Housing Department) enclosing Form to be filled in giving particulars of assistance given by the Council under Section 6 of the Housing Acts 1925 - 1926 up to the 30th June, 1928.

RESIGNATION OF TYPIST.

1072/28

A letter was read from Miss Josephine Bonner tendering her resignation as Typist to the Donegal County Council.

Minute:- Resignation accepted.

APPOINTMENT OF SHORTHAND TYPIST.

1073/28

It was decided to appoint, by competitive examination, a female Shorthand Typist for Secretary's Office. Age limits 18 to 27 years. Subjects of Examination:- Shorthand Typewriting, English and Arithmetic. Salary £2 per week rising by annual instalments of 1/- per week to £2:10:0 per week. Examination to be conducted by Mr. O'Neill, Principal, Technical Schools, Ballyshannon, with the assistance of members of his staff.

DUES -- RATHMULLAN PIER.

1074/28

A letter was read from Mr. Hunt, Manager, L. & L.S. Rly. Co., stating that he had not received any demands from Pier Master at Rathmullan for Dues since 1st May last and asking that they be issued to him as soon as possible.

Minute:- Harbour Master to be instructed to send demands at once.

DAMAGE TO ROADS BETWEEN LOUGH SWILLY AND LOUGH FOYLE.

1075/28

A letter was read from the British War Office enclosing Draft No. 7773 for £968:4:3 payable to County Treasurer as per Requisition of County Secretary (No. 4) received through Ministry of Local Government and Public Health (Ireland) with reference to above.

Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, submitted the following report thereon:-

"This Grant was the outcome of a claim made by me against the British Government for damage done to roads by Military Traffic during the War. Estimates re the damage were prepared by me. A lengthy correspondence ensued in upholding the claim and on two separate occasions Engineers were sent by the War office to investigate and challenge my figures. After further lengthy correspondence to which there seemed to be no finality, I went to London at my own expense and succeeded in establishing my claim.

My report on the matter came before the Council of that time and the Council agreed to allow me 5% in recognition of my efforts in securing this sum and labour connected with its expenditure and this was approved by the Local Government Board.

This 5% I am now entitled to receive.

The cheque £968 : 4 : 3 is the third instalment and makes a total of £1933 : 4 : 3 received by the County.

Councillor Mahony proposed and Councillor McIvor seconded that the best thanks of the Council be extended to Mr. Steadman for his services in the matter and that the percentage hitherto allowed be continued.

Minute:- Proposal carried unanimously.

Mr. Steadman was instructed to submit to next meeting proposals for the expenditure of the amount now recovered.

1076/28

ROADS, 61, 78, 84 and 108: NORTHERN DIVISION.

Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, reported re above as follows:-

"The following roads in Falcarragh vicinity have been damaged by a heavy lorry using same.

- No. 61 April 1928 Between 3rds at Port road and 3rds at Ferrys of Panmore.
 " 78 " " Between 3rds at Campbells Br and Cross roads at Panmore.
 " 84 " " Between cross roads at Ray Br and Myra Gate Ho.
 " 108 " " Between 3rds at Carrowcannon Br and 3rds N. of Falcarragh Station.

It is very unreasonable that a heavy lorry should be allowed to work on roads quite unable to carry it. In this case these roads are mostly used for turf traffic and their surface is weak and quite unable to carry heavy lorry traffic.

Something will really have to be done to restrict heavy lorries going over any roads they please otherwise the people depending upon such roads for their local traffic will be unable to use them unless the Council finds a much larger sum of money to make good the damage as it occurs.

Even on leading roads the damage is becoming very great due to excessive weights of the loaded machines and the ridiculous speed at which they are permitted to travel."

Minute:- Matter referred to Department of Local Government and Public Health (Roads).

1077/28

RE RATHMULLAN PIER.

Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, reported re above, as follows:-

"The recent fishing at Rathmullan Pier resulted successfully and I understand that over £200 in dues was recovered.

Had it not been for the repairs that were carried out prior to the fishing it would have been extremely difficult to handle the traffic.

At Rathmullan a commendable interest is taken in looking after the Pier. As further repairs are necessary I would suggest that £100 be placed at my disposal that I might be in a position to deal with what is most pressing."

Minute:- Council decided, on the Motion of Councillor Baxter, seconded by Councillor Hamilton, to place the sum of £100 at the disposal of the County Surveyor for the purpose of carrying out further repairs to the Pier.

1078/28

FLAGMAN FOR SENTINEL WAGGON.

Minute:- Council agreed to the payment of a weekly wage of £1 : 10 : 0 to the Flagman for Sentinel Waggon.

1079/28

BREACHES IN MASONRY OF KILLEA BRIDGE.

Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, made application for £35 to repair breaches in the masonry of Killea Bridge.

Minute:- Application granted.

1080/28 LETTERKENNY COURTHOUSE BOUNDARY WALL.

Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, reported re above as follows:-
 "The boundary wall between Letterkenney Court House and the premises of the Civic Guard Barrack is overhanging and it would be difficult to hazard an opinion as to how long it might continue in that condition without falling as such will depend upon what storms occur and their direction.
 To rebuild this wall would require a sum of £40".

Minute:- Council decided to place a sum not exceeding £40 at County Surveyor's disposal for the rebuilding of this wall.

1081/28 ROAD CONTRACT No. 57.

A letter was read from Mr. Wm. Boyle, Tieveclohoge, The Cross, Killygordon, asking to be relieved of contract No. 57 - Stranorlar District.

Minute:- On the Motion of Councillor Baxter, seconded by Councillor Nyhan the request was refused.

1082/28 BUNCRANA PIER-ASSISTANT HARBOUR MASTER.

A letter was read from Mr. J. Porter, Hon. Secretary, Buncrana Pier Committee, with reference to a sum of £7 : 5 : 0 paid to the Assistant Harbour Master and for which a deduction of 10% commission was made and pointed out the urgent conditions under which the Assistant Harbour Master had been appointed and stating that the Pier Committee were responsible for the deduction made.

Councillor Baxter proposed and Councillor Scott seconded that the Council insist on the full amount of dues collected being lodged by the Harbour Master. A claim could afterwards be made by Pier Committee for disbursements made by them.

Minute:- Motion passed.

1083/28 FINANCIAL RELATIONS. DONEGAL C.C. AND BUNCRANA U.D.C.

A letter was read from Councillor Kavanagh directing the attention of the Council to the financial relations between Donegal County Council and Buncrana Urban District Council, and referring to statements made in the matter at recent meeting of the latter body by Councillor John Porter.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Baxter, seconded by Councillor Scott the matter was referred to the Finance Committee.

1084/28 DANGER SIGNAL AT DUMFRIES N.S.

A letter was read from Councillor Kavanagh calling attention to the delayed danger signal on the road at Dumfries N.S., and asking that a road signal be put on the road leading from Clonmany to Buncrana on the end of the road leading from Sladrian to Umrycam.

Minute:- Referred to County Surveyor.

1085/28 Mr. CHARLES DOHERTY, CONTRACTOR, DOOBALLAGH.

A letter was read from Mr. Charles Doherty, Contractor, Dooballagh, stating that he repaired a bridge at Lettermore in August, 1922, and had not yet been paid for the work.

Minute:- Matter referred to County Surveyor

1086/28 INJURY TO Wm. KERR, LISMINTON, BALLINTRA.

A letter was read from Councillor Philip Doherty re injury to a man named Wm. Kerr living at Lisinton, near Ballintra, who was struck by a small bullet in the face fired from a rifle that was being used at a shooting gallery in the Diamond, Donegal.

Minute:- Matter adjourned.

1087/28 RATE INSPECTOR'S EXPLANATION RE EXPENSES.

An explanation was submitted from Rate Inspector re car hire expenses, (81/28 F.C.)

Minute:- Explanation considered satisfactory.

1088/28 REFUSAL TO SANCTION RE-APPOINTMENT OF Mr. E.J. DOHERTY.
No. 20. COLLECTION DISTRICT.

A letter dated 26/7/28, G. 51840/1928 was read from the Local Government Department refusing to sanction the re-appointment of Mr. Edward J. Doherty as Rate Collector for above District, and pointing out that in view of the Council's overdraft and the heavy arrears in the District, immediate steps should be taken to appoint a successor. (806/28 & 807/28 C.C.)

1089/28 APPOINTMENT OF RATE COLLECTOR FOR DISTRICT 20.

Applications were submitted from the undermentioned persons for the position of Rate Collector for the above District, in accordance with the terms of the Council's advertisement.

No.	Name.	Address.
1	Patrick Canny	Carrowreagh, Carndonagh.
2	William J. Crampsey	Clonmany.
3	Michael Deery	Ballegh, Malin.
4	Edward F. Doherty P.C.	Clonmany.
5	Edward J. Doherty	Ballyloskey, Carndonagh.

Mr. Canny was not in attendance, and it was stated he was not now a candidate.

The Chairman ruled that Mr. E.J. Doherty's application could not be considered in view of the Department's communication.

Mr. Crampsey was proposed and seconded by Councillors McCauley and Scott respectively.

Mr. Derry was proposed and seconded by Councillors O'Doherty and Kavanagh respectively.

Mr. E.F. Doherty was proposed and seconded by Councillors McIvor and Mahony respectively.

The first vote resulted as follows:-

For Crampsey:- Councillors Baxter, Blaney, Boyle (Danl E), Boyle (James), Boyle (Manus), Brady, Brennan, Callaghan, Clarke, Cole, Doherty (Patk), Doogan, Douglas, Gallagher (Bernard), Hamilton, Loughrey, Hyles, McCauley, McCrea, McFadden (Chairman), McPhilemy, McSahne, Nyhan, O'Doherty, O'Donnell, Scott, Sweeney and Wagentrieber. - 28.

(Continued.)

For Doherty:- Councillors Boyle (Danl E) Brennan, Callaghan, Clarke, Doherty (Patk), Doherty (Philip), Gallagher (Francis), Kavanagh, Loughrey, Mahony, Myles, McCrea, McCreadie, McFadden (Chairman), McIvor, McShane, Nyhan, O'Donnell, Quigley and Sweeney. 20

For Deery:- Councillors Baxter, Doogan, Douglas, Gallagher, (Fras), Hamilton, Kavanagh, Mahony, McCauley, McIvor and O'Doherty. - 10

Mr. Deery was then eliminated, and a vote was taken as between the two remaining candidates which resulted as follows:-

For Crampsey:- Councillors Baxter, Blaney, Boyle (James), Boyle (Mannus), Brady, Clarke, Cole, Doogan, Douglas, Gallagher (Bernad), Hamilton, McCauley, McCrea, McPhilemy, McShane, Nyhan, O'Doherty, Scott and Wagentrieber. - 19.

For Doherty:- Councillors Boyle (Danl E), Brennan, Callaghan, Doherty (Patk), Doherty (Philip), Gallagher (Fras), Kavanagh, Loughrey, Mahony, Myles, McCreadie, McFadden (Chairman), McIvor, O'Donnell, Quigley and Sweeney. - 16

Minute:- The Chairman declared Crampsey elected, and it was decided to accept Messrs John Crampsey, Goorey, Glencely, and Denis McGrenaghan, Larahirl, Culdaff, Farmers, as his personal sureties under the Public Bodies Order, in the sum of £223 in addition to £2439 security to be provided in the case by the Guarantee Society.

1090/28

RATE COLLECTION.

A letter dated 9/7/28, G.48885/1928, from the L.G.D. in which they called attention to the unsatisfactory condition of the Rate Collection for 1927/28 and stated that the Council should consider the imposition of penalties graduated according to any further delay in the closing of the outstanding warrants was read.

1091/28

APPOINTMENT OF MR. GEORGE DUNNION.
RATE AND RENT INSPECTOR.

A letter dated 26/7/28, G.51839/1928 was submitted from the L.G.D. regarding the appointment of Mr. George Dunnion as Rate and Rent Inspector in which they requested to be furnished with a report on the working of the arrangement under which he acted as Rate Inspector for the whole County during the past year.

A further communication dated 3/8/28, G. 53883/1928 was also submitted from the same Department in which they approved of the continuance for a further period of one year of the employment of Mr. George Dunnion in the joint capacities stated for the whole County on the terms set out in their letter of the 12/7/27 conditional on the position being further considered by the Ministry at the expiration of employment now sanctioned with special regard to the utility of the Scheme as it might be reflected in the general Rate Collection position. (805/28 C.C.)

1092/28

ADDITIONAL Id. POUNDAGE, 1926/27.
COLLECTOR - MICHAEL O'DONNELL.

A letter dated 2/8/28 G.53035/28 was submitted from the L.G.D. regarding proposal to pay an additional penny poundage to Collector Michael O'Donnell for 1926/27 in which they requested to be furnished with return showing particulars as to how the collection of the arrears for 1921/22 to 1923/24 stood. (829/28 C.C.)

Minute:- The Local Government Department be requested to re-consider their ruling, and sanction additional penny poundage, and that Collector's report regarding outstanding rates for periods 1921/22 to 1923/24 be furnished to Department.

1093/28

SANCTION OF POUNDAGE 1926/27 and 1927/28.
COLLECTORS DUNNION, McNULTY (12 & 32),
M. O'DONNELL AND J. B. O'DONNELL (No.30)

A letter dated 2/8/28, G. 53036/28 was submitted from the L.G.D. sanctioning the payment of poundage at the ordinary rate to Collector George M. Dunnion on one moiety of his collection for 1926/27, and like remuneration to Collectors McNulty (Nos. 12 and 32), Michael O'Donnell and J.B. O'Donnell (No. 30) on one moiety of their collections for 1927/28 (833 C.C.)

1094/28

ADDITIONAL Id. POUNDAGE 1927/28.
COLLECTOR GILLESPIE, DISTRICT I.

A letter dated 3/8/28, G.53032/28 was submitted from the L.G.D. sanctioning payment of poundage at the ordinary rate to Collector Gillespie on his collection for District No. I. for 1927/28, but refusing to allow him an additional penny poundage for this year. (824/28 C.C.)

Minute:- That Local Government Department be requested to re-consider their ruling, and sanction additional penny poundage.

1095/28

ADDITIONAL Id. POUNDAGE. 1927/28.
COLLECTOR DAWSON, DISTRICT 25.

A letter dated 3/8/28, G.53034 was submitted from the L.G.D. sanctioning payment of poundage at the ordinary rate to Collector Dawson on his Collection for District No. 25 for 1927/28 but refusing to allow him an additional penny poundage for this year; also communication from Collector Dawson in the matter. (813/28 C.C.)

Minute:- That Local Government Department be requested to re-consider their ruling, and sanction additional penny poundage.

1096/28

ADDITIONAL Id. POUNDAGE, 1927/28.
COLLECTOR ARNOLD.

A letter dated 3/8/28 G.53037/28 was read from the L.G.D. sanctioning payment of poundage at the ordinary rate to Collector Arnold on his collection for 1927/28, but refusing to allow him an additional penny poundage for this year. (818/28 C.C.)

Minute:- That Local Government Department be requested to re-consider their ruling, and sanction additional penny poundage.

1097/28 OFFICERS IN RECEIPT OF COST OF LIVING BONUSES.

A circular letter dated 21/8/28, G.57818/1928 was submitted from the L.G.D. regarding Officers of Local Authorities in receipt of Cost of Living Bonuses in addition to their basic rates of remuneration

1098/28 LIABILITY FOR RATES ON LANDS-SEC. 18 LAND ACT. 1927.
ESTATE OF MRS. C.M. HARVEY, COLLECTOR FARRER'S DISTRICT.

A letter dated 23/8/28 No. 2807185 was submitted from the Valuation Commissioner, Dublin, in which he estimated that provisional statement of changes in valuation on account of division of holdings by the Irish Land Commission in Ballymarry and Linsfort (Harvey Estate would be forwarded when Revision Valuer had dealt with the cases. (210/28 C.C.)

1199/28 APPLICATION BY J.B. O'DONNELL FOR
POUNDAGE, 1925/26. DISTRICT 30

An application was submitted from Collector J.B. O'Donnell for poundage and rates collected and lodged by him for District No. 30 for half-year ended March, 1926, and also on rates lodged by his predecessor for the same period.

Minute:- Matter referred to Sub-Committee of Finance Committee (91/28 F.C.)

1100/28 APPLICATION BY COLLECTOR J.B. O'DONNELL
FOR INCREASE IN POUNDAGE RATES DISTRICT 16b.

An application was submitted from Collector J.B. O'Donnell to fix the same rate of poundage for his 16B. District as that allowed Collector Greene for the adjoining District, 16a.

Minute:- Matter referred to Sub-Committee of Finance Committee. (91/28 F.C.)

1101/28 APPLICATIONS FOR REFUNDS OF UNCOLLECTED RATES.

Application for refunds of uncollected rates.

Minute:- Applications for refunds of uncollected rates were referred to Sub-Committee of Finance Committee (91/28 F.C.).

1102/28 ORDINARY POUNDAGE 1924/25, 1925/26 and 1927/28.

Minute:- Poundage allowed, subject to sanction, at the ordinary rates to Collector Green on his collection for 1925/26, including arrears for previous year; to collectors Sweeney, McGlinchey, McHugh (No. 15), Logue and McHugh (No. 18) on one moiety of their collections for 1927/28; and to Collectors McGonigle, Flood, Gorman, Callaghan, Bonner and Dorrian on second moiety of their collections for 1927/28.

1103/28 SEED DISTRIBUTION. 1924 COLLECTOR McNULTY'S CLAIM.
An application from Collector McNulty for remuneration for services at Falcarragh, under above Scheme was referred to Sub-Committee of the Finance Committee. (86/26, 202/26, and 242/26 F.C.)

1104/28.

LOCAL OFFICES AND EMPLOYMENTS (GAELTACHT) ORDER, 1928.

A circular letter dated 11th. July, 1928 G.42758/1928 was submitted from the Local Government Department enclosing copy of above Order.

The Secretary suggested that for clerical appointments in future Irish be included in the preliminary examinations.

Councillor Brennan moved and Councillor Blaney seconded Irish be included in the subjects for clerical examinations.

Councillor Baxter moved as an amendment that Irish be necessary only after three years in accordance with the Ministry's Order. Councillor Mahony seconded.

On a division there voted for the amendment:-

Councillors Baxter, Boyle (Danl E), Clarke, Doherty (Philip), Gallagher (Elias), Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Mahony, Myles, McCauley, McCrea, McCreadie, McIvor, McShane, O'Doherty, Quigley, Scott and Wagentrieber. - 19

Against:- Councillors Blaney, Boyle (James), Boyle (Manus), Brady, Brennan, Callaghan, Cole, Doherty (Patk), Doogan, Douglas, Gallagher (Bernd), McFadden (Chairman), McPhelimy, Nyhan, O'Donnell and Sweeney. - 16.

The Chairman declared the amendment carried.

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Confirmed,

Philip McFadden,

Chairman,

28/9/28

held on

25th. SEPTEMBER, 1928.

A T T E N D A N C E.

The following members were present:-
Councillors McFadden (presiding), Baxter, Blaney, Boyle (James), Boyle (Manus), Brady, Callaghan, Clarke, Cole, Doherty (Patk), Doherty (Philip), Doogan, Douglas, Gallagher (Bernard), Gallagher (Francis), Gallen, Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughery, Mahony, Myles, McCauley, McCrea, McCreadie, McIvor, McPhelimy, McShane, Nyhan, O'Doherty, Quigley, Scott, Sweeney and Wagentrieber.

N O N - A T T E N D A N C E.

A letter was received from Councillor O'Donnell regretting his inability to attend.

II05/28 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

Minute No. 1023/28 having been amended to read "adjourned" the Minutes of meeting held on 28th. August 1928 were unanimously confirmed.

II06/28 GENERAL COUNCIL OF COUNTY COUNCIL.

A letter was read from the General Council of the County Council enquiring if the Council wished to have any matters considered at next meeting.

On the motion of Councillor McCreadie; seconded by Councillor Nyhan it was decided to instruct the Council's representatives to support the proposed scheme for the sale of labourers cottages to the tenants provided proper safeguards were introduced.

II07/28 SCHOLARSHIPS COMMITTEE.

The report of Scholarships Committee meeting held 8th. Sept., 1928 was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor Mahony; seconded by Councillor Gallagher (Bernard).

On the motion of Councillor Mahony; seconded by Councillor Baxter it was unanimously decided to award a Scholarship to James J. Gallagher of Ballina, Falcarragh, who had been considered qualified by the examining authority, University College, Dublin.

II08/28 COLLECTOR WILLIAM BONNER.

A letter was submitted from L.G.D. dated 25/8/28. G57103/1928 which noted that Collector William Bonner had closed his warrant for 1927/28, but that as he had taken more time to do so than the further extended time allowed by the Council at their meeting on the 10th. August, the Minister was of opinion that some penalty by way of reduced poundage should be imposed, and that that policy should be consistently followed in other cases. However, on this occasion, he would not object to any poundage up to 8d. which the Council might decide to grant, provided that the policy indicated was followed in the future.

II09/28 DUTY OF COLLECTORS. THE CHECKING OF THEIR ACCOUNTS ETC..

A Circular letter was read from L.G.D. dated 24/8/28 No. G. 59042, dealing with the duties of Collectors, the checking of their accounts; manner of lodging their collections; acceptance of sureties etc; copies of which were to be forwarded to Collectors and also to Secretary County Board of Health, with a view to having same principles applied to Rate Collectors and other officials in the employment of the Board.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter; seconded by Councillor Sweeney the matter was referred to the Sub-Finance Committee for attention.

