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**Donegal County Council
Minutes of Meetings**

1929

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from Local Government Dept.

County Council Meeting held
19th December 1922. Page 12

A MEETING
of the
DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL

was held on 2nd January, 1929.

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1/29

ATTENDANCE.

The following members were present:-
Councillors McFadden (presiding), Quigley, Baxter, Blaney, Boyle (James), Brady, Callaghan, Clarke, Cole, Doherty (Carrigart), Doherty (Philip), Doogan, Gallagher (Bernard), Gallagher (Francis), Gallen, Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Mahony, Myles, McCauley, McCrea, Macreadie, McIvor, McPhilemy, McShane, Nyhan, O'Boyle (Daniel), O'Boyle (Manus), O'Doherty (Malin), O'Donnell, Scott, and Wagentrieber.

2/29.

APOLOGIES.

Apologies for inability to attend through illness were received from Councillors Brennan and Douglas.

3/29.

REDUCTIONS IN RAILWAY VALUATIONS.

Standing Orders were suspended to enable the Council to consider certain reductions made in the Valuations of Railway property on appeal by the Commissioner of Valuation. The Secretary stated that the Railway Valuations in the County had been reduced by £2900 : 2 : 0 from £7186:18:0 to £4286:16:0. This reduction would necessitate a refund in rates to the Railway Companies for the current year, and an annual loss of over 1d in the £ in future. The Secretary stated also that if the Council considered appealing against the revised Valuations the appeal would require to be lodged within 21 days from the receipt of the lists. After discussion the Council decided, on the motion of Councillor Clarke, to lodge an appeal within the statutory period, and to consider later the advisability of prosecuting it.

4/29.

PROVISIONAL ROAD WORKS SCHEME.
(Surveyors' Estimates).

The Secretary submitted the following analysis of the Provisional Road Works Scheme (Surveyors' Estimates) for the year ending 31st March, 1930:-

		<u>Northern Division.</u>				
<u>Existing Contracts.</u>		<u>New Contracts.</u>		<u>County Surveyors' Works.</u>		<u>Contingencies.</u>
Main.	County.	Main.	County.	Main.	County.	
£8263 : 3	£14787:18	£19887	£4787	£859	£821 5 10	£1200 ✓

Southern Division.

£8896:17 £13577 £2539 £2407 : 2 £3900 £2711 : 10 £800 ✓

Total for Northern Division £51305 : 11.

Total for Southern Division £34831 : 9.

This showed an increase on the amounts allowed the County Surveyors for the current year of £9152 in the Northern Division and £4951 in the Southern Division. Councillor Baxter proposed that the same amounts be allowed as for the current year. Councillor Gallen seconded.

Councillor Hamilton proposed as an amendment, and Councillor Scott seconded, that last year's amounts with the addition of £5000 for the North and £4000 for the South be allowed. A division was taken. The following voted for the Motion:- Councillors Quigley, Baxter, Blaney, Clarke, Cole, Doherty (Carrigart), Gallen, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Mahony, McCauley, Melvor, O'Doherty (Malin), and Scott. Total 14. The following voted for the amendment:- Councillors McFadden, Boyle (James), Brady, Callaghan, Doherty (Philip), Doogan, Gallagher (Francis), Gallagher (Bernard), Hamilton, Kyles, McCrea, Macreddie, McPhilemy, McShane, Nyhan, O'Boyle (Daniel E.), O'Boyle (Manus), O'Donnell and Wagentrieber. Total 19. Councillor Cole proposed as a further amendment that last year's amounts be allowed with an addition of £5000 for the North and £3000 for the South. This amendment was afterwards withdrawn, and Councillor Hamilton's motion having been put to the meeting as a substantive motion was declared carried by the Chairman.

Urban Areas.

The County Surveyors' estimates for Buncrana and Letterkenny areas amounting to £690 and £591 respectively, with Councillors' motions amounting to £120 for the latter area, were submitted to the meeting and passed on the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Kavanagh; Councillor Nyhan dissenting.

Councillors' Motions.

The Secretary submitted the following analysis of the Councillors' motions:-

<u>North.</u>		<u>South.</u>	
<u>Roads.</u>	<u>Works.</u>	<u>Roads.</u>	<u>Works.</u>
£413.	£5127 : 11	£886 : 10.	£3340 : 10.
<u>Total.</u>	£5540 : 11.	<u>Total.</u>	£4227.

Councillor O'Donnell proposed and Councillor Nyhan seconded that Councillors' motions be increased by the same proportion as the County Surveyors' estimates.

Councillor Mahony proposed and Councillor Scott seconded that the amounts allocated last year be increased by £1000, making a total of £3000, to be apportioned as follows:- North £1600, South £1400. This was unanimously agreed to. These amounts were afterwards allocated by the County Surveyors between the different districts as follows:- North :- Dunfanaghy, £300, Inishowen, £340, Derry No. 2, £200, Letterkenny, £300, Milford, £340, Strabane No. 2, £120. South:- Ballyshannon, £165, Donegal, £370, Glenties, £335, Stranorlar £330.

On the motion of Councillor Melvor seconded by Councillor Hamilton the Council approved of the County Surveyors' allocations.

The particular works to be carried out from the amounts allowed to districts were left for arrangement between the local Councillors and the Surveyors.

Councillor Mahony suggested that in future all roads scheduled in the County Books should be left in the County Surveyors' hands when out of contract, and that the Councillors should call the attention of the Surveyors to roads needing attention; on the failure of the Surveyors to include them in the Provisional Road Works Scheme the Councillors could have them submitted to the meeting.

5/29.

NEW ROADS - MILFORD.

On the motion of Councillor Loughrey it was decided to seek the assistance of the Land Commission in making a number of necessary roads in the Milford Area.

6/29

MAIN ROAD UPKEEP GRANTS.

A Letter (R.G.M./201/29) was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health, re Main Road Upkeep Grants for the year ending 31st March, 1930, in which the Council were asked to frame provisional estimates of the sums which they were likely to allow for the upkeep respectively of (a) Trunk Roads, (b) Link Roads, and (c) County Roads for the financial year 1929/30 so that the Minister might be able to indicate as soon as practicable the extent of State assistance which would be granted towards their upkeep.

The Surveyors were instructed to furnish the Department with the particulars required through the County Secretary with the least possible delay.

CONTRACT NO. 296.

7/29

A letter from Councillor Daniel E. O'Boyle in which he asked to have Contract No. 296, Dan McGinley, Gortnasate, Kincasslagh, Contractor, broken in order that a new contract might be entered into and tonnage increased with Steam Rolling Specification was not considered at Councillor O'Boyle's request.

DATES FOR TENDERS COMMITTEE MEETINGS.

8/29:

The following dates were fixed for the meetings of the District Tenders Committees:-

Ballyshannon	Monday 4th February, 1929.
Donegal	Tuesday 5th February, 1929.
Donegal (Pattigo)	Wednesday 6th February, 1929.
Dunfanaghy	Saturday 2nd February, 1929.
Glenties (Dungloe)	Tuesday 5th February, 1929.
" (Glenties)	Wednesday 6th February, 1929.
" (Kilcar)	Thursday 6th February, 1929.
Inishowen (Carradonagh)	Monday 4th February, 1929.
" (Moville)	Thursday 31st January, 1929.
" (Derry No. 2)	Friday 1st February, 1929.
Letterkenny	Tuesday 5th February, 1929.
Milford	Friday 1st February, 1929.
Stranorlar (Strabane No. 2.)	Monday 28th January, 1929.
Stranorlar	Saturday 2nd February, 1929.

FLOODING OF ROAD BETWEEN DUNFANAGHY AND FALCARRAGH.

9/29.

The County Surveyor reported on the flooding of the road between Dunfanaghy and Falcarragh, and stated that an expenditure of £150 would be required.

The Council decided to adjourn the matter until the next meeting and to request the Land Commission to make a contribution towards the carrying out of the necessary works.

BUNCRANA PIER.

10/29.

The County Surveyor asked for instructions regarding the carrying out of certain repairs to Buncrana Pier which had already been authorised in view of the fact that the pier was about to be handed over to a new authority. The Council unanimously decided to instruct the Surveyor to proceed with the work already authorised.

ERECTION OF SHED AT CASTLEFORWARD.

11/29.

The County Surveyor reported that a shed was being erected too near the County Road at Castleforward by Edward Duffy. On the motion of Councillor Gallen seconded by Councillor Mahony the Council unanimously decided to refuse permission for the erection of this shed.

A MEETING

of the

DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL

was held on Tuesday, the 29th day of January, 1929.

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ATTENDANCE.

12/29.

The following members were present:- Councillors McFadden (presiding), Quigley, Baxter, Blaney, Boyle (James), Brady, Callaghan, Clarke, Cole, Doherty (Carrigart), Doherty (Philip), Doogan, Douglas, Gallagher, (Bernard), Gallagher (Francis), Gallen, Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Mahony, Hyles, McCauley, McCrea, MacCreadie, McIvor, McPhelimy, McShane, Nyhan, O'Boyle (Daniel E.), O'Doherty (Malin), O'Donnell, Quigley, Scott, and Sweeney.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

13/29.

The Minutes of County Council Meeting of 11th December, 1928, were unanimously confirmed with the following amendments:- Councillor Hamilton substituted for Councillor McShane as seconding the appointment of Mr. Curristin as Rate Collector in Minute No. 1430/28, and the matter referred to the Harbour Master in addition to the County Surveyor in No. 1440/28. The Minutes of Meeting of the County Council (Annual Road Works) Meeting held on 2nd January, 1929, were unanimously confirmed.

QUARTERLY LIST OF PAYMENTS. ✓

14/29.

The Quarterly list of payments was submitted and passed.

REPORT OF SUB-FINANCE COMMITTEE.

15/29.

The Report of the Sub-Finance Committee Meeting held on 11th December, 1928 was adopted.

LETTER OF THANKS.

16/29.

A letter was read from Rev. J. McGowan, C.C., Malin, thanking the Council for their kind resolution of sympathy on the death of his brother.

CONGRESS OF THE ROYAL SANITARY INSTITUTE. ✓

17/29.

A letter was read from the Royal Sanitary Institute, London, in which delegates were invited to the fortieth Congress and Exhibition of the Royal Sanitary Institute, to be held in Sheffield from 13th to 20th July, 1929.

RECEIPTS FROM POOR RATE. ✓

18/29.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Stat. 79841/1928 Ilgh., dated 4th December, 1928, which inquired the amount of receipts from Poor Rate included in the Council's accounts for the year ended 31st March, 1928.

BALLYSHANNON COURTHOUSE. ✓

19/29.

A letter was received from Rev. J. C. McGinley, P.P., and other trustees of St. Patrick's Brass and Reed Band, Ballyshannon, applying for the use of the Courthouse at Ballyshannon for practices.

The application was unanimously granted subject to the approval of the Insurance Company.

HOUSING ACT, 1928. ✓

20/29

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, H. 84585/28 (Pe) Ilgh., dated 7th December, 1928, which pointed out that under the Housing Act, 1928, which became law on 30th November last, the normal period for the completion of houses to qualify for State grants under the Housing Acts had been extended to 17th October, 1929, in all cases where the erection or reconstruction of the houses was begun not later than 1st April, 1929.

The new Act also provided an additional sum of £250,000 for the payment of State grants to persons erecting houses under the Housing Acts and to Local Authorities carrying out Housing Schemes in pursuance of the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Acts, 1890 to 1921 and the Labourers (Ireland) Acts, 1890 to 1929.

21/29 APPOINTMENT OF HARBOUR MASTER ON ARRANMORE ISLAND. ✓

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, dated 10th December, 1928, G. 84975/1928 Dun na nGall, in which they asked to be furnished with full particulars of the duties of the Harbour Master on Arranmore Island and the necessity for making the appointment.

Further letters dated 1st January, 1929, G. 90751/1928, Dun na nGall Sg. and 22nd January, 1929, G. 4519/29 Sg. were read from the Local Government Department, which enclosed Questionnaire for completion in connection with the appointment of Harbour Master on Arranmore Island, and inquired the amount of annual dues collected at this Pier.

22/29 ACCOUNTING ARRANGEMENTS FOR COUNTY LIBRARY SCHEMES. ✓

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, dated 11th December, 1928, G. 85638/1928 Ilgh. Pf. regarding accounting arrangements for County Library Schemes, and which stated that the accounts should be kept in accordance with the requirements of the Public Bodies Order and that the Abstracts should be incorporated in the accounts of the County Councils for audit therewith.

23/29

ANALYST. ✓

A letter was read from Dr. John Keane, Analyst, in which he reminded the Council that he had resigned his post as Analyst to them and that he could not act after 31st December, 1928.

24/29

INCREASE OF SALARY TO MR. F. CALLAGHAN. ✓

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, R/S/7, (Roads) stating that sanction had been deferred to the proposal to grant an increase of salary to Mr. F. Callaghan, Assistant Surveyor, until the result of the Council's consideration of the question of the fixing of a sliding scale for all their Assistant Surveyors had been submitted.

25/29

REPORTS OF VETERINARY INSPECTORS. ✓

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 11th December, 1928, L. 3863/28, which pointed out that in the Council's claim for recoupment many cases were included for which no reports had been furnished to the Department by the Veterinary Inspectors, and which asked to have them forwarded without delay with an explanation as to why they were not forwarded in the usual course.

26/29

OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION. ✓

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, dated 21st December, 1928, G. 88383/28 Dun na nGall, which sanctioned continuance of the Council's Overdraft accommodation, not exceeding a sum of £20,000, until 31st March, 1929.

FALCORRIB PIER.

27/29

A letter was read from the Department of Fisheries, dated 20th December, 1928, D/21/9, which acknowledged extract (1333/28) from the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 27th November, 1928, relative to Falcorrib Pier and stated that the matter had been referred to the Commissioner of Public Works for consideration.

MR. BLACK. ✓

28/29

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, dated 22nd December, 1928, G.86418/28 Dun na nGall Pa. which sanctioned a further two months' sick leave to Mr. Black and the continued temporary employment during that period of Mr. Reid.

TRAVELLING EXPENSES OF SURVEY STAFFS. ✓

29/29

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, E/106/A, which stated that attention had been drawn to the failure of members of Survey Staffs to furnish regularly and punctually their Travelling Expenses Accounts and stated that approval to the payment of vouched Travelling Expenses was conditional on the due observance of the regulations, and that Survey Staffs should be warned that in cases of persistent failure in this respect sanction to the payment of the accounts might be withdrawn.

ABSTRACT OF ACCOUNTS. ✓

30/29

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, dated 27th December, 1928, A.S. which asked to be furnished with the Abstracts of the Accounts for the period ended 30th September, 1928.

PROVISION OF MEALS FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN. ✓

31/29

A letter was read from the Department of Education, dated 19th December, 1928, E.D. 2175/28, which acknowledged extracts from Minutes of Council Meeting held on 11th December, 1928.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, dated 26th December, 1928, P.H. 90280/1928 Dun na nGall, which adverted to the entry on the subject in the Minutes of the Donegal County Council Meeting of 11th idem, and stated that the question of introducing legislation for an extension of the Education (Provision of Meals) (Ireland) Acts, 1914/17 was under consideration. The letter also stated that pending an amendment of the law in regard to the matter there was no power to give assistance from the School Meals Grants towards the provision of meals for children attending National Schools in the rural areas.

A letter was also read from the Secretary, Cumann na Muinteoir Caisde Conndae Thir Chonaill, in which he enclosed copy of a resolution which expressed appreciation of the action of the County Council in advocating free meals and clothing for necessitous school children and urged the Council to seek the powers necessary to give effect to their good intentions.

DOONAN QUARRY, DONEGAL. ✓

32/29

A letter was received from Mr. R. H. Reid, Solicitor, Ballyshannon, complaining that stones from Doonan Quarry had, during blasting operations, gone through the roofs of two cottages convenient to the Quarry, owned by Mr. John Sweeney, Donegal. He wished to know what the Council proposed to do with regard to it. The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

CONSCIENCE MONEY. ✓

33/29.

An anonymous letter was read enclosing £54 for credit of the Milford Rural District, which, the writer stated, he thought he owed to the ratepayers of that District.

The Secretary was instructed to place the money to the credit of the district in question.

34/29

CLIFF ROAD, BUNDORAN.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, R./V. 56 dated 1st January, 1929, which enclosed copy of an Order made by the Minister relative to the closing of Cliff Road, Bundoran, and which requested that publication thereof be arranged.

35/29

AGRICULTURAL GRANT.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, dated 2nd January, 1929, which enclosed a Payable Order for £10, 469, in respect of a further instalment of the Agricultural Grant for the year ended 31st March, 1929.

36/29

TELEPHONE TRUNK LINES.

A letter was read from the Department of Posts and Telegraphs, dated 5th January, 1929, T. 16409/28, which stated that the amount of telephone traffic to and from Milford is not sufficient to warrant the heavy cost of the provision of a direct trunk line between that place and Letterkenny and expressed regret that it was not practicable to comply with the Council's request made at their meeting on 27th November last.

37/29

ANNUAL MEETINGS OF COUNTY AND URBAN DISTRICT COUNCILS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 4th January, 1929, F. 997/29 Ilgh./c regarding the dates of Annual Meetings of County and Urban District Councils and Town Commissioners, and which stated that the annual meeting in every year in which a triennial election is not held should be on a date not earlier than 23rd June and not later than 1st July.

38/29

VETERINARY INSPECTORSHIP, MILFORD AREA.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture, dated 12th December, 1928, L. 3895/28, which stated that pending the making of an appointment through the medium of the Local Appointments Commissioners the Department approved of the temporary appointment of Mr. T. A. McClintock as Veterinary Inspector for the Milford Area at a salary of £150 per annum of which £105 ranks for recoupment from the General Cattle Diseases Fund.

A letter was also read from the Local Government Department, dated 27th November, 1928, P.H. 89709/28 Dun na nGall Sd. which approved of 30% of the aggregate salary assigned for the position of Veterinary Inspector for the Milford Area being paid by the Board of Health on account of public health services, and stated that as the major appointment is concerned with the Diseases of Animals Acts the authorisation of the Department of Agriculture in connection with the County Council's application to the Local Appointments Commissioners should be obtained.

A further letter dated 5th January, 1929, L. 3895/28, was read from the Department of Agriculture, which approved of an application being made to the Local Appointments Commissioners for a recommendation as to the filling of the vacancy for a Veterinary Inspector for the Milford District at a total remuneration of £150 per annum pending any review of the question of remuneration for duties under the Bovine Tuberculosis Order, 1926.

39/29

SECRETARY'S STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 4th January, 1929, A.S. 83072/28 Dun na nGall F.b., which asked that the Secretary's Statement of Accounts in respect of the half-year ended 31st March, 1928, be furnished without delay and inquired when the Abstracts of Accounts for the half-year ended 30th September, 1928, would be furnished.

40/29

PROVISIONAL ROAD WORKS SCHEME.

A letter dated 10th January, 1929, was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, R/1/20, which asked to be furnished with a copy of the Provisional Road Works Scheme for the year 1929/30.

41/29

APPROVED NAMES FOR MARGARINE.

A letter dated 14th January, 1929, was read from the Department of Agriculture, L. 1245/28 transmitting copy of the 34th list of names approved by the Department for use in connection with margarine.

42/29

COUNTY MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

A letter dated 15th January, 1929, P.H. 84780/28, Dun na nGall (Ae) was read from the Local Government Department which inquired how the question of the appointment of a County Medical Officer of Health for County Donegal now stands.

43/29

ROADS ACT, 1920.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, M.T./209/7, which stated that a payment of £279 : 16 : 4, being 75% of the claim of the Council under Section 3 (4) of the Roads Act, 1920, in respect of the period from 1st April, 1927, to 31st March, 1928, was made to the Council's Treasurer on 14th January.

44/29

CHILDREN'S ACT, 1908.

Letters were read from Garda Walsh, Donegal, in which he intimated his intention of applying at the District Court in Donegal on 4th January, 1929, for the committal to Industrial Schools of the following children:- Mary Ellen Brogan, Bessie Brogan, Patrick Joseph Brogan, and Catherine Brogan.

45/29

FISHERIES ACT, 1925.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, dated 7th December, 1928, No. 73185/28 Ilgh. (M), in which attention was called to Section 13 (7) of the Fisheries Act, 1925, and requested that claims, if any, for 1928/29 be furnished not later than 31st December, 1928, and for future years not later than 31st October.

46/29

SURFACE DRESSING OF ROADS.

A letter dated 18th January, 1929, R.G.M./7/29 was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, which inquired to what extent provision has been made in the Estimates for surface dressing of roads for the year 1929/30 as requested in the Department's circular letter of 22nd October last.

47/29

REINSTATEMENT OF ROADS ON EAST SIDE OF LOUGH SWILLY.

A letter dated 17th January, 1929, I.R.X.7, was read from the Local Government Department, which enclosed a Payable Order for £566 : 15 : 9 received from the War Office, London, in respect of final payment on account of a claim of the Donegal County Council for reinstatement of roads on the east side of Lough Swilly.

48/29

APPOINTMENT OF RATE COLLECTOR FOR NO. 5 DISTRICT.

A letter dated 10/12/28 G. 82830/28 Dun na nGall (Fa.) was read from the Local Government Department, which stated that the advertisement for the position of Rate Collector for No. 5 District should specify an adequate knowledge of Irish subject to the provisions of the Local Offices and Employments (Gaeltacht) Order, 1928, as an essential qualification. (61/28 S.F.C.)

A further letter dated 3/1/29, G. 87189/28 Dun na nGall (Fa.) was read from the Local Government Department, which stated that sanction had been given to the appointment of Mr. John Curristin, Ballykillone, Laghey, as temporary Rate Collector for District No. 5 on the condition that his continuing in the position after the expiration of three years would depend on his showing a competent knowledge of the Irish language; this condition to be brought prominently under the notice of the Collector whose progress towards proficiency may be tested from time to time by an Inspector from the Department.

The letter also pointed out that in the case of all future appointments in the Gaeltacht area a clause should be inserted in the advertisements indicating that an adequate knowledge of Irish, subject to the provisions of the Local Offices and Employments (Gaeltacht) Order, 1928, would be an essential qualification for employment.

RATE COLLECTOR, ROGER LOGUE.

49/29.

A letter dated 10th January, 1929, G. 1548/29 Dun na nGall Fa. was read from the Local Government Department in which it was stated that the Minister consented to Mr. Logue's dismissal from Office pursuant to Article 98 of the Public Bodies Order, 1925.

ESTIMATES.

50/29

Councillor Sweeney moved that he wished to call the attention of the Council to the necessity for every Institution in the County cutting down its Estimates this year owing to the necessitous state of the farmers.

He referred to the existing distress in the County and to the heavy borrowings by the Board of Health, and he suggested that the rate for the coming year should be no higher than that for last year.

Councillor Patrick Doherty seconded. After some discussion the matter was referred to the Finance Committee.

51/29

DECLARATION OF ROADS TO BE PUBLIC ROADS.

Councillor Cole moved "That the road between Cregnahorna Road and Trussey's Park, in the former Rural District of Inishowen, be declared a public road." Councillor Quigley seconded.

Councillor Doogan moved "That the road through Meenderrygamph from the County Road near Gweedore Hotel to Mrs. Boyle's in the townland of Meenderrygamph in the Electoral Division of Magheraclogher be declared a public road." Councillor Bernard Gallagher seconded.

Councillor Doogan moved "That the road from the Coin Bridge, between the County Road at Moneybeg and Glenthornan, in the Electoral Division of Magheraclogher, be declared a public road." Councillor Bernard Gallagher seconded.

Councillor Loughrey moved "That the road recently made by the Land Commission, between the Contract Road at Iniskel and the Contract Road at Killycolman (to connect the two roads), in the Electoral Division of Knockalla, be declared a public road." Councillor MacCreadie seconded.

Councillor Loughrey moved "That the road recently made by the Land Commission between the Contract Road at Cashel National School in the townland of Sessiagh, in the Electoral Division of Fannet West, be declared a public road." Councillor MacCreadie seconded.

The motions were passed unanimously.

52/29.

DISTRICT COURT AT CARRIGART.

Councillor Patrick Doherty moved "That considering Milford District Court is from fifteen to twenty miles from Rossguill and Downings and that in many instances it involves much hardships and expense on litigants to attend at Milford, this Council is, therefore, of the opinion that arrangements should be made by the Department of Justice to establish a court at Carrigart."

The matter was, on Councillor Doherty's request, adjourned sine die.

53/29.

COUNCILLORS' TRAVELLING EXPENSES.

Councillor Patrick Doherty moved "That as the regulations under Section 62 of the Local Government Act, 1925, which deprive the new Councillors elected in June last of their portion of the travelling expenses during the half-year ended 30th September, 1928, are unfair and obviously an oversight on the part of the draftsmen, this Council recommends that this technical blunder be erased or amended so as to provide that the new Councillors be given the same privilege in regard to mileage allowances as that enjoyed by those members in continuous membership from the previous Council."

Councillor Blaney seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

54/29.

REPAIRING OF FENCES, CARRIGART DISTRICT.

A Notice of Motion by Councillor Patrick Doherty "That permission be given John Sweeney, Largan, Glen, to repair his fence between Sweeney's house and Carnagore Old Quarry on the road leading from Glen to Carrigart; and also that permission be given Patrick Bradley, Kill, Glen, to repair his fence on the road leading from Carrigart to Creeslough between Glenree Crossroads and Joseph McGettigan's in the townland of Kill," was referred to the County Surveyor.

55/29.

MALICIOUS INJURY CLAIM - BALLYHERNON LODGE.

Councillor MacCreadie moved "That this Council requests the Circuit Court to make the whole County the area of charge in the malicious injury case Earl of Leitrim v. County Council (Ballyhernon Lodge)."

Councillor Baxter seconded. The following voted for the motion:- Councillors McFadden, Baxter, Blaney, Boyle (James), Doherty (Patrick), Doherty (Philip), Doogan, Gallagher (Francis), Gallen, Loughrey, Mahony, McCrea, MacCreadie, McPhelimy, McShane, O'Boyle (Daniel E.), O'Donnell. The following voted against the motion:- Councillors Quigely, Brady, Callaghan, Clarke, Cole, Douglas, Gallagher (Bernard), Hamilton, Kavanagh, Myles, McCauley, McIvor, Nyhan, O'Doherty, Scott, Sweeney.

The motion was declared carried. Councillor Baxter suggested that for all malicious injury claims the area of charge should be the County. Councillor Myles suggested that the matter should be left in the hands of the Court.

The matter was referred to the Finance Committee.

56/29.

BUS TRAFFIC.

A letter was read from Councillor Hamilton in which he inquired if the Council had observed that Bus Companies had been fined for aiding and abetting their drivers to exceed the speed limit.

57/29.

NEW ROAD AT KINGARROW.

A letter was read from Councillor Hamilton in which he enclosed a letter from the residents of Kingarrow asking to have a new road made from where the Contract Road ends at Andy Quinn's.

58/28.

SUPERANNUATION ALLOWANCE - EX- COLLECTOR CASSIDY.

An application was received from ex-Collector Cassidy for Superannuation Allowance.

Mr. Maguire, Solicitor, appeared on behalf of Mr. Cassidy and requested the Council to fix a Superannuation allowance for him.

The Council unanimously decided, on the motion of Councillor Francis Gallagher, seconded by Councillor O'Donnell, that Mr. Cassidy was a whole-time officer and entitled to a pension.

The question of fixing the amount was referred to the Finance Committee.

59/29.

LOAN UNDER HOUSING ACTS.

Councillor Francis Gallagher moved "That a loan of £375 be made under the Housing Acts to Mr. Patrick Diver, Donegal, in respect of five houses built by him in Donegal."

Councillor McIvor seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

60/29.

NEW ROADS IN RURAL DISTRICTS.

Councillor Doogan moved "That the Council call on the Ministers of Land and Agriculture and of Local Government to come to the assistance of the County Council in making new roads and repairing existing back roads in the rural districts of the County where the County Council cannot conveniently exceed their limit of expenditure. The County Surveyors have increased the amount of their expenditure for repair works but the amounts are quite inadequate to meet their requirements. It is also considered that some large amounts are to be expended on Main Roads that have been recently paved, widened, and rolled could be more usefully expended in other parts on Main Roads that have not yet been touched, especially in Dunfanaghy Rural District."

Councillor O'Donnell seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

61/29.

APPORTIONMENT OF ROAD GRANT. £3,800.

Councillor Doogan moved "That the sum of £3,800, which was before the last Meeting, but not on Agenda, be further considered with a view to giving each Rural District a fair share, Dunfanaghy having been left out of the grant."

The Motion was ruled out of order by the Chairman, the distribution having already been made.

62/29.

RAY RIVER DRAINAGE SCHEME.

Councillor James Boyle moved "That attention be drawn to the delay in the Ray River Drainage Scheme adopted some years ago by the County Council, and that the Department be requested to have this very necessary work begun now immediately."

Councillor O'Donnell seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

63/29.

BALLYNESS PIER.

Councillor James Boyle moved "That the wooden portion of Ballyness Pier be either scrapped or repaired." He stated that the Pier at present was dangerous and he merely wanted it made safe to prevent accidents. Councillor Baxter seconded and the motion was passed, and the matter referred to the County Surveyor.

64/29. ALLOCATION OF ROAD MONIES, BALLYSHANNON DISTRICT.

A letter was read from Councillor Myhan protesting against the distribution of road monies under which gross injustice had been done to the Ballyshannon District; as he only obtained £105 out of £460 for which he applied, whereas Captain Hamilton got the full amount of his application.

No action was taken.

65/29. PILING OF METAL AT TURNS AND CROSSROADS.

Councillor Philip Doherty moved "That in future no road metal be built on dangerous turns or crossroads."

Councillor Hamilton seconded and the motion was passed.

66/29. PORTNABLAGH PIER.

A letter was read from the Department of Fisheries in which they transmitted a letter from Deputy Law together with petition from local residents relative to the need for certain improvements required at Portnablagh Pier.

A letter was read from Mr. Dominick Coll, stating that a deputation would attend the meeting of the Council regarding certain required improvements at Portnablagh Pier.

The deputation who were in attendance urged the Council to carry out certain improvements, including a breakwater, which they considered necessary.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter it was decided to instruct the County Surveyor to have removed from the Harbour ballast which had been thrown overboard and which was hindering the free passage of vessels using the Pier. The County Surveyor was instructed to prepare an Estimate of the cost of carrying out the major improvements suggested by the deputation.