III10/28

WATER TANK AT DOWNINGS PIER.

A letter was read from Department of Fisheries dated 30/8/28 D/II/10 which referred to previous correspondence and asked to be informed what progress had been made with the erection of a Water Tank at Downings Pier as proposed in the Council's Minute of the 10th. July, 1928; also letter dated 6th. September, 1928 acknowledging County Secretary's reply.

III11/28

CHILDREN ACT, 1908.

A letter was read from District Court Clerk, Glenties giving notice that an application for the Committal of two young persons named Cornelius Doogan and James Harken to a certified reformatory School would be made at the Stranorlar Juvenile Court on the 5th. September, 1928.

III12/28

R O A D - S C H E D U L E.

A letter was read from L.G.D. (Roads) dated 23rd. August, 1928. R.H./7 which asked to be furnished with three copies of Form 19. the Road Schedule for County Donegal as prescribed in Article 46 Public Order, 1925.

III13/28

PREPARATION OF SIXTH REGISTER OF ELECTORS.

A letter was read from L.G.D. dated 6th. September 1928. F. 55356/1928. which stated that they had examined the claim for remuneration and expenses of the Registration Officer in connection with the preparation of the sixth Register of Electors. Gross expenses £2154 : 0 : 3 fees received £21 : 16 : 9; net expenses £2132 : 3 : 6. Payment of fees was deferred in cases of Collectors E.J. Doherty, H. McNulty and J.B. O'Donnell pending receipt of explanation re number of claims sustained in their areas.

III14/28

S H E E P D I P P I N G.

A letter was read from Secretary, Donegal County Committee of Agriculture stating that his Committee had before them at their meeting of 7th. August extract from Minutes of the Donegal County Council and copy of letter from Department of Agriculture re Sheep Dipping and decided to circularise the various County Councils in an Saorstát with a view to learning particulars of the schemes operating in the country. On receipt of that information the matter would be further considered at October meeting.

III15/28

AGRICULTURAL GRANT.

A letter was read from L.G.D. dated 28th. August, which enclosed Paying Order for £10469 : 0 : 0 in respect of Agricultural Grant for year ending 31st. March, 1929.

III16/28

LOCAL AUTHORITIES (COMBINED PURCHASING) ACT, 1925.

A letter was read from L.G.D. dated 7th. September 1928 L/cs 62021/28 which acknowledged receipt of Paying Order for £115 : 4 : 2 being the amount assessed on Donegal County Council under the Local Authorities (Combined Purchasing) Act, 1925, in respect of the year ended 31st. March, 1928.

Mr. WILLIAM J. CRAMPSEY, RATE COLLECTOR.

III17/28

A letter was read from L.G.D. which acknowledged receipt of County Secretary's letter of the 4th. instant and stated that the Minister sanctioned the temporary appointment of Mr. William J. Crampsey as Rate Collector for No. 20 Collection District on condition that his retail business was relinquished without delay and asked to be informed when Mr. Crampsey gave up the retail business referred to.

HARBOUR MASTER, TEELIN.

III18/28

A letter was read from Harbour Master at Teelin, who stated that he had been paid dues by the Department of Fisheries on the two boats "St. Nicholas" G.12 and "Spring Star" which he had already reported and that the dues would be forwarded at end of month.

Re: - CLAIM--Dr. REGAN.

III19/28

A letter was read from Council's Solicitor re claim Dr. Regan, deceased who stated on the facts before him the accident was not due to the cause alleged and that the Council had taken the proper course in denying liability.

PORTSALON AND DUNTINNEY DRAINAGE SCHEME.

II20/28

A letter was read from Commissioners of Public Works who asked to be informed if the Council had yet arrived at a decision on the question of making a contribution from the County Funds of 22.8% of the actual cost of Portsallon and Duntinney Drainage Scheme.

RENT: LETTERKENNY WORKHOUSE.

II21/28

A letter was read from L.G.D. dated 11th. September, 1928 1.59.350/1928 (Pb) which enclosed cheque for £66 : 19 : 6 being in respect of half-year's rent received from Messrs. Watt & Co., Ltd., Letterkenny, for the portion of Letterkenny Workhouse let to them. Rent £75 : 0 : 0 less income tax £8 : 0 : 0; net amount £66 : 19 : 6.

SHEEP DIPPING SCHEME.

II22/28

A letter was read from Department of Agriculture which asked to be informed who the matter stood with regard to the adoption of an improved Sheep Dipping Scheme as indicated in their letter of the 25th. June last.

DANGER SIGNS.

II23/28

A letter was read from Irish Secretary of Automobile Association 23 Suffolk Street, Dublin, which acknowledged receipt of County Secretary's letter of the 14th. September, and stated that they regretted that owing to a Ministerial Order they were prohibited from erecting Danger signs in the Irish Free State.

FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE.

II24/28

A letter was read from L.G.D. dated 18th. September, 1928, G.63775/28 which acknowledged receipt of County Secretary's letter of the 14th. instant, and asked to be furnished with particulars of the Finance Sub-Committee; the number of members and the number of meetings in the quarter.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (RATES ON SMALL DWELLINGS) ACT, 1928.

II25/28

A circular letter was submitted from the L.G.D. dated 31/7/28 G. 46353/1928 which transmitted for the information of the Council a copy of Local Government (Rates on small dwellings) Act, 1928 with synopsis, which operates from 1st. April, 1929 and stated that a further circular to outline uniform methods of procedure would be issued.

DISUSED WORKHOUSE.

II26/28

A letter No. P64,140/1928 dated 19th. September, 1928 was read from the L.G.D. who asked for particulars of loans advanced for any of the disused Workhouses in the County, portion of which remained unpaid at the time of the introduction of the County Scheme.

ROADS: DONEGAL TO GLENTIES AND DONEGAL TO ARDARA.

II27/28 Councillor Gallagher (Francis) moved that an application be made for grants for the roads from Donegal to Glenties and from Donegal to Ardara as these "first class" roads are now almost impassable.

Minute:- Councillor Hamilton seconded and the motion was carried.

SEWERAGE WORKS AT MILFORD.

II28/28

Councillor Gallen, Chairman, County Board of Health, moved that this Council consents to the borrowing by the County Board of Health of £200 for the purpose of improving the sewerage works at Milford.

Minute:- Councillor McCreadie seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

PORTSALON AND DUNTINNEY DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

II29/28

Councillor Blaney moved that this Council hereby agrees to contribute towards the Portsallon and Duntinney Drainage District 22.8% of the cost which on the estimate of the Board of Works Engineer as stated in their letter of the 1st. June, 1928, No. 5070/28 would amount to £342 involving an annual charge of £22 for about 35 years.

Councillor McCreadie in seconding stated that the amount saved in preventing damage to the road from flooding would more than recoup their contribution to the Council.

Minute:- Motion carried.

GLENTIES No. 1 PENSION SUB-COMMITTEE.

II30/28

Councillor Francis Gallagher moved in the absence of Councillor Bernard Gallagher, that the Glenties No. 1 Pension Sub-Committee be arranged according to the decision of the County Council on the 10th. July, viz., that the name of Mr. Brian Brady Killybegs, be substituted in the place of the member of the old Committee who made the least proportion of attendances.

Minute:- Mr. Brady was appointed in lieu of Mr. J. Walker who had fewest number of attendances and Mr. W. O'Donnell, Glenties, who had been inadvertently removed was reappointed.

INISHOWEN No. 3 PENSION COMMITTEE.

II31/28

Councillor Francis Gallagher moved in the absence of Councillor Bernard Gallagher that the Inishowen No. 3 Pension Committee be so arranged as to include Councillor Brian Douglas.

Minute:-

Councillor Douglas asked to have substituted for his name that of Mr. James C. Doherty, Carndonagh and on this course being agreed to a Notice of Motion to the same effect was withdrawn.

Councillor Cole resigned his position on this Sub-Committee in favour of the next Presbyterian Minister appointed in Carndonagh.

AGRICULTURAL COMMITTEE.

II32/28

Councillor Francis Gallagher moved in the absence of Councillor Bernard Gallagher that the name of Mr. Michael McNelis, Letterkenny be substituted on the Agricultural Committee instead of his.

Minute:- Carried unanimously.

WILLIAM KERR OF LISMINTON, BALLINTRA.

II33/28

Councillor Philip Doherty moved that Mr. William Kerr of Lisminton, Ballintra, Co. Donegal be paid the sum of £8/

£8 in order to settle his claim against the Donegal County Council for injuries sustained by him through the deflection of a bullet from a shooting gallery situated on the main road through Donegal, on the 8th. June, 1928.

That the Civic Guards be notified and that they should not permit the erection of such Shooting Galleries at or near a Main Road without written licence from the County Council. Councillor Francis Gallagher seconded. Councillor Lyles suggested that a small sum be allowed without creating a precedent.

Councillor Baxter proposed as an amendment; and Councillor McIvor seconded that the claim be not entertained.

Minute:- Amendment carried on a show of hands.

II34/28

EMIGRATION DEPOT.

Councillor Doogan moved that in view of the number of people who are leaving this country for America weekly and monthly and the expense, inconvenience and hardships endured by those intending Emigrants in having to go to Dublin to get Medically Examined and obtain their passports before leaving.

He ask America Council to have this grievance remedied, by setting up a depot somewhere in the County to have the examinations carried out, and thus save the abnormal expense incurred by those who are forced to leave the country. He suggested Letterkenny, Ballybofey or Lifford as a centre. Councillor Baxter seconded.

Councillors Blaney and McPhilemy in supporting referred to the harassing and humiliating treatment to which the emigrants were subjected in Dublin.

Minute:- Resolution carried unanimously. General Council of County Council to be asked to assist in the matter.

II35/28 TRUNK ROAD BETWEEN DERRYBEG CHAPEL TOWARDS BLOODY FORELAND AND ON TOWARDS GORTAHORK.

Councillor Doogan moved that the Chairman and the County Surveyor state the amount of money on hands for the carrying out of the Trunk Road between Derrybeg Chapel towards Bloody Foreland and on towards Gortahork, and to state the cause of the delay in having this Road put through. The natives of this district understood from their T.D. Mr. E. Doherty, that this Grant was assured and on hands and it would facilitate the people along the seaboard to have this work begun in view of the bad harvest and the doubtful yield of the potatoe crop and low price of stock.

Minute:- The County Surveyor replied that he had no knowledge of any such grant.

II36/28

DROWES DRAINAGE SCHEME.

Councillor Nyhan moved that the Donegal County Council reiterates its approval of the Drowes Drainage Scheme and is prepared to pay its proportion of the cost, about £106, as estimated by the Local Government Department. Councillor Brady seconded.

Minute:- Passed unanimously.

II37/28

WATER SUPPLY IN BALLYSHANNON.

Councillor Nyhan called attention to the defective Water Supply in Ballyshannon.

The Chairman ruled that the matter was one for the County Board of Health. He suggested that a deputation be sent to the Board of Health in the matter.

II38/28 REPRESENTATION OF TOWN COMMISSIONERS ON BALLYSHANNON LOCAL HEALTH COMMITTEE.

Councillor Hyhan as requested by a unanimous resolution of the Ballyshannon Town Commissioners called attention to the notorious fact that not even a solitary member of that body was on the Local Health Committee, which they considered an unjust and glaring grievance.

Minute:- Chairman ruled that the matter was one for the County Board of Health.

RE STANDING ORDERS.

II39/28

Councillor Wagentrieber moved that the following be included in the "Standing Orders". All matters pertaining to politics shall be out of order, and shall not be considered.

On a show of hands the motion was defeated.

NEW ROAD AT SHANKEY.

II40/28

Councillor Loughrey moved that the County Council find the necessary money to complete the works at the New Road at Shankey, which are now practically stopped for want of funds, and that the Ministry be asked to provide a further grant of £400 at once. Councillor Baxter seconded.

Minute:- Carried unanimously.

ACCOMMODATION FOR MEETINGS; ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF.

II41/28

Councillor Clark moved that the Council take steps to provide accommodation for Council meetings and its administrative staff. Councillor Sweeney seconded and the motion was carried.

A committee consisting of the following representing each Electoral Area was appointed to report on the most economic and convenient locality, having regard to the railway facilities, provision of site and other conditions obtaining:-

Councillor	Quigley	..	..	..	Buncrana.
"	Gallagher F.	..	..	..	Donegal.
"	Sweeney	..	..	..	Glenties.
"	Gallen	..	..	..	Letterkenny.
"	McCreadie	..	..	..	Milford.

APPOINTMENT OF ACCOUNTANT.

II42/28

A letter was read from Local Appointments Commissioners dated 3rd. September, 1928, L.A. 13/7/28 which stated that in compliance with the statutory request received from the Donegal County Council, they recommended the appointment of Mr. Francis Temple Russell, Victoria Lodge, Seafield Avenue, Monkstown, Co. Dublin, for appointment as Accountant to the Donegal County Council, that the Commissioner's recommendation was governed by the Local Offices and Employments (Gaeltacht) Order, 1928.

Minute:- On the Motion of Councillor Gallagher (F); seconded by Councillor Loughrey the recommendation was unanimously adopted.

II43/38

RE:- APPOINTMENT OF SHORTHAND TYPIST.

A letter was read from the L.C.D. dated 17th. September 1928, G.63502/28 acknowledging County Secretary's letter of the 13th. instant, re appointment of shorthand typist who stated that the Minister approved the proposal, provided the advertisement stipulated for adequate knowledge of Irish and that the examination provided for a test thereof.

The Secretary said he had replied stating that when considering making the appointment the Council had before them the Gaeltacht Order, which only required a knowledge of Irish at the expiration of three years from the date of the appointment. In view of this Order, the Council considered they would not be justified in insisting on the candidate having a knowledge of Irish or including it in the test. It was accordingly omitted from the advertisement, and excluded from the examination which had just been held. Should Irish be now made essential for the appointment a fresh examination with considerable inconvenience and expense to the candidates, would be required, and a delay of least a month would ensue.

The Ministry replied that the Council were under a misapprehension in stating the Gaeltacht Order only required a knowledge of Irish at the expiration of three years from the date of the appointment. The policy of the Government in relation to the filling of positions in the area of an Gaeltacht had been clearly announced. No new appointment to a permanent position was to be made unless the individual possessed adequate knowledge of Irish. Were such a person otherwise suitably qualified for the duties of the position cannot be obtained the Gaeltacht Order fixes the limit of the period within such persons employment can be continued unless in the meantime the required knowledge of Irish had been perfected. The Council should in the first instance endeavour to secure for the position of typist the services of a competent Irish speaker, and it would only be in the event of their failing to secure such person that the field of selection could be enlarged as proposed by the Council. The advertisement in this case should not have been issued without the prior sanction of the Minister, and the Ministry requested that steps be taken to ensure that this course was followed in any future cases that might arise. A fresh advertisement should now be issued.

The Secretary said that nineteen sat for the examination. The first place was taken by Miss. Nellie Quinn, of 10 Mountjoy Street, Derry, who was a native of Killybegs.

Minute:- Councillor Baxter proposed and Councillor McIvor seconded that Miss. Quinn be appointed subject to sanction. Councillor Hyhan proposed and Councillor McPhilemy seconded as an amendment that the instruction of the Ministry be carried out. On a show of hands the amendment was defeated by 15 votes to 10.

In the event of sanction to the appointment being refused, the Secretary was instructed to readvertise the position and arrange for the holding of a fresh examination.

HARBOUR MASTER AT DONEGAL.

II44/38

A letter was read from Mrs. Connors notifying the death of her husband, late Harbour Master at Donegal.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor F. Gallagher seconded by the Chairman, Mr. Patrick Puley, Main Street, Donegal, was appointed to the position.

C.V. L.D. A.F.T.

II45/38

Minute:- It was unanimously decided to request the Minister to sanction continuance of overdraft of £25000 to the 31st. December 1928.

II46/28 MRS. F.R. TROTTER, GLENLEARY, RAMELTON.

A letter was read from Mrs. F.R. Trotter, Glenleary, Ramelton, asking if she could be supplied with a few loads of rough gravel as used on the County Roads, for repairing a road leading into her place at a reasonable cost.

Minute:- The application was granted on the motion of Councillor Baxter; seconded by Councillor Mahony.

II47/28. DISPOSAL OF LAND ANNUITIES AND MANNER OF COLLECTING ARREARS.

The following resolutions received from Kerry County Council were unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor Mahony and seconded by Councillor Loughrey:-

"That this County Council ask the Land Commission to accept not less than 10% yearly of arrears from defaulting land annuitants together with current rent with a view to allowing them let their land for grazing or mowing or for obtaining a loan from the local Co-operative Society, as such Societies, it is understood, will be asked in the near future to lend some of the funds of the Agricultural Credit Corporation. Those defaulters have no hope of any relief at present until the arrears question is arranged. The individual, the ratepayer, and the State are losing at the present time. That copies be forwarded to the other Councils of the Free State."

II48/28 RE AMENDMENT OF LAND ACT.

The following resolution received from Offaly County Council was unanimously adopted:-

"That this County Council urge the Government to amend the Land Act, in such a manner that it shall enable the Irish Land Commission to allot suitable land wherever it may be needed for sports fields, or any other purpose for public use".

II49/28 ABOLISH THE PRESENT SYSTEM OF ROAD TAXATION.

The following resolution received from West Meath County Council was unanimously adopted:-

"That this Council call on the Government to abolish the present system of Road Taxation, as the present system is very unfair and that we ask our T.Ds. to support us in the matter".

II50/28 RELEASE OF ALL REPUBLICAN PRISONERS CONFINED IN IRISH JAILS.

The following resolution received from Galway County Council was unanimously adopted:-

"That this Council demand of the Free State Government the immediate release of all Republican prisoners in Irish Jails".

II51/28 INTRODUCTION OF LEGISLATION INCREASING THE
MEMBERSHIP OF COUNTY BOARDS OF HEALTH.

The following resolution received from Wexford County Council was unanimously adopted:-

"That this Council considers the present constitution of Health Boards, as far as members are concerned, inadequate to properly deal with the work entrusted to them. A membership of ten spread over a large area cannot have that personal knowledge of many matters which is essential. We, therefore, call on the Government to introduce legislation to have the membership increased to fifteen so that all districts will have proper representation."

II52/28 STOPPAGE OF A COUNTY PIPE.

A letter from Mr. Charles Henderson Ex. D.C. St. Johnston, who called attention to the stoppage of a County Pipe 36 feet long and 18 inches wide, leading from the R.C. Church to the

No. 2 National School grounds and stated that same was in need of cleaning and rebuilding.

Minute:- Matter referred to County Surveyor.

II53/28 COST OF SHIFTING POLES.

A letter from Secretary, Department of Posts and Telegraphs which asked for payment of £3 : 16 : 3 being the amount of account furnished to the County Surveyor by their Accountant on the 3rd. July, 1928 in respect of the cost of shifting poles, rendered necessary by road widening operations on the Narin - Glenties Road, was read.

Minute:- Matter referred to County Surveyor.

II54/28 BUNCRANA FOOTPATH.

A letter from the Clerk, Buncrana Urban-Council who stated that he had been directed by his Council to draw the attention of the Donegal County Council to the state of the footpath from the town to the Railway station and who asked that the Council take steps to have it concreted, was read.

Minute:- Matter adjourned to next Annual Road Works meeting.

II55/28 DEFECTIVE PIPE ON ROAD FROM DONEGAL TO LOUGHESKE.

A letter from Mr. John Sweeney, Donegal which asked that a defective pipe on the road leading from Donegal to Lougheske which was causing flooding on one of his fields and premises be enlarged so as to be able to vent the water, and prevent further damage to his property, was read.

Minute:- Matter referred to County Surveyor.

II56/28 ROAD BETWEEN MISS. McCORMICKS AND BACKROAD TO "KNOXES".

A letter from Mr. Alexander McEldowney, Glack, Culdaff, which called attention to the state of a road between the three roads at Miss. McCormicks and the Backroad to "Knoxes" and stated that this road had been out of contract for two years, was read.

Minute:- Matter referred to County Surveyor.

II57/28

PORTNABLAGH PIER.

A letter was read from Harbour Master at Dunfanaghy which stated that he would like to have the bottom of the Harbour cleaned, as boats were liable to injury through lying on one of the stones.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Baxter the Council decided to instruct the County Surveyor to report on the matter and to instruct the Harbour Master to warn boats which lay in the berth between high tides that they did so at their own risk.

II58/28

Re S.S. KELVENSIDE.

A letter was received from Mr. A. Dempsey, Captain and owner of "S.S. Kelvinside" who stated that his boat had been damaged at Portnablagh Pier and that he would hold Council responsible.

Minute:- Liability denied.

PAYMENT OF INSTALLMENTS AND INTEREST ON LOANS.

II59/28

A letter was read from County Treasurer asking for payment of instalment and interest on the undermentioned loans:-

Loan under Local Government (Rates on Agricultural Lands) Act., 1924, Due 30th. September 1928 £3472 : 19 : 10 (Instalment £2850 : 9 : 2 Interest £622 : 10 : 8)
 Loan account Re Housing (Building Facilities) Act, 1924 Due 1st. October 1928. £161 : 14 : 7 (Instalment £90 : 14 : 2 Interest £71 : 0 : 5)
 Loan for purchase of Road Machinery. Due 30th. September, 1928. Half-yearly instalment £322. Interest £105 : 1 : 2

Minute:- Payment ordered.

II60/28

HARBOUR MASTER AT CLADNAGERAGH.

A letter was read from Harbour Master at Cladnageragh which called attention to the bad state of the Pier at Cladnageragh and which asked that the matter be seen to at once as it was most dangerous.

Minute:- Referred to County Surveyor for a report.

II61/28

ARDARA BRIDGE.

A letter was read from Mr. Thomas Campbell, Ardara, in which he complained that the bridge in the centre of the town was too narrow to accommodate the present day traffic and he suggested that the Council ask the County Surveyor to inspect the bridge with a view to having it widened and improved.

Councillor B. Gallagher proposed and Councillor Sweeney seconded that the Ministry be asked to grant a sum of £500 for this work as they did in Glenties.

Minute:- Resolution carried.

II62/28

THE THORR - CROLLY ROAD.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Sweeney Contractor, Moencorwick, Crollly who stated that the recent floods had practically destroyed the Thorrr - Crollly Road, and that he had been requested by Mr. Dawson (Surveyor) to proceed with repair work as per contract. As the amount of material and repair

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repair work would be considerably increased by the damage done by the floods the Council was asked to grant extra remuneration therefor.

Minute:- Matter referred to County Surveyor.

II63/28

ACCIDENT TO MOTOR CAR.

A letter was read from Mr. Joseph Sherrard, 15 Great James Street, Derry who alleged that an accident to his Motor Car on the 29th. July at Vcagh, had been caused by the negligence of a Sub-Contractor named McInamin in allowing an obstruction on the road. The cost of repairing his car was £16 and he asked what the Council were prepared to do in the matter.

Minute:- Liability denied.

II64/28

GREENCASTLE PIER.

A letter was read from the Department of Fisheries dated 5/9/28 D/I which adverted to County Secretary's letter of the 8th. June last and previous correspondence re landing accommodation at Greencastle and which transmitted for the information of the Donegal County Council copy of a report dated 23rd. ultimo furnished by their engineer following his inspection at Greencastle. They added that it was considered that dredging of the existing harbour would appear to be preferable to the construction of a Quay as locally suggested. A scheme of partial dredging to accommodate the boats using the place might be done for £600 or £700.

Minute: On the motion of Councillor McCauley; seconded by Councillor Cole the Council agreed to contribute one half of probable cost for dredging but not exceeding £300.

II65/28

Re:- KILLYBEGS PIER.

A letter was read from the Department of Fisheries which stated that the Council should communicate with the Board of Works re Dredging of Harbour.

II66/28

Mr. JAMES HERON.

A report from Secretary re continued absence through illness of Mr. James Heron of the Council's clerical Staff.

Minute:- Matter was adjourned for one month.

II67/28

COURTHOUSE KEEPER, CARNDONAGH.

A letter was read from Mr. Michael Doherty, Courthouse Keeper, Carndonagh, in which he asked that the Council allow him extra remuneration of £2 per annum for extra work entailed in opening, cleaning and heating the Courthouse for Road Tender meetings and accommodation for clerical staff in dealing with Bonds etc.

Minute:- Courtkeeper to be instructed to hand over one key for Courthouse to Assistant Surveyor, Mr. O'Neill to enable him to gain access to office in Courthouse granted him by the Council.

II68/28

Mr. GEORGE DUNNION, RATE INSPECTOR.

A letter was read from Mr. George Dunnion, Rate Inspector, which stated that he had been appointed Stocktaker for Letter-Kenny Mental Hospital for 1/2 year ending Sept. 1928 and he asked the Councils permission to act in that capacity.

Minute:- Permission granted.

II69/28

MILFORD O.A.P. SUB-COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from Clerk, Milford O.A.P. Sub-Committee which stated that Mr. P. Coyle P.C. Kilmacrenan had resigned his membership. In the event of the Council accepting Mr. Coyle's resignation the Sub-Committee unanimously recommended the appointment of Mr. S.A. Baxter, County Councillor, Milford in his place.

Minute:- Recommendation adopted.

II70/28 Re:- FLOODING OF AVENUE, ARDRUMMON HOUSE.

A letter from H. Mansfield, Esq., Ardrummon House Letter-kenny, which stated that his Avenue had been completely washed out by rainfall which had come down from the County Road and in which he asked the Council to take steps to have the damage repaired and the road put in proper order so as to avoid similar damage in future.

Minute:- Matter referred to County Surveyor.

II71/28 Re:- CLAIM OF CHARLES BOYLE, KILLYBEGS.

Mr. Caffrey reported as follows:-

"I have investigated this claim and as far as I can ascertain the facts are somewhat as follows:-

It seems the Board of Health asked the County Council to remove rubbish from Pier at Killybegs. Mr. Armour made all arrangements and employed a man named Andrew Boyle to carry out the work. Andrew Boyle was paid for this work. An arrangement was come to with a Mr. Charles Boyle to allow the Rubbish to be dumped in his garden. He stated that he was to be paid for this and has not received money yet. Mr. Armour it is stated told Charles Boyle he would be paid £3.

Minute:- Matter adjourned to next meeting.

II72/28 Re:- DAMAGE TO ROAD PIPES etc.

Mr. Caffrey reported as follows:-

"The continuous rains of the past few months have caused damage to some roads and pipes in the Donagal and Glenties area. I am therefore bringing these before you for instructions to have the necessary repairs carried out before further damage takes place.

DONAGAL DISTRICT - Road No. 147. Map No. 1719. 17 yards	
of retaining wall and roadway carried away by a flood near Letter-	
more Bridge. Cost to restore £40 : 0 : 0	£ s. d.
GLENTIES DISTRICT. Map No. 1619. rebuild pipe 4	16 : 0
" " " " 1861 " " 5	0 : 0
" " " " 1806 repair pipe 2	0 : 0
" " " " 1663 rebuild pipe 4	0 : 0
DONAGAL DISTRICT " " 1663 repair bridge 5	0 : 0

Minute:- Expenditure of amounts required authorised.

II73/28 Re:- Mr. CHARLES DOHERTY'S (DOOBALLAGH) CLAIM.

Mr. Caffrey reported as follows:-

"The bridge over the Lettermore river which Mr. Doherty repaired was one that was injured during the civil war. The work was carried out under the instructions of two farmers who lived adjacent. They were to pay the contractor and the Council to pay them. As they have not done so the contractor has made application direct to the Council. I estimate the value of the

the work at £5.

Minute:- Payment of £5 was authorised on the Motion of Councillor Baxter and seconded by Councillor McCrea.

Re:- ROAD ARDARA - NARIN.

II174/28

Mr. Caffrey reported as follows:-

"The work of rolling in the contractor's stones was delayed owing to No. 4 Roller having to undergo repairs. The tubes of this roller had to be renewed. The stones have now been rolled in and there should be no further cause for complaint."

II175/28

Re:- OWENTACKER BRIDGE.

Mr. Caffrey reported as follows:-

"This bridge crosses the Owentacker River near the road to Glenties from Donegal. It has two spans and consists of a superstructure of wood supported by iron girders. At present many of the wood planks are decayed and re-sheeting is necessary. It would be more economic to replace the timber with concrete. To do so a sum of £90 is required."

Minute:- Expenditure of £90 authorised from the "Contingency Fund" - Glenties Area - if amount available on the motion of Councillor Francis Gallagher; seconded by Councillor Sweeney.

II176/28 RE JOHN TINNEY, TREANSALLAGH, ST. JOHNSTON.

A letter from Councillor McPhilemy, which stated that he had received a letter from John Tinney, Treansallagh, St. Johnston, in which he complained that he had been discharged from employment on Road Work and he alleged unfair treatment.

Minute:- Referred to County Surveyor for a report.

II177/28 APPLICATION FOR POSITION OF ENGINE DRIVER.

An application from Edward McBride, Drumaraw, Creeslough, for position of Flagman or Driver on County Council road work engines, in which he stated that he could work either Sentinel or Traction Engines, that he had had considerable experience in Scotland at this class of work and that he was an Ex Free State Soldier.

Minute:- Matter referred to County Surveyor.

II178/28 RAISING OF THE ROAD LEVEL AT JUNCTION OF THE ROAD FROM KILCLOONEY AND ARDARA BACK STREET.

A letter from Mr. Peter Fisher, Ardara, who stated that owing to the rolling of the road and the raising of the road level opposite his premises situate at the Junction of the Road from Kilclooney and the Ardara Back Street, the surfacewater which previously passed down the Main Street collected in pools in front of his house and flowed down through his garden, causing damage to his crops and dampness in his premises and in which he asked the Council to take steps to have this remedied.

Minute:- Matter referred to County Surveyor.

II79/28

COLLECTOR J.B. O'DONNELL.

An application dated 27th. August, 1928 was submitted from Messrs. William Kelly & Co. Solicitors, Letterkenny, on behalf of Collector J.B. O'Donnell, for certificates from the County Council under seal showing that that officer had closed his collections for 1925/26 and 1926/27 for District 30 the document, it was stated, being required for production in the District Courts in connection with legal proceedings instituted by him against defaulting ratepayers.

Minute:- On the motion of Councillor Baxter and seconded by Councillor Loughrey, it was decided that the certificate under seal be given if required.

II80/28

RE Mr. H. REID.

The Secretary stated that on the appointment of Accountant (Minute No II42/28) the sanction for Mr. Reid's services automatically expired. He was now without the assistance of Mr. Black, who was absent through illness, and he asked the Council to retain Mr. Reid until Mr. Black was able to resume.

Minute:- Department of Local Government & Public Health to be asked to sanction temporary continuance in office of Mr. H. Reid until Mr. Black was able to resume duty.

II81/28

SEA WALL IN TIRLOUGHAN.

Mr. Steadman reported as follows:-
With regard to the Sea Wall at Tirloughan I would suggest that an application be made and included in next Road Works Scheme re this work.

II82/28

"SCALP ROAD" BETWEEN MONREAGH AND CARNAMOYLE.

Mr. Steadman reported as follows:-
With regard to this road the Contractor is working fairly well and there is no reasonable grounds for complaint.

II83/28 EXPENDITURE OF £968 : 4 : 3 received from British War Office for damages done to certain Innishowen roads.

Mr. Steadman reported as follows:-
The line of road when Grant was obtained was specifically settled at the time consequently the money must be applied to the approved route - I would recommend that £450 be expended between Clonmany and Lenan and that the Drumfries to Straiths Br. road get the sections in need of repair improved.

Minute:- Suggested expenditure allowed.

II84/28 DANGER SIGNAL AT DRUMFRIES NATIONAL SCHOOL.

Mr. Steadman reported as follows:-
Warning and danger Signals are under order but have not yet been delivered.

II85/28 JUNCTION AT KABELTON KNOWN AS THE "CUP AND SAUCER."

Mr. Steadman reported as follows:-
With regard to the dangerous Corner at Aughnagaddy, I would suggest that an application be made by Mr. McCrea and included in next Road Works Scheme for improving this corner.

II86/28 DANGEROUS CORNER AT ROSSNAKILLE.

Mr. Steadman reported as follows:-
Re Corner at Rossnakille - This can also be dealt with
in same manner as Minute No II85/28 .

II87/28 RE MALICIOUS DAMAGE TO CARRICKLANGAN ROAD.

A letter was read from Mr. Bernard McDaid, Road Contractor, Carricklangan, Cloghan in which he complained that James Kennedy of Carricklangan maliciously turned water in upon the County Road and caused him considerable difficulty in pre-forming his contract.

Minute:- Mr. F. Gallagher, Assistant Surveyor explained circumstances and the Council recommended contractor to take legal action to safeguard his interests.

II88/28 Re BREAKAGE - SEWER PIPE - PETTIGO.

A letter was read from Mr. John Flood, Pettigo, in which he complained that the Council's steam Roller had broken up the Sewerage Pipe in Foot Path opposite his shop door and he asked to have the matter seen to immediately, as it was in this condition all summer.

Minute:- Matter referred to County Surveyor with recommendation that work be done at once if conditions are as stated.

II89/28 DUNFANAGHY O.A. PENSION SUB-COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from Secretary, Dunfanaghy Old Age Pension Sub-Committee which stated that Councillor James Boyle would ask at County Council meeting the following questions:-

(A) How far, if necessary, should an Old Age pensioner have to travel to a pension meeting?

(B) As the Committee for the Dunfanaghy Rural District is at present constituted, it is almost impossible to get a quorum to attend at Dunfanaghy. What should be done in this case.

Minute:-, Councillor Baxter in absence of Councillor Boyle agreed to present arrangement and no action was taken.

II90/28 Re:- CARNDONAGH COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from Mr. Michael Doherty, Courtkeeper, Carndonagh, in which he reported that John Bradley, Pound Street, Carndonagh had a key to open back yard gate of Courthouse, that he used the yard for storage purposes, that there was mixed lime and Rough Stones laid up against front wall of Courthouse and that cement and bricks were placed on wall for drying purposes. The material belonged to John Bradley who took no notice of Courtkeeper's objections thereto.

Minute:- Secretary to be instructed to call on Bradley to remove the materials at once and to hand over the key to the Courthouse Caretaker.

II91/28 INCOME TAX DUE BY JAMES FRIEL.

An application by Revenue Commissioners for 28 : 2 : 0 arrears of Income Tax due by James Friel, Rate Collector, amount to be deducted from Mr. Friel's fees, was refused on the motion of Councillor Baxter; seconded by Councillor Boyle; Mr. Friel having stated that the amount claimed was not owing.

FI92/28 DEPOT FOR STORAGE OF MOTOR SPIRIT IN BULK.

A letter was read from Manager, Shell-Mex (Dublin) Ltd., in which he stated that they proposed subject to sanction of the Council to erect a depot on property belonging to the County Donegal and Joint Railways Committee at Letterkenney for the storage of Motor Spirit in bulk. Maps showing site and details of the layout of Depot were enclosed.

Minute:- Application granted subject to the approval of the County Surveyor.

II93/28 APPOINTMENT OF PUBLIC ANALYST.

A letter was read from Local Government Department dated 19/9/28 P.H. 63501/28 which referred to County Secretary's letter of the 13th instant re appointment of Public Analyst for County Donegal and in which they asked to be informed what remuneration was proposed to attach to that office.

Minute:- Secretary was instructed to reply that Council was prepared to pay 7/6 per sample.

II94/28 RE DISUSED OIL LAMPS.

An application from the Secretary, Board of Health, for two of the Council's disused oil lamps for use in Glenties District Hospital was unanimously granted.

II95/28 RE HEAVY LORRY TRAFFIC.

On the suggestion of Councillor Scott the Council decided to defer consideration of County Surveyor's report on heavy Lorry Traffic until after the publication of the report of the Departmental Commission dealing with the same and kindred subjects.

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Patk. Dwyer
Chairman

30th October, 1928.

A MEETING OF THE DERRY COUNTY COUNCIL

was held on

30th October, 1928.

ATTENDANCE.

The following members were present:-

Councillors Quigley (Presiding), Baxter, Blaney, O'Boyle (Daniel E.) Boyle (James), O'Boyle (Hanus), Brady, Brennan, Clarke, Cole, Doherty (Philip), Doogan, Douglas, Gallagher (Bernard), Gallagher (Francis), Gallen, Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Mahony, Nyles, McCauley, McCrea, McCreadie, McIvor, McPhilemy, McShane, Nyhan, O'Doherty, O'Donnell, Scott, Sweeney, Waxentrieber.

APOLOGY.

A letter was read from the Chairman, Mr. M. Oge McFadden, T.D., regretting his inability to attend owing to indisposition.

CONDOLENCE.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony, seconded by Councillor Hamilton, a vote of condolence was passed with Most Rev. Dr. McNulty, Lord Bishop of Raphoe, on the death of his mother. Councillor Nyhan associated himself with the resolution. The motion was passed in silence, all the members standing.

1196/28

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

The Minutes of Meeting held on 25th September, 1928 were unanimously confirmed.

1197/28

THE DERRY BRIDGE.

Councillor Blaney raised the question of the new Derry Bridge and moved the suspension of the Standing Orders. He stated that Plans were being prepared which did not provide for an open span. He moved that the Council instruct their Secretary and County Surveyor to attend at the Guildhall, and inspect the plans of the Bridge. If provision was not made for an open span the matter to be reported to the next meeting of the Council. He stated that in company with Messrs. Cassidy, Doherty, and Carney, he had interviewed the Minister for Industry and Commerce in the matter, but that a satisfactory reply had not been obtained. It was decided also that the matter be again referred to the T.D.'s for the County.

1198/28

CAPPAGH OPEN-AIR HOSPITAL.

A letter was read from the Secretary, County Board of Health, asking for the approval of the Council towards the payment by his Board of 35/- per week for the maintenance of patients from the County in Cappagh Open-Air Hospital. On the motion of Councillor Mahony the approval was unanimously granted.

1199/28

MR. PATRICK MCGOWAN, V.S., MILFORD.

The Secretary reported that Mr. McGowan, Veterinary Inspector, Milford, was seriously ill and unable to carry on his duties. He stated that he had arranged with Mr. McGlinchey, V.S., Raphoe, to continue the work until the meeting when arrangements would be made by the Council. Councillor Baxter proposed and Councillor McCrea seconded that Mr. McClintock, V.S., Letterkenny be asked to undertake the duties for three months at a salary of four guineas per week and that he reside in the district during the period. Councillor McCreadie proposed that three months' duties

paid at the rate of four guineas per week for the period during which he acted. The motion was carried unanimously.

1200/28 QUARTERLY LIST OF PAYMENTS.

The Quarterly list of payments was submitted and passed.

1201/28 CAPITAL ACCOUNT.

Certain payments in respect of the purchase of tar boiling plant were ordered to be made out of Balances remaining for the purchase of road machinery in the Capital Account.

1202/28 REPORT OF SUB-FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Councillor Mahony proposed that with the exception of Item No. 3 the Report of the Sub-Finance Committee Meeting held on the 25th September, 1928, be adopted. Councillor James Boyle seconded. Regarding Item No. 3 which dealt with poundage for No. 30 District it was decided to pay the former collector, Mr. E.C. O'Donnell, at 3d. in the £ less than the ordinary rate on his lodgments in excess of one moiety for 1925/26; the 3d. deducted having been allotted to Collector John B. O'Donnell as extra remuneration for closing the collection for that period.

1203/28 OFFICE ACCOMMODATION.

The adoption of the Report of the Special Committee appointed to report on the most economic and convenient locality for County Offices, having regard to railway facilities, provision of sites, and other conditions obtaining, was moved by Councillor Gallen. Councillor Sweeney seconded. Councillor Baxter proposed as an amendment that the Report be sent back to the Committee for further particulars as to cost. Councillors O'Donnell and Blaney spoke against the adoption of the Report. Councillor Mahony advocated transferring the offices to Letterkenny. Mr. O'Doherty, Architect, explained the differences between three suggested schemes; one for the re-construction of the Court-house, another for the rebuilding of the County House, and a third for the erection of new offices either at Lifford or elsewhere. He stated that the second scheme was the most economic as well as the most permanent solution of the question. After considerable discussion the adoption of the Report was put to the meeting and the following members voted for it: Councillors Quigley, O'Boyle (Daniel E.), O'Boyle (James), Brady, Brennan, Clark, Cole, Doherty (Philip), Doogan, Douglas, Gallagher (Bernard), Gallagher (Francis), Gallen, Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Myles, McCauley, McGree, McCreadie, McShane, Nyhan, O'Doherty, Sweeney, Scott, Wagentrieber. The following voted against it: Councillors Baxter, Blaney, Boyle (James) Mahony, O'Donnell. Councillors McIvor and McPhilemy did not vote. The Chairman declared the Report adopted. It was decided to invite tenders.

Motion by Councillor James Boyle that the Offices be transferred to Letterkenny, or, alternatively that if the meetings be held in Letterkenny were not timed.

1204/28 CHILDREN'S ACT, 1908

A letter was read from the District Court Clerk, Glenties, which intimated that an application for the commitment to an Industrial School of three young persons, viz. J. Gallagher, Jun., D. Gallagher, and James Kee would be made at the sitting of the Juvenile Court at Stranorlar on 3rd October, 1928.

1205/28 RATE COLLECTOR CRAMPSEY.

A letter was read from Mr. Charles McCormick, Solicitor, Derry, which stated that he was preparing an assignment of the business of Collector Crampsey, which he had disposed of according to the terms of his appointment as Rate Collector.

According to the terms of his appointment as Rate Collector.

1206/28

SUB-FINANCE COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health dated 26th September, 1928 (G.65288/1928) Dun na nGall (c) acknowledging receipt of County Secretary's letter of 22nd inst., and which stated that the Minister consented to the recognition for the current year as an authorised Committee under Section 63 of the Local Government Act, 1925, of the Special Sub-Committee appointed to deal with the rate collection in the County.

1207/28

MALINBEG BOAT SLIP.

A letter was read from the Department of Lands and Fisheries dated 20th September, 1928 D./18716 referring to County Secretary's communication of the 26th June last, and which requested that the Minister be informed whether the repairs to landing slip at Malinbeg have yet been completed.

1208/28

BURIAL GROUNDS.

A letter was read from the Secretary County Board of Health, Stranorlar, which stated that his Board had before them at their meeting on 17th September the Council's recommendation of 28th August last regarding burial grounds and had directed him to say that matters relating to burial grounds were already being dealt with by the Board.

1209/28

LOAN FOR PURCHASE OF ROAD MACHINERY.