A Notice of Motion by Councillor Blaney "That this Council agrees to grant one-third of the total costs of carrying out certain necessary repairs to Portnablagh Pier and that we call on the Department of Fisheries, Department of Public Works, and the Minister for Finance to make a grant of the remaining two-thirds required," was adjourned until next meeting pending receipt of the County Surveyor's Estimate.

67/29. SCHEDULING OF ROAD FROM PORTSALON TO ROSSNAKILL AS A MAIN ROAD.

Councillor Blaney moved "That the Local Government Department be requested to schedule a road leading from Portsalon Hotel to Rosanakill with continuation to Three Roads at Ballymagowan as a Main Road."

Councillor Scott seconded and the motion was passed.

68/29. STEAM ROLLING OF ROAD FROM PORTSALON TO ROSSNAKILL.

A Notice of Motion by Councillor Blaney "That the Contracts for road mentioned in Minute No. 67/29 include Steam rolling specification" was ruled out of order by the Chairman.

69/29. MIGRATORY LABOURERS.

Councillor O'Donnell moved "That in view of the inhuman and unchristian-like manner in which the migratory labourers of the County are carried between Donegal and Glasgow, we, the Donegal County Council, request our Secretary to write the Shipping Companies concerned requesting them to provide better accommodation without further delay."

Councillor Gallen seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

70/29.

NEW CEMETERY, GLENTIES.

Copies of resolutions of the Glenties Local Health Committee regarding the imperative need for a new cemetery in the vicinity of Glenties village and chapel, and which pointed out that the only available site for this purpose is a plot on which the Old Fever Hospital now stands were submitted.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, dated 30th November, 1928, B. 21348/28 Sg. Dun na nGall, in which it was stated that the Minister was prepared to re-open consideration of the question of giving a plot of ground at Glenties Workhouse for the purposes of a cemetery in view of the existing conditions which had been intimated to him by the promoters of the project.

Councillor Francis Gallagher moved "That this Council confirms its resolution of 30th August, 1927. (838/27 C.C.) agreeing to give a site for a new cemetery at Glenties Workhouse."

Councillor Bernard Gallagher seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

71/29.

RATE IN AID OF IRISH.

A letter was read from Mr. J. P. O'Connor, President, Irish Class, Donegal, in which he asked on behalf of the Irish Class Committees at Ballyshannon, Donegal, and Killybogs, to have the rate for Irish restored in the County.

Councillor Francis Gallagher moved "That a rate of 1d in the £ be struck for the coming year for the purpose of making grants in aid of the teaching of the Irish language in this County."

Councillor Brady seconded.

After some discussion Councillor Gallagher agreed to amend his resolution to read as follows:—"That the Estimates be amended to include a rate of one-halfpenny in the £ for the purpose of assisting the Irish language, this rate together with other rates for the purposes of Agricultural and Technical Instruction up to a maximum of 2d in the £ to be raised under the Agricultural and Technical Instruction Act, 1889-1899; any excess over this rate for Irish language purposes to be raised under Section 16 of the Local Government (Temporary Provisions) Act, 1923."

The motion was passed unanimously; the preparation of a scheme for the expenditure of the amount to be left to the Chairman and Secretary.

72/29.

MORASS FERRY.

A Notice of Motion by Councillor Blaney "That in view of the hardships caused to the farmers and other ratepayers residing on the Western side of the Fannad Peninsula through the inadequate boat service on Morass Ferry that this Council takes immediate steps to provide a suitable motor boat to ply there and that the County Surveyor be instructed to have the boat slips on each side of the Ferry inspected and report as to their suitability for motor boat services with estimated cost of repairs," was amended to read "That the County Surveyor be instructed to prepare an estimate of the cost of installing a motor boat service on Morass Ferry and to have the boat slips repaired." Councillor O'Donnell seconded and the amended motion was passed.

73/29.

SEWERS IN PETTIGO.

Councillor Philip Doherty moved "That the sewer in front of Mr. John Flood's house in Pettigo be put into a proper state of repair. At present the water from overflow in wet weather flows through Mr. Flood's house into his yard."

The County Surveyor said he was at present dealing with the matter.

74/29.

COUNTY COUNCIL HANDBOOK.

Tenders were submitted from the Derry Journal at £20 and from the Derry Sentinel at £29 for the printing of County Council Handbook without map.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony the lower Tender was accepted. The Secretary was instructed to obtain quotations for the printing of maps separately.

75/29.

BUNCRANA PIER.

A letter was read from the Hon. Secretary, Buncrana Pier Committee, in which he reported that the S. S. Collins caught on one of the fenders of the Pier with her belting through her own fault. He also stated that no repairs had been done to the Pier since the Council decided to do so.

76/29.

LOUGH SALT WATER SUPPLY.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor in which he stated that before he could advise what steps should be taken to compel the Letterkenny U. D. C. to carry out their portion of the Agreement in connection with the Lough Salt Water Supply it would be necessary to ascertain, by a qualified engineer, the nature and extent of the various defaults and neglects of the Urban Council. The proper party to institute action would be the County Council who should have joined with them the Mental Hospital Committee as the party aggrieved.

77/29.

MR. JAMES HERON.

Mr. Simms, Solicitor, appeared before the Council and stated that the Chief Justice had recommended that the Council should fix a Superannuation allowance for Mr. James Heron. He asked to have the pension dated as from 1st October 1928.

On the motion of Councillor Gallen, seconded by Councillor MacCreadie, Mr. Heron's resignation was accepted, and the fixing of a Superannuation allowance as on 30th September, 1928 was referred to the Finance Committee for sympathetic consideration.

78/29.

APPOINTMENT OF POOR RATE COLLECTOR FOR NO. 16
COLLECTION DISTRICT.

An application was submitted on the prescribed Form from Mr. Peter Greene, Loughanure, Annagry, for the position of Poor Rate Collector for the above District in accordance with the terms of the Council's advertisement. Mr. Green, who was in attendance, was the only applicant. (80/28 S.F.C.)

On the motion of Councillor O'Donnell seconded by Councillor Daniel E. O'Boyle it was decided to appoint Mr. Greene to the position, and to accept Messrs. John Boyle, Bunnaman, Annagry, and James O'Donnell (Owen), Ballymanus, Kincasslagh, both farmers, as his Personal Sureties under the Public Bodies Order in the sum of £200 in addition to security for £282 to be provided by the Guarantee Society.

In answer to the Chairman, Councillor O'Donnell stated that the Personal Sureties are satisfactory.

79/29. RECONSTRUCTION OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL OFFICES.

The following tenders were received for the reconstruction of the County Council Offices in Lifford:-

<u>Name of Contractor.</u>	<u>Amount of Tender.</u>
Messrs. R. Cullen & Sons, Armagh Road, Portadown.	£5,225 : 0 : 0.
Mr. James W. Cunningham, Carrick.	£5,446 : 14 : 0.
Messrs. M. Sweeney, Ltd., Strand Road, Derry.	£5,825 : 8 : 0.
Mr. Patrick McCallion, 3, Abbey Street, Derry.	£5,958 : 0 : 0.
Messrs. Robert Colhoun & Co., 28, Strand Road, Derry.	£6,695 : 0 : 0.
Messrs. Quigley Brothers, Newmills, Letterkenny.	£6,795 : 0 : 0.

Councillor Clarke moved that the lowest tender be accepted. Councillor Scott seconded.

Councillor Brady moved and Councillor Cole seconded that the tender of Mr. Cunningham be accepted.

After considerable discussion the matter was put to a vote, and the following voted for the motion:- Councillors Quigley, Clarke, Gallagher (Bernard), Gallen, Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Mahony, Myles, McCrea, MacCreadie, McIvor, Scott, and Sweeney. Total 14.

The following voted against it:- Councillors McFadden, Baxter, Brady, Callaghan, Cole, Doherty (Philip), McPhelimy, Nyhan, O'Doherty, and O'Donnell. Total 10.

The Chairman declared the motion carried and the Architect was instructed to proceed with the work immediately the Bond was completed.

80/29. ERECTION OF WATER TANK AT DOWNINGS.

A letter was read from the Department of Fisheries dated 12th December, 1929, D/11/10 in which they inquired the present position regarding the erection of a water tank at Downings Pier.

A further letter was read from the Department of Fisheries dated 15th January, 1929, D/11/10, in which they inquired whether the Council had yet arranged for the erection of the tank. As it was expected that a large fleet of boats would engage in the May fishing at Downings it was hoped that the tank would be erected in time to ensure that a sufficient supply of water would then be available.

A letter was read from Mr. W. J. Doherty, Architect, in which he stated that in consultation with Councillors Baxter and MacCreadie it had been agreed that the tank should be increased in capacity to 40,000 gallons. He had accordingly drawn up a Plan and Specification for this size and it would be well for the work to be advertised for the meeting on 29th January, 1929.

The Secretary stated that in accordance with the request he had advertised for a tank in capacity of 40,000 gallons. The Council unanimously approved of his action.

81/29.

CONSIDERATION OF TENDERS FOR THE ERECTION OF WATER
TANK AT DOWNINGS PIER.

The following Tenders were considered:-

Messrs. James Montgomery & Sons,	
Carraleena,	£2975.
Rathmullen.	£1416.
Mr. Patrick Stevenson, Letterkenny.	

It was decided to accept the lower Tender subject to the submission of satisfactory Sureties.

Councillor Baxter moved that the Department of Fisheries be requested to contribute 50% of the cost of the tank and that the balance of the cost be obtained by loan over a period of 20 years.

A suggestion of Councillor Myles that a charge be made for the water was adjourned until the completion of the tank

82/29.

TOURIST DEVELOPMENT.

A letter dated 7th January, 1929, was read from the Irish Tourist Association in which they asked the Council to include in their estimates for the coming year a rate for tourist development.

Mr. O'Brien, Secretary, Irish Tourist Association, who was present explained the position at length and urged the Council to increase their rate from one-farthing to one-halfpenny in the £.

Councillor Francis Gallagher moved that the rate be increased as requested. Councillor O'Donnell seconded. The Chairman ruled that a notice of motion was required and the matter was adjourned until the next meeting.

Another letter dated 14th January, 1929, was read from the Irish Tourist Association in which they asked the Council to transfer to them a balance, £159 : 13 : 6, of rate struck for the current year for Tourist purposes, and the Council decided to accede to their request.

83/29.

DERRY BRIDGE.

A letter was read from the Town Clerk, Derry, in which he stated in reply to a letter from the County Secretary, that no provision was made in the proposed Londonderry Corporation Bridge Bill for an opening span.

Councillor Blaney moved that the Executive Council, Saorstát Éireann, be requested to take legal steps to prevent the building of the Bridge unless an opening span was provided, failing which that they should authorise the County Council to do so. Councillor O'Donnell seconded. Councillor Scott supported the motion and suggested that the Council should get into touch with Strabane Urban District Council who were also affected with a view to joint action. The motion was passed unanimously.

The question of taking legal advice in the matter was adjourned, pending the decision of the Executive Council.

84/29.

HARBOUR DUES.

A letter was read from the Department of Industry and Commerce (Transport and Marine Branch), dated 29th December, 1929, T. 55889 in which was enclosed a Schedule of the revised Tolls, dues, and charges fixed by the Minister on 17th idem, for the use of the several harbours, piers, quays, and landing-places under the control of the Council and which had duly received the approbation of the Minister for Finance.

The Council decided in the case of dues which had been withheld pending the making of the new scale to instruct the Harbour Masters to collect them at the revised rate.

85/29.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

A letter was read from the Department of Industry and Commerce (Power Section) No. 21996/28 dated 19th December, 1928, in which it was stated that the Minister invited Tenders for the supply of not less than 25 sets of standards for the testing of Petrol Pumps by the Inspectors of Weights and Measures. The lowest and most suitable tender was received from Messrs. Miller & Co., Dublin, at £3 : 10 : 0 per set. The Minister wished to know before 12th January if a set could be included for the Donegal County Council in the contract.

A letter dated 5th January, 1929, No. 22071 was read from the Department of Industry and Commerce (Power Section) in which the County Secretary was reminded of the urgent necessity of notifying a decision not later than 12th January. Owing to the frequent variations of the cost of the material required the lowest tenders could not be guaranteed as binding beyond the date mentioned.

A letter dated 17th January, 1929, No. 22154, was read from the Department of Industry and Commerce (Gas and Weights and Measures Section) in which it was stated in reply to a letter from the County Secretary that there had been a slight difficulty in arranging to hold over the question of standards until the Council's meeting on 29th idem. Messrs. Miller & Co. agreed, however, to order the necessary material for sets for three Councils, including Donegal, whose meetings would not be held until towards the end of the month without however binding the Councils as to acceptance. The Minister considered that in view of the considerable quantity of petrol sold in An Saorstát last year (26 million gallons) that Weights and Measures Inspectors should be provided with means to carry out their tests accurately and efficiently. This means is provided in the new standards for which contracts have been taken.

On the motion of Councillor Sweeney seconded by the Chairman the Council unanimously decided to request the Minister to obtain a set of standards for the use of this Council.

86/29.

CARNDONAGH WORKHOUSE PREMISES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 8th December, 1928, P. 84976/1928 Pb. Dun na nGall, which asked to be furnished with particulars of the proposed lettings of Carndonagh Workhouse premises together with sketches showing the portions to be let.

A further letter dated 23rd January, 1929, P. 4979/29 (Pb) Dun na nGall, was read from the Local Government Department, in which they returned the sketch of Carndonagh Workhouse premises and asked to have indicated thereon the portion proposed to be let to Mrs. Doherty and the portion proposed to be let to Mrs. McGonigle.

The Secretary stated that the matter was having attention.

87/29.

CARNDONAGH WORKHOUSE GROUNDS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, dated 18th December, 1928, P. 87614/28 Dun na nGall, in which they inquired the period for which Mr. John McLaughlin took the land at Carndonagh Workhouse and the full terms of letting.

A further letter was read from the Local Government Department, dated 27th December, 1928, P. 89593/28, in which it was stated that under the circumstances the Minister did not consider that Mr. McLaughlin should be allowed to depart from the terms to which he agreed in January last in regard to the letting of portions of the land attached to Carndonagh Workhouse.

On the motion of Councillor Cole seconded by Councillor Quigley it was unanimously decided to request the Department to reconsider their attitude in the matter, the local Councillors being of the opinion that Mr. McLaughlin had been harshly treated in the letting, and that the reduction proposed did not fully compensate him for the losses he had sustained.

88/29.

VALUATION OF RAILWAYS.

A letter was read from the Valuation Department dated 3rd January, 1929, No. 2901002 giving certain details relating to the valuation of railways in reply to a letter from the County Secretary.

A further letter was read from the Valuation Department dated 14th January, 1929, giving certain information regarding judicial decisions affecting the valuation of railways in reply to a letter from the County Secretary.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, G. 2003/29 Ilgh. (Fa) in which it was stated that the reduction in the valuation of railways had been arrived at after careful consideration of the railway position and with due regard to the definite interests of all the parties concerned. The reduction in the valuation of railways should not seriously prejudice the financial position of any particular County and the burden transferred by reason of the reduced valuation would be small when spread over the hereditaments generally of the rating area. An appeal against the valuation as now fixed would not be in the public interest. The Minister, consequently, felt precluded from giving the sanction required by a Local Authority before making such an appeal.

Councillor Gallen took exception to the statement "with due regard to the definite interests of all the parties concerned." He quoted the case of the Guaranteeing Area for the Strabane and Letterkenny Railway and mentioned that certain townlands were contributing as high as 1/- in the £, and he asked that the Department's attention be drawn to this excessive rate. He proposed as a protest that the Government be notified that the holding up of the payment of the half-yearly Guarantee had been contemplated but adjourned.

Councillor Nyhan proposed and Councillor McPhelimy seconded that a protest be made against the decision of the Local Government Department in denying the Council the right to appeal, which right could have been exercised by any ratepayer in the County, and that copies be sent to the Local Government Department, the County Councils' General Council, and the deputies for the County.

89/29.

KINDROGHEAD AND BALLYHARRY PROPOSED DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

A letter dated 10th December, 1928, No. 22789/28, was read from the Office of Public Works re Kindroghead and Ballyharry proposed drainage district, and which stated that their Engineer's report on this proposal is at present under consideration. As the necessary works are estimated to cost less than £1,000 it would appear that the scheme is too small to be economically carried out under the Arterial Drainage Act, 1928, but a final decision had not been reached in the matter.

89/29 .

ARDLOUGHILL PROPOSED DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

A letter dated 10th December, 1928, No. 22788/28, was read from the Office of Public Works re Ardloughill proposed drainage district and which stated that their Engineer's report on this proposal is at present under consideration. As the necessary works are estimated to cost less than £1,000 it would appear that the scheme is too small to be economically carried out under the Arterial Drainage Act, 1928, but a final decision had not been reached in the matter.

90/29.

PETITION TO DRAIN LAND IN RANAFEST.

A letter was read from a number of ratepayers in Ranafest on the Estate of Peoples and Knox in which they petitioned the Council for assistance under the Arterial Drainage Act to drain a considerable area of land.

The matter was adjourned pending the completion of Forms prescribed under the Act.

91/29

CARRICKAFODDEN ARTERIAL DRAINAGE SCHEME.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick McDermott, Fodden, Carndonagh, dated 13th December, 1928, in which he inquired the position of the Carrickafodden Arterial Drainage Scheme.

92/29.

LOCAL APPOINTMENTS COMMISSIONERS.

A letter dated 7th December, 1928 was read from the Clerk to the Select Committee, Local Authorities (Offices and Employees) Act, 1926, in which he stated that a Select Committee had been set up by Dail Eireann to inquire and report whether having regard to the experience gained in the working of the Act, any amendment thereto is desirable.

A further letter was read from the Clerk to the Select Committee, dated 19th December, 1928, in which he acknowledged extract from Minutes of the Council Meeting of 11th December, 1928, with reference to the Local Appointments Commissioners.

93/29.

PIPE ON THE ROAD FROM FAHAN TO CASHEL.

A letter from Mr. M. McDermott, Cuill, Malin, in which he called the attention of the Council to a pipe their property on the road from Fahán to Cashel, which was blocked and rendered his lands subject to flooding, and in which he stated that if the Council failed to remedy the matter he would be reluctantly compelled to take legal proceedings was referred to the County Surveyor.

94/29.

SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME FOR PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

A letter from the Secretary, Cumann na Muinteoir Coiste Conndae Thir Chonaill, in which he enclosed copy of resolution renewing their request to the County Council in December, 1925 that they should avail of their powers to introduce a Scholarship Scheme for Primary Schools in the County was referred to the Scholarships Committee.

95/29.

BUNCRANA PIER.

A letter dated 6th December, 1928, from the Town Clerk, Buncrana, in which he requested the Council to have the repairs, already provided for, to Buncrana Pier done at once before the winter fishing was referred to the County Surveyor.

96/29.

ROAD IN KILRAINE.

A letter from a number of ratepayers in Kilraine in which they applied to have the road leading from the Donagal Road at Kilraine to the limestone quarries at Upper Kilraine repaired with gravel or broken stones was referred to the County Surveyor.

97/29.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

A letter was read from Mr. James McGuinness, 4, Chamberlain Street, Derry, in which he stated that he understood from the Council's Minutes that they did not require the Weights and Measures in his custody and that he would now put the matter before the Minister for Justice. No action was taken.

98/29.

POISONS AND PHARMACY ACT.

A letter was read from Mr. Hugh O'Donnell, Meenaneary, Carrick, in which he applied for a licence to handle poisonous sheep dip. The licence was unanimously granted on payment of the usual fee.

99/29.

CLAIM FOR LOSS BY DENIS SWEENEY, GOLAND, MILFORD.

A letter was read from Messrs. William Kelly & Co., Solicitors, Letterkenny, dated 11th December, 1928, in which they wrote with regard to a loss sustained by Denis Sweeney of Goland, Milford, when his lorry with a load of oats thereon met with serious injuries on the road between Dunfanaghy and Falcarragh, which it was alleged was entirely due to the negligence of the Council and its servants. If the Council was prepared to settle the claim full particulars would be supplied; if not legal proceedings would be instituted.

The Council decided to deny all liability.

100/29.

DISTRICT COURT CLERK'S OFFICE, GLENTIES.

A letter dated 14th December, 1928, C. 86208/28 Dun na nGall, was read from the Local Government Department in which they transmitted copy of an extract from a letter addressed by the Clerk of the District Court at Glenties to the Department of Justice regarding heating arrangements for the District Court Clerk's Office. No action was taken.

101/29.

ROAD FROM BELLEEK TO BALLYSHANNON.

A letter was read from Rev. J. F. Timoney, C.C., Ballyshannon, in which he enclosed a cheque for his motor licence which he said would be the last he would pay to the Donegal County Council unless the road leading from Belleek to Ballyshannon was put into a decent state of repair. It was in a scandalous state of repair he stated and if he was going to smash up his car travelling on it he did not see why he should pay £13 for accomplishing the feat. In future, he would take out his licence in Fermanagh where he could have good value for his money.

The County Surveyor stated that the road was not in the condition described.

It was decided to ask the Government for a grant to carry out necessary repairs to this road, it being an approved road for traffic with Northern Ireland and consequently being subject to exceptionally heavy wear.

102/29.

COUNCIL'S INSURANCES.

A letter dated 20th December, 1928, was read from the Hibernian Insurance Co. in which they pointed out for the information of the Council that the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances, Ltd., do not undertake Workmen's Compensation business themselves nor have they any intention of doing so, and that they merely act as brokers or agents for the Council and place the Insurance with some other Company. The letter also pointed out that last year the Municipal Mutual of England, which is the English counterpart of the Irish Public Bodies Mutual, lost a sum of about £14,000 on Workmen's compensation and that this is not any encouragement for the Irish Public Bodies Mutual to start this business, as it would be impossible for them to undertake it without having substantial funds in hand to meet claims as they arise. No action was taken.

103/29.

BUNDORAN STREETS.

A letter was read from the Hon. Secretary, Bundoran Ratepayers Association, in which he called attention to the connections from the Main Street to side streets branching off, and requested the County Council to have the places inspected and bridges levelled.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

104/29.

HIRE OF STONE BREAKER.

A letter was read from Mr. James McAnaw, Driminin, Barnesmore, regarding amount, £8 : 18 : 9, charged to him for the use of stone breaker which he stated was only with him for Wednesday evening until midday on Friday. He wished to have the charge reduced.

After hearing the County Surveyor's explanation in the matter, the Council decided to take no action.

105/29.

BUNCRANA URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

A letter was read from the Town Clerk, Buncrana, regarding the payment by his Council of the full demand in respect of the year ended 31/3/28 and the amount due on demand for year ended 31/3/29. He stated that the third instalment for last year had been forwarded to the Treasurer, and that the fourth instalment for last year and the first for this year would be paid at his meeting on 7th January. The full amount due on foot of demand for current year would be paid before 31st March, 1929.

The Council decided to defer taking legal action for recovery of the amounts due on foot of their demands until 31st March, 1929.

106/29.

CLAIM FOR DAMAGE, JAMES JERVIS, GOLARK.

A letter was read from Messrs. Lipsett & Ramage, Solicitors, Ballyshannon, in which they asked on behalf of Mr. James Jervis, Golark, Tievemore, Pettigo, to have a road in the townland of Golark repaired at once as it was in a dangerous condition. Certain damage was sustained by his horse cart through his horse falling which fall was caused by a pot hole in the road.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

107/29.

CLAIM BY JAMES MCMENAMIN, BALLINTRA.

A letter was read from Mr. James McMenamin, Ballintra, in which he stated that owing to a coat of broken stones on the road leading from Ballintra to Bridgetown he had had an accident on 24th December whereby he destroyed a new Dunlop tyre and tube and sustained certain damage to his steering.

It was decided to refer Mr. McMenamin to the Contractor for the road.

108/29.

BRIDGE ON ROAD FROM DUNGLOE TO BURTONPORT.

A letter was read from Mr. Francis O'Donnell, Meenolobney House, Crickamore, Burtonport, in which he enclosed a petition from a number of residents in the townland of Crickamore, in which they asked to have a bridge on the main road from Dungloe to Burtonport deepened. The cost to the Council would not be more than £15 or £20.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

109/29.

FOOTPATH IN MOUNTCHARLES.

A letter from Dr. E. F. O'Sullivan, The Brae, Mountcharles, in which he called the attention of the Council to a sewer in Mountcharles which should be repaired before any flagging was done to the footpath down past the Chapel.

The matter was referred to the County Board of Health.

110/29.

PIPE ON ARRANMORE ISLAND.

A letter was read from Rev. P. Maguire, Arranmore, in which he stated that a properly-constructed pipe is urgently required in the townland of Gortgarra between Condy Gallagher's and the Chapel Strand. The County Surveyor stated that the matter was being dealt with.

111/29.

LICENCES ON MOTOR VEHICLES.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Kilkenny County Council, in which he enclosed the following resolution which was adopted by his Council at their meeting on 17th December last:- "That the tax or licence of motor vehicles be fixed at a sum of £5 on each car and that the charge be transferred to petrol up to 6d per gallon as the Council consider the present system of motor taxation unjust to owners who use their vehicles infrequently."

The matter was referred to the Special Committee dealing with Heavy Lorry Traffic.

112/29.

CINEMA TOGRAPH ACT, 1908.

A letter was read from Mr. P. Coyle, Kilmacrenan, in which he applied for renewal of cinema licence for the Recreation Hall, Kilmacrenan.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Baxter the renewal was granted.

113/29.

ROADS IN MEENAWANA, KILRAINE.

A letter was read from a number of ratepayers in Meenawana, Kilrairie, in which they asked to have tenders taken for the road leading from the end of the Donegal Road to Meenawana Road and to have it covered with stones or gravel.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

A letter from Mr. Joseph Kennedy, Kilrairie, in which he asked to have tenders taken for a road from Diver's Tullyhonour to Meenawana was referred to the County Surveyor.

114/29.

ROAD FROM CRANFORD TO AGHADREENA.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Borland, Aghadreena, Rossmakill, in which he called the attention of the Council to the condition of the road leading from Cranford Crossroads to the Crossroads at Aghadreena.

The County Surveyor stated that the matter was being dealt with.

115/29.

ROADS IN BALLINARY DISTRICT.

A letter was read from Mr. Thomas H. Lee, Ballinary, Buncrana, in which he again called the attention of the Council to the state of the roads in his district to which nothing had been done since he last complained.

The County Surveyor stated that he had investigated this matter, and found that it arose from friction between the Contractor and Mr. Lee. It was further stated that the latter was constructing flower beds on the roadside. The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

116/29.

BUNCRANA PIER.

A letter was read from the Department of Industry and Commerce (Transport and Marine Branch) M.S. 1221 dated 14th January, 1929, in which they inquired the total receipts, expenditure, and tonnage of vessels and goods in respect of Buncrana Pier for each of the three years to 31st March, 1928.

The matter was referred to the County Secretary.

117/29.

FLOOD GATE AT KILLYGARVAN BRIDGE.

A letter from Mr. Francis Bushe, Druimaille, Rath Maolain, Leitir Ceannain, in which he reported that the flood gate at Killygarvan Bridge a mile and a half north of Rathmullen was in need of repair and that his land and that of his neighbours was being flooded in consequence was referred to the County Surveyor.

118/29.

ROAD IN LACKENAGH.

A letter was read from Mr. Eugene Doherty, T.D., dated 16th January, 1929, in which he enclosed petition from residents in the townland of Lackenagh, Burtonport, in which they asked the assistance of the Council in obtaining a new road between Milltown Bridge and Nesbitt's Bay County Road, Lackenagh, which was urgently required.

Mr. Doherty stated that the Land Commission had sanctioned a grant of £100 to the County Council for carrying out the work.

A letter was read from Mr. Agnew, Inspector, Irish Land Commission, Donegal, in which he stated that the Land Commission had instructed him to state that they were prepared to contribute £100 towards the making of a new road in the townland of Lackenagh, one mile south-east of Burtonport, from the County Road near Ned-na-Gedh Pier to the County Road at outlet of Lough Keela, the length of which would be 240 perches.

The Secretary was instructed to inquire from Mr. O'Doherty, T.D., if consent to the making of the new road had been obtained from the parties whose lands were affected.

119/29.

GATE HOUSE AT INCH LEVEL.

A letter was read from the General Manager, Londonderry and Lough Swilly and Letterkenny Railway, Derry, dated 17th January, 1929, in which he inquired if the Council would have any objection to their demolishing a Gate House at Inch Level which was very little used as very little traffic passed over the road and the house itself was in bad repair and insanitary.

The Secretary was instructed to inform the Railway Company, that the Council had no objection to the Company's proposal, provided that they continued to carry out their obligations to the Council and to the public, and that they did not involve the Council in any liability.

120/29.

CLAIM - DR. REGAN.

A letter was read from the Irish Life and General Assurance Co., Ltd., dated 17th January, 1929, in which they stated that as the case Regan v. County Council would likely involve heavy costs and that as they could not come to an agreement with the Council regarding them they had decided to pay the full amount of their liability under the Policy, £250.

The matter was referred to the Finance Committee.

121/29.

FENCE ON DOOISH HILL ROAD.

A letter was read from Mr. William Dunlop, Lusticle, Carrigans, in which he asked the Council to have a fence erected on the Dooish Hill Road.

On the motion of Councillor Scott seconded by Councillor O'Donnell Mr. Dunlop's application was granted.

122/29.

PIPE IN CASTLEDOOEY, MANORCUNNINGHAM.

A letter from Mr. E. M. Cochrane, Castledoeey, Manorcunningham, in which he asked the Council to make a pipe to alter the course of water running through his premises was referred to the County Surveyor.

123/29.

TEELIN PIER.

A letter was read from the Harbour Master, Teelin, in which he stated that Messrs. Phil Gallagher and Phil Cannon were using the Pier for curing herring, and that he had objected to their doing so. The Council unanimously approved of the Harbour Master's action and instructed him to warn them against using the Pier for the purpose mentioned.

124/29.

CARETAKER, COUNTY COUNCIL OFFICES.

It was decided to allow the caretaker the use of two rooms in the Courthouse for accommodation in lieu of the accommodation in the County House which he had to vacate on the reconstruction of the building. A sum, not exceeding £20, was allowed to the County Surveyor to carry out necessary repairs to the rooms now provided.

125/29.

TENDERS COMMITTEE MEETINGS.

The Council decided to allow the Local Councillors in each case to employ clerks, not exceeding two, to carry out the clerical work in connection with the Tenders Committee Meetings; remuneration not to exceed 10/- each.

126/29.

LIFFORD BRIDGE.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 3rd January, 1929, R/O/7 in which they inquired whether the County Surveyor had prepared an estimate of the cost of Lifford Bridge as directed by the County Council at their meeting on 11th December, 1926, and in which they stated that if so a copy should be sent to the Department.