A letter was read from the Department of Local Government (Roads) dated 26th September, 1928, R.B./7 which stated that a payment of £427 : 1 : 2 had been made to the County Treasurer on 14th inst., being an instalment of £6440 set apart from Trunk Road Grant and raised by loan by the Donegal County Council for the purchase of Road Machinery.

1210/28

GREENCASTLE HARBOUR.

A letter was read from the Minister of Fisheries dated 18th October, 1928, D/73/7 which acknowledged the County Secretary's letter of 15th inst., (1164/28) and enclosure re dredging at Greencastle Harbour, and stated that the matter would have attention.

1211/28

IRISH PUBLIC BODIES MUTUAL INSURANCE, LTD.

A letter was submitted from the Secretary, Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurance, Ltd, which enclosed for the information of the Council copy of the report of his Directors, together with audited statement of accounts and Balance Sheet for the six months ended 31st December, 1927.

1212/28

FRANCHISE DUTIES.

A letter was read from the Department of Local Government dated 4th October, 1928 (F.62504/28 Dun na nGall (c)) which enclosed for the information of the Council a copy of a letter which they had addressed to the Registration Officer regarding the performance of the Franchise Duties by ex-Collector E.J. Doherty and Collectors H. McNulty and J.B.O'Donnell.

1213/28

OVERDRAFT.

A letter was read from the Department of Local Government dated 3rd October, 1928 (G.66777/28 Dun na nGall (F)) which stated that the Minister sanctioned continuance of Overdraft not exceeding £25,000 to 31st December, 1928. Interest to be paid thereon at agreed rate.

1214/28

GLENTIES TO GLENMORE ROAD (VIA BALLINAGRATH).

A letter was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) which acknowledged County Secretary's letter of 14th September with enclosure, regarding the addition of road from Glenties to Glenmore via Ballinagrath to the Main Road Schedule, and requested to be furnished with a report from the County Surveyor in the matter and a map tracing of the locality of the road.

1215/28

MR. J. FINNEGAN, TEMPORARY ASSISTANT SURVEYOR.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) dated 1st October, 1928 R/RS/7 which referred to the County Secretary's letter with enclosure of the 13th September which stated that the Minister would raise no objection to the payment to Mr. J. Finnegan, former Acting Assistant Surveyor, for the period 29th May to 15th July, 1928 by the Council.

1216/28

FOREIGN ANIMALS (IRISH FREE STATE) ORDER, 1928.

A copy of the Foreign Animals (Irish Free State) order of 1928 was submitted

1217/28

APPROVED NAMES FOR MARGARINE.

A letter was read from the Department of Land and Agriculture, dated 15th October, 1928, which transmitted copy of a list (thirty-third) of names approved by the Department for use in connection with Margarine.

1218/28

LOCAL OFFICERS AND EMPLOYMENT GAELTACHT ORDER, 1928.

A circular letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 25th September, 1928, G.42758/1928 which called attention to the terms of the Local Offices and Employment Gaeltacht Order, 1928, dealing with the knowledge of Irish required by candidates for permanent positions under Local Authorities and stated that in the case of a recent vacancy the Local Authority seemed to have misinterpreted the terms of the Gaeltacht Order. When the necessity for new appointments arise the Local Authority concerned should endeavour in the first instance to secure the services of a competent Irish speaker for the position. When such cannot be obtained the Gaeltacht Order fixes the limit of the period within which the employment of a person without such knowledge can be continued unless in the meantime the requisite knowledge of Irish has been perfected.

1219/28

BRIDGES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) dated 9th October, 1928 R/DB/7 which stated that a payment of £29 had been made to the Donegal County Treasurer on the 5th inst. in respect of destroyed and damaged bridges; this payment being a final settlement of the claim in respect of Bridges Nos. 6y and 2y in Mr. Stedman's division.

1220/28

PUBLIC HEALTH CONGRESS, LONDON.

A Circular regarding the Public Health Congress and Exhibition to be held in the Royal Agricultural Hall, London on the 19th Nov., 1928, was submitted.

1221/28

ACCOMMODATION FOR EMIGRANTS.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Irish Transport and General Workers' Union, which enclosed copy of correspondence between himself and the American Consulate in Dublin with regard to the inadequate accommodation provided for intending emigrants at the Visa Offices in Dublin and gave the result of an interview he had had with the Consul-General on the subject.

A letter was also read from the American Consul-General, Dublin, which acknowledged the County Secretary's letter of 15th October, 1928 and stated that he regretted that it was impracticable to establish stations as required by the Donegal County Council. Referring to the humiliating treatment noted out to emigrants as alluded to by Councillors McPherson and Blaney he wished to be informed definitely of such circumstances so that the matter might receive his personal attention.

1222/28

LAND COMMISSION ANNUITIES.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Irish Land Commission dated 17th October, 1928 which acknowledged receipt of copy of resolution on the subject of Land Purchase Annuities adopted by the Donegal County Council at their meeting on 25th September, 1928.

1223/28

MR. BLACK.

Letters dated 28th September, 1928 G.65174/28 and 5th October, 1928 G.69870/28 were read from the Local Government Department sanctioning the proposal of the Council to grant Mr. Black two month's sick leave as from the 28th August, 1928.

1224/28

ALLOTMENT OF LANDS FOR SPORT FIELDS.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Irish Land Commission, dated 17th October, 1928 which acknowledged receipt of extract from Minutes of County Council's meeting of 25th September re allotment of lands for Sport Fields, etc.

1225/28

RELEASE OF PRISONERS.

A letter was read from the Department of Justice which acknowledged receipt of copy of Resolution passed by the Donegal County Council at their meeting on 25th September, 1928 re release of prisoners.

1226/28

UNION LIABILITIES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 11th Oct., 1928, (Miscellaneous) which asked to be furnished with, on form enclosed, particulars relating to former Union liabilities indicated thereon.

1227/28

AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 9th Oct., 1928 Stat. 71253/28 which acknowledged receipt of extract of Minutes of Donegal County Council relative to the audit of accounts of the different Institutions in the County, and gave reasons for the delay in carrying out the audits, and stated that the auditor had been instructed to carry out the arrears of audits in the County at the earliest possible moment.

1228/28

GRATUITIES AND PENSIONS PAID BALLYSHANNON UNION OFFICERS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 17th Oct., 1928 Stat. 71253/28 which referred to the County Secretary's letter of 12th September, 1928 re the liability of the Leitrim County Council in respect of Gratuities and Pensions paid to officers of the late Ballyshannon Union and quoted the Section of Adjustment Order which defined the basis on which the proportion of such liabilities were determined between the County Councils concerned.

Another letter was read from the L.G.D. dated 23rd Oct., 1928 Stat.

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72729/28 which forwarded copy of Adjustment (Divided Union) No. 1 Order 1923 as requested.

1229/28 DONEGAL JOINT TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, dated 19th Oct., 1928 A.S.70298/28 which transmitted copy of Auditor's Report and attested abstract of accounts of the Donegal Joint Technical Instruction Committee for the five years ended 31st March, 1928.

1230/28 LAND ACT.

A letter was read from the Department of Lands and Fisheries dated 19th Oct., 1928 which acknowledged receipt of extract of Minutes of the Donegal County Council Meeting held on 25th Sept., asking for an amendment of the Land Act.

1231/28 CARDIFF FOUNDRY AND ENGINEERING CO., LTD.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) dated 17th Oct., 1928 IR/39/7 which stated that they had received a complaint from the Cardiff Foundry and Engineering Co., Ltd. re delay in payment to them of £177 3 5 in respect of Sign Posts supplied to the Donegal County Council in September last year and stated that the Ministry would be glad to hear that arrangements had been made to settle this matter without further delay. Mr. Steadman reported that up to 4th Oct., 1928 the posts mentioned in the letter had not arrived and on that date he wrote the Co. regarding them. The signs had since been received and the account therefor would be submitted to the next Finance Meeting for payment. The delay was trifling, only a matter of a couple of weeks.

1232/28 MEMBERSHIP OF BOARD OF HEALTH AND PUBLIC ASSISTANCE.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 19th Oct., 1928 P/70981/28 which acknowledged copy of resolution passed by the Donegal County Council on 25th Sept., 1928 on the subject of the membership of the Board of Health and Public Assistance.

1233/28 ACCOUNTANT.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 20th Oct., 1928 G/70982/28 which acknowledged receipt of the County Secretary's letter of 15th inst., notifying the appointment of Mr. F. T. Russell as Accountant to the Donegal County Council.

1234/28 BUNCRANA PIER.

A letter was read from the Harbour Master, Buncrana, enclosing cheque for £7 : 5 which was handed to him by Secretary, Buncrana Pier Committee and represented wages paid to Assistant Harbour Master during Summer Fishing.

1235/28 HEAVY LORRY TRAFFIC.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 24th September, 1928 RM/7 which acknowledged County Secretary's letter of 22nd inst. (1076/28) re roads Nos. 61, 78, 84, and 108. The matter was referred to the Roads Committee.

1236/28 BUNCRANA COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Shirt-Making Trade Board (Irish Free State) which acknowledged with thanks the County Secretary's letter of 11th Oct., 1928, re accommodation in Buncrana Courthouse for a meeting of the Donegal District Trade Committee.

1237/28

INCREASE IN VALUATION.

A letter was read from Mr. James McDevitt, Raphoe Demesne, Raphoe, with reference to an increase in the valuation last year of his lime kiln and quarry. The Secretary stated that the valuation on above hereditament had been determined by the Commissioner of Valuation, and the Council had no powers in the matter.

1238/28

GLENTIES COURTHOUSE.

Councillor Francis Gallagher moved:- "That the difficulty as to the heating of the Glenties Courthouse be solved as follows:- That the County Surveyor be instructed to have installed a good coal stove between the Solicitors' table and the back wall of the Courtroom with a strong guard round it and a stove pipe leading out through the side wall or roof."

Councillor O'Donnell seconded and the motion was passed; £20 being allowed to cover the cost.

1239/28

HORSE BREEDING SCHEME.

Councillor Gallen moved "That if requested to do so by the Committee of Agriculture this Council is prepared to contribute to the funds of said Committee a sum not exceeding £300 for expenditure during the year ending 31/3/1930 on a scheme for the encouragement of horse breeding in the County."

Minute:- Councillor Baxter seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

1240/28

RATE COLLECTION, CARNDONAGH DISTRICT.

Councillor Douglas moved "That on account of the depression in Agriculture, low prices for stock and produce, and widespread unemployment, it is desirable to consider an extension of the period for payment, and collection by instalments of the accumulated Rates in Collection District No. 20, viz., the district to which Mr. Crampsey has been recently appointed."

Minute:- Councillor Scott moved as an amendment that the matter be referred to the Sub-Finance Committee. Councillor Cole seconded, and on Councillor Douglas agreeing to the amendment, the motion was withdrawn.

1241/28

DISMISSAL OF ROAD WORKERS.

Councillor Nyhan called attention to the dismissal of seven road workers in the Ballintra Area, whom he stated were unfairly removed to make room for others less competent.

The County Surveyor reported that these men had been employed whilst the work was in progress in their district. When finished the work was transferred to another area and the men in that area who had experience were now employed.

1242/28

CARNDONAGH WORKHOUSE.

Letters were received from Mrs. Hodge Doherty, Millbrae House, Ballyloskey, Carndonagh, and from Mrs. Cassie McGonigle, Churchtown, Carndonagh, applying for the tenancy of the Lodge of Carndonagh Workhouse.

Minute:- The Secretary was instructed to communicate with them and enquire what rent they would be prepared to pay for the building as it stands; the Council not making any improvements.

1243/28

ASSISTANT SURVEYORS.

Councillor Brady moved "That Assistant Surveyors be paid monthly in future."

Minute:- Councillor Nyhan seconded and the motion was carried unanimously.

1244/28

ROADS IN RATHMORE, NEAR BALLYSHANNON.

A letter was read from a number of ratepayers in Rathmore, requesting the County Council to repair a road in Rathmore, leading from John Kerrigan's to Henry Vaughan's.

:- A report was read from the County Surveyor stating that the road in question was not a County Road. The matter was referred to the Roads Committee.

1245/28

ROAD IN HIGGENSTOWN, BALLYSHANNON.

A letter was read from Messrs. John Kerrigan, Hugh Gallagher, and Michael Gilfother, Higgenstown, Ballyshannon, asking the County Council to repair a road in Ballysunterhiggin, Higgenstown, Ballyshannon, leading from Loughill N.S. in the direction of Bundoran, the estimated cost being £10.

The County Surveyor reported that the road which is a continuation of road no. 2119 is not a County road.

1246/28

WORKMAN'S WAGES.

A letter was read from Mr. W. T. McKenna, Solicitor, Ballybofey, stating that he had been instructed by William Doherty, Doish, Ballybofey, to apply to the County Council for payment of £2: 9: 10, wages stated to be due to him for working on breaker.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1247/28

ROAD AT DRUMBOE, BALLYBOFEY.

A letter was read from Mr. Wm. Neelands, Drumboe, Ballybofey, complaining that a "shough" along the County Road and adjoining his premises, was causing damage to his property through not being cleaned, and he asked the Council to have it seen to.

The County Surveyor reported that the "Shough" in question was on the side of the County Road, remote from Mr. Neeland's land, and thereby could not be the cause of any injury to him.

1248/28

HARBOUR-MASTER, ARRANMORE ISLAND.

A letter was read from Mr. Neil H. Gallagher, Arranmore, Burtonport, in which he asked to be appointed as Harbour-Master for a Pier on Arranmore Island over which he said there was no supervision.

Councillor O'Donnell supported the application. The Chairman ruled that notice of motion would have to be given and the position advertised.

1249/28

CARNDONAGH COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from Mr. Bernard Morris, Pound Street, Carndonagh, in which he complained that since the rebuilding of Carndonagh Courthouse his garden at rear had been destroyed by water, and he asked the Council to have the matter remedied and compensation paid to him for his loss through being unable to crop the garden in the meantime.

The matter was adjourned to the next meeting and it was decided to ask Mr. O'Doherty, C.E. to furnish the plans of the Courthouse for inspection.

1250/28

ERECTION OF PETROL PUMPS.

A letter was read from the Clerk of the Urban District Council, Buncrana, which stated that his Council had directed him to ask the County Council to refuse permission for the erection of any more petrol pumps in Main Street, Buncrana, there being too many erected already.

:- The matter was adjourned.

1251/28

WAGES OF ENGINE DRIVERS AND FLAGMEN.

Applications for increases in wages were received from Terence Quinn, Junior, Engine-driver, and Denis Kelly, Flagman.

- The Chairman ruled that their wages be paid according to scale in force.

1252/28

CARTING OF STONES FROM BOGAN QUARRY.

A letter was read from Mr. John Doherty, Ballyhann, Culdaff, in which he stated that he had been employed by Mr. O'Neill, Assistant Surveyor to cart stones from Bogan Quarry at 10d. per ton, that he had drawn 51 tons in the beginning of August, and had not yet been paid.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1253/28

INCOME TAX, MR. JAMES FRIEL.

A letter was read from the Revenue Commissioners regarding Income Tax due by Mr. James Friel, in which it was pointed out that the County Secretary was personally liable for deducting from remuneration payable to Mr. Friel the arrears of Income Tax due by him.

- The Secretary stated that Mr. Friel had now agreed to pay the amount due.

1254/28

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES STORED IN DERRY.

A letter dated 24th Sept., 1928, 312/1 was read from the Dept. of Justice which acknowledged County Secretary's letter of 13th inst. re claim of Mr. James McGuinness, 4, Chamberlain Street, Derry, for storage of weights and measures and stated that the matter was receiving attention. A letter regarding the same subject was read from the Department of Industry and Commerce (Power Section) dated 27th Sept., 1928, 21620 which stated that the Minister for Justice had forwarded the County Secretary's letter of 13th inst. re claim for storage of weights and measures by Mr. McGuinness. The letter pointed out that the claim for storage was much in excess of the value of the articles to the Council, and that if he was willing to hand over the brass measures for a small sum say £15 to £20 it might be worth securing them as spares, and asked to be informed in due course, what settlement, if any, had been made in the matter.

Councillor McIvor said that Mr. McGuinness would not take less than £40 in settlement of his claim. The Council decided to take no action in the meantime.

1255/28

ROAD, BURTONPORT - KINCASSLAGH.

A letter was read from Mr. Jack Bonner, Crickamore, Burtonport, in which he complained that the water from the road leading from Burtonport to Kincasslagh flowed down under portion of his house thereby causing damage and rotting of the floors, and that he had drawn the attention of the Assistant Surveyor to the defect, and he asked the Council to have it remedied before the winter months set in.

- The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1256/28

STORAGE OF FIREWORKS.

An application for registration was submitted from Mr. Daniel J. O'Donnell, Dungloe, as an authorised dealer to stock standard fireworks.

The application was granted subject to the approval of the authorities.

1257/28

CAPITATION GRANT TOWARDS UPKEEP OF MENTAL HOSPITAL PATIENTS.

A letter was submitted from the Resident Medical Superintendent, Ballinasloe Mental Hospital, which transmitted copy of resolution passed by the Committee of Management of above Mental Hospital requesting all County Councils in the Saorstát and Mental Hospital Committees

to make an organised effort to secure the restoration of the Capitation Grant to the scale of one-half the cost of maintenance as was originally the case.

The Council unanimously approved of the resolution and decided to refer it to the General Council of County Councils.

1258/28

BUNCRANA PIER.

A letter was read from the Hon. Secretary, Buncrana Pier Committee in which he stated that his Committee had directed him to call the attention of the Council to the various stated defects in the Pier at Buncrana which were liable to cause injury to boats for which the Council would be held responsible, and which if not remedied would interfere with the winter fishing.

The Council decided to expend on repairs to the Pier any moneys standing to its credit.

1259/28

ROADS ARDARA TO NAIRN.

Letters were read from Mr. Hugh Holly, Carn, Ardara, in which he complained that payment on his Contracts Roads Nos. 1553 and 1732 for the term ended 31st March, 1928 was withheld, although all work on Contracts was complete, with the exception of rolling over which he had no control. He also claimed £2 : 9 : 6 for assistance rendered in extricating roller which sunk in the roadway at Beagh N. S. on 12th Sept., 1928.

A report was read from the County Surveyor in which he stated that the money referred to had been withheld, pending rolling in of the stones. That procedure was a frequent occurrence and few contractors complained about it. Regarding the claim for helping to raise the roller, the Surveyor stated this claim could not be entertained as it was part of the Contract to give all necessary assistance to the roller whilst working on Contracts. No action was taken on the letters.

1260/28

BUNCRANA PIER.

A letter was read from the Hon. Secretary, Buncrana Pier Committee, in which he stated that on the instructions of his Committee he had handed cheque for £7 : 5 : 0 to the Harbour Master for lodgment to County Council's credit to meet amount paid to the Assistant Harbour Master by Pier Committee for last May and June fishing. He now applied to have the amount refunded.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor McIvor it was unanimously decided to refund the amount.

1261/28

TEELIN PIER.

A letter was read from the Harbour Master at Teelin in which he stated that skippers of the four oared fishing boats at Teelin had agreed to pay the old dues of 2/6 for season 1st May to 30th October, but had refused to pay the 15/- which was now on the Schedule of Tolls, and he asked for directions in the matter. He also reported that Phil Gallagher, Ranakilla, Teelin had refused to pay 15/- Harbour Dues for large sailing boat "Mulroy Bay" L.Y. 470.

The Council decided to request the Department of Industry and Commerce to decide as soon as possible on the revised Schedule submitted to them, and to acquaint the Council of their decision. Action in the meantime was deferred on the Harbour Master's letters.

1262/28

APPOINTMENT OF SHORTHAND-TYPIST.

A letter was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health, dated 2nd Oct., 1928 G 66086/28 which stated in reply to the County Secretary's letter of 26th September that for reasons already explained the Minister was unable to sanction the filling of the vacancy for a typist as a result of the advertisement already issued. He approved of the draft advertisement submitted to him with certain amplifications in the re-advertisement of the position.

The Secretary submitted result of second special examination which had been held. The Council decided to regard Irish as one subject and to consider only the average marks secured in the oral and written examinations. On these results first place was secured by Miss Ellen Quinn, 10, Mountjoy Street, Derry, who had submitted satisfactory references and who complied with the Council's requirements regarding age and birth. Her medical references were also satisfactory.

The Council unanimously decided to appoint Miss Quinn.

1263/28

GLENTIES DISTRICT HOSPITAL.

A letter was read from the Secretary, County Board of Health, Stranorlar, in which he enclosed copy of communication received from Mr. J. V. Cunningham, contractor, for repairs to Glenties District Hospital, which stated that the Contractor had been prevented from carrying out his work by a Mr. Gallagher, who has the adjoining grass lands taken from the Council, and he asked that the necessary steps be taken to allow Mr. Cunningham to proceed with his contract.

Councillor Gallen proposed and Councillor Bernard Gallagher seconded that the lands adjoining this Hospital be let for hay crops only in future. The motion was carried unanimously.

1264/28

FOOTPATH, LETTERKENNY URBAN AREA.

A letter was read from the Town Clerk, Letterkenny, which enclosed at the request of that Body, an application signed by the residents in St. Columba's Terrace to have the footpath repaired at the Terrace which runs along the main road from Letterkenny to Kilmacronan within the Urban District Boundary.

The Secretary stated that Mr. Mahony was lodging a proposal for this work for consideration at the annual Road Works Meeting.

1265/28

GLENTIES COURTHOUSE

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, dated 8th October, 1928 G.67995/28 which adverted to previous correspondence relative to the heating of Glenties Courthouse, and requested that a stove be installed as originally proposed.

No action was taken as the matter had already been dealt with in Minute No. 1238/28, under the same heading. A letter was also read from the Clerk, Glenties District Court, on the same subject.

1266/28

GLENTIES COURTHOUSE, DISTRICT COURT CLERK'S OFFICE.

A letter was read from the Clerk, Glenties District Court, regarding instructions recently given by the County Council to the Caretaker of the Courthouse regarding the supplying of fires in the Clerk's Office. He stated that the fires now supplied are inadequate, and he asked the Council to instruct the Caretaker to supply fires as before.

Councillor Bernard Gallagher proposed that fires be provided in the Clerk's Office each week-day. Councillor O'Donnell seconded. The Chairman ruled that previous Resolution allowing fires one day each week would first require to be rescinded.

1267/28

BOOKLET.

The Secretary submitted for the approval of the Council articles which he intended including in the Booklet which he had been instructed to prepare. The Council decided to instruct the Secretary to ask for tenders for the printing; quotations to be considered at next meeting. Printers tendering to be invited to include advertisements in the Booklet.

1268/28

APPLICATION FOR SUPERANNUATION ALLOWANCE.

A letter was read from the Secretary, County Board of Health which stated that the Board had before them at their last meeting a claim from Mr. Francis Molloy, Tievebrack, Glenties, for compensation for loss of employment as tailor in Glenties Workhouse, consequent on amalgamation of the Unions. The matter was referred to the County Council, and Mr. Molloy asked to furnish particulars to Secretary of his claim.

A letter was read from Mr. Molloy giving particulars of his claim.

The Council decided that they could not entertain the application as Mr. Molloy had not been a whole-time officer.

1269/28

ERECTION OF TELEGRAPH POLES.

A letter was read from the Engineer-in-Chief, Department of Posts and Telegraphs, asking the consent of the Council to erect an over-ground telegraph line along the Lifford-Ballybofey Road, leading from Lifford to a point near Glady, and a plan of the proposed route was enclosed.

The Council unanimously decided to grant the required permission on the usual conditions.

1270/28

VERIFICATION OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES, DUNGLOE.

A letter was read from Sergeant H. Glynn, Inspector of Weights and Measures, Letterkenny, in which he enclosed account from Mrs. Moya Boyle for use of her premises in connection with the verification of Weights and Measures in Dungloe Court Area.

Councillor Brennan stated that the Local Hall Committee would pay the account, and it was accordingly referred to them.

1271/28

DONEGAL PIER.

A letter was read from the Harbour Master, Donegal, which stated that he had received a complaint on 1st October from Captain John Millenger, of the S.S. "Quickthorn" that the Pier is dangerous for boats coming alongside.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor for a report.

1272/28

APPLICATION FOR INCREASE IN PENSION

A letter was read from Mrs. Elizabeth Murphy, ex-Matron of Dunfanaghy Workhouse applying for an increase in her pension granted in 1917 in view of the increased cost of living.

On a show of hands the letter was marked "read."

1273/28

DONEGAL WORKHOUSE.

A letter was read from Rev. J. Burns, P.P., Killymard, applying for the use of the Boardroom in Donegal Workhouse two evenings each week for the rehearsal of a play which was being staged by some of his parishioners in aid of Church funds.

The Council unanimously decided to grant the application free of charge.

1274/28

MOSSYGLEN BRIDGE.

An application was read from Mr. James Thompson, Moenletterbale, Lecumy, Moville, for £1 stated to be due to him for the repairing of Mossyglen Bridge.

On the motion of Councillor McCauley, seconded by Councillor Scott, the Council decided to pay the amount, subject to a report from the County Surveyor.

1275/28

COUNTY HOUSE, LIFFORD.

A letter was read from Mr. J. Gallagher, Castle Street, Strabane, on behalf of the Lifford Juvenile Dramatic Club asking for the use of the kitchen at back of County House for the purpose of rehearsals and meetings.

The Secretary was instructed to inform Mr. Gallagher that in view of the pending re-construction of the County House it was not possible to grant his application.

1276/28

COURTHOUSE, BALLYSHANNON.

A letter was read from Mr. H. C. Dochraane, Lifford, in which he enclosed an application from the Hon. Secretary, St. Vincent de Paul Society, Ballyshannon for permission to use Ballyshannon Courthouse for conducting a Gift Sale for the poor of the town and district on 14th and 15th Nov. next.

The application was unanimously granted, free of charge.

1277/28

BUNCRAHA PIER.

A letter was read from Town Clerk, Buncrana, in which he transmitted copy of a resolution adopted by that Body at their meeting on 15th Oct., 1928 which requested the County Council to have the damaged portion of Buncrana Pier repaired as there was grave danger of the whole wooden structure being carried away during the winter months.

The matter had already been dealt with in Minute No. 1258/28.

1278/28

DOWNINGS WATER SUPPLY.

A letter was submitted from the Council's solicitor in which he enclosed communication from Mr. Edward Shiels, Downings, re giving of land in connection with Downings Water Supply.

The Council adjourned the matter until next meeting and requested Messrs. McGreadie and Baxter to interview Mr. Shiels in the meantime.

1279/29

MR. BLACK.

A letter was read from Mr. Black thanking the Council for their kindness in granting him two months' sick leave at their August meeting and applying for an additional two month's leave. He enclosed medical certificate.

The Council on the motion of Councillor Nyhan seconded by Councillor Hamilton unanimously decided to grant the extension required.

1280/28

MR. H. REID.

The Secretary stated that Mr. Reid had been sanctioned until 1st December, but now that Mr. Black had obtained an extension he would like to have Mr. Reid retained until Mr. Black's extension expired.

The Council unanimously decided to request the Minister to sanction Mr. Reid for the period required.

1281/28

MR. JAMES HERON.

The Council considered the position of Mr. James Heron of the Council's staff who has been absent on sick leave since the beginning of the year.

On the motion of Councillor Gallen seconded by Councillor James Boyle, it was unanimously decided to grant Mr. Heron an additional three months' sick leave on half-pay from 1st October until the end of the year.

1282/28

ROADS NEAR CULDAFF.

A letter was read from Rev. P. Tracy, P.P., Culdaff, in which he called attention to the bad state of the roads in his locality, particularly the road leading from Bogan Catholic Church to Carrowmore.

The Council referred the matter to the County Surveyor to make enquiries.

1283/28

ROADS, MOVILLE DISTRICT.

A letter was read from Rev. P. Shipway, Wesley Manse, Moville, in which he complained of large stones being placed on the road from Moville to Derry, and stated that they were a menace to motorists, and prevented visitors from using the road.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1284/26

UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS.

A letter was read from Miss Bridget Martin, The Farm, Peamount, Newcastle, County Dublin, in which she asked to have her scholarship held over for her until next year as she is unable to resume her studies at present owing to illness.

The application was unanimously granted.

1285/28

SHIRTMaking TRADE BOARD.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Shirtmaking Trade Board, in which he stated that the initial meeting of the Board which will probably last two days, would be held in Buncrana within the next few weeks, and he asked if accommodation could be provided in the Courthouse.

The Council unanimously decided to grant the required accommodation free of charge.

1286/28

CLAIM OF MR. CHARLES BOYLE, KILLYBEGS.

A report was read from Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, re claim of Mr. Charles Boyle, Killybegs, in respect of removing rubbish from Killybegs Pier. The County Surveyor in his report stated that Mr. Armour, temporary assistant surveyor, had arranged with Mr. Boyle that £3 be paid to him for the work which had been done at the request of the County Council.

Councillor Brady proposed and Councillor Nyhan seconded that the payment be made subject to the certificate of the County Surveyor.

1287/28

ABSENCE OF COUNTY SURVEYOR.

Councillor James Boyle called attention to the absence from the meeting of Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, who was absent on inspection work with Mr. Courtney, Local Government Inspector.

He proposed that the County Surveyors be instructed to be in attendance at all meetings in future. Councillor Nyhan seconded and the motion was carried.

1288/28

SUPPLY OF GRAVEL AND STONES FOR COUNTY ROADS.

A letter was read from Mr. Thomas McCandless, Drumley, Glencely, in which he stated that a considerable quantity of gravel and stones were being taken off his farm for use on the County road, and that if not paid for material already taken he would not allow any more to be removed.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1289/28

DRUMMAY ROAD.

A letter was read from Mr. Wm. Foster, Solicitor, Derry, in which he asked that the County Surveyor's attention be drawn to the state of the Drummey Road, which he stated was in a deplorable condition.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1290/28

ROAD AT BALLYRATTON, CASTLECARV.

A letter was read from Mr. Robert McLaughlin, Brooklyn House, Ballyrattin, Castlecarv, asking the permission of the County Council to plant a thorn hedge along one of his fields which adjoins the County Road.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1291/28

RAINAGE SCHEME, ARDLUGHILL, BALLYSHANNON.

Applications were received from certain residents of Ardloughilla, Ballyshannon, to have a Main drain in that townland cleaned and sunk as it was causing flooding of their holdings and disease in the locality. They stated that they were willing to bear a proportion of the cost. They submitted also a statement from Dr. Gordon, Ballyshannon, in support of the project. The Secretary stated that a drainage petition had been received in connection with this district in March, 1926, which had been forwarded with the Map to the Board of Works.

The Council unanimously decided to request the Board of Works to expedite their enquiries in connection with this scheme, and to let them have the result as soon as possible.

1292/28

CLAIM - DR. E. REGAN, DECEASED.

The Secretary reported that a Plenary Summons, High Court, had been served on him on behalf of Mrs. Mary Anne Regan, claiming damages against the County Council for the death of her husband, Dr. E. Regan.

On the motion of Councillor Scott seconded by Councillor Quigley, the matter was referred to the Finance Committee, and the Council's solicitor was instructed to take steps to protect the Council's interests in the meantime.

1293/28

ROAD AT CARNAMOYLE.

A letter was read from residents in above locality, asking to have the road rolled which leads from John McColgan's Contract at Carnamoyle School to George Gill's house at Birdstown, as it was in a very rough state.

The matter was referred to the Annual Road Works Meeting.

1294/28

COOL, KINDROICHEAD DRAINAGE SCHEME.

A letter was read from Mr. McDaid, P.C., Globe, Cullinagh, in which he asked to be informed of the present position with regard to the drainage scheme for the Cool river. The Secretary stated that the petition of this drainage scheme had come before the Council on 27th May, 1926, and had been referred to the Board of Works with the Map.

The Council unanimously decided to request the Board of Works to expedite their enquiries in the matter, and inform them of the result as soon as possible.

1295/28

CARNDONAGH WORKHOUSE.

A letter was read from Mr. John McLaughlin, Chapel Street, Carndonagh, in which he asked for a reduction of £3 in the rent of a field taken by him at the Carndonagh Workhouse, on account of damage done to the grazing by the contract work which was being carried out at the District Hospital.

The matter was referred to Councillor Quigley for his observations.

1296/28

ERECTION OF PETROL PUMP.

Mr. Steadman submitted the following report:- An application by Mr. T. C. Wylie, Solicitor, on behalf of Mr. Steen to erect a petrol pump at Muff has been made and I undertook to bring same before the Council for their approval. On looking into the matter I find that it is proposed to erect this Pump on Mr. Steen's own grounds and not on the side of the County Road."

No action was taken.

1297/28

PROSECUTION OF PARTIES AT BRIDGETOWN.

Mr. Steadman submitted the following report:- "Owing to the neglect of the following parties in opening and keeping open the tail drains of

pipes at Bridgend I recommend that proceedings be taken."

H. T. Hamilton, Bridgend.

John Morrison,

Terence McManus, Carrowreagh, Bridgend.

Prosecutions were authorised in each case.

1298/28

FIXING OF DATES FOR MEETINGS.

Mr. Steadman submitted list of dates for meetings in the several former rural districts to deal with half-yearly payments to Road Contractors.

The dates were approved with certain amendments.

1299/28

SUPPLY OF STONE CHIPS TO MRS. TROTTER, RAHELFON.

Mr. Steadman submitted the following report:- "Prior to the last Co. Council meeting I wrote Mrs. Trotter that I had not sufficient chips to meet our requirements re road work and suggested the use of gravel as being much more economical for her purpose. Recently Mrs. Trotter has again written me stating that the Council approved her request. I have not the chips to do so."

The Council approved of Mr. Steadman's action in the matter.

1300/28

DISUSED LAMPS IN COURTHOUSE, LITFORD

An application was read from Mr. James O'Neill, Secretary, Technical Committee, Ballyshannon for six lamps for use in the Engineering Class Room at Letterkenny Technical School.

The application was unanimously granted.

1301/28

CONTRACT NO. 296, MAP NO. 792.

A letter was read from Councillor D. E. O'Boyle in which he asked to have Contract No. 296 and Map No. 792, broken in order to have tonnage increased with steam roller specification. He stated that the road had been recently widened, and the tonnage was insufficient to keep it in proper repair. The Contractor did not intend to carry out the Contract and he had no objection to having it broken.

Minute:- Councillor O'Donnell opposed the proposal. Councillor Doogan seconded. The matter was adjourned until next meeting owing to the absence of the County Surveyor.

1302/28

GRATUITY TO MRS. RODGERS (NEE MCMENAMIN).

A letter was read from the Secretary, County Donegal Joint Technical Instruction Committee, in which he stated that his Committee at their meeting on 5th June, 1928, had unanimously resolved to grant a marriage gratuity of £90 : 8 : 4 to Mrs. Rodgers, nee McMenamin, late teacher of Letterkenny Sprigging Class. The amount of gratuity represented the amount of salary and bonus paid to Mrs. Rodgers during her last year of service, which amount was less than one-twelfth of her emoluments for each completed year of service.

The matter was referred to the Finance Committee.

1303/28

APPOINTMENT OF FLAGMAN ON STEAM ROLLER.

An application was read from Mr. James McLaughlin, Carn, Ballybofey, in which he asked to be appointed flagman on steam roller.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1304/28

LABOURERS' COTTAGES.

A letter was read from the Secretary, County Board of Health, in which he enclosed particulars regarding the occupancy and arrears of rent of Labourers' Cottages as at 30th Sept., 1928.

The matter was referred to the Finance Committee.

1305/28

MAIN ROAD UPKEEP GRANTS, 1929/30.

A Circular letter was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health (Roads) dated 22nd Oct., 1928 RCM/201/29 in which they requested to be furnished with provisional estimates of the sums that the Council were likely to require for the upkeep of (a) Trunk Roads, (b) Link Roads, and (c) County Roads for the financial year 1929/30 in order that the Minister may be in a position to notify County Councils as early as possible of the sums which might be made from the Road Funds for the year 1929/30.

The matter was referred to the Finance Committee.

1306/28

LAND ACTS.

A letter was submitted from the Secretary, Wicklow County Board of Health, in which he transmitted copy of Resolution passed by that Body on 24th September, 1928, calling on the Government, in view of the prevailing distress among all classes of the agricultural community to enact legislation giving certain reliefs to land annuitants and also to have Government Contributions to Local Rates put on a more equitable basis.

The Resolution was unanimously adopted.

1307/28

MALIN HEAD PIER.

A memorial was submitted from fisherman and residents of Malin Head asking the Council to erect a crane or derrick on Malin Head Pier to enable them to lift out of the water three large boats.

Minute:- The Chairman ruled that a notice of motion would be required before the matter could be considered.

1308/28

USE OF STEAM ROLLER.

An application was submitted from Mr. Daniel Kearney, Cornangan, for the use of steam roller for one day when next in that locality.

The County Surveyor was instructed to give Mr. Kearney the use of the roller as requested at the usual charge.

Confirmed,

Wm. J. McFadden Chairman

27/11/28

A MEETING OF THE DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL

was held on

27th NOVEMBER, 1928.

ATTENDANCE.

The following members were present:-
Councillors McFadden (presiding), Quigley, Baxter, Blaney, Brady, Brennan, Callaghan, Clarke, Cole, Doherty (Patrick), Doherty (Philip), Doogan, Douglas, Gallagher (Bernard), Gallen, Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Mahony, Myles, McCauley, Macreadie, McPhilemy, McShane, Nyhan, O'Boyle (Daniel E.), O'Boyle (Manus), O'Doherty, O'Donnell, Sweeney, Wagentrieber.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

A letter was read from Most. Rev. Dr. McNeely, Lord Bishop of Raphoe, thanking the Council for their kind sympathy on the death of his mother.

CONDOLENCE.

Councillor Baxter moved and Councillor Macreadie seconded that the sympathy of the Council be extended to the relatives of the late Mr. MacGowan, V.S., Milford. The motion was passed in silence, all the members standing.

SYMPATHY.

Councillor Mahony proposed that the Council extend their sympathy to Councillor Scott on his accident when returning home from the last Council meeting, and he hoped that Councillor Scott would soon be with them again.

The Motion was carried unanimously.

APOLOGIES.

Apologies for inability to attend were read from Councillors Scott, and Gallagher (Francis).

1309/28. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

The Minutes of Meeting of County Council held on 30th October, 1928, were unanimously confirmed.

1310/28. REPORT OF SUB-FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The Report of the Sub-Finance Committee Meeting held on 30th October, 1928 was adopted unanimously.

1311/28. REPORT OF SUB-FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The Report of the Sub-Finance Committee Meeting held on 27th November, 1928 was adopted unanimously.

1312/28.

LIST OF JURORS.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Irish Land Commission, in which he enclosed a list of officials of that Department resident in County Donegal, who, as public officials, are exempt from the list of Jurors for the coming year.

1313/28

CHILDREN'S ACT, 1908.

A letter was read from the Superintendent, Garda Siochana, Dungloe, in which he notified his intention of making application at the District Court at Ardara to have three children committed to an Industrial School.

1314/28.

MR. H. REID.

A letter was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health, G. 71805/28 Dun na nGall, sanctioning the continuance of Mr. Reid's employment to 1st December, 1928; date of letter 25th October.

1315/28.

HARBOUR MASTER AT DONEGAL.

A letter was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health dated 26th October, 1928, G. 73215/28, Dun na nGall, Pg, which acknowledged receipt of the County Secretary's letter regarding the appointment of Mr. Patrick Furey as Harbour Master at Donegal, and inquired what sums were received in dues for each of the past three years, and enclosed two sets of Query Forms for completion.

1316/28.

GLENTIES COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health dated 2nd November, 1928, G. 75869/28, Dun na nGall, Pg, which stated that they had been notified that the Justice of the District Court had discontinued the sittings of his Court at Glenties until such time as arrangements were made for the proper heating of the Courthouse, and they requested an explanation of the delay in installing suitable heating provision.

1317/28.

ARTERIAL DRAINAGE (MINOR SCHEMES) ACT, 1928.

A letter dated 5th November, 1928, S. 77223/1928 Ilgh. (B.C.T.), was submitted from the Department of Local Government and Public Health, in which was enclosed a copy of the Arterial Drainage (Minor Schemes) Regulations, 1928 made in pursuance of the Arterial Drainage (Minor Schemes) Act, 1928.

The Secretary was instructed to purchase 36 copies for circulation amongst the members of the County Council.

1318/28

MARINE WORKS ACT, 1902.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 31st October, 1928, which requested payment of the amount due by the County Council under the Marine Works Act, 1902, and enclosed a Payable Order for £88:13:8 in respect of dues, etc. collected during the year ended 31st March, 1928.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 9th November, 1928 which gave particulars of dues collected during the year ended 31st March, 1928; Gortnasate £88:8:8, other Piers 5/-, total £88 : 13 : 8.

1319/28

BOVINE TUBERCULOSIS ORDER, 1926.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 1st November, 1928 T. 2857/28 regarding reports received from Mr. McGlinchey, V.S., concerning the slaughter of a cow the property of Mr. A. Walker, Kilcadden, Killygordon, and in which they requested an explanation of the high valuation, £13, placed on the animal by Mr. McGlinchey.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 3rd November, 1928, T. 3026/28 regarding the slaughter of cows the property of Mr. Patrick Porter, Buncrana, and Mr. Robert F. McLaughlin, Carndonagh, in which they requested that an explanation be obtained from Mr. Marner, V.S., regarding the high valuations of £12 and £15 respectively placed by him on the animals. Mr. Marner's explanation in the matter was also submitted.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 12th November, 1928 T. 3076/28 regarding the slaughter of cows the property of Mr. James Patton, Ardrummond, Letterkenny, Mr. James Mullen, Kirkstown, Letterkenny, and Mr. James Laird, The Commons, Raphoe, and in which they requested that an explanation be obtained from Mr. McGlinchey, V.S., as to why specimens of the lesions found on post-mortem examination had not been forwarded in these cases to the Department's Veterinary Research Laboratory in accordance with the instructions contained in the Memorandum issued in connection with the operation of the Order.

1320/28.

ELECTORS' LISTS.

A letter was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health dated 8th November, 1928, F. 73604/28 Ilgh. (c) which enclosed a copy of a circular which has been addressed to Registration Officers in regard to the preparation of the Electors' Lists.

1321/28.

VESTING OF LANDS.

An Extract was submitted from Iris Oifigiúil of 9th November, 1928, which notified lands that became vested in the Land Commission in the townlands of Carrick Upper, Carrick Lower, and Agragh, under the Land Act, 1923, on the 1st day of November, 1928.

1322/28

APPOINTMENT OF SHORTHAND-TYPIST.