Mr. Steadman submitted the following report re Lifford Bridge:-
"It is unnecessary to dwell upon the importance of Lifford Bridge to the County. For some time past the effect of the heavy traffic to which it is subjected is very noticeable and the repairs done cannot be regarded as other than of a temporary nature. The narrowness of the existing roadway over the Bridge has also been felt as an inconvenience. These drawbacks have also been recognised by County Tyrone which is equally interested with County Donegal in this structure, and I understand that the Tyrone County Council has already placed its views before the Government of Northern Ireland with the result that an offer has been made to defray 72% of one-half the cost of a new Bridge. A reinforced concrete Bridge with spans to be decided upon after borings have been made would likely prove the most satisfactory, width between parapets 24 feet, so as to permit of a footpath.

I estimate that the cost, including approaches, would be £17,000 to £18,000."

The Council unanimously decided to request the Local Government Department (Roads) to contribute one-half the cost of the erection of the Bridge.

127/29.

BRIDGE APPROACHES ON THE L. & L. S. & L. RAILWAY.

Mr. Steadman submitted the following report:-
"The approaches to three bridges over the L. & L. S. & L. Railway are in need of repair.

(1) on road Errity to Caledonagh.

(2) on Road bridge at Hilltown.

(3) Bridge on road Moyle towards Drumboy.

I have taken the matter up with the Manager of the Railway and they are to be attended to."

128/29.

DRAINAGE SCHEME IN TULLINTAIN.

A letter from Mr. M. McAuley, Dunkineely, in which he enclosed petition for Drainage Scheme in the townland of Tullintain was adjourned pending completion of the prescribed forms.

129/29. WORKING OF ROLLERS AND BREAKERS.

Mr. Steadman submitted the following report:-

"As the rate fixed for the hire of Fordson roller, namely £1 per day, will not cover expenditure in connection with same I would recommend a small advance being made to 25/- per day.

There is a matter also I should like to have the decision of the County Council upon, and that is should a prolonged interval of frost occur during which it would not be possible for rollers to work, is it the desire of the Council that the driver and flagman of each machine should receive full pay or any modification?"

The Council unanimously decided to adopt Mr. Steadman's recommendation of increasing the charge for the hire of the Fordson roller.

The Council also considered that for short stoppages caused by the frost no deductions should be made in the pay of the drivers and flagmen.

130/29. FLOODING OF ROAD BETWEEN DUNFANAGHY AND FALCARRAGH.

Mr. Steadman submitted the following report:-

"At the last meeting of the Council I referred to the necessity of getting something promptly done with regard to the portions of road between Dunfanaghy and Falcarragh subject to flooding. The matter was adjourned with a view to ascertaining if the Land Commission could be got to contribute towards the cost. I suggested that a sum of £200 should be put at my disposal with a view to raising the road at these low places."

The Council unanimously decided to again write the Land Commission with a view towards getting a contribution in respect of the necessary work to be carried out.

131/29. ROAD MUFF TO GREENCASTLE.

Mr. Steadman submitted the following report:-

"With regard to the road Muff to Moville there is little to complain of regarding metal, as very little warning is done with metal as a good deal of gravel is used for this purpose.

From Greencastle to Shrove is a road of a different nature, very narrow and maintained by a Contractor. He was late in spreading his metal last year and this gave some grounds for complaint.

I took steps about 2½ months ago against the Contractor that will likely prevent a recurrence."

132/29. ADVERTISEMENTS FOR CONTRACTS.

A letter was read from the Industrial Daily News, London, in which they inquired if the Council would send them simultaneously with their issues elsewhere all notices inviting tenders for contracts for the Council and all notifications of the acceptance thereof; summarised particulars of them to be printed free of charge to the Council.

The Council unanimously decided to send them their advertisements simultaneously with their issues elsewhere as requested.

133/29. PROTECTION FENCE, KILLYBEGS.

A letter was read from Mr. Michael Boyle, Meenyhoogan, Killybegs, in which he stated that if the Council did not immediately instruct their Surveyor to proceed with the erection of a protection fence the matter would be placed in the hands of a solicitor within 6 days.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

134/29.

ROAD AT AUGHNAHOO SCHOOL.

A letter was read from Rev. W. I. Stewart, Templecarn Rectory, Pettigo, in which he asked to have the road leading from the Main Road as far as Aughnahoo School steam rolled.

Another letter on the same subject was read from Mr. J. McKenna, N.T., Aughnahoo.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

135/29.

RATE COLLECTOR CURRISTIN.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, dated 22nd January, 1929, G. 4520/29 Dun na nGall Fa. in which was returned the Personal Surety Bond of Rate Collector Curristin the form of which had been approved.

136/29. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (RATES ON SMALL DWELLINGS) ACT, 1928.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, dated 22nd January, 1929, Dun na nGall, in which was transmitted copy of a letter addressed to Mr. John Gillespie, Rate Collector, on the subject of extra remuneration for work done under the Local Government (Rates on Small Dwellings) Act, 1928. The letter stated that as the operation of the Act would be very helpful to Rate Collectors in their future collections the Minister considered that it would be unreasonable for the Rate Collectors to whose benefit the Act would operate to expect extra remuneration for the extra work now entailed by it.

Councillor Myles inquired if the Collectors would be paid on the full amounts of their warrants or on the amounts collected by them after discount had been allowed.

The Secretary stated that no decision had yet been come to on this point.

137/29.

MARRIAGE GRATUITY.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 23rd January, 1929, G. 3711/1929 Dun na nGall Sf. in which it was stated that the Minister had sanctioned, pursuant to Section 44 (4) of the Local Government Act, 1925, the proposed marriage gratuity of £50 : 8 : 4 to Mrs. Rodgers (nee McMenamin) late Embroidery Instructress to the Donegal Joint Technical Instruction Committee.

138/29.

SOLICITOR'S BILL OF COSTS.

* The Secretary submitted Mr. V. P. McFullan's Bill of Costs, which amounted to £654 : 12 : 9.

Councillor Myles proposed that the bill be lodged for taxation. Councillor Quigley seconded. On the motion of Councillor Scott seconded by Councillor O'Donnell it was unanimously decided to instruct Mr. James Boyle, Solicitor, to appear on behalf of the Council at the taxation.

139/29.

SUDDEN DAMAGE.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, reported as follows:-
"Within the past few days two pipes on Main and County Roads have become dangerous to traffic. I therefore bring these before the Council."

To rebuild pipe Donegal-Glenties Road,	£5 : 0 : 0
L.74, Map No. 1617	...

To rebuild pipe Glenties-Dungloe Road,	£5 : 0 : 0
Map No. 1226, County Road	...

The Council unanimously decided to approve of the required expenditure.

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140/29.

DATES OF MEETINGS.

It was unanimously decided to have the next Meeting of the Sub-Finance Committee at twelve o'clock on 12th instant, a Special Meeting of the Finance Committee at one o'clock and a Meeting of Committee re Heavy Lorry and Bus Traffic on 7 the same day.

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Confirmed,
Wm. J. Allen
Chairman.
26/2/29.

A MEETING OF THE DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL
WAS HELD ON
TUESDAY, THE 26TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1929.

141/29.

ATTENDANCE.

The following members were present:-
Councillors McPadden (presiding), Quigley, Baxter, Blaney, Boyle (James), Brady, Callaghan, Clarke, Cole, Doherty (Carrigart), Doogan, Douglas, Gallagher (Bernard), Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Mahony, Myles, McCauley, McCrea, MacCreddie, McIvor, McPhelimy, McShane, Nyhan, O'Boyle (Manus), O'Doherty (Malin), O'Donnell, Scott, Sweeney, and Wagontrieber.

142/29.

APOLOGIES.

A letter regretting inability to attend owing to illness was received from Councillor Philip Doherty.

A telegram was read from Councillors Daniel E. O'Boyle and Kenny J. Brennan apologising for inability to attend through having to return home owing to a snow-drift.

143/29.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

The Minutes of the Meeting of the County Council held on 29th January, 1929, were unanimously confirmed on the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Sweeney.

144/29.

OLD AGE PENSIONS ACT.

A letter was read from Councillor Baxter in which he asked the Council to delegate their powers under Section 36 of the Old Age Pensions Regulations, 1922, to delegate the right of receiving the Old Age Pension of Mrs. Giley Boyle of Lagland to her husband, Michael Boyle.

The Council unanimously decided to do as requested.

145/29. REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 12TH FEBRUARY, 1929.

The Secretary stated that he had been asked by Councillor Scott to make a slight alteration in Minutes to remove ambiguity. In Minute No. 15/29, re salaries of Assistant Surveyors, "road mileages" was entered when "travelling expenses" was intended; in order to clarify the position regarding the salaries of existing officers he suggested that the following amendment be inserted:- "salaries of existing officers to be raised to £250 per annum plus £10 for each year of service up to, but not exceeding 15." The amendments were agreed to.

Councillor Baxter proposed that the Report be adopted.
Councillor Mahony seconded.

Superannuation Allowance - Mr. James Heron.
Mr. Simms, Solicitor, who was in attendance, asked the Council, on behalf of Mr. James Heron, to increase Mr. Heron's added years from 6 to 10. Councillor Sweeney strongly opposed any added years being granted, but agreed in this particular case to allow the Finance Committee's recommendation to stand. Mr. Simms withdrew the application.

Minute No. 25/29. Superannuation Allowance, Ex-Collector Cassidy.
Councillor Sweeney proposed as an amendment that Mr. Cassidy's Superannuation Allowance be determined on his actual years' service and that no years be added. Councillor Doogan seconded. Councillor Nyhan strongly opposed the amendment. On a division the following voted for the amendment:- Councillors Patrick Doherty, Douglas, Bernard Gallagher, Nyhan, and Sweeney. The following voted against the amendment:- Councillors Quigley, Baxter, Blaney, Boyle (James), Brady, Callaghan, Clarke, Cole, Doogan, Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Mahony, Myles, McCauley, McCrea, MacCreadie, O'Boyle (Manus), O'Doherty (Malin), O'Donnell, and Wagentrieber. The Chairman declared the amendment defeated. msy

Minute No. 15/29. Salaries of Assistant Surveyors.
Councillor Sweeney proposed as an amendment that no increase be granted to Assistant Surveyors. Councillor Patrick Doherty seconded. The amendment was also supported by Councillor Douglas. The following voted for the amendment:- Councillors Patrick Doherty, Douglas, Bernard Gallagher, Nyhan, and Sweeney. The following voted against the amendment:- Councillors Quigley, Baxter, Blaney, Boyle (James), Brady, Callaghan, Clarke, Cole, Doogan, Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Mahony, Myles, McCauley, MacCreadie, McIvor, O'Boyle (Manus), O'Doherty (Malin), O'Donnell, Scott, and Wagentrieber. The Chairman declared the amendment defeated.

The Report of the Finance Committee was then adopted.

146/29. REPORT OF SUB-FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 12TH FEBRUARY, 1929.

The Report of the Sub-Finance Committee Meeting held on 12th February, 1929, was adopted on the motion of Councillor Scott seconded by Councillor James Boyle.

147/29. REPORT OF SUB-FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 29th JAN., 1929.

The Report of the Sub-Finance Committee Meeting held on 29th January, 1929, was adopted on the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Nyhan.

148/29. REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE RE HEAVY LORRY TRAFFIC.

The Report of the Special Committee re Heavy Lorry Traffic held on 12th February, 1929 was adopted on the motion of Councillor Scott seconded by Councillor Nyhan.

Councillor Myles proposed and Councillor Hamilton seconded that the Report be sent to the Local Government Department. Councillor Clarke proposed and Councillor Hamilton seconded that the Report be sent to the General Council of County Councils. Councillor Scott proposed and Councillor Wagentrieber seconded that the Committee be authorised to call on the Surveyors to schedule the roads. The motions were passed.

149/29. RATE IN AID OF TOURIST DEVELOPMENT.

In the absence of Councillor Francis Gallagher Councillor Scott proposed that the rate in aid of Tourist Development be increased from $\frac{1}{4}$ d to $\frac{1}{2}$ d in the £ in the ensuing financial year. Councillor Nyhan seconded. The motion was declared carried; Councillor Sweeney dissenting.

150/29.

ESTIMATES.

Councillor Sweeney moved:- "That the same rate be struck this year as last year, seeing that the Finance Committee have plenty of money to give as increases to everybody who asks them, and to some who do not."

Councillor Patrick Doherty seconded.

Councillor Sweeney in support of the motion mentioned certain alleged unnecessary payments made by the Board of Health in support of the Dorry Eye, Ear, and Throat Hospital, and to the quality of meat supplied to the Mental Hospital.

The motion was strongly opposed by Councillors Manus O'Boyle, Brady, and Clarke, who controverted Mr. Sweeney's statements. The Motion was put to the meeting. The following voted for it:- Councillors Patrick Doherty, Douglas, Bernard Gallagher, and Sweeney. The following voted against it:- Councillors McFadden, Quigley, Baxter, Blaney, Boyle (James), Brady, Callaghan, Clarke, Cole, Doogan, Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Mahony, Myles, McCauley, McGee, MacCreddie, McIvor, McPhelimy, Nyhan, O'Boyle (Manus), O'Doherty (Malin), O'Donnell, Scott, and Wagentrieber. The Chairman declared the motion defeated.

151/29.

CONSIDERATION OF ESTIMATES AND DETERMINATION OF RATES.

Financial year ending 31st March, 1930.

The Secretary submitted the Estimates for the financial year ending 31st March, 1930. He explained at length the different rates required in each district under the headings of General Charges and Separate Charges. He stated that there would be differences in the rates in each area until the balances remaining on the abolition of the District Councils were completely wiped out. On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor O'Donnell it was unanimously decided to confirm and adopt the General Estimate of Rates with an additional rate of 4d in the £ for Tourist Development, and to confirm and adopt without amendments the Estimate of Rates for Separate Charges, and to determine the rates in the £ to be levied by means of Poor Rate for County General Health District and to demand the following amounts from the Urban Districts of Buncrana, Bundoran, and Letterkenny, respectively:

£1835 : 12 : 7;

£1475 : 4 : 6;

£1806 : 2 : 6.

A letter was read from the County Councils' General Council in which was enclosed copies of resolutions adopted by that Body on 26th April, 1928, re de-rating, and in which it was suggested that County Councils should postpone the adoption of Estimates for the forthcoming financial year, and that the Minister for Local Government and Public Health be requested to grant extensions of time where necessary in striking the rate for 1929/30.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 16th February, 1929, G. 12465/29 11th. Pz. in which it was stated that the postponement of the adoption of the Estimates until 1st March next as suggested by the County Councils' General Council would involve a concurrence of the Minister in a departure from the requirements of the Public Bodies Order, and that the Minister strongly deprecated any delay in the steps requisite to the making of the rate. The letter further stated that the total amount allowed for the Agricultural Grant this year represented the maximum relief admissible from national resources under this head. Even if merits were shown for the re-arrangement of liability between taxpayers and ratepayers no prospective alteration could be made effective in the forthcoming financial year without serious delay in the preparation or alteration of Rate Books and in the issue of warrants for collection. Where arrangements have not already been made to secure the making of the rate before 1st March special meetings should be convened for that purpose before that date.

152/29.

REGISTRATION.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 14th February, 1929, F.10,200/29 Dun na nGall (c) in which it was stated that Form 1 was returned to the Registration Officer on 6th September last, and that no further copies of the Form were available.

153/29.

EXHIBITION OF IRISH ART INDUSTRIES.

A letter was read from the Registrar, Royal Dublin Society, in which he enclosed Notice of Exhibition of Irish Art Industries to be held in 1931, and invited the co-operation of the Council in organising a display of the arts and crafts practised in Ireland.

154/29.

CHILDREN ACT, 1908.

A letter was read from the District Court Clerk, Glenties, in which he intimated that an application would be made at the Stranorlar District Juvenile Court on 6th March, 1929, for the committal to an Industrial School of two children named Patrick and Michael McNamee.

155/29.

BOVINE TUBERCULOSIS ORDER, 1926.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture, T.5729, dated 26th January, 1929, in which was enclosed copy of a letter received from Mr. James Black, Blanketnook, Newtoncunningham, relative to the suspected existence of Tuberculosis in a cow his property, and in which they inquired if the statements in Mr. Black's letter were correct.

A further letter was read from the Department of Agriculture, T.5729, dated 14th February, 1929, relative to the suspected existence of Tuberculosis in a cow the property of Mr. James Black, Blanketnook, Newtoncunningham, and in which was transmitted copy of a letter issued to Mr. Black by the Department in the matter.

156/29.

RECONSTRUCTION OF COUNTY COUNCIL OFFICES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 13th February, 1929, G.10845/29 Dun na nGall Pg. in which it was inquired why sanction was sought for the acceptance of tender from Messrs. Cullen & Sons for the reconstruction of the County Council Offices.

The Secretary submitted for execution Bond between Council and Contractor, and pointed out that both Messrs. Cullen's Sureties, namely, Dr. Cullen, Northampton, and Mr. R. H. Cullen, Solicitor, Portadown, resided outside the jurisdiction. He had communicated with Mr. Cullen in the matter, but he could not conveniently obtain Sureties in the Free State.

On the motion of Councillor Kavanagh seconded by Councillor Scott it was unanimously decided to accept the sureties proposed, and to execute Bond under Seal.

157/29.

HARBOUR MASTER AT ARRANMORE ISLAND.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 29th January, 1929, G. 6169/1929 Sg. Dun na nGall, in which the proposed appointment of Mr. Neil Gallagher (Hugh) as Harbour Master at Arranmore Island was sanctioned.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor re preparation of Bond for Harbour Master, Neil Gallagher, Arranmore, and stated that a Surety given by Gallagher had been altered without notifying the Solicitor, and that a new Bond would require to be prepared at an additional cost of 30/-, which the Solicitor suggested should be paid by Gallagher.

Councillor O'Donnell stated that a slight mistake had been made, and he considered that a new Bond was not necessary. The Council concurred in this view and the Secretary was directed to write the Solicitor accordingly.

158/29.

BELLEEK - BALLYSHANNON ROAD.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department (Roads), S.G.F./7 dated 11th February, 1929, in which it was stated that the Belleek-Ballyshannon Road had been noted for attention when the next general allocation of grants from the Road Fund is being made.

159/29.

SPECIAL ROAD GRANT.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) R.G.7/3 in which approval was given to the scheme for the expenditure of £2,500 in the Southern portion of the County out of grant for £3,800.

Councillor McPhelimy called attention to the rate of wages paid the workers on new grants. He understood that this would be 30/-. The Secretary stated that the Ministry had not sanctioned increased scale.

160/29.

ANALYST.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Local Appointments Commissioners, in which it was stated that the Commissioners hoped to be in a position to recommend a suitable person for the position of Analyst at an early date.

161/29.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACT, 1926.

A letter was read from the Department of Industry and Commerce, Gas and Weights and Measures Section, dated 7th February, 1929, 22256, which acknowledged receipt of County Secretary's letter regarding provision of measuring standards for the testing of petrol pumps, and stated that an order had been placed with Messrs. Miller & Co. for the supply of one set of standards.

162/29.

ROAD MAINTENANCE GRANTS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department (Roads), R.G.M/7 in which it was inquired what proportions of the £12,150 proposed for Surface Dressing are proper to (a) Trunk Roads, (b) Link Roads, and (c) County Roads.

The Secretary quoted the proportions of the expenditure referred to.

163/29.

BOND OF RATE INSPECTOR.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 4th February, 1929, G. 6730/29, Donegal County, in which they returned the Bond of Rate Inspector, George Dunnien, the form of which had been approved by the Minister.

164/29.

CONFERENCE ON MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE.

A letter was read from the National Society for the Prevention of Infant Mortality in which the Council was invited to send delegates to the Fifth Conference on Maternity and Child Welfare.

165/29.

BOUNTY IN LIEU OF RATES.

A letter was read from the Valuation Department, dated 4th February, 1929, in which was enclosed a schedule showing the method by which the contribution in lieu of rates for the current year has been determined.

166/29.

DISTRICT COURT CLERK'S OFFICE, GLINTIES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 12th February, 1929, in which they asked for a report from one of the extern officers as to the circumstances regarding the heating of the District Court Clerk's Office, Glenties.

The Secretary stated that he had furnished the required report.

167/29.

ROAD FROM PORTSALON TO ROSSNAKILL.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department (Roads), dated 14th February, 1929, R.D.7 in which they asked for a report from the County Surveyor with a map tracing showing the position of the road leading from Portsallon Hotel to Rossnakill in relation to adjacent Main Roads.

The matter was adjourned until the next meeting owing to there being a doubt as to which road was meant.

168/29.

ARREST OF DEPUTY DE VALERA.

Councillor Blaney moved "That this Council joins in the general protest of the Public Bodies throughout Ireland against the foolish and vindictive action of the Northern Government in arresting Deputy De Valera, the leader of the second largest party in the State, when on a peaceful mission of a purely cultural character to the Northern Capital."

Councillor Mahony seconded.

Councillor Clarke moved that the question be not put.

Councillor Sweeney seconded.

The following voted for the amendment:- Councillors Clarke, Nyles, Scott, and Wagentrieber.

The following voted against the amendment:- Councillors McFaddon, Quigley, Blaney, Boyle (James), Brady, Cole, Doherty (Carrigart), Callaghan, Doogan, Douglas, Gallagher (Bernard), Kavanagh, Loughrey, Mahony, McIvor, McPhelimy, Nyhan, O'Boyle (Manus), O'Doherty (Malin).

The Chairman declared the amendment defeated and the motion was carried.

169/29.

LABOURERS' COTTAGES.

Councillor McPhelimy moved "That all repairs to Labourers' Cottages be carefully supervised before payment is made to the Contractors; that any tenant having a legitimate grievance as to unsatisfactory repairs be invited to furnish in writing particulars thereof; that the attention of the Council and the Board of Health be drawn to the continued failure to secure adequate Government assistance towards improving the housing conditions generally; notwithstanding emigration and the steady decline of the County's population due to want of houses and employment a great many of the remaining working people are at present living under savage conditions."

The matter was referred to the Board of Health.

170/29.

ROAD CONTRACTS.

A letter was read from Councillor McPhelimy in which he called the Council's attention to new works Nos. 51 and 52, Stranorlar District. The sums allowed were inadequate to induce contractors to undertake the works, viz., £110 for the making of 236 perches of new road, and £50 for the making of 125 perches of new road.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor for a report.

SUSPENSION OF CONTRACT FOR COUNTY OFFICES.

171/29.

A Notice of Motion by Councillor Douglas that the contract between the Donegal County Council and Robert Cullen be suspended until the people of Northern Ireland learn breeding and manners was ruled out of order by the Chairman.

BELFAST BOYCOTT.

172/29.

A Notice of Motion by Councillor Douglas that we call upon the merchants of Donegal to cease trade with the city of Belfast for at least six months was ruled out of order by the Chairman.

LONGFORD COUNTY COUNCIL v. GREAT SOUTHERN RAILWAYS.

173/29.

A letter was read from Councillor Hamilton in which he inquired decision in the recent case, Longford County Council v. Great Southern Railways, re overhead railway bridges, and moved that the General Council of County Councils be requested to take action to have the necessary legislation on the matter introduced and passed.

The Secretary stated the result of the recent legislation. Councillor Hamilton further inquired what powers existed to compel Railway Companies to co-operate with Local Authorities in straightening dangerous Railway bridges.

The matter was referred to the General Council of County Councils.

LEGNANORNIG DRAINAGE SCHEME.

174/29.

A letter was read from Councillor Hamilton in which he inquired for further information on the Minor Drainage Scheme, and asked if no means could be devised of having rocks blown out by experts, as in most cases the farmers could and would do the rest by mutual arrangement.

The Chairman stated that Councillor Hamilton should get in touch with Mr. Agnew, Land Commission Inspector.

It was decided to refer the Legnanornig Drainage Scheme to the County Surveyor for a report.

MORASS FERRY SERVICE.

175/29.

Councillor Baxter strongly supported the giving of a contribution towards the purchase of a new ferry boat, which, he said, was urgently required, the old one having been in use for upwards of twenty years.

It was decided to adjourn the matter until the next meeting, and request the Local Committee who are interested in the matter to put forward a scheme for consideration.

SOLICITOR'S COSTS.

176/29.

The Secretary submitted Certificate of Taxation showing following particulars:- Total amount claimed, £677 : 3 : 7; deductions, £12 : 7 : 0; credits, £4 : 15 : 0. Net amount due, £660 : 1 : 3.

He also read a letter from Mr. James Boyle, and one from the Cost Drawer in the matter.

Councillor Scott stated that the Taxation was unsatisfactory from the Council's point of view, and he asked the Chairman's permission to authorise his motion regarding the position of County Solicitor, which had been referred to the Finance Committee, to be placed on Agenda for consideration at next County Council Meeting. The Chairman agreed.

On the motion of Councillor O'Donnell seconded by Councillor Scott it was unanimously decided to pay Mr. McMullin's Bill as taxed.

177/28.

PORTNABLAGH PIER.

A letter was read from the Department of Fisheries, D/72/5, in which it was inquired if the County Council had yet come to a decision regarding the necessity for certain repairs to Portnablagh Pier.

The County Surveyor read the following report:-

Re Portnablagh Pier.

- " The following defects in this Pier would require attention:-
- (1) Fifty feet of the face wall of Pier on Harbour side would require to be underpinned. Apparently when the Pier was constructed care was not taken to get the foundations for this portion carried down to a solid stratum.
 - (2) The surface of Pier is badly damaged due to waves coming over the parapet wall in stormy weather, and the old paving of surface not being sufficiently strong. There are a number of cavities that will have to be refilled, likewise new paving done, as well as a considerable portion of the old lifted and re-set.
 - (3) Small breaches in the masonry on sea and harbour side, likewise a large number of open joints will have to be repaired.

To carry out these repairs a sum of £290 or say £300 will be required. I should mention that there is a strong desire by those using the Pier that a short length of breakwater should be constructed to fill a gap lying between two reefs of rocks on the sea side of Pier so as to obtain greater shelter for boats entering the Harbour. Also that the bed of harbour for 30 yards back from head of Pier and about 20 yards wide be cleaned of loose stone and lowered. These latter two items would require about £250, making a total of £550 or say £600 as being the sum required for the above repairs. Signed J. Steadman, 21/2/29."

Councillor Blaney moved "That this Council agrees to grant one-third of the total costs of carrying out certain necessary repairs to Portnablagh Pier, and that we call on the Department of Fisheries, Department of Public Works, and the Minister for Finance to make a grant of the remaining two-thirds required."

Councillor Baxter seconded. Councillors O'Donnell, MacGreadie, and Patrick Doherty supported the motion, which was passed unanimously.

178/29.

COST-OF-LIVING BONUS.

A Circular letter was read from the Local Government Department G. 12985/29 Ilgh. S. dated 20th February, 1929, in which it was stated that the cost-of-living bonus for the half-year commencing 1st March, 1929, was based on the average cost-of-living figure of 80.

179/29.

CONTRACTS NOS. 121 and 112.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Carbery, Socker, Newmills, in which he applied for payment of £13 being balance due to him for work done on Contracts Nos. 121 and 112, and stated that if payment be not made to him at next meeting he would take legal proceedings.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

180/29.

MALICIOUS INJURY CLAIM - EARL OF LEITRIM.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor re appeal in Malicious Injury Case, Earl of Leitrim v. Donegal County Council, and in which he enclosed copy of Counsel's opinion on this question.

On the motion of Councillor Cole seconded by Councillor Melvor it was unanimously decided to instruct the Solicitor to prosecute appeal.

181/29.

FILLING OF RATE DEMAND NOTES.

A letter was read from the Underwood Typewriter Co., Dublin, tendering to carry out the work of filling Rate Demand Notes at 6/- per 100.

The Secretary stated that the acceptance of this Tender would necessitate cancelling printing contract, as a special Form of Rate Demand Note would be required. The cancellation of the contract might involve the Council in legal proceedings. It was unanimously decided to carry out the work with the assistance of Temporary Clerks as in former years at the following rates of pay:-
 Applotting Demand Notes, 5/6 per 100; filling Demand Notes, 7/6 per 100.
 Total cost not to exceed £400.

182/29.

TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT OF MR. HENRY REID.

The Secretary stated that on Mr. Black's resumption of duty on 1st prox., Mr. Reid's temporary sanction would expire. He now found that the pending audit would practically occupy one official's whole time, and that an extra official would be required in connection with the checking and supervising of the temporary clerks employed at the annual Rate applotment. He, therefore, requested the Council to seek sanction for the temporary employment of Mr. Reid for another three months until 31st May next.

On the motion of Councillor Callaghan it was unanimously decided to request the Department of Local Government and Public Health to sanction continuance of Mr. Reid's employment until 31st May, 1929.

183/29.

HARBOUR OFFICE ON DOWNINGS PIER.

A letter was read from Mr. John Peoples, Downings, in which he applied for permission to have a desk in the Harbour Office on Downings Pier during the early summer fishing.

The Council unanimously decided to grant Mr. Peoples the required permission, subject to his agreeing to remove the desk at any time if called upon, and to pay 1/- per season for the privilege.

184/29.

ROAD BETWEEN KILLYCOOLY BRIDGE AND MAVES ROCKS.

A letter was read from Mr. P. A. Mahon, Glencely, regarding the road between Killycooly Bridge and Maves Rocks.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

185/29.

APPOINTMENT OF COUNTY MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

The question of the appointment of County Medical Officer of Health was further adjourned to enable the Deputies on the Council to confer with the Ministry in the matter.

186/29.

RAY RIVER DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 14th February, 1929, No. 2486/29 re Carrowcannon (Ray River Drainage District) and which stated that the Engineer estimated the cost of this scheme at £4,000. The annual increase in value of benefited lands would amount to £103 : 17 : 4. They were prepared to recommend the Minister for Finance to ask the Dail to grant 50% of the actual cost of the scheme, provided the County Council grant from County Funds 41% of the actual costs, say, £1,640, which amount could be borrowed from them.

Councillor James Boyle said he would move in the matter at next meeting.

187/29. APPOINTMENT OF RATE COLLECTOR FOR DUNFANAGHY DISTRICT.
NOS. 11 AND 12.

Applications on the prescribed Forms were submitted from the undermentioned persons for the position of Rate Collector for the above amalgamated Districts in accordance with the terms of the Council's advertisement:-

No.	Name.	Address.
1.	Thomas J. McAteer.	Shannagh, Ballylar, Letterkenny.
2.	Eddie McBride.	Dunlewey, Gweedore.
3.	Joseph McClaafferty.	Fansboy, Gweedore.
4.	Denis McGee.	Falcarragh.
5.	John McGinley.	Dunfanaghy.
6.	John McGinley.	Feymore, Creeslough.
7.	Hugh McGinley.	Ingheramena, Dunfanaghy.
8.	Jeremiah Shields.	Carrownagananagh, Milford.