A letter was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health, G. 76721/28 Dun na nGall. Se. dated 8th November, 1928, in which they requested to be furnished with copies of the examination papers together with the answers thereto of Miss Quinn in the recent examination for Shorthand-Typist.

1323/28.

BALLYSHANNON WORKHOUSE.

A letter was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health, P. 56371/28 (Pb) Dun na nGall, in which they inquired whether the rent of the Fever Hospital at Ballyshannon Workhouse, which is let for the purposes of a school, was being collected direct by the Donegal County Council.

1324/28.

DERRY BRIDGE.

A letter was read from the Town Clerk, Derry, which stated that the plans for the Derry Bridge had not yet been deposited, but that as soon as they were they would be duly advertised when they could be inspected by the Council's officials.

1325/28

ASSISTANT SURVEYORS.

A letter was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health (Roads) RGS/7 dated 14th November, 1928 in which it was stated that the Minister saw no objection to the proposal to pay the Assistant Surveyors monthly in future.

1326/28

ALLOWANCES TO THE SURVEY STAFF.

A letter was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health (Roads) dated 14th November, 1928 RGS/7 which acknowledged claim for recoupment in respect of allowances to the Survey Staff for grant work, and which asked that a report be submitted from the County Surveyor as to the manner in which Mr. Kelly, Assistant Surveyor, had discharged his duties during the period involved.

1327/28

MR. JAMES HERON.

A letter was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health G. 78285/28 Dun na nGall Se. dated 15th November, 1928 in which it was stated that the Minister raised no objection to the proposal to grant an additional three months' sick leave on half-pay from 1st October, 1928 to Mr. James Heron.

1328/28.

MR. BLACK.

A letter was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health, G. 78287/28 Dun na nGall Se., dated 15th November, 1928 in which it was stated that the Minister sanctioned further sick leave to Mr. Black for a period of two months, and the continued employment of Mr. Reid to the 31st December next.

1329/28.

DOCKS REGULATIONS.

A copy of Docks Regulations, 1928, forwarded by the Chief Inspector of Factories, Department of Industry and Commerce was submitted.

1330/28.

REPORT OF PUBLIC ANALYST.

A letter was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health dated 16th November, 1928, P.H. 78291/28 in which it was stated that the returns of samples sent for analysis during the past half-year could not be regarded as a substitute for the report of the Public Analyst, which the Secretary was requested to transmit.

1331/28

RECEIPTS FROM RATES AND AGRICULTURAL GRANT.

A letter was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health dated 21st November, 1928, Stat. 8409/1928 Ilgh., which enquired the total receipts from rates and agricultural grant in the year ended 31st March, 1928.

1332/28

HARBOUR MASTER, ARRANMORE ISLAND.

Councillor James F. O'Donnell moved "That a Harbour Master be appointed for the new Pier convenient to the Chapel on Arranmore Island; salary not to exceed £4 per annum."

Councillor Doogan seconded. A vote was taken, and the following voted for the motion:- Councillors Blaney, Brady, Brennan, Callaghan, Cole, Doherty (Patrick), Doherty (Philip), Doogan, Douglas, Gallagher (Bernard), Loughrey, Mahony, McCauley, McPhilemy, Nyhan, O'Boyle (Manus), O'Doherty, and O'Donnell. The following voted against it:- Councillors Quigley, Baxter, Clarke, Gallen, Hamilton, Kavanagh, Myles, O'Boyle (Daniel E) and Wagentrieber. Councillor Macreadie did not vote.

The Chairman declared the motion carried, and it was decided to advertise the position.

1333/28.

FALCORRIB PIER.

Councillor Brennan moved "That we the Donegal County Council call the attention of the Minister of Fisheries to the condition of Falcorrib Pier, the urgency of having it cleared of the stones deposited by the heavy seas at its entrance, and the necessity of having the pier extended 25 yards further to a ledge of rocks thereby making it safer and more easy of approach from the sea.

This pier is situated in one of the best fishing bays in Ireland, in one of the most congested districts, and in the heart of the Gaeltacht, the instruction in the schools in the vicinity being conducted entirely in the Gaelic tongue.

The Falcorrib Pier was built over 25 years ago by the Congested Districts Board; but owing to the grant allocated being insufficient, it was not extended far enough. For a number of years it is practically useless due to the accumulation of stones at its entrance. Abundance of material (gravel and stones) of the very best quality for the extension is on the spot, and the undertaking on this account would not involve a serious expenditure.

Numerous large shoals of herring visit this bay every year, this was particularly noticeable last season. Owing, however, to the condition of the landing-place the local fishermen were not able to avail of them.

Copies of this resolution to be sent to the Ministry of Fisheries and to the T.D.'s of the County."

Minute:- Councillor James F. O'Donnell seconded and the motion was carried unanimously.

1334/28

COURT CLERK'S OFFICE AT GLENTIES.

Councillor Nyhan and five other members moved:- "That the decision of the County Council of 28th August, 1902/28, allowing only one fire per week to the Court Clerk's Office at Glenties be and is hereby rescinded."

Minute:- Councillor Gallagher (Bernard) seconded and the motion was carried unanimously.

1335/28.

COURT CLERK'S OFFICE AT GLENTIES.

Councillor Bernard Gallagher moved:- "That arrangements be made for the supplying of adequate fires to the Court Clerk's office in Glenties."

After considerable discussion it was agreed to allow fires on two days each week.

1336/28

ROSSGIER DRAINAGE SCHEME.

Councillor McPhilemy moved:- "That this Council considers that the Rossgier Drainage Scheme should be again investigated by the Board of Works with a view towards having the flooded area drained at a moderate cost and thereby be made capable of cropping."

After some dissension it was agreed to adjourn the matter until next meeting.

1337/28

PAYMENTS TO ROAD CONTRACTORS.

Councillor Philip Doherty moved:- "That the road payments as submitted to the Tenders Committee be passed."

Minute:- Councillor Baxter seconded and the motion was carried.

1338/28.

ROAD TAX.

Councillor Philip Doherty moved:- "That in view of the high Road Tax on Hackney Motor owners and as they have been crushed out by the Motor Bus Service that the County Council arrange a Road Tax to be paid monthly during the winter months, and also that the driver's licence be reduced to five shillings for Hackney drivers."

After considerable discussion it was agreed to adjourn the matter.

1339/28

MALIN HEAD PIER.

Councillor Patrick O'Doherty moved:- "That the Council erect a crane or derrick on Malin Head Pier capable of lifting two tons to enable the fishermen of Malin Head to lift their boats out of the water to safety." A Memorial was submitted from residents and fishermen of Malin Head also.

After some discussion Councillor O'Doherty agreed to withdraw his motion for the present.

1340/28

MEMBERSHIP OF BOARD OF HEALTH.

Councillor Mahony moved:- "That Councillor Francis Gallagher, Donegal, be re-appointed a member of the Board of Health and Public Assistance; vacancy arising through his being disqualified for non-attendance at three consecutive meetings."

Councillor Mahony explained that Councillor Gallagher's absence was caused through his attendance in Dublin at the hearing of the Erne Fishery Case. Councillor Gallen seconded and the motion was declared carried; ~~Councillor Hyman dissenting.~~ *Wm. J.*

1341/28

DANGEROUS CORNERS AT BRIDGES.

A letter was read from Councillor Hamilton in which he inquired what steps had been taken to improve the dangerous corners at Lough Eske and Barnes Bridge.

1342/28

ARTERIAL DRAINAGE SCHEME AT LEGANORNIG.

A letter was read from Councillor Hamilton in which he inquired, what steps, if any, had been taken to put the small Arterial Drainage Scheme at Leganornig into practice, and if no steps had been taken to ask the T.D.'s to agitate about it and to ask the Ministry to expedite the matter for which no money is being asked.

The matter was adjourned until next meeting.

1343/28

WORKHOUSE GROUNDS, LETTERKENNY AND GLENTIES.

A letter was read from the Secretary, County Board of Health, in which he stated that his Board had directed him to request the Council not to let the land at Letterkenny Hospital in future as the Fever Hospital is now being opened up and the grounds will be required for the use of the patients. He also requested the Council not to let the land at Glenties Hospital for the coming year as the Board are carrying out improvements to buildings there which might interfere with any possible lettings. The Board are of opinion that the land could be let for meadow next summer.

The Council unanimously decided to accede to the applications.

1344/28.

VALUATIONS.

Councillor Sweeney moved :- "That in future all valuations be notified direct to the owners of the property."

The Secretary explained the legal position and Councillor Sweeney agreed to withdraw his Motion. It was decided that in future a poster be sent to each Councillor in addition to the ordinary notices published.

1345/28

ROAD FROM CLOONEY TO KILCLOONEY.

Councillor Bernard Gallagher moved:- "That we instruct the County Surveyor to have the road from Clooney to Kilclooney through Loughfad and Ballykilduff steam rolled during the present contract."

The matter was adjourned until the Annual Road Works Meeting.

1346/28

DANGEROUS CORNERS DUE TO CROSSINGS AT RAILWAYS.

Councillor Hamilton moved:- "That we call upon the Government to take such steps as may be needed to compel the Railway Companies to co-operate with the County Councils and the Roads Department in improving the dangerous corners due to crossings at Railways and that the Government be asked to give a grant for this purpose. - Copies of this resolution to be sent to the T.D. s and Roads Department."

Minute:- Councillor Mahony seconded and the motion was carried unanimously.

1347/28

HEDGE CUTTING.

Councillor Hamilton moved:- "That the attention of the County and Assistant Surveyors be drawn to hedge cutting, and also a resolution of the County Council instructing Assistant Surveyors to call with the Local County Councillors at least once a month."

Minute:- The motion was carried unanimously.

1348/28.

HARBOUR MASTER AT RATHMULLAN.

A letter was read from Mr. Charles Deeney, Harbour-Master, Rathmullan, dated 2nd November, 1928 in which he asked the Council to erect a small hut convenient to the pier in which he could carry out his office work and keep his books.

The matter was, on the motion of Councillor Cole seconded by Councillor Kavanagh, marked "read."

1349/28

LOWER LEAMMAN RIVER DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

A letter was read from the Board of Works re Lower Leamman proposed Drainage District; and a summary of the works proposed to be executed in the drainage scheme for this district was given.

After considerable discussion it was decided on the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Nyhan to refer the matter again to the Board of Works with a request to carry out the scheme as contained in the original petition.

1350/28.

ERECTION OF FENCE.

A letter was read from Mr. S.J. Dobson, Lower Main Street, Letterkenny, in which he asked for permission to have a ditch built on the roadside at Crieve Smith, on road leading from Oldtown to Rahan.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1351/28

BUNCRANA PIER.

A letter was read from the Department of Industry and Commerce, T. 54564/28 dated 1st November, 1928 which stated that the Minister contemplated making a provisional order under which the Council would be relieved of responsibility for the management and upkeep of Buncrana Pier and Harbour and a new Harbour Authority would be constituted of which the members would be nominated partly by the Minister and partly by the Urban District Council of Buncrana. Assuming that the County Council would have no desire to object to this course the Minister had communicated with the Urban District Council of Buncrana to this effect.

Councillor Kavanagh proposed and Councillor Cole seconded that the County Council agree to the course contemplated. The motion was carried.

1352/28

COUNTY MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

A letter was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health dated 30th October, 1928, D.H. 66225/28 Dun na nGall (Ae) which reminded the Council that it was obligatory upon them to appoint a County Medical Officer of Health under Section 21, of the Local Government Act, 1925, and having regard to the recurrent outbreaks of Typhus Fever and to the high incidence of Enteric Fever it is obvious that the sanitary circumstances of the County are not satisfactory and call for systematic improvement under the guidance of an experienced Health Officer.

The present occasion afforded by a vacancy in the position of Tuberculosis Officer offers an opportunity of effecting a desirable correlation between the executive control of the sanitary services and the arrangements for the treatment of Tuberculosis in the County and the Minister would therefore urge the County Council to proceed with the appointment of the County Medical Officer of Health who would also occupy the position of Chief Tuberculosis Officer for the County.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony the matter was adjourned until next meeting and it was decided to request the Deputies for the County to confer with the Ministry in the matter.

1353/28

ROAD IN CASTLEWRAY.

A letter was read from certain ratepayers in the Electoral Division of Castlewray asking the Council to put forward the road off the Main Road at the townland of Loughnagin and going up to Knockybrin for repairs.

The matter was adjourned until the Annual Road Works Meeting.

1354/28

INSPECTOR OF FOOD AND DRUGS.

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Síochána, Letterkenny, in which he notified the transfer of Sergeant Faherty, Inspector under the Sale of Food and Drugs Act for the County and returned his seal of appointment, and he recommended the appointment of Garda William Hanley, 1539, Glenties, to act in his stead.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Wagentrieber the Council agreed to adopt the recommendation.

1355/28.

BRIDGE AT DERRYNANABOL.

A Memorial was submitted from a number of residents of the Doochary District in which they requested the County Council to take immediate steps for the construction of a new iron bridge across the river at Derrynanabol to connect the Main Road leading from Letterkenny to Doochary with the road that runs to the townlands of Stranasaggart, Biflaght, and Ballinboy.

The County Surveyor stated that the matter was having attention.

1356/28.

ROADS IN BALLINARY, BUNCRANA.

A letter was read from Mr. Thomas H. Lee, Ballinary, Bunrana, concerning the state of roads in his district.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1357/28

MALICIOUS DAMAGE TO CARRICKALANGAN ROAD.

A letter was read from Messrs. William Kelly & Co., Solicitors, Letterkenny, re malicious damage to Carrickalangan road and which referred to Minute 1187/28 of the Council in which it was suggested that Mr. McDaid, Road Contractor, should proceed against James Kennedy of Carrickalangan, who had deliberately closed a pipe and in addition filled the water table. The Road Contractor cannot see his way to take proceedings against Kennedy and he considered that action should be taken by the Council.

The County Surveyor stated that the matter was being dealt with.

1358/28

ROADS NEAR BALLYSHANNON.

A letter was read from Mr. F. H. Morgan, East Port, Ballyshannon, in which he called the attention of the Council to the state of the road at Finner Graveyard. His horses slipped on the tarred road there and previously one of his horses fell under a load of coal on the road from Ballyshannon to Bundoran. If the same thing happened again he would be reluctantly obliged to seek compensation.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1359/28

UNAUTHORISED ENTRY INTO LANDS AT ARDUNS, GWEEDORE.

A letter was read from Messrs. E. McFadden & Co., Solicitors, Letterkenny, in which they complained on behalf of Mr. Patrick Boyle, who has a farm of land at Arduns, Gweedore, that without his authority or permission, or without acquainting him, the servants of the Council have entered upon his land and are at present engaged making a road through it. They inquired who authorised the Council to invade their client's property, and they stated that as the Council by its acts had rendered useless a valuable portion of their client's lands they were instructed to proceed against the Council for damages and for an Injunction.

It was stated that the entry was not made by the servants of the Council but by officials of the Irish Land Commission to whom it was decided to refer the matter.

1360/28

DEFECTIVE GULLY TRAP, GLENTIES.

A letter was read from Mr. Thady Campbell, Secretary, Local Health Committee, Glenties, in which he stated that at a meeting of the Local Health Committee the caretaker of the Workhouse had reported that he could not scour hydrant situated at the Church Road on Main Street owing to a defective gully trap opposite the Ulster Bank. Recently when working with this particular hydrant the flow of water instead of going through the trap went into the Ulster Bank Yard.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, reported as follows:- "With regard to Mr. Thady Campbell's letter re scouring pipes in Glenties Streets, I beg to state that the pipes should not be scoured through hydrants. In every water supply a special pipe is brought to the nearest water course for the purpose of periodic cleansing of the pipes. This is known as a scour and is always at the lowest point. The practice of opening the hydrants and allowing the full force of the water to rush through the streets has resulted in injuring the road surface. Instructions should therefore be given to the caretaker to cleanse the pipes through the scours provided and furthermore not to open any of the roadway to repair pipes without applying for permission."

On the motion of Councillor Mahony, seconded by Councillor Gallen it was decided to have the caretaker instructed to carry out the suggestions contained in the County Surveyor's report.

1361/28

MEETING-HOUSE STREET, RAPHOE.

A letter was read from Mr. David Wilson, Solicitor, Raphoe, in which he enclosed a copy of a resolution of Raphoe Health Committee which requested the Council to consider the question of improving Meeting-House Street, Raphoe by widening it at a point opposite the Post Office having regard to the greatly increased motor traffic between Stranorlar and Derry along this street with a view to protecting lives and property of motorists, pedestrians and others using the street.

It was decided to refer the matter to the County Surveyor for a full report in which he should give compensation which would have to be paid if the suggestions were adopted.

1362/28

CONTRACT NO. 67 (DERRY NO. 2 AREA.)

A letter was read from Mr. Thomas Robb, Drumbooy, Newtoncunningham, in which he asked to be relieved of contract No. 67 (Derry No. 2 Area) for £8. Owing to the great increase of heavy motor traffic hauling stones he could not keep the road with any credit to the Council or himself for double the amount.

On the suggestion of the County Surveyor the Council decided to take no action until after 31st March, 1929.

1363/28

ROADS IN ARDARA, DISTRICT.

A letter was read from Mr. Hugh Melly, Carn, Ardara, regarding his claim for £2 : 9 : 6 for assistance in having the roller moved out of the road when it sank on 12th September last, and regarding the balance due on his contract since 31st March last.

The County Surveyor stated that the matter was being dealt with.

1364/28

ROAD IN KILRAINE, GLENTIES.

A letter was read from certain ratepayers in Kilraine, Glenties, in which they asked the Council to allow them a grant of £40 to make part of a new road leading from the Main Road at Kilraine Upper to the House of John O'Donnell at Kilraine Upper.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1365/28

DE-RATING PROPOSALS.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Offaly County Council, in which he transmitted following resolution passed by that Body on 17th October, 1928:- "That we, the Finance Committee of the Offaly County Council, having read a report of a conference held in Northern Ireland in which it was stated that the Northern Minister for Finance proposes to introduce legislation exempting agricultural land from rates, request the T.D.'s, the Minister for Agriculture, the Minister for Finance, also all County Councils in Southern Ireland to unite with us in pressing for similar legislation in the Free State owing to the present very depressed condition of agriculture."

On the motion of Councillor Douglas seconded by Councillor Gallen it was decided to co-operate with the Offaly County Council in pressing for legislation exempting agricultural land from rates.

1366/28

RANAGH PIER, ARRANMORE.

A letter was read from Mr. Edward O'Donnell, Harbour Master, Leabhrannagh, Arranmore, in which he inquired about a sum of £20 granted for repairs to Ranagh Pier and in which he asked that if any repairs be carried out that he get the work.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1367/28.

WAYLEAVES (TELEGRAPH LINES).

A letter was read from the Engineer-in-Chief, Department of Posts and Telegraphs, in which he asked for permission to lay telegraph lines in Ballybofey (1) along Main Street, and (2) along Navenny Road from Main Street to a point about 900 yards south.

Permission was given on condition that in the event of it being found necessary, at any future date, to remove the poles, the cost of removal (except in so far as State-aided schemes and schemes authorised by an Act of the Oireachtas are concerned) would be borne by the Department of Posts and Telegraphs.

1368/28.

TELEPHONE TRUNK LINES.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Macreadie the Council decided to request the Post Office Authorities to extend the Main Trunk Line to Milford.

1369/28

MR. JAMES HERON.

A letter was read from Messrs. Wilson & Simms, Solicitors, Strabane, in which they requested on behalf of the Committee of the Estate of Mr. James Heron that the Council consider the question of making Mr. Heron a retiring allowance having regard to the length of his service and his present state of health which makes it impossible for him to resume his duties.

The Secretary stated that Mr. Heron had been granted three months' sick leave until 31st December, 1928, and that the matter would again come up for discussion at the January meeting. Messrs. Wilson & Simms's letter was adjourned until the same meeting.

1370/28.

HARBOUR DUES.

A letter was read from the Department of Industry and Commerce in which reference was made to a recent interview with Mr. O'Boyle, Co. C., and Deputies Myles and Doherty in respect of the revision of the Schedule of Tolls to be levied at the several Harbours and Piers under the control of the Council, and which stated that after consultation with the Department of Fisheries the Minister was prepared to approve generally the revised schedules.

Before completing the matter however the Minister would be pleased if the Council would further consider the proposal that light goods under 28 lbs be admitted free. It would be recognised that such a principle is not only in itself objectionable but that it would be open to abuse by way of splitting consignments of over 28 lbs into two or more parcels under that weight coming within the free admission scale. The following alternative scale was therefore, suggested for consideration:-

Light	(	Exceeding 28lbs in weight per parcel	3d.
Goods	(	Not exceeding 28lbs in weight per parcel	1d.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Myles the Council decided to adopt the alternative scale for light goods suggested by the Department of Industry and Commerce.

1371/28

BUILDING SITES, BALLYSHANNON.

A letter was read from the Clerk, Ballyshannon Town Commissioners in which he pointed out that several building sites for houses in Ballyshannon were purchased by the former District Council, and that these sites were now available and requested the Council to erect houses on them.

The matter was referred to the County Board of Health.

1372/28.

PROVISION OF MEALS FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN.

A letter was read from the Clerk, Ballyshannon Town Commissioners, in which he requested the Council to take up the matter of providing free meals for the children of deserving poor who were attending school, and that a resolution would be forwarded to the proper quarter, and that the members of the Council who were T.D's would bring the matter before the Dail.

The matter was referred to the County Board of Health.