On the names of the applicants being called Messrs. Thomas J. McAteer, Eddie McBride, John McGinley (Feymore), and Jeremiah Shields failed to answer, and the Chairman, in accordance with the terms of the advertisement, ruled that these applications could not be considered. In this connection a telegram received on 25/2/29 from Mr. John McGinley, Feymore, withdrawing his application was noted.

The four candidates on being questioned by the Chairman in Irish replied in Irish that they had a knowledge of that language.

Mr. John McGinley, Dunfanaghy, was proposed and seconded by Councillors MacCreddie and Baxter respectively.

Mr. Joseph McClaafferty was proposed and seconded by Councillors Doogan and Gallagher (Bernard) respectively.

Mr. Denis McGee was proposed and seconded by Councillors Boyle (James) and Gallagher respectively.

Mr. Hugh McGinley was proposed and seconded by Councillors Blaney and Doherty (Patrick) respectively.

The first vote resulted as follows:-

For Mr. John McGinley, Dunfanaghy:- Councillors McFadden, Quigley, Baxter, Callaghan, Clarke, Cole, Douglas, Hamilton, Loughrey, Mahony, Myles, McCauley, McCrea, MacCreddie, McIvor, McPhelimy, O'Boyle (Manus), O'Doherty (Malin), O'Donnell, Scott, Sweeney, and Wagentrieber. Total 22.

For Mr. Denis McGee:- Councillors McFadden, Boyle (James), Brady, Callaghan, Doogan, Douglas, Gallagher (Bernard), Kavanagh, Loughrey, Mahony, McCrea, Nyhan, O'Donnell, and Scott. Total 14.

For Mr. Joseph McClaafferty:- Councillors Blaney, Brady, Callaghan, Doogan, Douglas, Gallagher (Bernard), Mahony, McPhelimy, Nyhan, O'Boyle (Manus), O'Doherty (Malin), O'Donnell, and Sweeney. Total 13.

For Mr. Hugh McGinley:- Councillors Blaney, Brady, Doherty (Patrick), Doogan, Gallagher (Bernard), Hamilton, McIvor, McPhelimy, Nyhan, O'Boyle (Manus) and Scott. Total 11.

Mr. Hugh McGinley was eliminated and the second vote resulted as follows:-

For Mr. John McGinley, Dunfanaghy:- Councillors McFadden, Quigley, Baxter, Blaney, Callaghan, Clarke, Cole, Douglas, Hamilton, Loughrey, Mahony, Myles, McCauley, McCrea, MacCreddie, McIvor, McPhelimy, O'Boyle (Manus), O'Doherty (Malin), O'Donnell, Scott, Sweeney, and Wagentrieber. Total 23.

For Mr. Denis McGee:- Councillors McFadden, Boyle (James), Brady, Callaghan, Doherty (Patrick), Gallagher (Bernard), Kavanagh, Loughrey, McCrea, Nyhan, O'Donnell, and Scott. Total 12.

For Mr. Joseph McClaafferty:- Councillors Blaney, Brady, Doherty (Patrick), Doogan, Douglas, Gallagher (Bernard), McPhelimy, Nyhan, O'Boyle (Manus), O'Doherty (Malin), and Sweeney. Total 11.

Mr. Joseph McClaafferty was then eliminated and the final vote resulted as follows:-

For Mr. John McGinley, Dunfanaghy:- Councillors McFadden, Quigley, Baxter, Blaney, Callaghan, Clarke, Cole, Doherty (Patrick), Douglas, Hamilton, Loughrey, Mahony, Myles, McCauley, McGree, McGreddie, McIvor, McPhelimy, Nyhan, O'Boyle (Manus), O'Doherty (Malin), O'Donnell, Sweeney, and Wagentrieber. Total 24.

For Mr. Denis McGee:- Councillors Boyle (James), Brady, Doogan, Gallagher (Bernard), Kavanagh, and Scott. Total 6.

The Chairman declared Mr. John McGinley, Dunfanaghy, elected, and the Council accepted Messrs. John McNulty, Dunfanaghy, and John Whoriskey, Port, Dunfanaghy, as his Personal Sureties under the Public Bodies Order in a Bond for £236 in addition to £2,140 security to be provided through the Guarantee Society.

The Chairman subsequently reported that he had examined Mr. John McGinley, Dunfanaghy, in Irish, and was satisfied he had a knowledge of that language.

Mr. William Kelly, Solicitor, Letterkenny, appeared on behalf of Mr. John McGinley, Dunfanaghy.

188/29. APPOINTMENT OF RATE COLLECTOR FOR CARRIGART DISTRICT (NO. 32).

Applications on the prescribed Forms were submitted 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:-

No.	Name.	Address.
1.	Thomas J. McAtear.	Shannagh, Ballylar, Letterkenny.
2.	James McFadden, Jun.	Duntally, Graeslough.
3.	John B. O'Donnell.	Milford.

On the names of the applicants being called Mr. Thomas J. McAtear failed to answer, and the Chairman, in accordance with the terms of the advertisement, ruled that his application could not be considered. He then questioned the two remaining candidates in Irish, but both failed to show that they had any knowledge of that language.

Mr. James McFadden, Jun. was proposed and seconded by Councillors Doherty (Patrick) and Doogan respectively.

Mr. John B. O'Donnell was proposed and seconded by Councillors Mahony and O'Donnell respectively.

The vote resulted as follows:-

For Mr. John B. O'Donnell:- Councillors Baxter, Boyle (James), Clarke, Douglas, Gallagher (Bernard), Hamilton, Loughrey, Mahony, Myles, McCauley, McGree, McIvor, O'Boyle (Manus), O'Doherty (Malin), O'Donnell, Scott, Sweeney, and Wagentrieber. Total 18.

For Mr. James McFadden, Jun:- Councillors McFadden, Quigley, Blaney, Brady, Callaghan, Cole, Doherty (Patrick), Doogan, Kavanagh, McPhelimy, and Nyhan. Total 11.

The Chairman declared Mr. John B. O'Donnell elected, and the Council accepted Messrs. William O'Donnell, Milltown, Kilmacrenan, and Hugh O'Donnell, Coaldrum, Termon, as his Personal Sureties under the Public Bodies Order in a Bond for £41 in addition to £532 security to be provided through the Guarantee Society.

189/29.

HARBOUR DUES.

A letter was read from Mr. William Moore, Buncrana, pointing out that in the Schedule of Tolls no charges had been included for (1) imports of curers' empties by sea from Scotch Ports, and (2) exports of cured herrings by direct boats to the Continent.

The Secretary was instructed to point out to Mr. Moore that the former item was covered by Part 3 (c), light goods, 3d per parcel; and the latter by Part 3 (c), Heavy goods, 8d per ton.

190/29. SCHEME FOR EXPENDITURE OF ADDITIONAL HALFPENNY RATE FOR IRISH.

The Chairman and Secretary submitted the following report on the expenditure of the additional halfpenny rate in aid of Irish:-
 "Having made inquiries into the Schemes operating in other Counties, we find that in no case is the Scheme administered directly by the County Council, nor can we find any legal authority for so doing. In each case it is carried out by the County Technical Committee in conjunction with their other Schemes. These Committees have in existence organisations for dealing with the classes, and further where the expenditure is in respect of salaries, the cost-of-living bonus which, as from 1st March next, amounts to 80 per cent. of the salary is paid by the Department of Education. Attendance grants are also paid in respect of each pupil where certain conditions are observed. These grants in future years could be utilised for the extension of the Scheme, either in the form of Scholarships or additional classes. We, therefore, recommend that the full proceeds of the rate be transferred to the County Technical Committee of the County Donegal with the following suggestions for its expenditure:-"

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| (1) Award of ten Scholarships value £10 each tenable for one month in July or August in the Donegal Gaeltacht; candidates to be bona-fide students of the classes under the Scheme. | £100. |
| (2) Appointment of one whole-time teacher and organiser whose duties would consist of organising classes in the early part of the season, and afterwards teaching in centres, where no local teachers could be obtained. Cost-of-living bonus, amounting to £80 approximately, would be paid by the Department. | £120. |
| (3) Appointment of part-time teachers in approximately 24 centres at 3/- per hour, plus cost-of-living bonus. In these cases also the cost-of-living bonus, amounting to approximately 2/-, would be borne by the Department. | £360. |
| (4) Rent, light, heating, and organiser's travelling expenses. | £54. |

TOTAL £634.

(Signed) Michael O'Leary.
 Sean D. MacLochlainn.

The Report was unanimously adopted.

191/29. ERECTION OF WATER TANK AT DOWNINGS.

A letter was read from the Department of Fisheries dated 18th February, 1929, D/11/10, in which it was stated that the Minister was unable to make a grant as requested towards the erection of a water tank at Downings Pier.

A letter was read from Messrs. James Montgomery & Sons, Carraleena, Rathmullen, in which they submitted alternative Sureties in connection with their contract for the erection of a water tank at Downings.

The Council unanimously decided to accept Messrs. Thomas Carney, Craig, Rathmullen, and Samuel Gallacher, Kerrykeel, whose names were submitted.

192/29. ROADS IN BALLYARGUS DISTRICT.

A letter was read from a number of ratepayers in Ballyargus District in which they asked to have tonnage on certain roads increased as they were impassable.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

SHEEP SCAB.

193/29.

A letter was read from the Department of Lands and Agriculture, L. 3937/28, dated 8th January, 1929, in which it was stated that sheep scab existed in the districts of Inishowen and Fannad, and on the mountains about Larracas. In the latter district the disease was reported to be spreading rapidly owing to the failure of sheep owners to carry out the terms of the Sheep Dipping Order. The Department wished to obtain reports from the Council's Veterinary Inspectors.

A further letter was read from the Department of Lands and Agriculture, L. 505/29, dated 22nd February, 1929, in which it was stated that the Department had been notified that one of a lot of 22 sheep consigned by Mr. B. McGettigan, Milford, had been found on arrival at Birkenhead to be affected with Sheep Scab. It appeared that 12 of the lot had been purchased from Mr. J. Doherty, Pollins, Trentagh, Letterkenny, and the remaining 10 were purchased in Falcarragh Fair from unknown owners. The Department wished the Veterinary Inspector for the District to inspect Mr. Doherty's premises and to report in due course.

A letter was read from Mr. McClintock, M.R.C.V.S., Letterkenny, in which he reported having found four sheep in Milford Fair on 23rd January, 1929, which were suffering from sheep scab, and inquired if a prosecution was necessary.

Councillor Scott proposed that a prosecution be ordered. Councillor Quigley seconded. Councillor Baxter proposed as an amendment that a prosecution be not ordered in this particular instance, but that notices be posted warning sheep-owners and dealers that prosecutions would be made in cases in which sheep were found undipped. Councillor Scott withdrew his motion, and the Secretary was instructed to warn the Council's Veterinary Inspectors to attend all fairs in their districts in future, and to examine carefully for sheep scab all sheep shown.

UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS.

194/29.

A letter was read from the Registrar, National University of Ireland, in which he enclosed the following resolutions adopted by the Senate of the University:-

- (1) That the County Councils and County Borough Councils be requested to consult with one of the Constituent Colleges before drafting regulations for University Scholarships.
- (2) That in the opinion of the Senate it would be advisable to make the Scholarships tenable for four years, as has already been done in some Counties, to enable the holders when necessary, to complete their professional qualifications.
- (3) That it is suggested that the Regulations should be such as to allow the amounts allocated to scholars to be increased in the case of poorer students, who are in many cases practically dependant on their Scholarships."

The matter was referred to the University Scholarships Committee.

HARBOUR MASTER, RATHMULLEN.

195/29.

A letter was read from Mr. Charles Deeney, Harbour Master, Rathmullen, in which he asked to have his appointment as Harbour Master at Rathmullen, which had only been sanctioned on probation, made permanent.

On the motion of Councillor MacCreadie seconded by Councillor Baxter the Council unanimously decided to request the Ministry to sanction Mr. Deeney's appointment as permanent.

PETTIGO DISPENSARY DISTRICT.

196/29.

The Secretary submitted copy of an Order made by the Minister for Local Government, No. 90054/28 dated the 9th day of February, 1929, determining the Pettigo Dispensary District as the area of charge for certain Sanitary Works in that district.

197/29.

ELECTORS' LISTS.

A letter was read from the County Registrar, Lifford, in which he asked for the usual advance on account of expenses, £150, towards the preparation of Electors' Lists.

Payment of the advance required was authorised.

Councillor Brady complained of laxity on the part of Rate Collectors in the compiling of the Lists. In his District the names of children of 14 and 15 years of age appeared on the Register. He suggested that some steps should be taken to see that more attention was paid to this work in future. Councillor Scott referred to the difficulty in compiling migratory labourers. Councillor Hyles alleged that in some cases there was deliberate negligence and he suggested that the Secretary be instructed to inform all Rate Collectors that any negligence on their part in this work in future would be reported to the Local Government Department.

The Council unanimously agreed to the suggestion.

198/29.

DE-RATING.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Kerry Co. Council, in which he enclosed the following resolution passed by his Council at their meeting on 7th inst:-

"That having regard to the depression that generally prevails and especially in agriculture, which is the chief industry of the State, we request the Dail to give their immediate and earnest consideration to devising a scheme for the de-rating of agricultural land. It is admitted on all sides that the great increase of local rates out of all proportion to any increase over pre-War prices for agricultural produce is a heavy handicap to a revival of agriculture. A remedy which appears to meet with general acceptance in neighbouring States is de-rating, and is much more required here where agriculture is our mainstay. We need hardly point out the immense improvement of outlook it would bring about to disheartened agriculturalists and by enabling the farmers whose great want is sufficient capital, to improve their industry and increase their output. The revenues of the State itself would be beneficially re-acted on to the general relief of the whole community."

On the motion of Councillor McPhelimy the resolution was unanimously adopted.

A letter was read from the Secretary Wicklow Co. Council, in which he enclosed the following resolution passed by his Council on 29th January:-

"That, being satisfied that the repair and maintenance of Main Roads in each County, should be accepted as a national question to be shouldered by the Government, and is one which can only be dealt with by means of a large long-term loan, to be raised by the Government, we, the County Council of the County of Wicklow, consider that there should be an immediate review of the financial relations existing between the State and the local Public Bodies in relation to the amounts of grants received by such local Bodies in respect of maintenance of lunatics and the upkeep of Main Roads; we also consider that the time has arrived when agricultural land must be given exceptional treatment by way of relief of rates, if that, our only remaining industry, is to survive; we therefore adjourn the question of adopting any rate estimate for a period of one month from this day, so as to afford the Executive Council sufficient time to consider this question and to communicate their considered views thereon to this Council."

The resolution was unanimously adopted with last sentence omitted.

199/29.

MIGRATORY LABOURERS.

A letter was read from the Burns and Laird Lines, Ltd., Derry, dated 11th February, 1929, regarding the Council's resolution about the conveyance of Migratory Labourers to Scotland.

200/29.

ARREST OF DEPUTY DE VALERA.

A letter was read from the Town Clerk, Kilkenny, in which he enclosed the following resolution passed at a meeting of Kilkenny Corporation on 12th February, 1929:-
 "That we, the corporation of the city of Kilkenny, view with extreme disgust and disfavour the bigoted and insulting action of the Northern Government in arresting and imprisoning Mr. E. De Valera, E.D., M.P., Leader of the Opposition in Dail Eireann, and request our Executive Council to demand his immediate release and adequate satisfaction for the gross outrage on national feeling, public decency, and tolerance."
 The resolution was not considered, the matter having already been dealt with.

A letter was read from the Clerk, Carrickmacross U. D. C., in which he enclosed the following resolution adopted by that Body at their meeting on 12th inst:-
 "That we, the Carrickmacross Urban District Council, enter an emphatic protest against the highly provocative action of the Government of the Six Counties in arresting Mr. De Valera on his way to attend a Gaelic League Function in Belfast. That we resent and condemn the grossly insulting utterances of the Resident Magistrates before whom he was charged, regarding the National Language of Ireland and the undoubted right of Mr. De Valera to speak that language on the occasion. That for this wanton outrage and complete withdrawal of all effective answer is the immediate and complete withdrawal of all business relations with the Six Counties. That we call on the Executives of all the various political organisations in the Free State, to take common action in proclaiming and enforcing such withdrawal, particularly in the several Border Counties, viz., Cavan, Donegal, Leitrim, Louth, Monaghan, and Sligo, such Order to remain in force until Northern bigotry and intolerance have exhausted their baneful influence on the National life, and have vanished completely from a truly United Ireland."
 The resolution was not considered, the matter having already been dealt with.

201/29.

CARRNDONAGH WORKHOUSE GROUNDS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, P.9778/29, Pb., Dun na nGall, dated 11th February, 1929, in which it was stated that the Minister adhered to the view that the terms agreed to at the beginning of the period of letting of the Workhouse grounds at Carrndonagh to Mr. John McLaughlin should not be altered at the expiration of the period when it is not possible to invite alternative tenders.

The Secretary was instructed to point out to the Ministry that the settlement proposed was advantageous to the Council, that the amount had been agreed upon between Councillor Quigley, acting for the Council, and Mr. McLaughlin, and that had no agreement been entered into Mr. McLaughlin would have recovered more had he resorted to legal proceedings. In view of these circumstances, and of the fact that the alterations in the terms of letting were not caused by Mr. McLaughlin, but by the Board of Health, it was unanimously decided to request the Minister to reconsider his decision in the matter again.

202/29.

NEW ROAD AT KINGARROW.

A letter from Michael Gallagher, Meenmore, Fintown, regarding a new road at Kingarrow was referred to the County Surveyor.

203/29.

CARRNDONAGH WORKHOUSE PREMISES.

A letter was read from Mrs. Midge Doherty, Millbrae House, Carrndonagh, increasing her offer for the lodge of Carrndonagh Workhouse from £10 to £15.
 The matter was referred to the Local Government Department.

204/29.

ROAD AT CREHENNAN.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Browne, Crehennan, regarding the state of the road to the mountain, and intimating that a deputation from the district would attend the meeting of the County Council on 26th inst. to urge the provision of extra material for this road.

Councillor McIvor introduced the deputation, a member of which stated that no work had been done on the road in question for 20 years. On the motion of Councillor O'Donnell seconded by Councillor McCauley the County Surveyor was instructed to inspect the road personally, and to report to the Council at their next meeting.

205/29.

DERRY BRIDGE.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Executive Council, which acknowledged the County Secretary's letter re Derry Bridge, and stated that it would receive attention.

The Secretary was instructed to call the attention of the Executive Council again to the matter, and to point out to them that it was one of extreme urgency, as the Bill was being introduced in the Northern Parliament very soon.

206/29.

LIFFORD BRIDGE.

A letter was read from the Acting Secretary, Tyrone County Council, re Lifford Bridge, and which stated that the Northern Government had agreed to contribute £6840, leaving £2660 as the Tyrone portion, and inquired the action taken by this Council.

207/29.

DISTRICT COURT AT PORTSALON.

A letter was read from Mr. James Friel, Drum, Portsalon, in which he stated that he would no longer give the use of a room at his house for District Courts.

The Secretary was instructed to advertise for alternative accommodation, and on the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Loughroy it was decided to utilise the Milford Courthouse in the meantime.

208/29.

ROAD NEAR CLARE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

A letter was read from Colonel MacNecco, Castleary, regarding the condition of the road from Clare Presbyterian Church to the seashore. The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

209/29.

LISAHULLY ROAD.

A letter was read from Miss H. J. Hernan, Lisahully, Ballyshannon, in which she complained of the condition of the Lisahully Road.

A letter was also read from the Assistant Surveyor in the matter, in which he pointed out that the road in question was an ordinary bog road, third class, and not a steam rolling contract. It has never been steam rolled, and it is very doubtful if the road would support a steam roller.

210/29.

LETTING OF WORKHOUSE GROUNDS.

The Council decided to let for the coming season the Workhouse Grounds at Carndonagh and Milford.

The Secretary was instructed to arrange accordingly.

211/29.

INCREASE IN REMUNERATION.

An application was received from Mr. Michael Doherty, Courtkeeper, Carndonagh for an increase in his remuneration from £8 to £12 per annum. The Council unanimously decided to increase his salary from £8 to £10 per annum.

212/29. ROAD FROM STRANAGAPPAGH TO KEENATAVEY.

A letter was read from a number of ratepayers in Keenasrone and Stranagappagh regarding the state of the road from Stranagappagh to Keenatavey.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

213/29. MALICIOUS INJURY CLAIMS.

A Report was received from the Council's Solicitor on Malicious Injury Claims heard at the Michaelmas Sittings, 1928.

214/29. ROAD FROM FAHAN CHURCH TO CARRICK HILL.

A letter was read from a number of ratepayers in Fahan regarding the state of the road leading from Fahan Church to Carrick Hill.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor for inspection and a Report.

215/29. ACCIDENT AT KILMACRENAN.

A letter was read from Messrs. Watt & Co., Letterkenny, in which they stated that one of their lorries knocked down portion of the Bridge abutment at Kilmacrenan on 28th January, and in which they asked to have this repaired and let them know cost.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

216/29. MATERIAL FOR USE ON ROADS.

A letter was read from Mr. Thomas McCandless, Drumley, Glenties, in which he stated that as he had not yet been paid for the gravel and stones taken off his farm he would not allow any more to be taken.

The County Surveyor stated that Mr. McCandless had been paid. No action was taken.

217/29. WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

A letter was read from the Inspector, Weights and Measures, Letterkenny, in which he asked for authority to purchase twelve stencils for use in sand blast machine; cost not exceeding £1.

A further letter was read from the Inspector, Weights and Measures, Letterkenny, in which he asked for authority to have new locks fitted to boxes containing sets of sub-standards which must now be sent to Dublin for verification; cost not exceeding 35/-.

The authorities required were given in both cases.

218/29. MAIN ROADS MAINTENANCE - BUNDORAN URBAN DISTRICT.

A letter was read from the Town Clerk, Bundoran, in which he asked for a statement showing the expenditure from Poor Rate on Main Roads Maintenance in Bundoran Urban District for the three years ended 31st December, 1928.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

219/29. CASTLEFIN RAILWAY BRIDGE.

A letter was read from Mr. Tom Herron, Tiernagushoge, Castlefin, in which he complained of the condition of Castlefin Railway Bridge.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

220/29. POISONS AND PHARMACY ACT, 1908.

An application for a licence under the Poisons and Pharmacy Act, 1908, was received from Mr. William Magee, Ballybofey.

The application was unanimously granted.

221/29. ARTERIAL DRAINAGE (MINOR SCHEMES) ACT, 1928.

A petition under the Arterial Drainage (Minor Schemes) Act, 1928, for the improvement of Tullintain River, Bruckless, was submitted.

A petition under the Arterial Drainage (Minor Schemes) Act, 1928, for the improvement of Oily River was submitted.

Both applications were referred to the County Surveyor for a report on the general merits of the proposals contained in the Petitions, and the probable total cost of the execution of the Drainage Works comprised in the proposals.

222/29. MIDWIVES (IRELAND) ACT, 1918.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Central Midwives Board, in which he applied for £15 : 10 : 8 being amount due by this Council under Section 13 of the Midwives (Ireland) Act, 1918.

Payment of the amount was ordered.

223/29. CONTRACT NO. 20, APRIL, 1925. GLENTIES DISTRICT.

The County Surveyor reported that through inadvertence a balance due Mr. Con Breslin, amounting to £1 : 19 : 8, had been struck off.

The Council unanimously decided to pay the amount on the County Surveyor's certificate.

224/29. SEA WALL AT MOUNTCHARLES.

Mr. Caffrey reported that the sea wall at Mountcharles had been injured during the recent storm, and that repairs costing £30 would require to be carried out.

On the motion of the Chairman seconded by Councillor Mahony the execution of the necessary repairs was authorised.

225/29. FLOODING OF ROAD BETWEEN DUNFANAGHY AND FALCARRACH.

Mr. Steadman submitted the following report:-
"At the previous meeting of the County Council in January last I reported upon the necessity of raising the road at those places where flooding occurs between Dunfanaghy and Falcarragh. The hope was expressed that a grant might be obtained towards carrying out this necessary work. I suggested that a sum of £200 or £250 be placed at my disposal for getting the work done. (Signed) J. Steadman, 21/2/29."

Councillor James Boyle referred to the gravity of the position and moved that the Ministry be asked for a special grant.

The motion was unanimously agreed to and the Secretary was instructed to point out to them that the matter was abnormal, and that it had recently been brought to the notice of the Department's engineer when on his inspection in the County.

226/29. MORAY - FIRTH FISH-SELLING COMPANY.

A letter was read from the Moray-Firth Fish-Selling Company, Buncrana, in which they stated that they paid £12 at £3 per vessel for four drifters for season, and asked for a refund of £9.

The Secretary stated that the matter had since been adjusted.

227/29. PAYMENT OF CLERKS ENGAGED AT ROAD WORKS MEETINGS.

The Secretary submitted a list of clerks who were engaged at the recent Road Works Meetings. Payments of the amounts claimed and certified were authorised in each case. In the case of Mr. Fitzpatrick, Burnfoot, who had acted alone, and who had to travel a considerable distance to the meetings, the Council agreed to pay 15/- on the suggestion of Councillor Scott.

SUDDEN BREACHES.

228/29.

Mr. Steadman reported as follows:-
 "The following is a list of small works that have, owing to their urgency, been carried out by sudden breach orders signed by two County Councillors:-

INISHOWEN RURAL DISTRICT.

Repairs to Sharagone Bridge on road	348	April 1928.	£1 : 12 : 8.
" " Gortfad " "	214	" "	£10 : 10 : 0.
" " Cloontash " "	165	" "	3 : 14 : 0.
" " to a pipe at Beltra " "	158	" "	1 : 0 : 0.
" " to a pipe on road	248	April 1927.	1 : 10 : 0.
" " " " " "	1	April, 1928.	2 : 5 : 0.

LETTREMPNY DISTRICT.

Repairs to Sprackburn Bridge on road	1	April 1928.	2 : 10 : 0.
Repairing " " " "	168	" "	7 : 10 : 0.
Repairing a pipe on road	133	" "	4 : 10 : 0.
" " " " " "	22	" "	2 : 10 : 0.
Repairing breaches in road	168	" "	6 : 5 : 0.
Repairing a pipe on road	185	" "	4 : 5 : 0.

MILFORD DISTRICT.

Repairs to Creevelaghta Bridge on road	32	April 1928.	7 : 11 : 6.
Repairing a pipe on road	192	" "	4 : 0 : 0.
Repairing a Bridge on road	80	" "	7 : 10 : 0.

DUNFANAGHY DISTRICT.

Repairing damage by flooding to road	46	April 1927.	2 : 10 : 0.
Re-building a pipe on road	7	April 1928.	7 : 0 : 0.
Repairing " " " " " "	43	" "	2 : 0 : 0.
" " bridge on road	36	" "	2 : 0 : 0.

(Signed) J. Steadman, 21/2/29. "

Payments of the amounts in each case were authorised.

CONTRACTOR'S CARAVAN.

229/29.

A letter was read from Mr. James O'Doherty, Estate Agent and Valuer, 6, Newmarket Street, Derry, in which he offered a contractor's caravan for sale, which was occupied by Mr. James McMenamin, who was executing work for this Council; price £25.

The County Surveyor stated that he had no use for such a van.

APPLICATION FOR POSITION AS SURFACE MAN.

230/29.

A letter from Mr. John Kennedy, Inver, in which he applied for position of surface man between Clover Hill and Ballymagowan was referred to the County Surveyor.

JOHN MCGINLEY (DECEASED), DUNFANAGHY.

231/29.

A letter was read from Mr. John McGinley, Dunfanaghy, in which he asked the Council to pay to Mrs. McGinley, Dunfanaghy, the balance of pension due her late husband, and stating that she was prepared to give an indemnity to the Council signed by James McElhinney, Dunfanaghy, and John McGinley, Dunfanaghy.

The Council unanimously decided to pay the amount on the proposed indemnity.

232/29. MR. TERENCE QUINN, JUN., ENGINE-DRIVER.

A letter was read from Mr. Terence Quinn, Jun., Engine-Driver, Ballyshannon, in which he applied for an increase of 10/- per week in his wages.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

233/29. CLAIM, REGAN v COUNTY COUNCIL.

A letter was read from the Irish Life and General Assurance Co., Ltd., in which it was stated that cheque for £250, being the full amount of liability under the Policy in Regan v. County Council case would be forwarded on Saturday next.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter the Secretary was instructed to return this cheque if received, and to inform the Company that the Council will insist on their fulfilling their obligations as contained in the Policy.

234/29. CONSIDERATION OF SHEEP DIPPING SCHEME FOR 1929 SEASON.

The Council appointed a Special Committee consisting of Messrs. Callaghan, Gallen, and McIvor, to consider Sheep Dipping Scheme for coming season.

235/29. SUDDEN BREACHES - SOUTHERN DIVISION.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, applied for the following sums to meet sudden damages:-

- (a) Stranorlar District, Repairs to Bridge County Road No. 94, Map No. 1449, £10 : 0 : 0.
- (b) Stranorlar District, Repairs to Bridge County Road No. 147, Map No. 1392, £15 : 0 : 0.
- (c) Glenties District, Repairs to Crumlin Bridge County Road, No. 121, Map No. 1760, £25 : 0 : 0.

The Council unanimously authorised the expenditure of the amounts required.

236/29. CENSORSHIP BILL.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Limerick County Council, in which he enclosed the following resolution unanimously adopted at a meeting of his Council held on 16th February, 1929:-
"That we, the members of Limerick County Council, give our whole-hearted approval to the general principles embodied in the Censorship Bill, and we call upon the Deputies of all parties in the Dail who value the national and moral interests of our country, to support it. Moreover, we call upon all members of the Oireachtas to oppose any sinister amendments, the purpose of which would be to weaken or emasculate the Bill, which we trust will pass into law without further delay."

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by the Chairman the resolution was unanimously adopted.

237/29. REMOVAL OF SNOWDRIFTS.

Councillor Myles said snow came suddenly, and no effort was made by Road Contractors to clear away the snow drifts on the roads, with the result that cars were often held up. It was the duty of the contractors to clear the roads without instructions, but he moved that the Surveyors be requested to see that in future snowdrifts were immediately cleared off the roads.

The motion was adopted.

238/29. PLANTING OF TREES, MOVILLE.

An application from the Hon. Secretary, Moville Improvement Committee, for permission to plant ornamental trees in the Moville Market Square was on the motion of Councillor McCauley, unanimously granted subject to the County Surveyor's approval.

Confirmed

Wm. J. [Signature] Chairman

A MEETING OF THE DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL

WAS HELD ON

TUESDAY, THE 26TH DAY OF MARCH, 1929.

ATTENDANCE.

239/29.

The following members were present:- Councillors McFadden (presiding) Quigley, Baxter, Blaney, Boyle (James), Brady, Brennan, Callaghan, Clarke, Cole, Doherty (Carrigart), Doherty (Philip), Doogan, Douglas, Gallagher (Bernard), Gallen, Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Mahony, Myles, McCauley, McCrea, MacCreadie, McIvor, McPhelimy, McShane, Nyhan, O'Boyle (Daniel E.), O'Boyle (Manus), O'Doherty (Malin), O'Donnell, Scott, Sweeney, and Wagentrieber.

APOLOGY.

240/29.

A wire was received from Councillor Francis Gallagher regretting his inability to attend the Council Meeting.

241/29.

APPOINTMENT OF VETERINARY INSPECTOR - MILFORD DISTRICT.

A letter was received from the Local Appointments Commissioners dated 23rd March, 1929, No. L.A. 15/18/28, recommending the appointment of Mr. Patrick Anthony McGeady, V.S., Milford, for appointment as part-time Veterinary Inspector under the Donegal County Council and the County Donegal Board of Health and Public Assistance for the Milford District; the appointment to be governed by the Local Offices and Employments (Gaeltacht) Order, 1928.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Mahony it was unanimously decided to adopt the recommendation; Mr. McGeady to take up duty as from 1st April, 1929.

242/29.

RECONSTRUCTION OF COUNCIL HOUSE, LIFFORD.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Mahony it was unanimously decided to execute under Seal the Agreement with the Governors of the Lifford Endowed Schools in connection with the lighting of the reconstructed Council Offices.

243/29.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

The Minutes of Meeting held on 26th February, 1929, were confirmed with the following amendments:-

Item No. 189/29 was amended to read as follows:-
A letter was read from Mr. William Moore, Buncrana, pointing out that in the Schedule of Tolls no charges had been included for (1) imports of cures' empties by sea from Scotch ports, and (2) exports of cured herring by direct boats to the Continent.

The Secretary was instructed to point out to Mr. Moore that this item was covered by Part 3 (c) Heavy Goods, 8d per ton. In Page 2 Councillor Doherty's name was substituted for Councillor Doogan's as seconding Councillor Sweeney's amendment regarding addition of years to Mr. Philip Cassidy.

244/29.

REPORT OF SCHOLARSHIPS COMMITTEE MEETING.

Councillor Baxter proposed that the Committee's recommendation refusing permission to Miss Maureen Clarke to sit for the examination be referred back for favourable consideration.

Councillor Loughrey seconded.

With this amendment the Report was then adopted.

The Report of the Special Sub-Committee recommending that permission be granted to Miss Peyton to sit for the Examination was also adopted on the motion of Councillor Gallen seconded by Councillor MacCreadie.

Councillor Gallen further suggested that the Scholarships Committee be requested to define exactly the term "guardianship" and if possible to fix a minimum period for qualification under this heading.

On the motion of Councillor Gallen seconded by Councillor Mahony it was also decided to allow the following candidates, whose applications had not been received before 1st March, to sit for the examination without prejudice to the rights of the other candidates:- Misses McFadden, McMackin, and McKinney.

245/29.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE RE HEAVY LORRY TRAFFIC.

Councillor Scott proposed the adoption of the Report.
Councillor James Boyle seconded.

Councillor Cole proposed as an amendment, and Councillor Douglas seconded, that the road from Quigley's Point to Malin be included in the Schedule set out in the Report.

Councillor Loughrey proposed and Councillor Baxter seconded that the words "Kerrykeel and Carrigart" be altered to read "Portsalon via Rosnakill and Downings" respectively.

Councillor Scott accepted the amendments and the report was unanimously adopted.

246/29.

REGISTRATION AND LICENSING OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 21st February, 1929, in which it was stated that the Minister had no power to grant a refund in respect of a duplicate Registration Book.

247/29.

CORRESPONDENCE IN IRISH.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, dated 22nd Feb., 1929, 13688/29 Dun na nGall Sg. in which it was stated that the Minister considered it should be practicable to have official correspondence transacted in Irish by 1st Jan., 1935, and in which he invited the co-operation of the County Council with a statement of their views on the date suggested. The letter also enclosed a schedule regarding qualifications in Irish of all officers and employees of the County Council.

Councillor Hamilton proposed that it would be prejudicial to the efficient transaction of the business of the County to fix any date for the exclusive use of Irish in its official correspondence. When, or if, such change would be to the interest of the Ratepayers the matter at any future date can be considered.

Councillor Myles seconded. Councillor Cole proposed and Councillor McPhelimy seconded that the date fixed by the Department for the transaction of official correspondence in Irish be approved and that the Council co-operate with the Department in the matter. The following voted for the amendment:- Councillors McFadden, Quigley, Blaney, Boyle (James), Brady, Brennan, Callaghan, Cole, Doherty (Carrigart), Doogan, Douglas, Gallagher (Bernard), Gallen, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Mahony, McCauley, MacCreadie, McIvor, McPhelimy, Nyhan, O'Boyle (Daniel E.), O'Boyle (Marius), O'Doherty (Malin), O'Donnell, Sweeney. Total 26.

The following voted against the amendment:- Councillors Baxter, Clarke, Doherty (Philip), Hamilton, Myles, McCrea, McShane, Scott, and Wagentribber. Total 9.

The Chairman declared the amendment carried.

The amendment was then put as a substantive motion and declared carried by the same majority.

248/29.

LIFFORD BRIDGE.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 26th February, 1929, R.G./7 in which it was stated that the question of a grant towards Lifford Bridge could not be considered until a full Estimate was received, and that in any event a 100% grant could not be recommended. In view of the necessity for the surface improvement of some of the Main Roads grants for less important works could not be made.

Mr. Steadman reported as follows:- "With reference to the Local Government Department's letter of 26th re this Bridge two matters referred to therein call for attention:-

- (1) That in any event a 100% grant could not be recommended.
- (2) That the question of a grant could not be considered until a full Estimate was received.

To get at a clearer estimate than has been made by the Co. Surveyor for Tyrone and myself would involve an expenditure on borings to ascertain with greater precision the nature of foundations as well as the preparation of the actual Plans.

These are matters chargeable to the sum for the actual construction of the new Bridge and on which the County Councils concerned could not fairly be expected to incur expenditure until they had first ascertained to what extent they would be assisted by the Board and thus be in a position to know the liability they were assuming.

It should be recognised that this work is not merely a matter in which two Counties are concerned, but owing to the importance and location of this Bridge to traffic from places remote therefrom, it is rather one in which the two Governments are concerned. Tyrone Co. Council has already brought the matter before the Northern Government. The merits were gone into and it was decided that for a bridge with an overall width of 25 feet that this Government would give a grant of 72% of £9,500, the cost of the Bridge being taken as £19,000. This offer is sufficiently definite as far as a grant is concerned, and I hope our Local Government Department will improve upon the percentage in respect of County Donegal's £9,500."

The Council unanimously decided to request the Minister to contribute 80% of half the total cost of the Bridge. It was also decided to send copies of the Minute to the Deputies for the County with a request for their active co-operation in securing this contribution.

249/29.

STATISTICAL INFORMATION.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 22nd February, 1929, F. 13383/29, Ilgh. (c) in which they requested to be furnished with the names and addresses of each member of the County Council.

250/29.

TOURIST DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, dated 17th February, 1929, G. 11606/29 Dun na nGall, M. assenting to the transfer to the Irish Tourist Development Association of a sum of £159 : 13 : 6, being rate struck for the current year for Tourist Development purposes.

251/29.

CHILDREN ACT, 1908.

A letter was read from the District Court Clerk, Glenties, in which he notified his intention of making application at the Glenties District Court on 28th February, 1929, for the committal of a child named Michael Greene to an Industrial School.

252/29.

COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE.

A letter was read from the Department of Lands and Agriculture, dated 1st March, 1929, G. 2651/28, in which was enclosed copy of a letter addressed to the County Committee of Agriculture regarding the provision of special grants to enable the funds of County Committees to be supplemented in respect of certain of their agricultural schemes which have been dropped or curtailed, or the development of which has been arrested owing to shortage of funds. The Department would be in a position to place a sum of £100 to the credit of the County Committee by way of a supplemental grant on receiving an intimation that the maximum rate of 2d in the £ had been struck for agricultural and technical instruction purposes.

253/29.

MR. P. J. KELLY, ASSISTANT SURVEYOR.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 1st March, 1929, R.G.S./7 in which it was inquired if the County Secretary was yet in a position to furnish a report from the County Surveyor as to the manner in which Mr. Kelly, Assistant Surveyor, had discharged his duties during the period ended 31st December, 1928.

The Secretary stated that the required report had been furnished.

254/29.

MR. H. REID.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, dated 4th March, 1929, G. 15160/29 Dun na nGall, Se. sanctioning the continued employment of Mr. Reid to 31st May next at £2 per week.

255/29.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS, L.G.D., (ROADS).

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, I.R./35 in which it was intimated that the Telegraphic Address, "Roads, Dublin," was no longer registered, and that the Department's Telegraphic Address was now "Local, Dublin."

256/29.

RATE COLLECTOR NO. 16 DISTRICT.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 6th March, 1929, G. 15164/29 Dun na nGall Pa. sanctioning the proposed appointment of Mr. Peter Greene as Rate Collector for No. 16 District subject to the provisions of Article 3 of the Local Offices and Employments (Gaeltacht) Order, 1928.

257/29.

EXTRACTS FROM IRIS OIFIGIUIL RE SALE OF LANDS.

An extract was received from Iris Oifigiuil dated 19th February, 1929, notifying the sale of lands in Corcassey at Stranorlar on 8th March, 1929, now, or formerly, in the occupation of John Kelly.

Another extract was received from Iris Oifigiuil dated 5th March, 1929, notifying the sale of lands in Boultypatrick at Ballybofey on 20th March, 1929, now, or formerly, in the occupation of Catherine Harkin.

258/29.

DUNGLOE DISPENSARY DISTRICT.

Order No. P.H. 11897/1929 of the Department of Local Government and Public Health defining the area of charge for the purpose of providing a water supply and maintaining the same at Dungloe as the Dungloe Dispensary District was submitted.

On the motion of Councillor O'Donnell seconded by Councillor Brennan it was unanimously decided to request the Department to define the Dungloe Dispensary District, and to point out to the Department that there were three Dispensary Districts of this name in the County.

259/29.

REGISTRATION.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 7th March, 1929, F. 17042/29, Ilgh. (c) in which it was stated that applications for recoupment of a proportion of the expenses incurred in the preparation of the Sixth Register of Electors should be forwarded by return of post.

260/29.

RATE COLLECTOR NO. 32 DISTRICT.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 7th March, 1929, G. 16014/29 Dun na nGall Fa. sanctioning the appointment of Mr. John B. O'Donnell as Rate Collector for No. 32 District subject to Article 3 of the Local Offices and Employments (Gaeltacht) Order, 1928.

261/29.

ABSTRACT OF ACCOUNTS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, dated 7th March, 1929, A.S. in which they asked to be furnished without delay with the Abstract of Accounts for the period ended 30th Sept., 1928. The Secretary stated that the required Abstract had been furnished.

262/29.

HARBOUR OFFICE ON DOWNINGS PIER.

A letter was read from Mr. John Peoples, Fish Salesman, Downings, in which he thanked the Council for the privilege of having a desk in the Harbour Office on Downings Pier during the Fishing Season, and in which he stated that he was quite in agreement with the terms proposed by the Council.

263/29.

DISTRICT COURT CLERK'S OFFICE, GLENTIES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, dated 22nd February, 1929, G. 13069/29 Dun na nGall Pg. regarding the heating of the Clerk's Office in Glenties Courthouse, and in which it was requested that the matter be brought before the Council again with the object of their making provision for such reasonable heating as may be necessary.

The Council considered no action necessary.

264/29.

MARRIAGE GRATUITY- MRS. F. GALLAGHER.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Co. Donegal Technical Instruction Committee, in which he stated that his Committee at their meeting on 19th Feb., 1929, unanimously affirmed a resolution passed at a meeting held on 3rd April, 1928, in which it was agreed to grant a Marriage Gratuity to Mrs. F. Gallagher (nee Daly) of £20 : 16 : 0.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 8th March, 1929, G. 15615/29 Dun na nGall Sf. sanctioning the proposal of the Co. Donegal Technical Instruction Committee to make a grant of £20 : 16 : 0 as Marriage Gratuity to Mrs. F. Gallagher (nee Daly) pursuant to the provisions of Section 44 (4) of the L. G. Act, 1925. The amount in question may now be paid by Donegal County Council.

265/29.

FILLING OF RATE DEMAND NOTES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 13th March, 1929, G. 17265/29 Dun na nGall Pa. sanctioning the proposed arrangement relative to the filling of Rate Demand Notes. Total cost not to exceed £400.

266/29.

INCREASE IN REMUNERATION OF MR. MICHAEL DOHERTY.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 13th March, 1929, G. 17757/29 Dun na nGall Sg. in which it was stated that the Minister raised no objection to the proposed increase in the remuneration of Mr. Michael Doherty, Courtkeeper, Carndonagh, from £8 to £10 per annum.

267/29.

PORTNABLAGH PIER.

A letter was read from the Department of Lands and Fisheries, dated 13th March, 1929, D/1 in which it was stated that as the Harbour of Portnablagh is vested in the Council, and as that Body is, in consequence, responsible for the proper maintenance of the works the Minister is unable to recommend any contribution towards the cost of repairs being made from State sources.

268/29.

CARNDONAGH COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from Mr. Robert Scott, Tulnaree House, Carndonagh, in which he conveyed his thanks to the Council for the use of the Carndonagh Courthouse for a Sale of Work in aid of the Methodist Church.

269/29.

PORTSALON DISTRICT COURT.

A letter was read from Mr. J. A. Fraser India House, Ravenhill Road, Belfast, in which he stated that Lord Leitrim would be agreeable to the use of the Milford Courthouse free for the use of Portsalon District Court, if this Court were held on the same day as the Milford Court, and at the rate of 10/- per day for other days.

A letter was read from Mr. James Friel, Drum, Portsalon, in which he stated that he had reconsidered his decision regarding the use of rooms for the District Court at Drum, Portsalon, and that he would allow the Courts to continue for some time as he intends to erect a new structure for their use.

270/29.

ROAD WORKS SCHEME.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 13th March, 1929, R.M./7. in which they asked to be furnished with a summary of the expenditure approved on Road Works Scheme as requested in the Department's letter of 15th ultimo.

271/29.

ANALYST.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Local Appointments Commissioners, in which he stated that the Commissioners are at present in communication with the Department of Local Government as to the filling of the vacant position of Analyst, and that a further communication would be sent at the earliest possible date.

272/29.

STATISTICAL INFORMATION.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 19th March, 1929, 18,500/29, D/18/16, in which they asked to be furnished with a return giving particulars of all members of the Council, and officers, etc. as on the 1st April, 1929.

273/29.

MALINBEG LANDING SLIP.

A letter was read from the Department of Lands and Fisheries, dated 15th March, 1929, D/18/16, in which they asked to be furnished with a certificate from the County Surveyor showing the amount expended on the Landing Slip at Malinbeg.

The Secretary stated that he had furnished the required certificate showing the total amount expended on the Landing Slip at Malinbeg as £46 : 12 : 4; the amount allowed by the Council having been £100.

On the motion of the Chairman it was unanimously decided to allocate the balance of the amount allowed for this Slip to the Pier at Glalnageragh.

274/29.

FLOODING OF ROAD BETWEEN DUNFANAGHY AND FALCARRAGH.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 15th March, 1929, R.G./7 in which it was stated that the Minister could not see his way to recommend a special grant in connection with the flooding of the road between Dunfanaghy and Falcarragh; the improvement of the road in question should be included in the Council's proposals under the next distribution from the Road Fund.

275/29.

LETTERKENNY WORKHOUSE PREMISES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 15th March, 1929, P. 17908/29 Dun na nGall Pb. in which was enclosed a cheque for £66 : 19 : 6 in respect of half-year's rent for portion of the Letterkenny Workhouse Premises let to Messrs. Watt & Co., Ltd.
Rent - £75; Income Tax deducted - £8 : 0 : 6.

276/29.

BOARD OF HEALTH LOAN - MOVILLE SEWERS.

In accordance with Notice of Motion duly given in pursuance of Section 4 (3) of the Local Government Act, 1927, Councillor Gallen, Chairman of the Board of Health, moved:- "That this Council hereby approves of the borrowing by the Co. Donegal Board of Health and Public Assistance of £800 for the purpose of improvements to Moville Sewers."

Councillor McCauley seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

277/29.

BOARD OF HEALTH LOAN - LABOURERS' COTTAGES.

In accordance with Notice of Motion duly given in pursuance of Section 4 (3) of the Local Government Act, 1927, Councillor Gallen, Chairman of the Board of Health, moved:- "That this Council hereby approves of the borrowing by the Co. Donegal Board of Health and Public Assistance of £4,000 for the purpose of repairs to Labourers' Cottages."

Councillor Myles seconded.

Councillors Doherty (Carrigart) and Sweeney opposed the motion.

The Chairman put the motion to the meeting and the following voted for it:- Councillors McFadden, Quigley, Baxter, Blaney, Boyle (James), Brady, Brennan, Callaghan, Clarke, Cole, Doherty (Philip), Doogan, Douglas, Gallen, Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Mahony, Myles, McCauley, MacCrea, MacCreadie, McIvor, McPhelimy, Nyhan, O'Boyle (Manus), O'Boyle (Daniel E.), O'Doherty (Malin), O'Donnell, Scott, and Wagentribber. Total 31.

The following voted against it:- Councillors Doherty (Carrigart), Gallagher (Bernard), and Sweeney, Total 3.

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

278/29.

APPLICATION FOR ANNUAL INCREMENT IN SALARY - MR. F. QUINN.

An application from Mr. Felix Quinn of the Council's Office Staff for the annual increment, £10, in salary now due to him was unanimously granted on the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor McCauley.

279/29.

SOLICITORSHIP TO THE COUNCIL.

Councillor Scott moved "That the Council reconsider the position of Solicitorship to the Council."

After considerable discussion Councillor Scott agreed to withdraw his motion, and on the motion of Councillor Cole seconded by Councillor Myles it was unanimously decided to appoint a Law Committee to whom shall be submitted in future all Bills of Costs from the County Solicitor before taxation. The following members were appointed to this Committee:- Councillors Scott, McIvor, Quigley, Gallen, McCauley, and O'Donnell.

280/29.

RAY RIVER DRAINAGE SCHEME.

Councillor James Boyle moved:- "That the Donegal County Council hereby borrows £1640 for the purpose of the drainage of the Ray River as set out in the letter from the Office of Public Works dated 14th February, 1929."

Councillor Baxter seconded.. A deputation from the area consisting of Messrs. Sweeney and McClintock outlined the benefits to be derived from the Scheme. After considerable discussion Councillor Boyle amended his motion to read as follows:- "That the Council agrees to contribute a sum not exceeding £106 per annum or 41% of the total actual cost and expenses of carrying out the scheme; the money to be obtained from the Board of Works as set out in their letter, 2486/29 of 14th February, 1929.

Councillor Doogan seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

281/29.

PROVISION OF MEALS FOR POOR CHILDREN.

Councillor Doogan inquired the outcome of his resolution regarding the provision of meals and clothing for poor children attending schools in rural areas.

The Secretary explained that under existing legislation there was no power to provide meals or clothing for children in rural areas, but that the Council had already passed a resolution requesting that the necessary legislation be enacted.

282/29.

PROPOSAL TO REDUCE POSTAL SERVICES.

A letter from the General Secretary, Post Office Workers' Union regarding restriction of Postal Services and asking the Council to call upon the Post Office Department not to further restrict the Postal Services in this area, and a Notice of Motion by Councillor Doogan in the matter were not considered as the position was now deemed satisfactory.

283/29.

ROADS - GLENTIES DISTRICT.

A Notice of Motion by Councillor Bernard Gallagher "That the following roads be repaired by the money saved through competition at the last Glenties Road Meeting:- Lougherrig, Stralinchey, and Meenawana" was referred to the County Surveyor.

284/29.

DANGEROUS CORNERS.

A letter was read from Councillor Hamilton in which he inquired as to dangerous corners and the present position regarding them.

It was decided to refer the matter to the General Council of County Councils.

285/29.

LEGNANORNIG DRAINAGE SCHEME.

Councillor Hamilton inquired the position regarding the Legnanornig Drainage Scheme.

The Secretary stated that the County Surveyor had the matter in hands.—

286/29.

FOOTPATHS, ETC., ARDARA.

Councillor Sweeney moved (a) "That I want to bring under the notice of the Council the state of the footpaths at Ardara." (b) "That I again urge on the Council the necessity of making a footpath from the Ardara R.C. Church to the National School." (c) "That a notice of traffic be put up at both ends of the curve to warn them of what they may meet but which they cannot see." (d) "That the Council failing to do its duty towards the public I shall be compelled to bring the Local Government Roads Inspector to the spots that he may see for himself how the ratepayers' interests are attended to."

Councillor O'Donnell suggested that the Local Government Inspector be requested when next in this area to make an inspection of these works with a view to having them carried out under grants. The suggestion was unanimously adopted. The County Surveyor was instructed to make arrangements for the erection of the necessary danger signs.

287/29.

MR. C. L. CALLAGHAN.

An application from Mr. C. L. Callaghan for reinstatement as an official of the Council was, on the motion of Councillor McCauley, seconded by Councillor O'Donnell, referred to the Sub-Finance Committee.

288/29.

OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Kavanagh it was unanimously decided to request the Minister to sanction Overdraft Accommodation of £15,000 from 1st April to 30th June, 1929.

289/29.

CONCRETE FOOT-BRIDGE, GLENFINN.

Mr. Caffrey reported as follows:- "The concrete foot-bridge which you instructed me to design is now built. Certain alterations had to be made in the length of the bridge owing to the site selected. This site was adopted to avoid acquiring land for the approaches to the bridge. Furthermore, the bridge itself had to be kept sufficiently high so as to be above the floods which are of frequent occurrence in the River Finn. It is now found that the Northern end of the Bridge requires an approach of about 27 feet long to enable the people to get from the public road to the bridge. This approach will cost £40."

Councillor Mahony proposed and Councillor O'Donnell seconded that the additional £40 required to make the approach be placed in the County Surveyor's hands.

290/29.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACT.

A letter dated 26th February, 1929, from Sergeant Glynn, Garda Biochana, Weights and Measures Inspector, asking for authority to purchase two sets of Grain Weights at a cost not exceeding 10/- was read, and the required authority was unanimously given.

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292/29.

COUNTY MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, dated 8th March, 1929, P. H. 4321/29, Dun na nGall (Ac.) in which it was stated that the Minister was not prepared to permit the question of the appointment of a County Medical Officer of Health for County Donegal to continue in abeyance, and that he proposed to make an application to the Local Appointments Commissioners for the recommendation of a person for appointment to the position. The Council was asked to fix an appropriate salary and allowance for travelling expenses.

Councillors Blaney, McFadden, and Myles, reported on their interview with the Local Government Department regarding the proposed appointment of County Medical Officer of Health, and recommended that a County Medical Officer and an Assistant County Medical Officer be appointed, to whom shall be assigned the duties of School Medical Inspector, Inspector of Midwives, Tuberculosis and County Medical Officer; the Assistant to be assigned a portion of the County so that the work of the two officers shall not overlap and that unnecessary travelling expenses may be avoided.

A letter was also read from the Secretary of the County Board of Health, in which he enclosed the following resolution passed by the Board at their meeting on 19th March, 1929:-

"That we the Donegal County Board of Health and Public Assistance hereby request the Donegal County Council to appoint a County Medical Officer of Health for the County in pursuance of Section 21 of the Local Government Act, 1925, and that we agree to assign to him the duties of Medical Superintendent under the Tuberculosis Prevention (Ireland) Acts, 1908 and 1913, and of School Medical Officer under the Public Health (Medical treatment of Children) (Ireland) Order, 1920, the salary for the merged offices being fixed on a scale of £800 per annum rising by yearly increments of £25 to a maximum of £900 per annum with vouched travelling expenses, and we urge the County Council to make application to the Local Appointments Commissioners to recommend a person for this appointment.

That we hereby apply to the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to authorise us to appoint a registered Medical Practitioner to assist the County Medical Officer of Health in the administration of the sanitary laws in the County Health District and in the performance of his duties as Medical Superintendent under the above-mentioned Tuberculosis Acts and as School Medical Officer under the Order of 1920 above referred to and of such other duties as may be assigned to him. The remuneration for this Office is hereby fixed at the scale of £550 per annum rising by yearly increments of £20 to £650 per annum with vouched travelling expenses."

Councillor Myles proposed that the Local Appointments Commissioners be requested to recommend a competent person for appointment as County Medical Officer of Health, etc. as suggested by the Board of Health at a salary of £800 per annum rising by annual increments of £25 to a maximum of £900 per annum with vouched Travelling Expenses.

Councillor Sweeney seconded and the motion was carried unanimously.

293/29.

ARTERIAL DRAINAGE (MINOR SCHEMES) ACT, 1928.

A petition was submitted from the residents of Fahan, Malin, for the cleaning of the Ballyboe River under the Arterial Drainage (Minor Schemes) Act, 1928.

On the motion of Councillor Cole seconded by Councillor Kavanagh the petition was referred to the County Surveyor under Section 3 (1) of the above Act for his report on the general merits of the proposals contained in the Petition and the probable total cost of the execution of the drainage works comprised in the proposals.

294/29.

PIPE DN ROAD FROM BALLINTRA TO ROSSNOWLAGH.

A letter was read from Mr. John Wilson, Rossnowlagh, in which he applied for permission to adjust a pipe on the road from Ballintra to sea at Rossnowlagh between Killinangle Three Roads and the sea at Bellalt for the purpose of draining his land.

On the motion of Councillor Philip Doherty the required permission was granted subject to the approval of the County Surveyor.

295/29.

APPLICATION FOR INCREASE IN PENSION.

A letter was read from Miss Fanny Kennedy, Castle Crest, Killinacarrig, Greystones, County Wicklow, in which she applied for an increase in her pension, and pointed out that she was nearly eighty years of age, and that she gave thirty-two years' service to the Letterkenny Board of Guardians.

No action was taken.

296/29.

EVIL LITERATURE BILL.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Galway County Council, in which he enclosed the following resolution passed by his Council on 23rd February, 1929.

"That whereas the poison of the mind is a greater evil than the poison of the body we exhort the Government to resist all amendments to the Evil Literature Bill which would permit the circulation of books, papers, or other publications containing atheistical, blasphemous, or obscene matter or propagating doctrines subversive of the Eternal Laws of Morality."

On the motion of Councillor Quigley seconded by Councillor Gallen the resolution was unanimously adopted.

297/29.

POISONS AND PHARMACY ACT, 1908.

An application for a licence under the Poisons and Pharmacy Act, 1908, from Mr. Hugh O'Donnell, Keenaneary, Carrick, was unanimously granted.

298/29.

ROAD FROM FANMORE CROSS THROUGH DERRYREAL TO THE CROSS AT CAMPBELL'S BRIDGE.

A letter was read from certain ratepayers in Derryreal, Falcarragh, in which they called attention to the road leading from Fanmore Cross through Derryreal to the cross at Campbell's Bridge, and asked the Council to have something done to it at once.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

299/29.

ROAD REPAIRING AT BUNDORAN.

A letter was read from Mrs. M. A. Mafferty, Ettrick House, Bundoran, in which she called attention to the unsatisfactory state in which her premises had been left following repairs to the road.

A letter from Mr. Cunningham, Assistant Surveyor, in the matter was also read in which he stated that the matter was having attention.

300/29.

FENCE AT GREENCASTLE QUARRY.

A letter was read from Mr. Charles Doherty, Greencastle, in which he stated that he had now built a fence at the Greencastle Quarry under the supervision of the County Surveyor, and in which he applied for payment, £10.

Mr. Steadman reported as follows:- "At Greencastle Quarry a large quantity of stone has for the past few years been quarried, and this has necessitated the re-building of the fence referred to in Mr. Charles Doherty's letter, and he is entitled to receive the sum of £10."

Payment of the amount in question was unanimously passed.

301/29. ROAD AT MEENAWANA, KILRAINE.

A letter was read from Mr. John Furey, Meenawana, Kilraine, in which he asked to have tenders taken for repairs to the road at Meenawana as soon as possible.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

302/29. BOB ROAD BETWEEN MULLY AND MEENAGISSAGH.

A letter was read from a number of ratepayers in the Glen, Glenties, in which they pointed out the urgent necessity for repairs to the road between Mully and Meenagissagh, and stating that the road was used by about thirty tenants for the conveyance of their fuel.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

303/29. STOCKTAKER AT MENTAL HOSPITAL, LETTERKENNY.

An application was submitted from Mr. Dunnion, Rate Inspector, for permission to act as Stocktaker at the Mental Hospital.

The application was refused; it being considered inadvisable to have a County Official acting in this capacity in a County Institution.

304/29. ROADS IN BALLINRY, BUNCRANA.

A letter from Mr. Thomas H. Lee, Ballinary, Buncrana, regarding complaints about the maintenance of roads in his district was referred to the County Surveyor.

305/29. CARNDONAGH COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from Mr. B. Merricks, Pound Street, Carndonagh, regarding destruction done to his garden by water coming from the Courthouse yard, and in which he asked to have it remedied as soon as possible.

The County Surveyor stated that he had the matter in hands.

306/29. ROAD FROM PORTSALON PIER.

A letter was read from Mr. G. Barton, Portsalm, in which he stated that he was getting a cargo of coal to Portsalm Pier and that the road from the Pier was impassable. He asked to have the Contractor instructed to have the road repaired at once.

The County Surveyor stated that the matter was being dealt with.

307/29. APPLICATION FOR POSITION AS MILESMAN.

A letter was read from Mr. James Fox, Ballymagroarty, Ballintra, in which he applied for position as milesman on County Roads around Ballintra.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

308/29. CLAIM - JOHN BLACK, DRUMGUMBERLAND.