1373/28

ROAD AT DERRYCONNOR.

A letter was read from Mr. Manus Curran, Meenderryllaragh, in which he called the attention of the Council to a road leading from Derryconnor Three Roads to Glasserehoo Four Roads on Upper Road. This road was used by about 21 householders and was at present almost impassable.

It having been stated that the road was not a County Road but was one made by the Irish Land Commission the Council decided to take no action.

1374/28

EMPLOYMENT OF EX-NATIONAL SOLDIERS.

A letter was read from four ex-National soldiers in Buncrana who had been employed for the last three months at Gorey Quarry and who were discharged on 14th November with ten others while 15 men, of whom at least thirteen are the owners of land, were retained in employment. Mr. Steadman reported as follows:- "As the work at Gorey Quarry is drawing to a close it became necessary to reduce the number of men and when I mention that four out of ten men now employed are ex-soldiers compared with six out of thirty-two formerly it will be seen how little ground there is for complaint. Furthermore, I might state that there is no locality in the County where men have had continuous employment for so long a period in connection with Grant work as the neighbourhood in question."

The Council decided to take no action.

1375/28

WELL AT COCKHILL, BUNCRAHA.

A letter was read from certain residents of Cockhill, Buncrana, concerning a well from which they get their supplies of drinking water, which, owing to the raising of the road by about three inches, was constantly flooded with muddy water.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor for attention.

1376/28

CARNDONAGH WORKHOUSE.

A letter was read from Mrs. Madge Doherty, Millbrae House, Carndonagh, in which she offered £10 a year for the Lodge, garden and yard of the Workhouse, Carndonagh.

A letter was read from Mrs. Cassie McGonigle, Churchtown, Carndonagh, offering 2/- or 2/6 per week for one of the wings of the old Lodge of the Innishowen Workhouse with the small piece of garden in front a few yards wide.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Myles it was decided to refer both applications to the Department of Local Government and Public Health.

1377/28

VETERINARY INSPECTORSHIP, MILFORD AREA.

A letter was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health dated 13th November, 1928, P.H. 78288/28 Dun na nGall (Sd) which acknowledged receipt of County Secretary's letter notifying illness and subsequent death of Mr. Patrick McGowan, V.S., Milford, and inquired the date upon which Mr. McGlinchey took up duty in a provisional capacity. The letter also pointed out that the proposed temporary arrangement with Mr. McClintock is subject to the Minister's approval under Section 5 (2) of the Local Authorities (Offices and Employees) Act, 1926. The permanent vacancy should be reported to the Local Appointments Commissioners with a view to making a recommendation.

A further letter dated 23rd November, 1928 P.H. 80925/28 (Sd) was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health which stated that the Department of Agriculture was not in favour of the practice of paying substitutes for Veterinary Inspectors of Local Authorities during illness. Regarding the vacancy in the Milford District the Minister was prepared to approve of the temporary appointment of Mr. McClintock, V.S. under Section 5 (2) of the Local Authorities (Offices and Employees) Act, 1926 at the proportionate rate of remuneration assigned for the permanent position and on the understanding that 30% of the amount would be paid by the Board of Health in respect of Public Health Service.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Macreadie the Council decided to request the Local Appointments Commissioners to recommend to the Council for appointment as Veterinary Inspector in Milford Area a qualified person at the same remuneration as had been paid to Mr. McGowan, and to ask Mr. McClintock, V.S., to continue temporarily at the rate of £150 per annum until the permanent appointment was made.

1378/28

KELLY'S QUAY, KILLYBEGS.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works 21133/28 dated 16th Nov., 1928 in which it was stated that they would undertake to carry out the dredging operations near Kelly's Quay, Killybegs at a cost not exceeding £100 payable by the Council if the dredger goes to Killybegs to do work for the Harbour Commissioners.

It was decided to inform the Board of Works that the Council were agreeable to the payment of £100.

1379/28.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

A letter was read from the Department of Industry and Commerce (Power Section) Dublin, dated 17th November, 1928 regarding the Weights and Measures Act, 1928, and which pointed out that petrol pumps and other instruments used in the petrol trade must be verified and stamped and subjected to periodical tests by the Inspectors of Weights and Measures. In order to carry out the tests new types of measuring standards costing between £40 and £45 per set would have to be provided. One set would be required for each County or Borough. Specifications of the new standards had been prepared and tenders would be invited by the Minister for Industry and Commerce for the supply of a considerable number of sets. The necessary provisions by this Council would be included in the number specified, but this would not bind the Council to accept any of the tenders.

It was decided to ask the Department of Industry and Commerce for further information regarding the class of standards which they propose purchasing. The Council were of opinion that the existing measures used for verification purposes should suffice and that no new standards were required.

1380/28

MR. O'REILLY, ASSISTANT SURVEYOR.

A letter was read from the County Surveyor which recommended the Council to apply for the bonus for grant work for Mr. O'Reilly, Assistant Surveyor.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Mahony it was decided unanimously to request the Local Government Board to allow Mr. O'Reilly the bonus for grant work from the date of his appointment.

1381/28.

DEFAULTERS UNDER HOUSING ACTS.

The Secretary reported that the following had not paid their annuities under the Housing Acts for the current half-year:-

John Doherty (Hollow) Ballyloskey.....	£4 : 9 : 0.
Daniel Ward, Ballycallon, Ballynashanagh.....	£4 : 9 : 0.
Dan Gallagher, Kilcolman, Rathmullan.....	£3 : 2 : 2.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Clarke it was unanimously decided to call on them to pay the amounts due before 15th December, failing which the Solicitor would be instructed without any further notice to take proceedings for the recovery of the amounts.

1382/28

CONTRACT NO. 296. MAP NO. 792.

A letter was read from Councillor Daniel E. O'Boyle in which he asked to have Contract No. 296, Dan McGinley, Gortnasade, Kincaßlagh (Contractor) broken in order that a new contract may be entered into and to have tonnage increased with Steam Rolling Specification.

The matter was adjourned until next meeting.

1383/28

DOWNINGS WATER SUPPLY.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor re Downings Water Supply. Councillors Baxter and Macreadie reported that the Earl of Leitrim had agreed to give a site for the purpose of the Downings Water Tank for a sum of £30, the Council to pay the costs of conveyance. It was agreed on the motion of Councillor Loughrey seconded by Councillor Myles to accept Lord Leitrim's offer, and to authorise Councillors Baxter and Macreadie with Mr. Doherty, C. E., to make the necessary arrangements to have the tank erected as soon as possible.

1384/28.

DONEGAL PIER.

A letter was read from the Harbour Master, Donegal reporting condition of pier at Donegal.

The County Surveyor reported as follows:- "I beg to report in connection with Donegal Pier that the approach to the berth requires cleaning periodically as it gets silted up with the tides. Six of the skids which protect the pier wall require renewal and nine of the elm rubbing pieces. The surface of the pier will also require about 20 tons of stone. The estimated cost to carry out these repairs is £20."

It was decided to instruct the County Surveyor to carry out the necessary repairs, the cost not to exceed £20, being amount of annual revenue from this pier.

1385/28

ERECTION OF PETROL PUMPS.

A letter from the Town Clerk, Buncrana, in which he requested the County Council to refuse permission for the erection of any more petrol pumps in Buncrana, was marked "read."

1386/28

DROWES RIVER DRAINAGE SCHEME.

A letter was submitted from the Secretary, Leitrim County Council, in which he enclosed the following extract from the Minutes of Meeting of the Leitrim County Council held on 14th November, 1928:- "Resolution from Donegal County Council re Drowes River Drainage Scheme was marked "read."

1387/28

CARNDONAGH COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from Mr. Bernard Merricks, Pound Street, Carndonagh, in which he called the attention of the Council to the flooding of his garden at the rear of Carndonagh Courthouse.

Mr. Steadman reported as follows:- "With regard to the complaints of Mr. Bernard Merricks, re flooding of his garden at the back of Carndonagh Courthouse it is not clear that any water is percolating from the yard at back of Courthouse to the garden complained of. The ground naturally slopes steeply from the street towards this garden so that surface water from heavy rain would gravitate there. I understand Mr. Merrick's contention is that a tank put in by Mr. Doherty in the yard behind the Courthouse building is leaking and causing the flooding. To ascertain if this contention is correct it would be necessary to cut a narrow trench between this tank and the garden and so determine if any water from this tank finds its way into this trench which it must do if coming from the tank provided the trench is sunk deeper than the foundations of the tank."

On the motion of Councillor Cole seconded by Councillor Loughrey it was decided to place £5 at the disposal of the County Surveyor to carry out the necessary work.

1388/28

CARNDONAGH WORKHOUSE.

A letter was read from Mr. John McLaughlin, Chapel Street, Carndonagh regarding the grazing taken by him at Carndonagh Workhouse, and in which he asked to have a reduction of £3 made in the amount.

Councillor Quigley reported that he considered Mr. McLaughlin's claim very reasonable, and that he had suffered considerable loss in the matter. On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Cole it was unanimously decided to allow the reduction requested.

1389/28

DRAIN AT END OF MUFF ROAD.

A letter was read from Mr. Manus Coyle, Ballyderown, Burnfoot, regarding a choked drain at the end of the Muff road adjoining his land and in which he stated that if the matter would not be attended to at once he would take proceedings.

Mr. Steadman reported as follows:- "There is on the books a contract for the cleaning of the drain referred to and I suggest that proceedings be taken against the Contractor to enforce performance of the contract."

The Council unanimously decided to adopt Mr. Steadman's recommendation.

1390/28

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES STORED IN DERRY.

A letter was read from the Department of Industry and Commerce 21813 dated 15th November, 1928 regarding certain Weights and Measures Standards in Derry and in which it was stated that they considered that the Council was taking the proper action in the matter.

A letter was read from Mr. James McGuinness, 4, Chamberlain Street, Derry in which he stated that he was willing to hand over the brass measures for the sum of £20 and in which he inquired what is to be done with the metal weights and measures as he was anxious to have the whole lot cleared away.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter it was unanimously decided to defer taking action.

1391/28

BUNCRANA COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Donegal District Shirt-making Trade Committee, Office of Trade Boards, Dublin, in which he thanked the Council for their courtesy in allowing him the use of Bunrana Courthouse and in which he inquired whether accommodation for other meetings could be provided in future. Meetings will be held at irregular intervals and reasonable notice will be given from the office as to the date on which it is required.

The Council unanimously decided to give the use of the Courthouse when required free of charge.

1392/28

HEDGE CUTTING.

Mr. Steadman submitted the following report:- "Notices have been served on a large number of parties for the cutting of hedges and while many have complied still there are many others who have not. As this is the time for getting the cutting done I would strongly recommend that all those who fail to cut should be prosecuted. It is most important to get the cutting done just now before the period for enforcing cutting expires. Moreover it is only fair to those who have cut that this should be done, otherwise there will be an increased number of defaulters in future."

The County Surveyor was directed to prosecute all parties who failed to comply with his Notices to cut their hedges.

1393/28

DEFAULTING ROAD CONTRACTORS.

Mr. Steadman submitted the following report:- "The following contractors are neglecting the contracts they have taken and as I cannot make anything further of them I suggest that same be prosecuted:-

Innishowen (Derry No. 2)

11, April 1928, Thomas Magee.	30, April 1928, John Magee.
51, April 1928, John Burke.	33, April 1928, John Magee.
71, April 1928, John Burke.	135, April 1928, Vincent Lynch.
139, April 1928, Hugh Doherty.	141, April 1928, Hugh Doherty.
182 (Works) 1928, John Balmer.	182, Works, John Balmer.

Innishowen.

81, April 1928, Denis Donaghey.	98, April 1928, John McLaughlin.
88, April 1928, John Porter.	

Letterkenny.

44, April 1928, Hugh Meehan.

Milford.

131, April 1928, Patrick Deeney.	185, April 1928, Michael McDaid.

The County Surveyor was directed to take proceedings against these contractors.

1394/28

MULRINES BRIDGE.

Mr. Steadman submitted the following report:- "As the sectional area of the waterway of this Bridge is greater than the sectional area of the river either above or below the bridge it cannot be upheld that the bridge is causing the flooding that occasionally occurs in times of heavy rain to the adjoining lands of this river. No doubt there are obstructions in the river itself but this work can only be dealt with under a Drainage Scheme."

1395/28

LETTERKENNY URBAN COUNCIL.

Mr. Steadman reported as follows:- "There is nothing due by the County Council to Letterkenny Urban Council in respect of Road Fund Grants."

1396/28

PAYMENT OF PENSION.

The Secretary reported that Mr. James Kelly, an ex-Official of the Council, had persistently refused to complete the usual Life Certificate required from each pensioner at the end of every quarter, and that Mr. Kelly had accepted his pension payments only "on account" and "under protest".

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Gallen it was unanimously decided to instruct the Secretary to withhold all Paying Orders until the Life Certificate had been completed and to instruct the Treasurer to dishonour all Paying Orders which did not contain an Unqualified Receipt.

1397/28

RIVER TERNION DRAINAGE SCHEME.

A letter was read from Mr. John McGrath, Casholinney, Pettigo, regarding the formation of a drainage scheme for the River TERNION between Counties Fermanagh and Donegal.

Mr. McGrath stated that the farmers on the Fermanagh side of the river were approaching the Fermanagh County Council in the matter. The Council decided to adjourn consideration of the proposed scheme until the attitude of the Fermanagh County Council was learned.

1398/28.

BUNDORAN URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

A letter was submitted from the Clerk, Bundoran Urban District Council, in which he enclosed accounts for scavenging the Main Road in Bundoran for the year ended 31st March, 1928.

The accounts were referred to the County Surveyor.

1399/28

CLIFF ROAD, BUNDORAN.

The following resolution passed by the Bundoran Urban District Council was submitted:- "That we the Bundoran Urban District Council hereby request the Donegal County Council to apply to the Minister for Local Government and Public Health for an order varying the provisions of the Order under Road Act, 1920 (No. I.R.V./7/25 dated 10th November 1925) already made by the Minister, so that the said order may have effect for a further period of six years prohibiting or restricting the driving of mechanically propelled vehicles on the road known as Cliff Road or Promenade from 1st Jan., 1929, in the Urban District of Bundoran."

A letter was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health R.V.9, dated 23rd November, 1928 inquiring if the Council would have any objection to the extension asked for by Bundoran Urban District Council in their resolution being granted.

On the motion of Councillor Hyles seconded by Councillor Philip Doherty it was unanimously decided to inform the Department of Local Government and Public Health that the Council had no objection to the required extension being granted.

1400/28

USE OF STEAM ROLLER.

A letter was read from Mr. R. McLaughlin, in which he asked for the use of the Council's steam roller to roll his avenue at the Parks, Carradonagh.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Gallen it was decided to leave the matter in the hands of the County Surveyor.

1401/28

OWENTACKER BRIDGE GLENTIES.

A letter was read from Mr. James Keeney, Strawoagher, Kilrairie, Glenties in which he stated that two of his children were almost drowned when crossing the Owentacker Bridge and in which he asked the Council to have it repaired.

The County Surveyor stated that the Bridge was at present being repaired.

1402/28

COUNTY COUNCIL v HIBERNIAN INSURANCE COMPANY.

A letter was read from Messrs. Corrigan & Corrigan, Solicitors for the Hibernian Insurance Company, in which they stated that they had forwarded cheque for £600 to the Council's solicitor in settlement of the case Donegal County Council v Hibernian Insurance Co., Ltd.

A letter was also read from the Council's solicitor which stated that after the second day's hearing of this case a settlement was arrived at on the advice of Counsel and through the instrumentality of Messrs. McFadden, Blaney, and Myles whereby the County Council was to receive a sum of £600 in full discharge of all claims against the Insurance Co. in respect of the default of James McGowan. He also enclosed copy of Mr. Wood's advice which advised very strongly the acceptance of the settlement as in his view the Council could not succeed in the action having regard to recent decisions and also the generous nature of the sum of £600. The maximum sum which the Council could finally recover from the Company, having regard to the terms of the Bond and the question of poundage, was a sum of £488. £600 therefore paid this sum and provided a substantial contribution towards costs. He undertook that he would advise the Council that in his opinion, the Company having regard to their legal position, were acting handsomely in the matter, and that the friendly relations of the past should be continued.

The settlement was adopted on his expressed recommendation, and in his opinion had saved the Council from considerable loss.

The Council's solicitor who was present strongly advised the acceptance of the settlement. Councillor Baxter thought that the settlement should have been made before the law costs were incurred.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Clarke it was unanimously decided to approve of the settlement. Councillor Mahony further proposed that the best thanks of the Council be extended to the three members of the Council who had effected a settlement, and that the Company be thanked for their generous treatment of the claim. He hoped that the friendly relations which had existed between the Council and the company in the past would be renewed.

1403/28

PLANS FOR NEW COUNTY HOUSE.

Mr. Doherty, Architect, attended with the completed plans for the new County Offices, which he submitted for the approval of the Council.

On the motion of the Chairman seconded by Councillor Sweeney it was unanimously decided to approve of the plans.

1404/28

NEW ROAD.

On the motion of Councillor Cole the Council decided to publish the notices required by Section 25 of the Local Government Act, 1925, intimating their intention to consider at the Annual Road Works Meeting on 2nd January, 1929 the passing of a resolution declaring the road between the Cregnahorna Road and Trussey's Park, roughly about 500 perches, which was made by the Irish Land Commission, a public road.

1405/28

NEXT MEETING OF COUNTY COUNCIL.

It was decided to hold the next meeting of the County Council on 11th December, 1928.

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Confirmed with the following
amendments.

Wm. P. McFadden Chairman

* Item No 1340/28 "Councillor Nyhan dissenting"

* 1399/28 "Councillor Nyhan substituted as proposer of the motion"

11/12/28

A MEETING OF THE
DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL

was held
on the 11th day of DECEMBER, 1928.

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ATTENDANCE.

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The following members were present:-
Councillors McFadden (presiding), Baxter, Blaney, Boyle (James),
Brady, Callaghan, Clarke, Cole, Doherty (Carrigart), Doherty (Philip),
Doogan, Douglas, Gallagher (Francis), Gallen, Hamilton, Kavanagh,
Mahony, Myles, McCauley, McGree, Macreadie, McIvor, McShane, Nyhan,
O'Boyle (Manus), O'Doherty (Malin), O'Donnell, Scott, and Wagentrieber.

APOLOGIES.

Apologies for inability to attend were received from Councillors
Kenny J. Brennan and Daniel E. O'Boyle.

406/28.

REINSTATEMENT OF BUILDINGS.

A letter was read from Messrs. Osborne & Co., Solicitors, Milford,
stating that an application would be made to the Circuit Court Judge
for an order confirming the offer from the Minister of Finance of
£1,080 under the Damage to Property Compensation Act, 1923 towards the
reinstatement of certain buildings destroyed the property of the Earl
of Leitrim. The Council had already agreed to the suggestion that the
money should be expended in additional buildings at the Rossapenna
Hotel, and they now wished to know if the Council wished to be
represented at the hearing of the application. The Council decided to
confirm their former action in the matter and considered that representa-
tion at the hearing was not necessary.

1407/28.

ROAD GRANT.

A letter dated 7th December, 1928, RG/201 was read from the
Department of Local Government and Public Health stating that a grant
of £3,800 had been set aside on behalf of the Donegal County Council
for works of road improvement in the areas mentioned.

<u>Area.</u>	<u>Amount.</u>
Lough-Derg - Pettigo Road (chiefly widening).	£1000.
Carrigart-Rossapenna-Downing-Deevagh.	£ 500.
Killybegs-Kilcar-Carrick-Teelin Point.	£ 800.
Portsalon-Fanad Head.	£ 800.
Glenties-Maas-Kilclooney-Ardara.	£ 700.

Total..... £3800.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Mahony
the Council approved of the allocation suggested. On the suggestion of
Councillor Gallen it was decided to call the attention of the Department
to the attitude of the G.N.R. Co. in running buses on the Pettigo-Lough
Derg Road. Councillor Gallen pointed out that this Co. was charging 2/6
for the 5 mile journey, and cheap tickets on the Rly. were only issued to
persons who utilised their buses for the remainder of the journey. This
was most unfair. On the motion of Councillor Cole seconded by Councillor
Manus O'Boyle it was decided to request the Department to make additional
grants towards roads in Innishowen and towards the road from Donegal to
Glenties.

1408/28.

WATER SUPPLY TO LETTERKENNY MENTAL HOSPITAL.

A letter was read from the Resident Medical Superintendent, Letterkenny Mental Hospital, regarding rough salt water supply to the Mental Hospital which he stated was unsatisfactory and his Committee requested the Council to take or authorise the Committee to take all necessary measures to have the defects remedied. The Council adjourned the matter until the next meeting, and referred the letter to the Council's solicitor for his advice.

1409/28.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

The Minutes of Meeting held on 27th November, 1928 were confirmed with the following amendments:- Item No. 1340/28 "Councillor Nyhan dissenting" omitted, and Item No. 1399/28 Councillor Nyhan substituted as proposer of the motion.

1410/28.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The Report of the Finance Committee Meeting held on 27th November, 1928 was unanimously adopted.

1411/28.

JURORS' FEES.

A letter was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health dated 29th November, 1928, F. 78305/28 Dun na nGall (c) in which it was stated that the payment of Jurors' Fees to Mr. Patrick Barry appeared to be debarred by Section 11 (2) of the Juries Act, 1927.