A letter was read from Messrs. William Kelly & Co., Solicitors, Letterkenny, in which they claimed a sum of £7 : 10 : 0 on behalf of Mr. John Black, Drumgumberland, Convey, for loss and damage sustained by him through the negligence of the Council's servants at Killinure on or about 12th February, 1929. A horse driven by their client attached to a cart laden with cinders was caused to bolt when passing one of the Council's stone breakers.

The Council unanimously decided to deny liability.

309/29. HOUSING ACT. LOAN - DANIEL GALLAGHER.

A letter was read from the Agricultural Credit Corporation, 2, Merrion Square, N., Dublin, C.17., No. P. 4386, in which they stated that a loan had been granted to Daniel Gallagher, Jun., Killycolman, Carradoon, Rathmullan, for the purpose, amongst others, of discharging the amount due by him to this Council and in which was enclosed a Deed of Release for sealing by the Council. The amount due by Mr. Gallagher would be paid to the Council direct.

On the motion of Councillor Callen seconded by Councillor Kavanagh the Council unanimously decided to execute under Seal the Deed of Release.

310/29. APPLICATION OF MR. FRANCIS O'DONNELL TO LOWER INVERT OF BRIDGE ON DUNGLOE-BURTONPORT ROAD.

Mr. Caffrey reported as follows:- "I inspected the Bridge the invert of which Mr. O'Donnell asked the Council to lower. This Bridge is on the road between Burtonport and Dungloe. To lower the invert it will be necessary to underpin in short lengths the abutments. I estimate the cost of this work at £30. The Land Commission are draining Mr. O'Donnell's land. In order to get a suitable gradient it is necessary to lower bed of the stream under the Bridge. A similar job was carried out last year at the Rampart adjacent, but the Land Commission supplied the money." On the motion of Councillor O'Donnell seconded by Councillor Brennan it was unanimously decided to request the Land Commission to supply the amount required to carry out this work.

311/29. FENCE AT MEENYHOOGAN, KILLYBEGS.

Mr. Caffrey reported as follows:- "The fence and wall to which Mr. Boyle refers are situated on a mountain road near Killybegs. A considerable length of the wall which supports the road has fallen, and this has rendered the road dangerous to traffic. To restore the fence and repair the road a sum of £40 is required."

Consideration of the matter was adjourned until next meeting.

312/29. CARNDONAGH WORKHOUSE PREMISES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, dated 26th February, 1929, P. 10869/29 Dun na nGall, Pb. regarding the letting of portions of Carndonagh Workhouse, and enclosing a Plan, with a request to have indicated thereon the portions proposed to be let to Mrs. McGonigle and the portions proposed to be let to Mrs. Doherty.

A further letter was read from the Local Government Department, dated 7th March, 1929, P. 15,700/29 Dun na nGall Pb. regarding the letting of Carndonagh Workhouse, and stating that the Minister would like to have a recommendation from the Council in the matter.

Councillor Cole proposed and Councillor Quigley seconded that the Ministry be requested to let the premises to Mrs. Doherty. Councillor Douglas proposed and Councillor Nyhan seconded that the Ministry be requested to let the premises to Mrs. McGonigle.

On a show of hands the Chairman declared the motion carried.

313/29. ROAD FROM TRENTAGH TO ST. JOHNSTON.

A letter was read from Mr. William Miller, Milltown Mills, St. Johnston, in which he stated that the road from Trentagh to St. Johnston had become very bad, and the tonnage is insufficient. He wished the Council to pass a sum of money, say £60, to have it put in repair.

In connection with the same road a letter was also read from Mr. J. Killen, Killycally, St. Johnston.

The matter was adjourned until next meeting.

314/29.

ERECTION OF WATER TANK AT DOWNINGS.(a) Appointment of Clerk of Works.

A letter was read from Mr. W. J. Doherty, Architect, 12, Castle Street, Derry, in which he stated that he considered it essential that in the making of the concrete for the water tank at Downings the work should be supervised by a competent Clerk of Works who would remain there all the time, and asking for arrangements to be made for the employment of a competent person.

On the motion of Councillor MacCreadie seconded by Councillor Flaney it was unanimously decided to appoint a Clerk of Works; wages not to exceed £3 per week; appointment to be made by Mr. Doherty, Architect.

(b) Auxiliary Water Supply.

A letter was read from Mr. W. J. Doherty, Architect, 12, Castle Street, Derry, in which he inquired if the auxiliary water supply for the Downings Water Tank mentioned by the Local Committee had been formally obtained as the new pipe would have to be laid to this and arrangements should be made at once for the taking of tenders for this work.

The Secretary was instructed to communicate with the Agent to the Earl of Leitrim with a view to obtaining formal permission for the laying of the pipe and the obtaining of the auxiliary water supply. On receipt of this permission the Council's Solicitor was to be instructed to incorporate it in the Agreement in connection with the purchase of the site.

(c). Appointment of Architect.

Mr. W. J. Doherty, 12, Castle Street, Derry, was unanimously appointed to take complete charge of the erection of a concrete water tank at Downings at the usual scale of Architect's fees, viz., 5% on value of work done plus vouched travelling expenses.

(d) Execution of Contractor's Bond.

The execution of Bond in connection with the erection of a concrete water tank at Downings was adjourned pending the completion of Agreement in connection with the purchase of the site.

315/29.

RECONSTRUCTION OF COUNTY HOUSE, LIFFORD.

On the motion of Councillor MacCreadie seconded by Councillor Baxter it was unanimously decided to appoint Mr. W. J. Doherty, 12, Castle Street, Derry, as architect for the reconstruction of the County House, Lifford, with complete control, at the usual scale of Architect's fees, viz., 5% on value of work done plus vouched travelling expenses.

316/29.

ROAD FROM PORTSALON TO ROSSNAKILL.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, R.D./7 in which they asked for a report from the County Surveyor with a map tracing showing the road from Portsalon to Rossnakill with continuation to Three Roads at Ballymowan, which the Council require to be scheduled as a Main Road.

The matter was adjourned until next meeting.

317/29.

FERRY BOAT AT MORASS.

Consideration of contribution towards the purchase of a new ferry boat at Morass was further adjourned on Councillor Blaney stating that he would lodge a Notice of Motion in the matter.

DERRY BRIDGE.

318/29.

A letter was read from the Town Clerk, Strabane, in which he stated that his Council considered the County Secretary's letter regarding Derry Bridge and after fully discussing the matter they decided to take no action.

A letter dated 4th March, 1929, from the Department of the President, S. 5822 was read, in which it was stated that if the Council decided to take legal action in the matter of the proposed Londonderry Corporation Bridge Bill introduced in the Northern Parliament no specific authorisation from the Executive Council was necessary for the purpose.

On the motion of Councillor Scott seconded by Councillor Hamilton it was unanimously decided to forward to the Executive Council an emphatic protest against their attitude in the matter, and to call on them to take such steps at once as would protect the rights of County Donegal and the Gaorstat in the matter.

It was also decided to instruct the Council's Solicitor to enter an appearance in opposition to the Bill going through the Northern Parliament, and to request the Deputies for the County to interview the Ministry with a view to getting them to oppose the Bill in its present form.

CARNDONAGH WORKHOUSE GROUNDS.

319/29.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, dated 9th March, 1929, P. 17266/29, Pb., Dun na nGall regarding the proposal of the Council to reduce the rent to be paid by Mr. John McLaughlin in respect of field at Carndonagh Workhouse, and in which it was stated that the Minister saw no special reason for departing from the view already expressed by him in the matter.

On the motion of Councillor Cole seconded by Councillor Scott it was unanimously decided to point out to the Ministry again the views of the Council in the matter, with a request that they reconsider their decision. When the grounds were being let in the first instance to Mr. McLaughlin he had no intimation that his rights would be adversely affected through construction work by the Board of Health and that the value of the grounds to him would be considerably reduced. The lesser amount which it was proposed to accept was arrived at after an agreement between Mr. McLaughlin and the Vice-Chairman acting for the Council. It was strongly believed that if the matter was pursued to a finish Mr. McLaughlin would have no difficulty in recovering in a Court of Law damages in excess of the amount by which it was proposed to reduce his Contract.

SUPERANNUATION ALLOWANCE - MR. JAMES HERON.

320/29.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 8th March, 1929, G. 16782/29 in which attention was drawn to the terms of the Department's circular of 4th April, 1925, which outlined the principles to be followed in assessing Superannuation Allowances. The Circular pointed out that the amount of any pension should be calculated in accordance with the number of completed years of permanent satisfactory service. The Minister did not see his way to sanction a pension assessed on any greater number of years than the twenty-nine served by Mr. James Heron, and the matter should be reconsidered by the Council accordingly.

On the motion of Councillor Wagentrieber seconded by Councillor Gallen it was unanimously decided to urge the Ministry strongly to reconsider their attitude in the matter, and to point out to them that Mr. Heron's wife was dead and that he had a young family, the abnormal maintenance and education of which necessitated a large expenditure.

PIPE AT KILCAR.

321/29.

A letter was read from Mr. Hugh McShane, Drumreagh, Kilcar, in which he stated that at the request of Mr. Armour he built a pipe in February, 1927, for which he had not yet been paid. Amount, £3.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor for inspection and report.

322/29. EQUIPMENT FOR FOOD AND DRUGS INSPECTORS.

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siochana, Letterkenny, in which he requisitioned certain equipment for the different Food and Drugs Inspectors in the County.

The purchase of the articles required was authorised.

323/29. LIST OF PROPOSALS FOR MAINTENANCE, NEW, SPECIAL, AND MISCELLANEOUS WORKS.

The Council considered and signed the list of tenders accepted by the different Tenders Committees and the decision in each case was noted on Official Copy of List. In all cases in which the Council approved of the acceptance of Tenders for works by the Tenders Committees it was decided to enter into contracts for the execution of the works and to affix the Seal of the Council to the tenders provisionally accepted by the Tenders Committees. In all cases in which the Council did not approve of the tenders accepted by the Tenders Committees or in which no tenders were accepted or received it was decided, (with the exceptions hereafter quoted,) to execute the works otherwise than by contract, and to refer them to the County Surveyors.

Innishowen. Nos. 139 and 178 (County Roads.)

No tenders accepted.

With the consent of the Minister for Local Government it was decided to transfer amount allowed for No. 178 in Road Works Scheme to No. 139 and to execute the works otherwise than by contract.

Stranorlar. Nos. 51 and 52. (County Roads).

No tenders accepted.

With the consent of the Minister for Local Government it was decided to transfer amount allowed for No. 52 in Road Works Scheme to No. 51 and to execute the work otherwise than by contract.

324/29. HARBOUR DUES - TEELIN PIER.

A letter was read from Mr. Hugh O'Byrne, Harbour Master, Teelin, in which he reported that Phil Gallagher, Teelin, had refused to pay him a sum of 7/- for tonnage dues.

It was unanimously decided to instruct the Harbour Master to refuse permission to Gallagher to use Teelin Pier until he had paid the sums owing by him.

325/29. ROAD SCREENINGS.

A letter was read from Mr. J. Speer, Hon Secretary, Letterkenny Tennis Club, in which he inquired if it would be possible for his Club to buy half-a-dozen or a dozen loads of road screenings and if so at what price.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

326/29. MEETING OF COUNTY COUNCILS' GENERAL COUNCIL.

A letter was read from the Secretary, County Councils' General Council, in which he inquired if the Council wished to have any items included in the Agenda for the next meeting to take place about the end of April.

It was decided to request members of the Council who wished to have any matters discussed to refer them to the Secretary.

327/29.

HARBOUR MASTER AT RATHMULLAN.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 13th March, 1929, G. 17283/1929 Sg., regarding the application to make the appointment of Mr. Charles Deeney as Harbour Master at Rathmullan permanent and asking for a report as to the manner in which Mr. Deeney had discharged his duties since his appointment and the amount of dues collected by him during that period.

The County Surveyor stated that Mr. Deeney had discharged his duties since his appointment very satisfactorily.

The Secretary reported that the amount of dues collected during the period amounted to £485 : 18 : 0.

It was unanimously decided to request the Ministry to make the appointment permanent.

328/29

LOUGH SALT WATER SUPPLY.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor regarding Lough Salt Water Supply, and in which he suggested that a joint conference be arranged with the Urban District Council to see how far, if at all, this Body would move to carry out the suggestions of Professor Purcell. If no adjustments could be arrived at in this manner it would be advisable for the Council for him to submit the case to Counsel for the purpose of obtaining advice as to the best means of bringing the case before the Courts.

A letter was read from the Resident Medical Superintendent, Mental Hospital, Letterkenny, in which he stated that his Committee had decided, on the County Council appointing representatives, to appoint a Special Committee to meet representatives of the Letterkenny Urban District Council with a view to ascertaining how far the latter Body would move towards carrying out the recommendations contained in the report of Professor Purcell with regard to the water supply.

The Council unanimously decided to appoint Councillors Scott and Nyhan to represent them at the proposed joint Conference.

329/29.

FOOTPATHS IN DUNGLOE.

A letter was read from Mr. Murray Sweeney, Secretary, Town Improvement Committee, Dungloe, in which he called the attention of the Council to the state of the foot-paths in Dungloe.

Councillor Brennan proposed and Councillor O'Donnell seconded that the County Surveyor's attention be drawn to the matter with a view to having the work carried out out of the first available grants.

330/29.

APPOINTMENT OF RATE COLLECTOR FOR AMALGAMATED DISTRICT,
NOS. 11 AND 12.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 7th March, 1929, G. 16015/29 Dun na nGall Fa. in which they inquired if the Council were satisfied that Mr. John McGinley had a competent knowledge of Irish, and if his knowledge in their opinion was not fully competent, that there was no other suitable candidate with that knowledge.

The Chairman stated that he was satisfied that the candidate had a competent knowledge of Irish. On the motion of Councillor MacCreadie seconded by Councillor Baxter it was decided to inform the Department that the Council were satisfied that Mr. McGinley had a competent knowledge of Irish; Councillors Doogan and James Boyle dissenting.

331/29.

COMPLAINT REGARDING CONTRACTOR.

A letter was read from Messrs. Wm. Kelly & Co., Solicitors, Letterkenny, in which they complained, on behalf of Mrs. Minnie Coll, of Derryfad, of certain actions of the Council's contractor, Mr. Patrick McHugh, Drumakiellew, Creeslough.

No action was taken in the matter.

332/29.

CLAIM FOR DAMAGE TO BICYCLE - MRS. STEELE, DUNKINEELY.

A letter was read from Rev. Canon Steele, Killaghtee Rectory, Dunkineely, regarding an accident which happened to his wife on 16th March, 1929, when cycling near Bruckless, which was caused by the piling of stones on a dangerous corner, and in which he claimed that the damage to the bicycle should be made good by the Council.

The Council unanimously decided to deny liability.

333/29.

HARBOUR MASTER, ARRANMORE ISLAND.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor re preparation of Bond for Harbour Master on Arranmore Island and in which he stated that the Form of Affidavit sent by him had not yet been returned by the Harbour Master and that there would be considerable difficulty in rectifying the Bond which was altered.

In view of the small amount of dues collected the Council considered that a Bond was not necessary.

334/29.

REDUCTIONS IN RAILWAY VALUATIONS.

Payments of £280 : 15 : 1, £445 : 11 : 11, and £807 : 6 : 8 to the Great Northern, the County Donegal, and the L. & L. S. & L. Railway Companies respectively in consequence of reductions on appeal in the valuations of their property in the County for 1928/29 were ordered.

335/29.

MALICIOUS INJURY DECREES.

Payment of Malicious Injury Decrees levied in the year ending 31st March, 1929 was ordered.

336/29.

CATHOLIC EMANCIPATION CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS.

A letter was read from the Catholic Emancipation Centenary Committee inviting the Council to be represented by the Chairman or another Catholic member at the National Celebrations in June next.

The Council unanimously decided on the motion of Councillor Scott seconded by Councillor Cole to appoint the Chairman to represent them. In the event of his being unable to attend or in the event of his attending in another capacity it was decided to send the Vice-Chairman or in his absence the Secretary.

337/29.

CARRICK COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Cunningham, Carrick, regarding the ownership of Carrick Courthouse and submitting as evidence of his title a letter from his deceased brother.

The matter was adjourned until next meeting.

338/29. TIME FOR MAKING PAYMENTS REFERRED TO IN PUBLIC BODIES ORDER, 1927

Mr. Steadman reported as follows:- "Section 2 of the 1927 Public Bodies Order requires that in regard to all sums due and remaining unpaid at the close of a local financial year arrangements should be made as far as possible to pay same during the first month of the ensuing year.

As the contract system prevails in this County in regard to Road Work and each year of a contract ends on the last day of March this would leave very little time for the completion of inspections re work done during the half-year ending 31st March.

To endeavour however to comply with the section referred to as closely as practicable I would suggest that the meetings re payments to Contractors in the several Rural Districts be held in April instead of the month of May as heretofore."

Mr. Steadman's suggestion was unanimously adopted.

339/29. DATES FOR MEETINGS RE PAYMENTS TO ROAD CONTRACTORS.

Mr. Steadman reported as follows:- "For the meetings to be held in Rural Districts repayments for half-year ending 31st March, 1929, I would suggest the following:-

Dunfanaghy.	20th April.	Saturday.
Derry No. 2.	23rd "	Tuesday.
Innishowen.	29th "	Monday.
Letterkenny.	24th "	Wednesday.
Milford.	26th "	Friday.
Strabane No 2.	22nd "	Monday. "

340/29.

FENCING AT DOOISH QUARRY.

Mr. Steadman reported as follows:- "With regard to Dooish Quarry this belongs to the County Council but we are liable for fencing. The extent to which quarry work has proceeded during the past few years necessitates now the re-building of a short length of fence for which a sum not exceeding £5 will be required." Payment of the amount was passed.

341/29.

SUDDEN BREACH ORDERS.

Mr. Steadman reported as follows:- "The following are a few repairs that were urgently required and were carried out by Sudden Damage Order:-

Repairing a pipe on No. 1 April 1928 Innishowen District.	£2 : 5 : 0.
" " road on No. 303, April 1925 "	£10 : 0 : 0.
Repairs to Road No 231 April 1928.	£10 : 0 : 0.
Repairing a pipe on No. 34 April 1928, Strabane No. 2.	£1 : 10 : 0.
Repairing a bridge on No. 221 April 1928, Milford District.	£2 : 0 : 0.
Repairing road No. 108 April 1928, Dunfanaghy District.	£5 : 0 : 0.
Repairing a road No. 61 April 1928, "	£10 : 0 : 0.
Repair of a pipe on No. 72, April 1928, Derry No. 2.	£2 : 0 : 0.
" " " " 30, " " " "	£1 : 10 : 0.
" " " " " " " "	£4 : 0 : 0.
Re-build a pipe on Road 61	£2 : 10 : 0.
Repair road into Leck Graveyard Letterkenny District.	£2 : 0 : 0.
Repair parapets of Oldtown Bridge	£17 : 0 : 0.
Repair a Bridge on No 7, April 1928, Strabane No. 2.	

Payments of the amounts were passed.

342/29.

RATHMULLAN PIER.

Mr. Steadman applied for a sum of £50 : 0 : 0 to meet repairs to Rathmullan Pier.

Payment of the amount was passed.

343/29.

ROAD GRANT. PETTIGO - LOUGH DERG ROAD.

Councillor Gallen referred to the exorbitant bus fare of 5/- included in price of railway ticket by the Great Northern Railway Co. for conveyance of pilgrims from Pettigo to Lough Derg, and moved that pending the reduction of this fare to a reasonable amount the County Surveyor be instructed to defer expenditure of special road grant on the road in question.

The motion was unanimously adopted.

Confirmed,

Patrick Duggan Chairman
30/4/29

A MEETING OF THE DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL
WAS HELD ON
TUESDAY, THE 30TH DAY OF APRIL, 1929.

ATTENDANCE.

344/29.

The following members were present:-
Councillors Quigley (presiding), Baxter, Blaney, Boyle (James), Brady, Brennan, Callaghan, Clarke, Cole, Doherty (Carrigart), Doherty (Phil), Doogan, Douglas, Gallagher (Bernard), Gallagher (Francis), Gallen, Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Mahony, Myles, McCaulay, McCrea, MacCreadie, McIvor, McPhelimy, McShane, Nyhan, O'Boyle (Daniel E.), O'Boyle (Marius), O'Donnell, Scott, Sweeney, and Wagentrieber.

APOLOGY.

345/29.

A telegram apologising for inability to attend was read from the Chairman, Mr. Michael Cg McFadden.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

346/29.

The Minutes of Meeting of the County Council held on the 26th March, 1929, were unanimously confirmed on the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Hamilton.

347/29. DUNFANAGHY OLD AGE PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from the Clerk, Dunfanaghy Sub-Pensions Committee intimating the resignation of Mr. William Seyers, and stating that the Committee wished to have Mr. John McClafferty appointed in his stead. On the motion of Councillor Bernard Gallagher seconded by Councillor Nyhan it was unanimously decided to appoint Mr. McClafferty.

347/29a.

MAIN ROAD UPKEEP GRANT.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 27 March, 1929, intimating the allocation of £19,337 in respect of Main Road Upkeep Grant for the year 1929/30 and setting out the conditions which the allocation was offered. Payments must be claimed before the end of each quarter.

347/29b.

MAKING OF POOR RATE FOR THE SERVICE OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH, 1930.

The Secretary having certified on the forms prescribed that the rate in so far as the value of the hereditaments therein assessed was concerned was in conformity with the valuations in force for the time being, the Council decided to adopt such rates as already determined as hereafter set out, and it was proposed by Councillor Clarke and seconded by Councillor O'Donnell, and unanimously resolved under the provisions of the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898, and of Acts incorporated therewith, and subsequent Statutes, to allow and make the same in two moieties for the service of the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1930, as assessed in the Rate Book.

A statement of such allowance having been entered at the foot of each Rate Book was signed by the Chairman and two of the members present, attested by the seal of the Council, and duly countersigned by the Secretary.

348/29. CHANGES OF NAMES OF OCCUPIERS IN RATE BOOKS.

On the motion of Councillor Bernard Gallagher seconded by Councillor Hamilton, it was unanimously resolved that changes of names of occupiers notified on or before this date to the Council Office be made in the current year's Rate Books under Section 6 of 23 and 24 vic. cap. 4 for year ending 31st March, 1930.

349/29. COLLECTORS' WARRANTS.

On the motion of Councillor Clarke seconded by Councillor O'Donnell it was resolved to seal and sign the Rate Collectors' Warrants for the collection of Poor Rates for the year ending 31st March, 1930. The Warrants were thereupon duly signed, and the seal of the Council thereto affixed.

350/29. URBAN DEMANDS.

On the motion of Councillor Nyhan seconded by Councillor Bernard Gallagher it was unanimously resolved to seal and sign Demands in the prescribed form on the Urban District Councils of Buncrana, Bundoran, and Letterkenny, for the amounts already determined to be demanded. The Demands were thereupon duly signed, and the seal of the Council thereto affixed.

351/29. REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING.

The report of the Finance Committee Meeting held on the 26th March, 1929, was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Nyhan.

352/29. REPORT OF SUB-FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 21st MARCH, 1929.

The report of the Sub-Finance Committee Meeting held on the 21st March, 1929, was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Nyhan.

353/29. REPORT OF SUB-FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 16th APRIL, 1929.

The report of the Sub-Finance Committee Meeting held on the 16th April, 1929, was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Nyhan, with the exception of Item No. 150/29 referring to Mr. Charles L. Callaghan, which was referred back again to the Sub-Finance Committee.

354/29. REPORT OF SCHOLARSHIPS COMMITTEE MEETING.

The Report of the Scholarships Committee Meeting held on the 9th April, 1929, was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor Gallen seconded by Councillor MacGreadie.

355/29. APPLICATION FOR SCHOLARSHIP - MISS MAUREEN CLARKE, MILFORD.

An application for a Scholarship from Miss Maureen Clarke, Milford, and which had been referred back from the Scholarships Committee, was unanimously granted on the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Loughrey.

356/29. REPORT OF SHEEP DIPPING COMMITTEE.

The Report of the Sheep Dipping Committee was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor Gallen seconded by Councillor McIvor.

On the motion of Councillor Clarke, Councillors Gallen, Callaghan, and McIvor, and Messrs. McGlinchey and Warner V.S. were appointed on the Selection Committee.

It was also decided to authorise the Committee to advertise the appointments and to take all necessary steps to have the scheme in operation this year.

357/29.

QUARTERLY LIST OF PAYMENTS.

The quarterly list of payments which had been considered seriatim by the Finance Committee was unanimously approved.

Councillor Clarke questioned the legality of persons acting as Councillors whilst in receipt of Superannuation Allowances.

358/29.

MR. RUSSELL, ACCOUNTANT.

An application from Mr. Russell to reside outside the County until the end of June was unanimously granted.

359/29.

AUTHORISED COMMITTEES UNDER SECTION 63 OF THE L.G. ACT, 1925.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor O'Donnell it was unanimously decided to request the Minister for Local Government to make the Finance, Sub-Finance, and Committee of Agriculture authorised Committees under Section 63 of the Local Government Act, 1925.

360/29.

RECOUPMENT & SALARIES, SANITARY OFFICERS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 22nd March, 1929, which enclosed £182 : 9 : 5 being balance of proportion of expenses incurred upon salaries of Sanitary Officers during the year ended 30th September, 1928.

361/29.

RECOUPMENT : SALARIES, MEDICAL OFFICERS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 22nd March, 1929, which enclosed £1488 : 6 : 4 being balance payable of proportion of expenses incurred upon salaries of Medical Officers, etc., during the year ended 30th September, 1928.

362/29.

AGRICULTURAL GRANT.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 25th March, 1929, which enclosed £10,469 being balance of Agricultural Grant for the year ended 31st March, 1929.

363/29.

RECOUPMENT : REGISTRATION.

A letter was read from the Department of Finance, dated 20th March, 1929, S.26/1/28, which enclosed £786 : 15 : 1 being amount recouped in connection with the preparation of the Sixth Register of Electors under the Electoral Act, 1923, and the Juries Act, 1927.

GLENLOUGH (LEGNANORNIG) DRAINAGE DISTRICT PROPOSAL.

A letter dated 20th March, 1929, 4997/29, was read from the Board of Works, enclosing map which accompanied petition in respect of Glenlough (Legnanornig) Drainage District proposal.

365/29.

REINSTATEMENT OF ROADS ON EAST SIDE OF LOUGH SWILLY.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department (Roads) dated 26th March, 1929, I.R.X./7, in which it was stated that the Minister would raise no objection to the payment to Mr. Steadman of fees as proposed in connection with the work of reinstatement of roads on the east side of Lough Swilly.

366/29.

DUNFANAGHY DISPENSARY DISTRICT.

Copy of Order dated 19th day of March, 1929, of the Minister of Local Government declaring the Dunfanaghy Dispensary District as the area of charge in connection with the provision of a water supply at Dunfanaghy was submitted.

367/29. AUDITOR'S REPORT ON ACCOUNTS OF COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, A.S. 12594/28 in which was enclosed copy of Auditor's Report on the accounts of the County Donegal Board of Health for the ten half-years ended 30th September 1928.

368/29. MALINBEG LANDING-SLIP.

A letter was read from the Department of Lands and Fisheries, D/18/1 which acknowledged receipt of Certificate showing amount expended on landing-slip at Malinbeg.

369/29. LOCAL OFFICES AND EMPLOYMENTS (GAELTACHT) ORDER, 1928.

A letter was read from the Examining Officer under the Local Offices and Employments (Gaeltacht) Order, 1928, in which he intimated his intention of examining certain persons recently appointed to positions under the County Council in the Irish language.

370/29. LOCAL GOVERNMENT INSPECTOR FOR COUNTY DONEGAL.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 4th April, 1929, in which it was intimated that Mr. J. MacLysaght had been appointed Local Government Inspector for the County.

371/29. GRANT - £3,800.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 28th March, 1929, R/G/7./B in which they approved of the scheme for the expenditure of £1,200 proposed to be carried out in connection with the grant of £3,800.

372/29. REGISTRATION AND LICENSING OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 4th April, 1929, R.T./209/7 in which it was stated that the Minister would raise no objection to Mr. John P. Gallagher's being granted an increase of salary of 5/- per week as from 1st April, 1928, subject to the maximum amount allowable in respect of supervisory and clerical duties.

373/29. ARDARA FOOTPATHS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 8th April, 1929, R.G./7 in which it was stated that the question of footpaths in Ardara had been noted for attention when next an Inspector of the Department would be in the County.

374/29. VETERINARY INSPECTOR - MILFORD AREA.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 8th April, 1929, P.H. 23413/1929, acknowledging receipt of the County Secretary's letter relative to the appointment of Mr. P. A. McGeady as Veterinary Inspector for the Milford Area.

A letter was also read from the Department of Agriculture dated 11th April, 1929, G.667/29 approving of the appointment of Mr. P. A. McGeady as Veterinary Inspector for the Milford Area as from 1st April, 1929, at a salary of £105 per annum.

375/29.

GLENTIES FEVER HOSPITAL.

An application was submitted from Mr. J. W. Cunningham for permission to use the Fever Hospital, Glenties, as a residence and workshop. Mr. Cunningham offered to replace the slates and repair all windows, and to pay a rent of £10 per annum.

On the motion of Councillor Gallen it was unanimously decided to adjourn the matter until next meeting; and to refer the question of boundaries of the grounds in the meantime to the Board of Health.

376/29.

EXCHEQUER CONTRIBUTIONS - LABOURERS' ACTS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 5th April, 1929, enclosing Schedule showing particulars of amounts remitted to the Commissioners of Public Works out of the Exchequer Contributions to be applied towards the repayment of loans under the Labourers' Acts.

377/29.

BOVINE TUBERCULOSIS ORDER, 1926.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 8th April, 1929, T. 5910/28, regarding a biological test of a sample of milk taken from a cow the property of Mr. W. Craig, Bohillion, Inch Island, and requesting to have the animal in question examined by the Council's Veterinary Inspector for the district.

Another letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 23rd April, 1929, 6580/29 regarding a sample of milk taken from a cow the property of Mr. Henry McNair, Moneyhaughey, Manorcunningham, and requesting that an examination of Mr. McNair's herd be carried out by one of the Council's Veterinary Inspectors.

378/29.

ALLOWANCES TO SURVEYORS FROM ROAD FUND.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 9th April, 1929, R.G.S./7 intimating the payment of £460 in respect of recoupment of allowances to Surveyors from the road fund. The claim in respect of Mr. P. J. Kelly was deferred.

379/29.

ROAD CONTRACT PAYMENTS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 9th April, 1929, R.M./7 approving of the proposed holding of a meeting in April to deal with payments on foot of road contracts in respect of the preceding half-year.

380/29.

ROAD MACHINERY LOAN.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 10th April, 1929, R.B./7 intimating the payment to the County Treasurer of £421 : 1 : 6 being amount of instalment and interest on loan raised by the Council for the purchase of road machinery.

381/29.

OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 11th April, 1929, G. 23407/29 Dun na nGall Fa. sanctioning overdraft accommodation not exceeding £15,000 to 30th June next.

382/29.

APPOINTMENT OF RATE COLLECTOR, DISTRICT 16.

A letter was read from the Department of Local Government dated 12th April, 1929, G. 24579/29 Dun na nGall Fa. approving of the form of Bond submitted in respect of the appointment of Rate Collector Greene for District 16 and returning Bond.

383/29. APPOINTMENT OF RATE COLLECTOR; DISTRICT 32.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 12th April, 1929, G. 23416/29 Dun na nGall Fa. approving of the form of Bond submitted in respect of the appointment of Rate Collector J. B. O'Donnell for District 32 and returning Bond.

384/29. APPOINTMENT OF RATE COLLECTOR, DISTRICTS 11 AND 12.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 12th April, 1929, G. 23878/29 Dun na nGall Fa. sanctioning the temporary appointment of Mr. John McGinley as Rate Collector for the No. 11 and 12 Collection Districts on the terms set out in the replies to queries furnished and subject to the provisions of Article 3 of the Local Offices and Employments (Gaeltacht) Order, 1928.

385/29. DUNGLOE WATER SUPPLY.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 11th April, 1929, P.H. 23414/29 Dun na nGall (pg) in which it was explained that there was but one Dungloe Dispensary District, comprising the Electoral Divisions of Annagry, Arran, Crovehy, Dungloe, Maghery, and Rutland.

Councillor O'Donnell moved:- "That in view of the fact that the Ratepayers in the Electoral Divisions of Annagry, Arran, Crovehy, Maghery, and Rutland have not been consulted with regard to the water supply for the town of Dungloe, and the fact that the residents of the town had at the beginning agreed, and are still agreeable, to pay for the said water scheme, we again request the Local Government Department to reconsider their decision in this matter and have the area of charge confined to the town of Dungloe. By doing so they will confer a boon on the ratepayers of the Electoral Divisions concerned, who are already over-burdened by taxation."

Councillor Brennan, in seconding, stated that the Board of Health had made certain recommendations in the matter which should have been adopted.

The motion was passed unanimously.

386/29. HARBOUR MASTER AT RATHMULLAN.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 12th April, 1929, G. 23405/29 Dun na nGall Fa. approving of the permanent appointment on a non-pensionable basis of Mr. Charles Deeney as Harbour Master at Rathmullan subject to the provisions of the Local Offices and Employments (Gaeltacht) Order, 1928.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Loughrey it was unanimously decided to request the Minister to delete the condition to this sanction regarding the Gaeltacht Order on the ground that Rathmullan is not in the Gaeltacht, and that Mr. Deeney was appointed on a temporary basis prior to the making of the Order.

387/29. DUNTINNY DRAINAGE SCHEME.

A letter was read from the Board of Works dated 16th April, 1929, enclosing copy of notice published in Irish Oifigiúil of 12th April, relative to the drainage scheme prepared for the Portsalon and Duntinny District. The scheme proposed to underpin it, and as required Croaghross Bridge, the bridge in the townland of Drim, and the bridge in the townland of Ardglass. Copies of the documents relating to the scheme are deposited for inspection at the Portsalon Hotel for a period of four weeks from 17th April, 1929.

388/29..

COUNTY MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 16th April, 1929, P.H. 23410/29 Dun na nGall (Ae) approving of the proposed appointment of a County Medical Officer of Health who will act as Tuberculosis Officer and School Medical Officer at a salary of £800 by annual increments of £25 to £900 per annum together with vouched travelling expenses, and in which was enclosed copy of a letter addressed to the County Board of Health sanctioning the proposed appointment of an Assistant County Medical Officer of Health at a salary scale of £550 by annual increments of £20 to £650 per annum together with vouched travelling expenses.

389/29..

SECRETARY'S STATEMENT.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 18th April, 1929, A.S. asking to be furnished with the Secretary's Statement for the period ended 30th September, 1928.

390/29.

REGISTRATION AND LICENSING OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

A letter was read from the Secretary of the County Donegal Joint Technical Instruction Committee in which he inquired if the Council would allow his Committee to utilise a motor vehicle on the public roads free of charge.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 17th April, 1929, M.T./7 in which it was stated that the expense of the duty of a vehicle used by the County Donegal Joint Technical Instruction Committee should be defrayed by the Committee as part of the expenses.

/29..

CARNDONAGH WORKHOUSE GROUNDS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 18th April, 1929, P. 17266/29 Dun na nGall in which it was stated that the Minister would raise no further objection to the proposal to reduce to £15 0 the rent being paid by Mr. John McLaughlin for the period of 12 months ended 31st December, 1928, in respect of a field at Carndonagh workhouse, which, it now appears, was considerably damaged as a consequence of sewerage works which were carried out at the Carndonagh Hospital. The matter had been fully explained to the Minister in the first instance and correspondence in the matter might have been saved.

2/29.

ROAD WORKS SCHEME, 1929/30.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 18th April, 1929, R.M.7, in which it was stated that the proposal to transfer provision for certain works in the Road Works Scheme, 1929/30 to other works in the Scheme is not in order and cannot be sanctioned.

On the motion of Councillor Callen seconded by Councillor McPhelim it was unanimously decided to place the amounts in question in the County Surveyor's hands to carry out the works originally proposed as far as practicable.

393/29..

NO. 16 COLLECTION DISTRICT.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 20th April, 1929, G. 27228/29 Dun na nGall Fa., approving of the proposed re-constitution of District No. 16 and of the appointment of Mr. Peter Greene as Collector therefor.

Mr. Greene submitted the following Sureties:-

Owen Sweeney (Neil), Loughanure; Cornelius McFadden, Ranafast.

On the motion of Councillor O'Donnell it was unanimously decided to accept the sureties proposed.

34/29.

COUNCILLORS' TRAVELLING EXPENSES.

Councillor Gallen submitted that in interpreting Section 63 (2) (b) of the Local Government Act, 1925, three-quarters of the meetings should be taken when not a whole number as the next lower number, e.g. where six meetings were held, four, and not five, attendances, should suffice to qualify a member for travelling expenses, and he moved that in future payments of travelling expenses be made on this interpretation of the section.

Councillor Wagentrieber seconded.

The Secretary objected to the proposal under Section 61 of the Local Government Act, 1925, on the grounds that the interpretation was not correct.

The following voted for the motion:-

Councillors Quigley, Baxter, Blaney, Boyle (James), Brennan, Callaghan, Clarke, Cole, Doherty (Carrigart), Doherty (Philip), Doogan, Douglas, Gallagher (Bernard), Gallagher (Francis), Gallen, Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Mahony, McCauley, MacCreadie, McIvor, McPhelimy, O'Boyle (Mam), O'Boyle (Daniel E.), O'Donnell, Scott, Sweeney, and Wagentrieber. Total 18.

The following voted against the motion:-

Councillors Brady, Myles, McShane, Nyhan, and McCrea. Total 5.

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

35/29.

COUNTY CORK (CONTROL OF DOGS) ORDER OF 1929.

A copy of the County Cork (Control of Dogs) Order of 1929 was submitted.

36/29.

GENERAL CATTLE DISEASES FUND.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 23rd April, 1929, G. 1(808/29, Pb., Ilgh. (Gen.) notifying the assessment on the Donegal County Council under the Diseases of Animals Acts of a sum of £335 : 4 : 10 being the Council's contribution to the General Cattle Diseases Fund.

37/29.

SEWERAGE - DONEGAL COURTHOUSE.

Councillor F. Gallagher moved:- "That the sewerage from the new Courthouse at Donegal be drawn across the street into the new sewerage now being made down the other side of the street and that the work be left in the hands of the Architect, Mr. Doherty, to get done as he is also overseeing the construction of the new sewerage referred to."

Councillor Nyhan seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

38/29.

AWARDING OF SCHOLARSHIPS.

A letter was read from Councillor Douglas in which he inquired if the County Scholarships were for the benefit and education of children of poor men without means, or if they were for the benefit and education of the children of the rich with ample means.

The Secretary stated that the Scholarships were governed by the Irish Universities Act, 1908, and that the names of all applicants for Scholarships were published each year. Any persons feeling aggrieved could object either directly to the Scholarships Committee, or indirectly through their local representative on the County Council.

39/29.

CARNDONAGH WATER SUPPLY.

A letter was read from Councillor Douglas in which he inquired what steps, if any, the Board of Health had taken to procure a supply of water for the town of Carndonagh, seeing that the necessary steps had been taken by them for a supply to Ballybofey and Stranorlar, Donegal, Clonmany, etc.

Councillor McCauley stated that the Board of Health were prepared to take all steps necessary if the people affected would indicate the area which they wished having made the area of charge. Councillor Gallen stated that the time had passed when grants could be obtained from the Government to do such works.

400/29.

BOAT SLIP AT MALIN HEAD.

A letter dated 24th April, 1929, D/62/16 was read from the Department of Fisheries regarding the proposed construction of a boat slip at Malin Head, and stating that an inspection of the place had recently been made by an Engineer of the Office of Public Works. On receipt of this officer's report and estimate of the cost involved the Minister would consider the matter and a further communication would be sent.

The matter was adjourned until next meeting.

401/29.

DUTY ON CURED FISH ENTERING U.S.A.

A letter was read from Councillor Daniel E. O'Boyle in which he enclosed for the information of the Council correspondence with the Department of Lands and Fisheries relative to the increase in the import duty on cured fish entering the United States.

402/29.

KELLY'S QUAY, KILLYBEGS.

A letter was read from the Board of Works, 24878/28, in which it was stated that the Dredger "Sisyphus" left Dun Laoghaire Harbour on 3rd April for Killybegs. The rate chargeable for the use of the Dredger would be £15 per day.

A further letter, No. 7024/29, dated 27th April, 1929, was also read from the Board of Works in the matter. This letter pointed out that the Dredger "Sisyphus" would complete the work at present being carried out for the Harbour Commissioners on Monday or Tuesday next, and she would then be available for the work required by the County Council. With the money allocated for the work the dredging being done for the Harbour Commissioners cannot be extended up or near to the limits of the Harbour Commissioners' jurisdiction, and it would be quite useless to dredge for the County Council a detached area lying outside of these limits and unconnected with the Pier Channel. It was, therefore, apparent that any dredging carried out for the County Council must be done within the Harbour Commissioners' Boundary to be effective. The Board were of opinion that there should be a mutual understanding as to whether this latter dredging is to be done, and they enclosed a Plan to have the area or site clearly marked thereon before the work was commenced.

After considerable discussion the Council decided, on the motion of Councillor Brady, seconded by Councillor Hamilton, to transfer to the Harbour Commissioners the amount allocated, £100, to assist them in their dredging.

403/29.

GREENCASTLE PIER.

Councillor McCauley moved:- "That the Council request the Department of Fisheries to accept before the Board of Works' Dredger leaves Killybegs their proposal of 25th September last allocating a sum of £300 for dredging at Greencastle if the Department contributes a similar sum."

Councillor McIvor seconded and the motion was passed.

404/29.

HARBOUR MASTER - KELLY'S QUAY, KILLYBEGS.

A Notice of Motion by Councillor Brady that a Harbour Master be appointed for Kelly's Quay, Killybegs, was adjourned sine die.

405/29.

KILLYBEGS WATER SUPPLY.

Councillor Brady moved that the ratepayers of the townlands of Commons, Lough-head and Parkhead, which comprised portion of Corporation, Killybegs, on which rates in respect of the proposed water scheme were levied, be exempt from water rate. He pointed out that the ratepayers of these townlands lived a considerable distance outside the area of the proposed supply, and were not entitled to pay for the water scheme. These ratepayers were exempted in 1914 in similar circumstances, and claimed to be exempted on this occasion also.

Councillor McShane seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

406/29.

CUTTING OF HEDGES AND PILING OF STONES.

Councillor Hamilton moved:- "That the attention of the Council be drawn to the failure of the Assistant Surveyor for the district between Donegal and Killybegs to carry out his duties in having hedges cut, particularly at the dangerous corners."

Councillor Gallen stated that the Surveyors should concentrate more on the dangerous corners than on the hedges, and it was unanimously decided to instruct the Surveyors to have the hedges cut, and a clear view ensured at all corners. Councillors Brennan and O'Donnell complained of the dangers arising from heaps of stones being left carelessly on roads by Contractors and by workmen employed by direct labour. The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

407/29. ROAD FROM THREE ROADS AT BALLINTRA CHAPEL TO THREE ROADS AT RATH.

Councillor Hamilton moved "That the County Surveyor's attention be drawn to the road from Three Roads at Ballintra Chapel to Three Roads at Rath, on which no work has been done, and that he takes proceedings against either the Contractor or his sureties to compel them to keep it in proper order."

Councillor Philip Doherty stated that the Contractor in this case had been laid up for some time, and that the neglect complained of was unavoidable.

408/29.

ULSTER.

Councillor Hamilton moved:- "That the attention of our representative on the Tourist Development Association be drawn to the Tourist article on "Ulster" and the misleading and inaccurate map of it given in the Overseas Magazine with a view to having a correction of this impressed upon the public through the Press or otherwise."

Councillor Scott seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

409/29.

MR. JAMES HERON, LATE ACCOUNTANT.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 11th April, 1929, G. 23406/29, relative to the proposed superannuation of Mr. James Heron and which stated that the Minister was unable to depart from the normal rules governing the assessing of Superannuation Allowances, and was, therefore, unable to alter his decision in the matter.

Councillor O'Donnell moved "That we again ask the Ministry of Local Government to reconsider their decision in the case of Mr. James Heron, late Accountant, as his case is a most exceptional one, and allow the additional number of years already recommended by the County Council to be added to his service."

Councillor Gallen, in seconding, quoted the case of Mr. James Kelly of the Council's Office Staff, which was by no means as deserving as the present one, and in which motherless children were not deprived of the comfort and assistance of their father. In his case five years were added with the Ministry's sanction.

The motion was passed unanimously.

410/29.

ENGINE-DRIVERS AND FLAGMEN.

Councillor Cole moved:- "That Patrick Farren, Flagman No. 13 Roller, be transferred to No. 5 Roller, and that Flagman of No. 5 be sent to No. 13."

It was unanimously decided to leave the whole question of employment, dismissal, and transfer of engine-drivers and flagmen, with full powers, in the hands of the County Surveyor.

411/29.

PETTIGO-LOUGH DERG ROAD.

Councillor Philip Doherty moved:- "That on and after 1st June, 1929, no bus or passenger-carrying lorry, other than a five or six-seater motor, be allowed to ply for hire between Pettigo and Lough Derg, as this road was never built to carry heavy traffic being laid over deep moss. The Council have already expended large sums to improve this road. A light motor service is the most suitable; that a preference be given to the local hackney drivers who can deal with the public travelling to Lough Derg."

The Secretary stated that before the Council could enforce such an Order a public inquiry would require to be held under Section 7 of the Roads, Act, 1920.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 8th April, 1929, R.G./7/B, in which they inquired how the bus fare included in the price of railway tickets issued by the Great Northern Railway compared with the ordinary car fare for pilgrims to Lough Derg.

The Secretary read a copy of a letter which he had sent to the Ministry, which the Council unanimously approved of.

A letter was read from the General Manager, Great Northern Railway (Ireland), Dublin, in which he stated that the road service between Pettigo Station and Lough Derg was, at the request of the Prior of Lough Derg, provided by a Contractor whose charge for the double journey was 5/-, and, as a facility, passengers by rail were at the time of booking supplied with tickets for the road conveyance, the full amount of same being handed over to the Contractor.

Councillor Myles suggested that the Great Northern Railway be requested to issue reduced fares to Pettigo exclusive of the bus fare, in addition to those issued inclusive of the bus fare, which could be availed of by persons so desiring.

On the motion of Councillor Gallen seconded by Councillor Scott it was unanimously decided to instruct the County Surveyor to proceed with the expenditure of the grant of £1000 for this road.

412/29.

GRAZING OF DERELICT FARMS.

Councillor Sweeney moved that the Council consider the advisability of allowing farmers who have no stocks of their own to take grazers, if they guarantee to the Rate Collectors that they will give half the sum which they receive for Rates and Land Annuities.

Councillor Baxter supported the proposed scheme which he considered could be effected through an Auctioneer, but he said the present season was too far advanced to take action.

It was unanimously decided to adjourn the matter until October next.

413/29.

ROAD FROM THE R.C. CHURCH, ARDARA TO THE SCHOOL.

Councillor Sweeney called attention to the dangerous curve on the road from the R. C. Church to the School, on which he said a very serious accident had occurred since last meeting. He moved that the Ministry be requested to make a special grant for this work.

Councillor Bernard Gallagher seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

414/29.

DRAINAGE - CARNDONAGH COURTHOUSE.

Mr. Steadman applied for £12 to deal with defects re drainage, Carndonagh Courthouse.

On the motion of Councillor Cole seconded by Councillor McIvor the amount required was placed in the County Surveyor's hands.

415/29.

PURCHASE OF SLEEPING VAN.

Mr. Steadman applied for £50 to purchase a Sleeping Van for the driver of No. 25 Granulator.

The County Surveyor was authorised to incur the necessary expenditure; not to exceed £50.

416/29.

FLOODING OF ROAD BETWEEN DUNFANAGHY AND FALCARRAGH.

Mr. Steadman applied for £250 for the repair and raising of the road where damaged and flooded between Dunfanaghy and Falcarragh.

The Council unanimously decided to request the Local Government Department to have an inspection of the road in question made by one of their Engineers in conjunction with the County Surveyor, who stated that he felt confident that he would be able to convince him as to the necessity for a special grant in the matter.

417/29.

FENCE AT MEENYHOOGAN, KILLYBEGS.

Mr. Caffrey submitted a report re damages to fence at Meenyhoogan, in which he stated that he would require £40 to carry out the necessary repairs.

On the motion of Councillor Brady seconded by Councillor Nyhan the amount required was placed in the County Surveyor's hands.

418/29.

ATTACKS ON PRIVATE CITIZENS.

A letter was read from the Women's Prisoners Defence League in which was enclosed particulars of alleged attacks on private citizens and requesting a strong expression of opinion in the matter.

After considerable discussion it was decided to adjourn the matter until next meeting.

419/29.

MULLANS QUARRY.

A letter was read from Mr. Neal Kerrigan, Mullans, Ballyloskey, regarding damage done to his lands by Contractor by overflow of water. He was willing to carry out the necessary repairs, fence the quarry, and drain it for a sum of £15.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor for a report.

420/29.

ERECTION OF BUILDING, MOVILLE.

A letter was read from Mr. Joseph Doherty, Motor Agent, Moville, in which he notified his intention of erecting a building in Main Street, Moville, and applied for the necessary permission.

On the motion of Councillor McCauley it was unanimously decided to give the required permission subject to the County Surveyor's approval.

421/29.

ROAD IN UPPER KILRAINE.

A letter was read from a number of ratepayers in Upper Kilraine in which they called attention to the condition of the road leading from the Donegal Road to the Limestone Quarries in Upper Kilraine.

The County Surveyor stated that the road in question was not a County Road. No action was taken.

422/29.

SALARIES OF ASSISTANT SURVEYORS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 25th March, 1929, R.S./7 relative to the County Secretary's communication of 27th ultimo regarding the salaries of Assistant Surveyors, and in which they inquired if it was the intention of the County Council to regard any work under the Arterial Drainage (Minor Schemes) Act, 1928, as coming within the scope of the ordinary duties of officers.

The matter was adjourned until next meeting.

A letter was read from Cumann na nInnealtoiri dated 20th March, 1929, in which was enclosed copy of a letter sent to the Local Government Department suggesting some amendments in the proposed scale of salaries for Assistant Surveyors in the cases of Messrs. J. J. Caffrey and T. J. O'Reilly.

The matter was adjourned until next meeting.

423/29.

APPLICATION FOR POSITION AS SURFACE MAN.

An application for a position as Surface Man from Mr. John Hease, Inver, was referred to the County Surveyor.

424/29.

FOOT-BRIDGE IN LOWER BALLINTRA.

A letter was read from Rev. P. Maguire, C.C., Arranmore, in which he called the Council's attention to the urgent necessity for a foot-bridge in the townland of Lower Ballintra.

The County Surveyor stated that the road in question was not a County Road. No action was taken.

425/29.

ERECTION OF INFANTS' SCHOOL IN LIFFORD.

A letter was read from a number of parents in Lifford in which they mentioned a project for the erection of a school for the junior children in Lifford, and inquired if the Council would be willing to grant a site in the old Gaol grounds in the event of the scheme materialising.

The Council decided to note the application.

426/29.

BALLYSHANNON TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Certain resolutions of the Ballyshannon Town Commissioners relating to the Food and Drugs Acts, and other matters concerning the town of Ballyshannon were adjourned until the next meeting.

427/29.

CULVERT AT TYRCALLEN.

A letter was read from the Irish Soldiers and Soldiers Land Trust dated 21st March, 1929, No. 84/1, regarding a culvert at Tyrcallen.

A letter was also read from the Assistant Surveyor in which he stated that the culvert was neither the property of the County Council nor had it been required by the County Council at any previous time. No action was taken.

428/29.

ROLLING OF ROAD AT FARCETMORE.

A letter dated 30th March, 1929, was read from Mr. John Wray, Solicitor, Ramelton, in which he called attention to the fact that the Council's roller was last rolling the road adjacent to the premises of Mr. Porterfield at Farcetmore, when a dangerous slope was left which might cause an accident and he wished to have the matter looked into.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

429/29.

NEW BURIAL GROUND, GLENTIES.

A letter was read from the Secretary of the County Board of Health, in which he enclosed an extract from the Minutes of Meeting of the Board held on 19th March, 1929, which requested the Council to allow a plot of land to the north of the old Workhouse, Glenties, extending from an old Burial Ground to the public road near the Glenties Railway Station to be sold for use as a Catholic Burial Ground at purchase price of £30.

The Council unanimously approved of the arrangements made by the Board of Health.

430/29.

DISTRICT COURT AT CHURCHILL.

Copies of resolutions passed at a meeting in Churchill regarding the urgent and imperative necessity for the establishment of a District Court there were submitted. The County Council was asked to take control of the present Courthouse at a yearly rent of £10, when the owner executes certain necessary repairs.

A letter was also read from Mr. A. Gallagher, Drumlargagh, Termon, in the matter. The Council decided to take no action.

431/29.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Síochána, in which he applied for authority to procure one set of glass measures, namely one pint, one-half pint, and one-quarter pint, for the use of the Weights and Measures Inspector in Buncrana District.

The required permission was unanimously given.

432/29.

SUPERANNUATION ALLOWANCE - EX-COLLECTOR CASSIDY.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 28th March, 1929, G.19105/29 Dun na nGall Pa. regarding the proposal to grant a Superannuation Allowance to Mr. Philip Cassidy, and in which attention was directed to the Department's Circular letter of 4th April, 1925, which outlined the principles to be followed in assessing Superannuation Allowances, and which stated that the proper Superannuation in Mr. Cassidy's case would be £99 : 9 : 8. On receiving a resolution of the County Council granting this sum as Superannuation Allowance to Ex-Collector Cassidy the Minister would be prepared to consider the question of acceding his consent thereto.

Mr. Maguire, Solicitor, Ballyshannon, appeared on behalf of Mr. Cassidy, and asked that the Superannuation Allowance be fixed at the rate stated by the Department to date from time of his resignation.

On the motion of Councillor Francis Gallagher seconded by Councillor Hamilton it was unanimously decided to grant Mr. Cassidy a Superannuation Allowance of £99 : 9 : 8 per annum.

433/29.

WEEDS AND AGRICULTURAL SEEDS (IRELAND) ACT, 1909.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 28th March, 1929, relative to the prevalence of ragwort in the County and inquiring if the Council would agree to the necessary amendment being made in the Order of 31st March, 1914, under the Weeds and Agricultural Seeds (Ireland) Act, 1909, so as to include ragwort with thistle and dock as noxious weeds for the purpose of Part 1 of the Act.

On the motion of Councillor Gallen it was unanimously decided not to agree to any amendments being made in the Order of 31st March, 1914.

434/29.

CARNDONAGH WORKHOUSE PREMISES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 10th April, 1929, P. 23403/29 Dun na nGall regarding the proposed letting of Carndonagh Workhouse to Mrs. Doherty, and inquiring whether this was a weekly letting, or, if not, the period of the tenancy proposed.

The Secretary was instructed to inform the Local Government Department that a weekly tenancy was proposed.

435/29.

TEELIN PIER.

A letter was read from Messrs. Gallagher Bros. Teelin regarding Harbour Master's complaint about their non-payment of dues, and in which they stated that payment was refused as a protest against the number of loose rocks lying about the Pier, which prevented them leaving their boat alongside whilst discharging cargo with low tide, and asking that the matter be attended to.

The County Surveyor was instructed to submit a report in connection with the matter to the next meeting.

436/29.

SECONDARY SCHOLARSHIPS.

A letter was read from the Department of National Education regarding the continuance of County Council Secondary Scholarships in the Preparatory Colleges.

437/29.

CONSTRUCTION OF PIPE AT CORLEA, KILLYGORDON.

A letter was read from Mr. Thomas Gallen, Corlea, Killygordon, regarding a payment alleged to be due to him for certain work executed, and a letter was also read from the Assistant Surveyor in the matter.

The County Surveyor was instructed to pay Gallen for the work which he had done.

438/29.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACT.

A letter was read from the Gas and Weights and Measures Section, Department of Industry and Commerce, 33, Upper Merrion Street, Dublin, 22418, dated 3rd April, 1929, in which it was stated that tenders had been taken for various stamps and stamping appliances required. Unless objection was notified the requirements of this Council would be included in the acceptance of the tender. The periodical re-verification of the Weights and Measures Standards and Sub-Standards was proceeding. An expert adjustor was being employed whose costs would be charged against each Authority. Where material repairs were required estimates would be obtained from outside firms.

439/29.

MENTAL HOSPITAL STOCKTAKING.

A letter was read from Mr. George Dunnion, Donegal, regarding the Mental Hospital Stocktaking, and in which he stated that Dr. Martin was unable to obtain a suitable person in the short time at his disposal, and that he had acted as usual. Arrangements were made that his ordinary duties would not be affected.

The Council considered Mr. Dunnion's explanation satisfactory; and it was decided to instruct him not to act in this position in future.

440/29.

LIVING VAN.

A letter was read from Messrs. James McMenamin & Sons, 18, Dungiven Road, Derry, offering to sell the Council at £50 a living-van. No action was taken.

441/29. GLENLOUGH (LEGNANORNIG) DRAINAGE SCHEME.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, submitted the following report:-
 "I have made an inspection of Glenlough Area. The lands abutting on the Lough shore are in places during wet weather liable to flooding when the level of the Lough rises. There are approximately **thirty** acres subject to periodic flooding. By lowering the normal level of the Lough more land could be reclaimed.

The outlet from the Lough consists of a small stream which passes under a County bridge. By deepening and widening the course of this stream the overflow from the Lough could be given a greater velocity and a large volume. About 400 yards of the stream is through rock and same length through clay. The stream disappears through clefts in the rock into the earth. To deepen and widen the rocky channel will necessitate blasting and the County Bridge enlarged. The estimated cost of the work is £400."

Councillor Hamilton stated that he would lodge a Notice of Motion in the matter for the next meeting.

442/29. OILY RIVER DRAINAGE SCHEME.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, submitted the following report:-
 "I have made an inspection of the Oily River where the flooding of lands takes place. There are about 40 acres of low-lying meadow lands which become flooded in times of heavy rain.

The chief cause of this flooding is the main river being choked in places and also to a tributary on the left bank of the river discharging against the flow. To remedy the flooding it will be necessary to clear the main river where it is partially blocked and to deepen the tributary and make a new cut for it to join the main river with the flow.

To carry out this work some land will have to be acquired so that a new course for the tributary may be made. The estimated cost of the work is £600.

I may state that I interviewed some of the petitioners and after explaining how this work is to be carried out and paid for, many of these withdrew their signatures."

The Council decided to take no further action in the matter.

443/29. TULLINTAIN RIVER DRAINAGE SCHEME.

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

"I made an inspection of the Tullintain River where flooding takes place. For a distance of about three-quarters of a mile the river meanders considerably. This curving causes the banks to fall into the river at the bends. Lodgments of stones and gravel have also formed.

To remedy the flooding a straight cut should be made through the necks of the many curves so that the river may have an unobstructive flow. Land, however, will have to be required to do this.

There are approximately 10 acres of meadow periodically flooded and it is questionable if the lands reclaimed would be worth the cost of the work. The estimated cost of straightening the river is £400."

The matter was adjourned.

444/29. CLADNAGERAGH PIER.

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

"I have examined this Pier and found that the portion of the Pier which is composed of framed timber requires extensive repairs. Many of the horizontal timbers require renewal and a number of other members which are subject to tidal action are in an advanced state of decay. A sum of £50 is required to carry out these works."

In view of the fact that no dues are received at this Pier the Council decided to take no action.

445/29.

STREETS OF BALLYBOFEY AND STRANORLAR.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, submitted the following report:-
 "The trunk road passes through Stranorlar and Ballybofeý, and a grant out of the national Road Scheme has been given to re-make the road where it passes through these towns. At present a watermain is being laid and when this is completed water supplies will be taken into each house. No provision it seems has been made for a sewer which will become necessary as soon as the water supply is completed.

Before the new carriage-way is laid all water and drainage connections should be made and the necessary sewer pipes laid without delay."

The Council instructed Mr. Caffrey to defer all road improvements pending the laying down of the pipes.

446/29.

FLOODING OF LANDS AT TOULETT, BURT.

A letter was read from Mr. Percy Robinson, Toulett, Burt. regarding the cleaning of a water table through which his lands are being flooded. A report was also submitted from the Assistant Surveyor in the matter.

447/29.

STONE-BREAKING AT CHURCHTOWN.

A letter was read from Mr. John Osborne, Bready, Churchtown, complaining about the breaking of stones in the neighbourhood of his house. A letter was read from the Assistant Surveyor in which he stated that the stone-breaking was being discontinued.

448/29.

HARBOUR DUES AT RATHMULLAN.

A letter was read from the Harbour Master, Rathmullan, in which he inquired if arrangements could be made to have the ferry boat harbour dues collected at end of each financial half-year instead of monthly.