1412/28

EXCHEQUER CONTRIBUTIONS, LABOURERS' ACTS.

A letter was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health which enclosed Schedule of Exchequer Contributions towards the re-payment of outstanding loans under the Labourers' Acts for the financial year ending 31st March, 1928. Ballyshannon.....£35:0:7; Innishowen£40:17:4; Letterkenny£59:16:10, and Stranorlar ... £182:8:10.

1413/28.

MAIN ROAD UPKEEP GRANTS.

A letter was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health (Roads) RGM/201/29 dated 30th October, 1928, in which it was inquired if the Council was yet in a position to supply the information asked for by the Department regarding Main Road Upkeep Grants for the year ending 31st March, 1930.

1414/28

ABSTRACT OF ACCOUNTS.

A letter was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health, dated 3rd September, 1928, A.S. 83072/28 Dun na nGall Pb., which acknowledged receipt of Abstracts of Accounts for half-year ended 31st March, 1928 and asked to be furnished with Secretary's statements for the same period.

1415/28.

PUBLIC HEALTH CONGRESS.

A letter was read from the Royal Institute of Public Health in which the Council was invited to send delegates to the next Congress in Zurich in May.

1416/28.

LEGMANORWIG DRAINAGE SCHEME. 3.

Councillor Hamilton moved:- "That the Council deal with the Legmanornig Drainage Scheme under the Arterial Drainage (Minor Schemes) Act, 1928." The matter was adjourned until the next meeting when it was expected that a proper petition would be submitted.

1417/28.

CASHELARD DRAINAGE SCHEME.

Councillor Nyhan moved:- "That the Cashelard Drainage Scheme be approved and adopted by the Council."

A letter was read from a number of ratepayers in Cashelard, Ballyshannon, requesting the County Council to drain about 250 acres of land in Cashelard.

The matter was adjourned until next meeting, and in the meantime it was decided to ask the persons concerned to forward a proper petition under the Minor Schemes Act.

1418/28.

DECLARATION OF ROADS TO BE PUBLIC ROADS.

Councillor Doogan moved:- "That public notice be given of the intention of the Council to declare the road through Heonderrygamph from the County Road near Gwoedore Hotel to Mrs. Boyle's in the townland of Heonderrygamph in the Electoral Division of Magheraclogher to be a public road."

Councillor O'Donnell seconded and the motion was carried.

Councillor Doogan moved:- "That public notice be given of the intention of the Council to declare the road from the Coin Bridge between the County Road at Moneybeg and Glenthornan to be a public road."

Councillor Baxter seconded and the motion was carried.

In the absence of Councillor Loughrey Councillor Baxter moved:- "That public notice be given of the intention of the Council to declare the road recently made by the Land Commission between the Contract Road at Inniskel and the Contract Road at Killycolman (to connect the two roads) in the Electoral Division of Knockalla to be a public road."

In the absence of Councillor Loughrey Councillor Baxter moved:- "That public notice be given of the intention of the Council to declare the road recently made by the Land Commission between the Contract Road at Cashel National School in the townland of Sessiah in the Electoral Division of Fannet West to be a public road."

The motions were carried.

1419/28.

EDUCATION ACT.

Councillor Doogan moved:- "That the Minister for Education and the T.D.'s of the County be asked to modify the compulsory clauses of the Education Act in the rural districts during the winter months and early spring where children of tender years have to wade through bogs and cross swollen rivers and streams, many of them badly clothed and shod and that prosecutions in such cases should be limited, but no sympathy be voted out to children living within a short distance of the National School and a good clean road on which to travel except in cases of sickness where certificates will be shown."

After some discussion the motion was withdrawn.

1420/28

PROVISION OF HEALS FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN.

Councillor Doogan moved:- "That necessitous children attending school should be considered for a warm meal and, if possible, in extreme cases boots should be supplied."

The motion was carried unanimously.

1421/28.

ROAD FROM CARNDONAGH TO CULDAFF.

A letter from Councillor Douglas stating that he would ask the County Surveyor to have the road from Carndonagh to Culfaff between Carrowmore Three Roads and Bogan Three Roads put into proper repair and steam rolled according to specification was ruled out of order.

1422/28.

OFFICIALS' SALARIES.

Councillor Douglas moved:- "That a return be furnished of the number of officials employed under the County Council and the various Committees, County Home, Agricultural, Mental Hospital, etc., their salaries and perquisites, if any, at the next meeting of the County Council."

Councillor Doherty (Carrigart) seconded, and it was decided to obtain the required information from the subsidiary bodies with their estimates and demands for the coming financial year.

1423/28.

HOME ASSISTANCE.

A letter was read from Councillor Douglas in which he asked to be furnished with a list of the names of those in receipt of Home Assistance in the parishes of Donagh and Upper Moville.

Councillor Doherty (Carrigart) seconded.

On the suggestion of Councillor Myles it was decided that any councillors who are interested be requested to inspect the books of the Local Assistance Officer in which they will get all the information in the matter.

1424/28

COUNCIL'S INSURANCES.

Standing Orders were suspended to enable the Council to consider a rescinding motion standing in the name of Councillor Quigley and five other members:- "That Minutes Nos. 438/28 and 676/28 and all other Minutes dealing with the Council's Insurances be and are hereby rescinded."

The motion was then carried.

Councillor Mahony moved:- "That the Council gives its insurances or portion of them as they fall due to the Hibernian Insurance Co., in accordance with the agreement made with the Company by representatives of the Council."

Councillor Myles proposed as an amendment and Councillor Blaney seconded that the Council gives all its insurances as they fall due to the Hibernian Insurance Co. for five years. Councillors Gallen and Clarke opposed. After some discussion it was agreed unanimously to allow the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances to retain the Council's Fire and Workmen's Compensation Insurances, and to transfer all the other Insurances to the Hibernian Insurance Co. as they fall due at rates not greater than those charged by other Tariff Companies.

1425/28.

ROSSGIER DRAINAGE SCHEME.

Councillor McPhilemy moved:- "That this Council considers that the Rossgier Drainage Scheme should be again investigated by the Board of Works with a view towards having the flooded area drained at a moderate cost and thereby be made capable of cropping." (Adjourned from Nov. meeting.)

The matter was further adjourned for three months.

1426/28.

HACKNEY MOTOR OWNERS.

Councillor Philip Doherty moved:- "That in view of the high road tax on hackney motor owners and as they have been crushed out by the motor bus service that the County Council arrange a road tax to be paid monthly during the winter months and also that the driver's licence be reduced to 5/- for hackney drivers."

The matter was further adjourned.

1427/28.

MULRINES BRIDGE, ROSSGIER.

A letter was read from Mr. John McDermott, Rossgier House, Ballindrait, giving the history of Mulrines Bridge, Rossgier.

1428/28. CONSTRUCTION OF FOOTPATH, DUNKINEELY.

A letter from Mr. Thomas Coulter, Dunkineely, in which he stated that he had constructed a footpath of concrete at a cost of £11 in front of his premises, and asked the Council to refund him half the amount was marked "read" on the motion of Councillor Brady.

1429/28. RATE COLLECTOR'S SECURITY.

A letter from Mr. R. H. Reid, Solicitor, Ballyshannon, in which he asked on behalf of Mr. John Sweeney to be relieved from his liability as security for Mr. John Gillespie, Rate Collector, was referred to the Sub-Finance Committee.

1430/28. APPOINTMENT OF POOR RATE COLLECTOR FOR NO. 5 COLLECTION DISTRICT.

Applications were submitted on the prescribed Form from the under-mentioned persons for the position of Rate Collector for the above district in accordance with the terms of the Council's advertisement:-

Name.
 Denis Callaghan.
 John Curristin.

Address.
 Bridge Street, Donegal.
 Ballykillone, Laghey.

Both candidates were in attendance. Mr. William Kelly, Solicitor, Letterkenny, who appeared on behalf of Mr. Callaghan, said the latter was the present collector for Mountcharles division, and as substitute for Mr. Cassidy had closed the latter's collection for 1927/28. The Chairman proposed Mr. Callaghan for the position, and Councillor McShane seconded. Councillor Philip Doherty proposed Mr. Curristin, and Councillor Manus O'Boyle seconded. A vote was taken as follows:-
 For Callaghan:- Councillors McFadden, Baxter, Callaghan, Clarke, Cole, Douglas, Gallagher (Francis), Hamilton, Kavanagh, McCauley, McCrea, McShane, O'Donnell. Total 13.
 For Curristin:- Councillors Blaney, Boyle (James), Brady, Doherty (Philip), Doherty (Carrigart), Doogan, Myles, McIvor, McPhilemy, Nyhan, O'Boyle (Manus), O'Doherty (Malin), Scott, Wagentrieber. Total 14.

Councillors Gallen, Mahony, and Macreadie did not vote.

The Chairman declared Mr. Curristin elected, and it was decided to accept Messrs. Wm. P. Griffith, Farmer, Rushbrooke, Bridgetown, and Wm. Kelly, Butcher and Farmer, Main Street, Donegal, as his Personal Sureties under the Public Bodies Order in the sum of £284, in addition to security for £2395 to be provided by the Guaranteed Society.

Mr. Curristin thanked the Council for the appointment.

1431/28. MR. BLACK.

An application was submitted from Mr. Black, accompanied by a Medical Certificate, for an additional two months' final leave owing to ill-health. The Council unanimously granted the application. On the suggestion of the Secretary it was decided to request the Minister for Local Government to continue sanction of Mr. Reid during Mr. Black's absence until the end of February.

1432/28. EXTENSION OF OVERDRAFT.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Kavanagh it was unanimously decided to request the Department to continue sanction for overdraft of £20,000 until 31st March, 1929.

1433/28.

RE-EMPLOYMENT OF MR. C.L. CALLAGHAN.

On the motion of the Chairman consideration of re-employment of Mr. C. L. Callaghan, ex-clerk Stranorlar R.D.C. was adjourned until the March meeting.

1434/28.

RECONSTRUCTED COUNTY HOUSE.

A letter was read from the Secretary of the Lifford Endowed Schools regarding windows contemplated in the reconstructed County House which overlook their property, and in which he stated that the Governors were agreeable to allow the Council have the windows as in the Plans on condition that a small agreement be drawn up and executed.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Gallen the agreement was unanimously approved of, and its execution under seal ordered.

1435/28.

APPOINTMENT OF HARBOUR MASTER.

An application for the position of Harbour Master for the Chapel Pier on Arranmore Island was submitted from Mr. Neil Gallagher (Hugh) Ballintra, Arranmore.

Councillor O'Donnell moved that Mr. Gallagher be appointed. The Chairman seconded and the motion was carried unanimously.

1436/28

ERECTION OF PETROL PUMP.

An application was submitted from Mr. Alexander Noble, Raphoe, for permission to erect a petrol pump.

The application was granted on the usual conditions.

1437/28.

ROAD IN GLENEELY DISTRICT.

A Memorial from a number of ratepayers in Gleneely District, Innishowen, in which they petitioned the Council to put into repair a road between Killycooley Bridge and Hare's rocks was, on the motion of Councillor McCaulay, referred for immediate attention to the County Surveyor.

1438/28.

PORTNABLAGH PIER.

A letter was read from the Department of Fisheries A/72/5 dated 27th Nov., 1928, which enclosed a letter from Mr. H. A. Law, T.D., with petition from local residents which requested certain improvements to Portnablagh Pier.

The matter was adjourned until the next meeting.

1439/28.

APPOINTMENT OF HARBOUR MASTER AT DONEGAL.

A letter was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health dated 28th Nov., 1928 G. 81835/28 Dun na nGall (S) in which it was stated that the Minister saw no objection to the proposed appointment of Mr. Patrick Furey as Harbour Master at Donegal subject to the provision of reasonable security.

The Council decided to accept as security for the sum of £25 Mr. John McGroarty, Bridge Street, Donegal, who had been offered as such by Mr. Furey. It was decided to instruct the Solicitor to prepare the necessary documents.

1440/28.

DONEGAL PIER.

Captain Hamilton read a letter from a resident of Donegal town which complained that the Harbour was used as a dumping ground for all kinds of rubbish and that a large quantity of clay and rubble was deposited on the foreshore which steadily filled the channel. The harbour was being rendered useless as a berthing place for ships.

Captain Hamilton proposed that the attention of the County Surveyor be drawn to the matter. Councillor Francis Gallagher stated that it was necessary to provide a dumping ground for Donegal and he stated that he would raise the matter at a meeting of the County Board of Health.

1441/28.

REPORT OF TOWN TENANTS COMMISSION.

A letter was submitted from the Town Clerk, Blackrock, County Dublin, which enclosed copy of following resolutions adopted by the Blackrock Urban District Council on 21st November:-

"That this Council requests the Government to incorporate the following principles in the legislation which it is understood will be introduced in connection with the Report of the Town Tenants Commission, 1927:-

(1) On the expiration of all existing building leases, the person entitled shall have the right to a lease in perpetuity, at a variable ground rent not exceeding 5% of the letting value of the premises;

(2) If the ground landlord has expended money on a premises during the currency of the lease, by the effecting of improvements, he shall be entitled, on renewal, to an addition not exceeding 5% of the total amount so expended;

(3) All future leases for building purposes shall be in perpetuity, and at a variable ground rent not exceeding 5% of letting value;

(4) All revenues in the nature of ground rents accruing wholly or partially as a result of municipal developments and improvements shall be liable for a special financial contribution to the local authority concerned, on a basis to be determined by a duly constituted independent authority.

It is the considered opinion of this Council that if proposals of this character were given the force of law, the circumstances created would be conducive to the better and more rapid development of the cities and towns of the Saorstát, and would at the same time contribute substantially to the solution of the Housing Problem."

The letter was marked "Read."

1442/28.

APPLICATION FOR INCREASE IN SALARY.

A letter was read from Mr. Michael Doherty, Courtkeeper, Carndonagh, in which he applied for an increase in salary from £8 per annum to £12 per annum.

The letter was marked "read" on the motion of Councillor Cole seconded by Councillor Kavanagh.

1443/28.

APPOINTMENT OF SHORTHAND-TYPIST.

A letter was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health G. 76721/28 Dun na nGall Se. which stated that the Minister sanctioned the appointment of Miss Quinn subject to Article 3 of the Local Offices and Employments (Gaelthacht) Order, 1928. The Minister might require after a reasonable interval of, say, six months further evidence of Miss Quinn's knowledge of Irish.

The Secretary stated that he had received a further letter in this matter from the Department G. 84755/28 Dun na nGall, which stated that Miss Quinn might be required to show from time to time during the three-year period allowed in the Gaelthacht Order that she was making reasonable progress towards the acquisition of full efficiency in the Irish language.

The Secretary stated that Miss Quinn wished to have permission to reside in Derry for the time being to enable her to improve her knowledge of Irish. The Council unanimously decided to allow the required permission.

1444/28.

ACCOUNTANT.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Baxter it was unanimously decided to request the Department to require from the Accountant who had been appointed on the recommendation of the Local Appointments Commissioners satisfactory evidence that he was making reasonable progress towards full efficiency in Irish at the end of 6 months as in the case of the Shorthand-Typist, Minute No. 1443/28.

1445/28.

PROVISION OF MEALS FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Galway County Council, in which he enclosed copy of the following resolution passed by his Council on 21st November, 1928:-

"That Dail Eireann be asked to immediately pass an Act amending the Education (Provision of Meals, Ireland) Acts, 1914, 1916, and 1917, so that County Councils or Boards of Health may have the same power to supply meals to school children attending any school in the County Health Districts as Urban Councils now possess within the limits of Urban Areas under the said Acts:

In the meantime the Departments of Education and Of Public Health and of Public Assistance are requested to form Local Committees and make grants which, with the aid of private subscriptions, shall be sufficient to supply one meal per day to children attending National Schools in the poorer districts of this county.

This Council is of opinion that education suffers in such districts through mal-nutrition."

The motion was passed unanimously by the Council.

1446/28.

GOVERNMENT PRINTING CONTRACTS.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Cavan Section Typographical Association, in which he enclosed Notice of Resolution passed by his Association protesting against the statement in the "Irish Independent" to the effect that the policy of the Minister of Finance of giving printing work to Dublin printing houses would tend towards economy, and protesting further against the printing during a recent election campaign of Skeleton Posters in which the candidates' names were written in ink.

The resolution was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Brady.

1447/28.

CEMETERY AT GLENTIES WORKHOUSE.

A letter was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health P. 21348/28 Sg. Dun na nHall dated 30th November, 1928, which referred to previous correspondence regarding the proposal to utilise a plot of ground at Glenties Workhouse for the purposes of a cemetery. The promoters of the project had intimated that the cemetery could be cut off definitely from the hospital grounds by a high wall, and that the cemetery could be so laid out as to leave sufficient grounds for recreation purposes around the hospital, and suitable shrubs introduced to obstruct the view between the hospital and the graveyard. The Minister was prepared in the circumstances to re-open consideration of the matter.

Councillor O'Donnell moved that the matter be re-opened. The Chairman ruled that a rescinding resolution would be necessary before the matter could be considered.

1448/28.

HEAVY LORRY TRAFFIC.

Councillor Scott moved that consideration of the County Surveyor's report re heavy lorry traffic be referred to a Committee consisting of representatives of each area and the two County Surveyors, who would report to the Council's ordinary meeting in January, 1929. The following members were appointed on the special Committee:- Councillors Scott, Gallen, Boherty (Philip), Baxter, and O'Donnell.

1449/28.

ERECTION OF GARAGE.

An application from Mr. Richard McClean, Briarcliffe, Fahan, for permission to make a breach in the wall at his house in order to put up a garage was referred to the County Surveyor.

1450/28.

MARINE WORKS AT PORTNOO.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works 17982/27 dated 28th November, 1928, which inquired if the Council would accept a lease of the Marine Works at Portnoo for a period of 20 years on the same terms and conditions as they accepted the Marine Works at Downings and Cladnagaragh under the Marine Works Act, 1902.

The Council unanimously decided to accept the lease of the Marine Works at Portnoo on the old terms and conditions subject to the provisions of the State Lands Act, 1924.

1451/28.

APPLICATION FOR POSITION AS FLAGMAN.

An application from Mr. James Ayton, Figart, Raphoe, for a position as flagman was referred to the County Surveyor.

1452/28

CONTRACT NO. 296.

A letter from Councillor Daniel E. O'Boyle in which he asked to have Contract No. 296 Dan McGinley, Gortnasado, Kinasslagh, Contractor, broken in order that a new contract might be entered into and tonnage increased with steam rolling specification was adjourned until the annual Road Works Meeting at Councillor O'Boyle's request.

1453/28.

FLOODING OF PREMISES.

A letter from Mrs. Mary A. Loughrey, Shrove, Greencastle, in which she called attention to the flooding of her premises during heavy rains by waters from a road drain and asked the Council to have a suitable pipe laid down was referred to the County Surveyor.

1454/28.

LOCAL APPOINTMENTS COMMISSIONERS.

A Letter was read from the Secretary, Waterford County Council, in which he enclosed copy of following resolution passed by his Council on 27th November, 1928:-

"That we respectfully submit that, the time has arrived when we can dispense with the services of an Appointments Commission. The members of our Council can be implicitly relied upon to appoint only on merit, to any office in our gift, and that they will not be swayed by any consideration political or otherwise, than merit alone."

On the motion of Councillor Gallen seconded by Councillor Baxter the Council adopted the resolution with the substitution of the following for the second portion of the paragraph:-

"That all positions under local bodies other than those requiring professional or technical qualifications be filled by Open Competitive Examination; that in the case of appointments of a professional or technical nature a panel be formed in each county consisting of members of the local County Council and non-members, to whom applications of this nature would be referred for the purpose of selecting from the applicants one, two, but not more than three names and submitting them to the body making the appointment."

1455/28.

APPOINTMENT OF VETERINARY INSPECTOR, MILFORD AREA.

A letter was read from Mr. McClintock, M.R.C.V.S., in which he stated that he was willing to accept the rate of remuneration for the Milford Veterinary Inspectorship proposed by the Department.

A letter was also read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health 84647/28 Dun na nGall (Sd) which stated that pending a recommendation from the Local Appointments Commissioners the Minister had approved of the temporary appointment of Mr. T. A. McClintock as Veterinary Inspector in the Milford area, remuneration at the rate of £150 per annum of which 30% will be payable by the Board of Health in consideration of Public Health Services.

1456/28

STREET TRADERS ACT, 1926.

A letter was read from the Secretary, County Councils' General Council which enclosed for the views of the Council the following resolutions:-

- (a) To confer on Town Commissioners the power exercisable by Urban Councils to purchase or acquire the tolls of the town and to empower them to charge Tolls at Fairs and Markets and to make Bye-laws for the control of the town.
- (b) To extend the provisions of the Street Traders Act, 1926, to towns under the control of Town Commissioners.
- (c) That we call on the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to introduce legislation for the purpose of putting a stop to the trading done by travelling hawkers and second-hand clothes dealers or to empower local authorities to charge those people a substantial fee or licence for the privilege of trading within their area, as at present these hawkers constitute a serious menace to business people who pay heavy rates and rents, whereas these traders contribute nothing towards the upkeep of the local authorities in whose district they trade."

On the motion of Councillor Nyhan seconded by Councillor Mahony the resolution was unanimously adopted.

1457/28.

LIFFORD BRIDGE.

A letter was read from the Acting Secretary, Tyrone Co. Council, in which he enclosed for consideration by the Council copy of following resolution passed by his Council on 3rd inst:-
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1459/28.

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