A further letter was read from the Harbour Master, Rathmullan, regarding the feasibility of having dues on goods carried by the Railway Company's ferry boats added to carriage as in most ports, and in which he stated that this would be of considerable assistance to both himself and the Company.

It was decided to approve of any arrangements that the Harbour Master would make with the Railway Company in these matters.

449/29.

DOWNINGS WATER SUPPLY.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 17th April, 1929, P.H.23411/29 Dun-na nGall Pg. in which they asked for further particulars of the proposed erection of a water tank at Downings as the locus standi of the County Council was not at present apparent.

The Secretary read a copy of a letter which he had written the Department and which was unanimously approved of.

A letter was read from Mr. J. A. Fraser, India House, Ravenhill Road, Belfast, in which he stated that Lord Leitrim would be quite pleased to give permission for the laying of the pipe to the proposed site of the new water tank, but this pipe should run along the roadway as far as possible.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor MacCreagh it was unanimously decided to request sanction for the borrowing of a sum of £1500 to carry out this work; repayments to be made over a period of twenty years and to be charged against the revenue of the Pier; loan to be obtained from Council's Treasurer.

450/29.

TOWN TENANTS COMMISSION.

A letter was read from the Town Clerk, Blackrock, in which he enclosed the following resolution adopted by his Council on 3rd April, 1929 "That this Council requests the Government to introduce legislation giving effect to the recommendations contained in the Interim Report of the Town Tenants Commission, 1927, as we feel convinced that the said recommendations, if given the force of law, would make a substantial contribution to the solution of the National Housing problem."

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

451/29. ANNUAL INCREMENT IN SALARY - MR. FELIX QUINN.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 11th April, 1929, G. 23408/29 Dun na nGall Se. in which it was stated that the Minister raised no objection to the proposed annual increment in salary to Mr. Felix Quinn, provided the County Secretary certified to Mr. Quinn's satisfactory service during the year.

The Secretary stated that Mr. Quinn's service during the year was quite satisfactory.

452/29.

ERECTION OF PORCH, MOVILLE.

A letter was read from Mr. T. Flynn, McConnell's Hotel, Moville, in which he intimated his intention of erecting a porch at the Hotel Front entrance, Market Square, Moville, and applying for the necessary permission.

The required permission was unanimously granted subject to the County Surveyor's approval.

453/29.

DRESSMAKING CLASS IN PETTIGO.

A letter was read from the Secretary, County Donegal Joint Technical Instruction Committee, in which he asked for permission to have a dressmaking class in the Courthouse, Pettigo.

The required permission was unanimously given.

454/29.

DERRY CORPORATION BRIDGE BILL.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Department of the President, Dublin, acknowledging extract from Minutes of Meeting of County Council Meeting held on 26th March, 1929 re Derry Bridge.

A letter was read from Mr. A. J. Cassidy, T.D., in which he acknowledged extract from Minutes re Derry Bridge, and stated that he would arrange to interview the Minister for Industry and Commerce in company with the other Donegal Deputies in the matter.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor in which he enclosed copy of report of his Belfast Agent re Derry Corporation Bridge Bill.

The report stated that all objections and petitions to the Bill should have been filed and lodged at least two months ago, and that there was no possibility of a proposal being entertained by the Standing Orders Committee now.

Captain Scott moved that as the delay in entering an appearance against the Bill had been caused by the unsatisfactory attitude of the Executive Council a strong protest be entered against their action, and that the Deputies for the County be again asked to approach the Government in the matter, and to urge them strongly to take immediate steps to oppose the Bill.

Councillor Hamilton seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

455/29.

LIFFORD BRIDGE.

A letter was read from Mr. A. J. Cassidy, T.D., in which he acknowledged extract from Council's Minutes re Lifford Bridge, and stated that the matter was having his attention.

456/29..

SUBSTITUTES FOR VETERINARY INSPECTORS.

A letter was read from the Department of Lands and Agriculture, dated 15th April, 1929, L. 72/29, regarding the employment of substitutes for Veterinary Inspectors during their temporary absence and stating that formal appointments should be made in every case and submitted for the Department's approval.

On the motion of Councillor Gallen seconded by Councillor Hamilton it was unanimously decided to authorise the Secretary to act in making appointments in an emergency.

457/29.

LOWER LENNON PROPOSED DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 15th April 1929, re Lower Lennon proposed Drainage District. The work it was estimated could be executed for an expenditure of £820. The scheme should, therefore, be dealt with by the County Council under the Arterial Drainage (Minor Schemes) Act, 1928.

The matter was adjourned until the next meeting.

458/29..

APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF PENSION.

A letter was read from Mrs. Joseph Lynch, 5110, Walton Avenue, West Philadelphia, in which she inquired if the Council would consider extending her late husband's pension to her for a few years.

The Secretary was instructed to inform Mrs. Lynch that the County Council had no power to grant her request.

459/29.

ROADS IN BALLINARY, BUNCRANA.

A letter was read from Mr. William Porter, Meenagory, Buncrana, regarding complaints made about his performance of his contract by Mr. Thomas H. Lee of Ballinary, Buncrana.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

460/29

DE-RATING OF AGRICULTURAL LANDS.

A letter was read from the Secretary, General Council of County Councils, in which he enclosed a report relative to the de-rating of agricultural lands and suggesting a joint scheme for the relief of rates and construction of Trunk Roads.

The matter was adjourned until the next meeting.

461/29.

AFFILIATION FEE.

A letter was read from the Secretary, General Council of County Councils, in which he asked for Paying Order for £20 being affiliation fee for Council for the current year.

Payment of the amount required was ordered.

462/29.

COMPLAINTS REGARDING TRESPASSING.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Doherty, Straths Bridge, regarding complaints made about his trespassing on the lands of Mr. James Lynch and Mrs. McCandless, which he stated was a County Road.

No action was taken.

463/29.

CARNDONAGH WORKHOUSE GROUNDS.

A letter was read from Mr. Neal J. Doherty, Auctioneer, Carndonagh, in which he notified the letting of Carndonagh Workhouse Grounds for season for £4 : 10 : 0 to Mr. John McLaughlin, Carndonagh.

464/29.

LOAN FOR HOUSING.

A letter was read from the Secretary, The Civics Institute of Ireland, 9, Ely Place, Dublin, enclosing for adoption copy of the following resolution passed at a conference of the Institute:-
 "That this Conference regrets that no arrangements have been made to provide Local Authorities and Public Utility Societies with long term housing loans from a central fund, in spite of repeated demands by local authorities.

The statement issued by the representative conference called by the Civics Institute of Ireland in 1928 showed that the economic weekly rent exclusive of rates of a £420 house with a 15 year loan would @ $5\frac{1}{2}\%$ be 17/6, but with a 60 year loan @ $5\frac{1}{2}\%$ the rent would be 10/7 $\frac{1}{4}$, a reduction of 6/10 $\frac{3}{4}$ at no loss to the State. Such a loan, in addition to the existing subsidies, would bring the rents of houses within the reach of the workers, and this Conference reiterates its opinion that only in this way can the housing problem be dealt with adequately."

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

465/29.

ANALYST.

A letter was read from the Local Appointments Commissioners, L.A. 5/3/28 regarding the appointment of County Analyst. The only applicant for the position had refused to accept the remuneration offered by the Council, and required instead 10/- per sample for the first 100 samples, 7/6 per sample for all samples in excess of that number, and one guinea per sample for the analysis of waters in all cases.

The Secretary was instructed to inform the Local Appointments Commissioners that the Council were not prepared to increase their previous offer.

466/29.

SALE OF FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS.

The Secretary was instructed to request the Inspectors of Food and Drugs to take samples occasionally of flour, mince meat, sausages, bacon, and cream of tartar, in addition to the other articles usually taken.

467/29.

MORASS FERRY SERVICE.

Consideration of proposed grant towards purchase of ferry boat at Morass was at the request of Councillor Blaney adjourned until next meeting.

468/29.

ROAD FROM PORTSALON HOTEL TO ROSSNAKILL.

A letter dated 14th February, 1929, R.D./7 was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, in which they asked for a report from the County Surveyor with a map tracing regarding the scheduling of a road leading from Portsallon Hotel to Rossnakill with continuation to Three Roads at Ballymagowan as a Main Road.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor with instructions that the road in question is the road via Doaghbeg, Ballylar, and Kindrum.

469/29.

ROAD FROM TRENTAGH TO ST. JOHNSTON.

Letters were read from Messrs. Miller and Killen regarding the condition of the road from Trentagh to St. Johnston.

The County Surveyor said he was dealing with the matter.

470/29.

COPY OF LOCAL ELECTIONS (AMENDMENT) ORDER, 1929.

A copy of the Local Elections (Amendment) Order of 1929 was submitted.

471/29.

ROAD CONTRACT AT DUNGLOE.

A letter was read from Mr. Joseph McCarron, Cranashallog, Dungloe, in which he intimated the death of the road contractor, and stated that being one of his sureties he was willing to complete the contract, and he would like to have it in his own name.

On the motion of Councillor Brennan seconded by Councillor O'Donnell it was decided to accept Joseph McCarron as Contractor, in lieu of Jack McCarron, deceased.

472/29.

TENDERS FOR PRINTING OF COUNTY MAP.

Tenders were submitted for the printing of County Map.

On the motion of Councillor Gallen seconded by Councillor Hamilton it was unanimously decided to accept the lowest tender, namely, that of Messrs. Dollard & Co., Dublin, for the printing of 500 at £25.

473/29.

INCREASE IN WAGES - MR. TERENCE QUINN, JUN.

A letter was read from Mr. Terence Quinn, Jun. regarding increase in wages to which he claimed he was entitled.

The County Surveyor was instructed to pay Mr. Quinn at the rate £2 : 12 : 0 per week according to scale.

474/29.

COUNTY COUNCIL V HUGH O'DUFFY.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor in which he asked for instructions relative to the lodgment of Decree in the case County Council v. Hugh O'Duffy (Dunfanaghy Hospital effects.)

The County Solicitor was instructed to lodge the Decree with the Sheriff for execution.

475/29.

ROAD AT DRUMDEEVIN, TERMON.

A letter from Mr. Charles Murray, Drumdeevin, Termon, Letterkenny, in which he complained that the water had been turned off the road into his field of oats was referred to the County Surveyor.

476/29.

CLASSROOM IN WORKHOUSE AT MILFORD.

A letter was read from the Secretary of the County Donegal Technical Instruction Committee in which he inquired if the workhouse at Milford would be available as a classroom for a short course of instruction being given by his Committee.

The required permission was given; Councillor Baxter to make the necessary arrangements.

477/29.

MALICIOUS INJURY CLAIMS.

A report from the Council's Solicitor on results of hearing of Malicious Injury Claims heard at the Easter sittings of the Circuit Court was read.

Confirmed,

Michael J. MacFadden Chairman

20/5/29

A MEETING OF THE DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL

WAS HELD ON

TUESDAY, THE 28TH DAY OF MAY, 1929.

478/29.

A T T E N D A N C E.

The following members were present:-
Councillors McFadden (presiding), Quigley, Baxter, Blaney, Boyle (James), Brady, Brennan, Callaghan, Clarke, Cole, Doherty (Carrigart), Doherty (Philip), Doogan, Douglas, Gallagher (Bernard), Gallagher (Francis), Gallen, Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Mahony, Myles, McCauley, McCrea, MacCraadie, McIvor, McPhelimy, McShane, Nyhan, O'Boyle (Manus), O'Doherty (Malin), O'Donnell, Scott, Sweeney, and Wagentrieber.

479/29.

A P O L O G Y.

A letter was read from Councillor Daniel E. O'Boyle apologising for his inability to be present.

480/29.

C O N F I R M A T I O N O F M I N U T E S.

The Minutes of Meeting of the County Council held on 30th April, 1929, were unanimously confirmed.

Councillor Hamilton stated that he would again raise at a later date the question of the cutting of hedges.

481/29.

R E P O R T O F F I N A N C E M E E T I N G H E L D O N 30TH APRIL, 1929.

The Report of the Finance Committee Meeting held on 30th April, 1929, was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor O'Donnell.

482/29.

R E P O R T O F S U B - F I N A N C E M E E T I N G H E L D O N 14TH MAY, 1929.

The Report of the Sub-Finance Committee Meeting held on 14th May, 1929, was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor O'Donnell.

483/29.

R E P O R T S O F S H E E P D I P P I N G C O M M I T T E E.

The Report of the Sheep Dipping Committee Meeting held on 9th May, 1929, was adopted on the motion of Councillor Callaghan seconded by Councillor Cole.

The Report of the Sheep Dipping Committee Meeting held on 18th May, 1929, was adopted on the motion of Councillor Callaghan seconded by Councillor Cole.

The Report of the Sheep Dipping Committee Meeting held on 27th May, 1929, was adopted on the motion of Councillor Cole seconded by Councillor Baxter.

Mr. O'Neill, M.R.C.V.S., Department of Agriculture, explained the procedure in connection with the selection of candidates for the position of Sub-Inspector, and stated that the persons selected in each case were selected on merit, and that a second selection had also been made for each district. In the event of the person first selected failing to carry out his instructions his dismissal would be called for and the second selection appointed.

The Chairman suggested that the best thanks of the Council be extended to the Committee for the care and attention which they had devoted to the sheep dipping problem.

484/29.

CARNDONAGH COURTHOUSE.

An application from the Assistant Secretaries, Inishowen Agricultural Society, Carndonagh, for the use of the Courthouse in Carndonagh for a Home Industries Exhibition on 17th and 18th July, 1929, was unanimously granted.

485/29.

BALLYSHANNON COURTHOUSE.

An application by Mr. P. J. Stephens, on behalf of the Committee in charge of the Kilbarron Fete for permission to use the Courthouse at Ballyshannon for a Jumble Sale on Wednesday, 18th June, was unanimously granted.

486/29.

MILFORD WORKHOUSE.

An application from Mr. McMahon, Milford, for the use of force pump in Milford Workhouse for a few days was unanimously granted on the motion of Councillor Loughrey seconded by Councillor MacCreadie.

487/29.

KELLY'S QUAY, KILLYBEGS.

An application from Messrs. Joseph Slater, Ltd., Aberdeen for the use of Kelly's Quay at Killybegs for a curing station for another year was unanimously granted subject to a rent of £10.

488/29.

TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE.

An application by the Secretary for two junior temporary clerks for three weeks at a salary of £1 each per week to assist in having issued the Demand Notes under the Small Dwellings Act, 1928, within the prescribed time was unanimously granted.

489/29.

PAYMENTS TO ROAD CONTRACTORS FOR HALF-YEAR ENDED 31/3/1929.

List of Payments to Road Contractors for the half-year ended 31st March, 1929 was submitted, and payment as certified by the County Surveyor in each case was passed on the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Loughrey.

Councillor Loughrey contended that these payments should have been made at the April meeting. Councillor Hyles suggested that payments be made on account in each case immediately after the end of March.

The question was adjourned until the August Meeting.

490/29.

MR. CHARLES L. CALLAGHAN.

An application was submitted from Mr. Charles L. Callaghan, ex-Clerk, Stranorlar R.D.C., for reinstatement as an official of the County Council.

The matter was referred to a Committee consisting of Messrs. Boyle (James), Gallagher (Francis), and Myles for consideration during the lunch hour.

After lunch Councillor Boyle (James) moved:- "That the County Council will appoint Mr. Charles Callaghan to the first suitable vacancy in the Office Staff of the Council, and that for this purpose on account of his past services his qualifications be taken as satisfactory."

Councillor O'Donnell seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

491/29.

GAELTACHT ORDER.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 23rd April, 1929, S. 27889/29 Dun na nGall, Sg. which acknowledged receipt of the County Secretary's letter of 18th April in regard to the transaction of County Council business in the Irish language and the qualifications of local officers in this respect.

492/29.

RECONSTRUCTION OF COUNTY HOUSE.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 25th April, 1929, S. 23409/29 Dun na nGall Pg. in which it was stated that Mr. O'Doherty's appointment as Architect in connection with the reconstruction of the County House did not constitute the filling of an office within the meaning of the Local Offices and Employments Order, 1924, and the Minister's sanction did not appear to be necessary.

493/29.

PETROL PUMPS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, I.R./93 dated 24th April, 1929, asking for a return in connection with petrol pumps.

494/29.

ABSENCE FROM DISTRICTS OF VETERINARY INSPECTORS.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 26th April, 1929, L.1053/29, relative to the question of the remuneration of Mr. McGlinchey, V.S. for the period during which he acted in Milford District during the illness of the late Mr. McGowan, and which stated that the Department were averse from the practice of paying substitutes for Local Authorities' Veterinary Inspectors during illness, but having regard, however, to all the circumstances of this case, and the fact that Mr. McGowan's illness terminated fatally, the Department were prepared to approve exceptionally of payment to Mr. McGlinchey on this occasion.

495/29.

LOCAL TAXATION GRANTS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 26th April, 1929, regarding Local Taxation Grants, and stating that the amount payable to the County Council in respect of the State Duty Grants was as follows:-

Advance for year ended 31st March, 1929	£2993	: 11	: 0.
In respect of arrears for three years ended 31/3/24...	£1538	: 3	: 3.
Deductions in respect of defaulting Land Annuitants...	£213	: 0	: 4.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 22nd April, 1929, in which was enclosed Paying Order for £220 : 6 : 4 being advance on account of proportion of expenses incurred by the Board of Health and Public Assistance on salaries of Sanitary Officers during the year ended 30th September, 1929

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 22nd April, 1929, in which was enclosed Paying Order for £1451 : 0 : 1 being advance on account of proportion of expenses incurred by the Board of Health and Public Assistance on salaries of Medical Officers, etc. during the year ended 30th September, 1929.

496/29.

CHILDREN ACT, 1908.

A letter was read from the Superintendent, Garda Siochana, Donegal, in which he intimated his intention of applying at the next Court in Donegal to have three female children named Maguire from Ballintra committed to St. Laurence's Industrial School, Sligo.

497/29.

RATE COLLECTORS' BONDS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 2nd May, 1929, G. 30501/29 Dun na nGall Fa. returning Bond in connection with the appointment of Rate Collector McGinley, the form of which had been approved by the Minister.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 21st May, 1929, G. 35345/29 Dun na nGall Fa. returning Bond in connection with the appointment of Rate Collector Greene, the form of which had been approved by the Minister.

498/29.

DOWNINGS WATER SUPPLY.

A letter dated 4th May, 1929, was read from the Local Government Department, G.31312/29, Dun na nGall. Pg. in which they inquired the estimated cost of the proposed water tank at Downings.

A letter was submitted from Mr. James McGettigan, Downings, and a telegram from Mr. Peoples, Downings, regarding the existing water supply.

The matter was referred to the County Board of Health.

499/29.

SHEEP DIPPING SCHEME.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, G. 31510/29, Dun na nGall. Pg. dated 6th May, 1929, which acknowledged the receipt of the County Secretary's letter re Sheep Dipping Scheme, and stated that it was presumed that a copy of the report furnished was transmitted for the information of the Department of Agriculture.

500/29.

KILLYBEGS HARBOUR.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, G. 31850/29 Dun na nGall. Pg. in which it was stated that the Minister saw no objection to the Council's proposal to transfer to the Killybegs Harbour Commissioners the sum of £100 as a contribution towards the expenditure being incurred in dredging.

501/29.

DERRY BRIDGE.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Department of the President, acknowledging receipt of extract from Minutes re Derry Corporation Bridge Bill.

Councillor Blaney stated that communications of a private nature were going on in connection with this matter, and the Minister for Industry and Commerce wished to have a small Committee appointed to furnish certain information which was required.

Councillor McFadden, Blaney, Myles, Clarke, Scott, and McIvor were appointed as a Committee.

502/29.

KILLYBEGS WATER SUPPLY.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, P.H. 33403/29 Dun na nGall. P.g. in which it was pointed out that no proposal of the Board of Health regarding chargeability in the case of waterworks at Killybegs was before the Minister, and that he awaited any action which the Board of Health might take.

503/29.

EXTRACTS FROM IRIS OIFIGIUIL.

An extract was submitted from Iris Oifigiuil dated 7th May, 1929, notifying the sale on 24th May, 1929, by the Irish Land Commission, at the Courthouse, Letterkenny, of lands at Kilpheak, now, or formerly, in the occupation of John McLaughlin, Junior.

An extract was submitted from Iris Oifigiuil dated 14th May, 1929, notifying the sale of lands in Trusk, occupied by John McGinley, at Ballybofey on 29th May, 1929.

504/29.

SUPERANNUATION ALLOWANCE - EX-COLLECTOR CASSIDY.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 13th May, 1929, G. 33155/29 Dun na nGall. Pg. in which was enclosed list of superannuation queries for completion in the case of ex-Collector Cassidy.

505/29.

BOVINE TUBERCULOSIS ORDER.

A letter dated 6th May, 1929, L. 5910/29, was read from the Department of Agriculture regarding a biological test of a sample of milk taken from a cow the property of Mr. W. Craig, Bohillion, Inch Island, and stating that the Department observed that the animal was taken back again to Derry.

A letter dated 9th May, 1929, T. 912/29, was read from the Department of Agriculture in which it was stated that a biological test of a sample of milk taken from a cow the property of Mr. John Hirrel, Glentogher had matured with a positive result. If the animal had not already been destroyed, slaughter should be carried out without delay under the Bovine Tuberculosis Order, 1926.

A letter dated 15th May, 1929, L. 632/29, was read from the Department of Agriculture in which it was stated that the functions of the Department's Veterinary Research Laboratory in relation to the duties of Local Authorities' Veterinary Inspectors under the Bovine Tuberculosis Order appeared to be misunderstood. While the Laboratory was prepared to assist Inspectors, the duty of determining whether the animal slaughtered under the Order was or was not affected with Tuberculosis was thrown on the Veterinary Inspector who was required by the Order to give the owner and the Local Authority a certificate of the result. The Laboratory examination of post-mortem specimens was intended to serve the purpose of control and not the purpose of relieving Veterinary Inspectors of an independent judgment.

506/29.

GREENCASTLE PIER.

A letter was read from the Ministry of Fisheries dated 11th May, 1929, D/73/7, in which the receipt of the County Secretary's letter of the 6th *idem.* re dredging at Greencastle Pier was acknowledged.

Councillor McCauley moved that the Ministry be requested to intimate at once whether they were prepared to make the required contribution or not as the matter was extremely urgent. He moved also that the Deputies on the Council be requested to interest themselves in the matter.

The motions were passed unanimously.

507/29.

STATISTICAL INFORMATION.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 24th April, 1929, 28636/29 Ilgh. (S.&L.) requesting particulars of the Council's indebtedness on 31st March, 1929.

508/29.

SPECIAL GRANTS.(FLOODING AT DUNFANAGHY AND CURVE ON ROAD AT ARDARA.)

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 16th May, 1929, R.G./7 regarding application for grants to ease curve on road at Ardara and flooding at Dunfanaghy-Falcarragh Road, in which it was stated that applications for these grants could not be entertained. The Council should provide for such small improvements out of their own funds.

509/29.

APPOINTMENT OF HARBOUR MASTER AT RATHMULLAN.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 16th May, 1929, G. 33406/29 Dun na nGall in which it was stated that the Minister agreed to the Council's proposal that the provisions of the Gaeltacht Order do not apply to the appointment of Mr. Charles Deeney as Harbour Master at Rathmullan.

510/29.

CENSUS OF PRODUCTION, 1926.

The Report under the Census of Production, 1926, from the Department of Industry and Commerce regarding work of construction, maintenance, and repair carried out during the year 1926 by Local Authorities was submitted.

511/29.

DUNFANAGHY WATER SUPPLY.

In accordance with Notice of Motion duly given under Section 4 (3) of the Local Government Act, 1927, Councillor Gallen, Chairman of the County Board of Health moved:- "That this Council hereby agrees to the borrowing by the County Donegal Board of Health and Public Assistance of a sum of £300 for the purpose of Dunfanaghy Water Supply."

Councillor Mahony seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

512/29.

GLENLOUGH (LEGNANORNIG) DRAINAGE SCHEME.

The following Notice of Motion by Councillor Hamilton was adjourned for six months:- "That the Council approves of the proposed Glánlough Drainage Scheme under the Arterial Drainage (Minor Schemes) Act, 1928; that steps be taken under Section 6 to carry out the Scheme; that the Minister for Finance be requested under Section 14 to grant one-fourth of the total expenditure, say, £100; that the County Council grant a further £100, and that the balance, £200, be raised by way of loan; repayments to be spread over a period of fifteen years."

513/29.

OCCUPATION OF LABOURERS' COTTAGES.

Councillor Scott inquired what steps, if any, had been taken by the Board of Health to comply with the resolution of the Finance Committee (Minute 16/29 F.C.) confirmed by the Council referring back to the Board of Health list of occupiers of Labourers' Cottages in the County, and recommended that the Board of Health should determine who are labourers within the meaning of the Labourers' Acts, and that they should alter lettings where necessary.

Councillor Myles stated that the Board of Health were taking action where necessary, and Councillor Mahony suggested that local Councillors who knew of any cases in which the tenancies should be terminated should communicate with the Board of Health giving full particulars.

514/29.

BRIDGE AT CORKER.

On the motion of Councillor Brady seconded by Councillor O'Boyle (Manus) Standing Orders were suspended to enable a motion by Councillor Myles to be considered.

Councillor Myles moved:- "That a sum not exceeding £400 be granted towards the building of a bridge on the County Road at Corker with the sanction of the Minister for Local Government and Public Health."

Councillor Brady seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

515/29.

GLENTIES FEVER HOSPITAL.

A letter from Mr. J. W. Cunningham, Carrick, applying to rent the Old Fever Hospital at Glenties at the rate of £10 per annum was adjourned pending the receipt of a communication from the Board of Health in the matter.

516/29.

CONSTRUCTION OF BOAT LIFT AT MALIN HEAD.

Consideration of this matter was adjourned until next meeting pending receipt of report from the Department of Lands and Fisheries in the matter.

The Secretary was instructed to communicate with the Department in the meantime.

517/29.

ATTACKS ON PRIVATE CITIZENS.

A letter was read from the Women's Prisoners Defence League re attacks on private citizens.

No action was taken.

518/29.

BALLYSHANNON TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

A letter was read from the Clerk, Ballyshannon Town Commissioners, in which he enclosed the following resolutions passed at a meeting of that Body:-

- (a) That we call on the County Council to enforce the provisions of the Food and Drugs Acts in Ballyshannon particularly in view of the fact that the milk supply is of an inferior quality.
- (b) That we ask the County Council to request Messrs. M. Og McFadden, T.D. and Neal Blaney, T.D., who are members of the County Council, to effect, if possible, necessary legislation in the Dail for the purpose of procuring free meals and free school books for necessitous school children in County Donegal.
- (c) That we draw the attention of the County Council to the state of the Main Street. Owing to the slippery cement surface on a street with a deep gradient it makes it very dangerous for horse traffic, many minor accidents having occurred, and suppliers of market goods and town carriers are making continuous and bitter complaints.
- (d) That we draw the attention of the County Council to the uneven surface of the East Port Street, opposite Mr. Kane's, T.C., and request the Council to have it properly levelled and made safe for traffic. At present it is a source of danger to quick travelling traffic, being hollowed in centre.
- (e) That we call on the County Council to instruct the County Board of Health to appoint a local Public Health Committee as the old Committee have not acted since the elections in June last or held a meeting.
- (f) That we call the attention of the County Council to the Ballyshannon Water Supply, which is insufficient and insanitary, and a danger to the community. Apart from the shortage of water, eels, eel fry, and trout, etc. in a decomposed state are being found constantly in the pipes. That the County Council instruct the County Board of Health to take necessary steps to ensure an adequate and sanitary water supply, as frequent communications from the Commissioners to the County Board of Health in the matter have been without any appreciable results.
- (g) That we call on the County Council to see that the speed of motor cars, etc. do not exceed 10 miles per hour through the town of Ballyshannon, and 5 miles per hour while going round turns. This is in view of the narrow streets and dangerous turnings in the town; and erect warning notices at Bridgend and three approaches thereto.
- (h) That we call on our Vice-Chairman (Mr. Denis Nyhan) who is a member of the Council to see that the matters herewith referred to receive the earnest consideration of the County Council at their next meeting.

Councillor Nyhan proposed and Councillor Doherty (Patrick) seconded that the various requests contained in the resolutions be carried out.

The Secretary explained regarding (a) that the enforcement of the provisions of the Food and Drugs Acts was held up in the County at present pending the appointment of an Analyst, and regarding (g) that before the Council could enforce a speed limit a public inquiry would first have to be held. An inquiry had been held in 1925 dealing inter alia with the speed of motor vehicles through Ballyshannon and no Order was made.

The County Surveyor explained that Items No. (c) and (d) were being attended to, and that warning notices would be erected as requested in (g).

On the suggestion of Councillor Nyhan the name of Councillor Myles was included in (b).

Items Nos. (e) and (f) were referred to the County Board of Health for their favourable and sympathetic consideration.

519/29.

TULLINTAIN DRAINAGE SCHEME.

Consideration of this matter was adjourned until next meeting.

526/29.

SALARIES OF ASSISTANT SURVEYORS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 25th March, 1929, R.S./7 relative to the County Secretary's communication of 27th February regarding the salaries of Assistant Surveyors, and inquiring if it was the intention of the County Council to regard any work under the Arterial Drainage (Minor Schemes) Act, 1928, as coming within the scope of the ordinary duties of officers.

Councillor Cole moved that all work under the Arterial Drainage (Minor Schemes) Act, 1928, be considered as coming within the scope of the ordinary duties of these officers.

Councillor Brady seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

A letter was read from Cumann na nInnealtoiri dated 20th March, 1929, in which was enclosed copy of a letter sent to the Local Government Department suggesting some amendments in the proposed scale of salaries for Assistant Surveyors in the cases of Messrs. J. J. Caffrey and T. J. O'Reilly.

No action was taken.

521/29.

LOWER LENNON PROPOSED DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 15th April, 1929, re Lower Lennon proposed drainage district. The work it was estimated could be carried out for an expenditure of £820. The scheme should, therefore, be dealt with by the County Council under the Arterial Drainage (Minor Schemes) Act, 1928.

Councillor Baxter stated that he would lodge a Notice of Motion in connection with this matter for next meeting.

522/29.

DE-RATING OF AGRICULTURAL LANDS.

A letter was read from the Secretary, General Council of County Councils, in which was enclosed a report relative to the de-rating of agricultural lands, and suggested a joint scheme for the relief of rates and construction of trunk roads.

Councillor Cole proposed and Councillor Boyle (James) seconded that the Government be requested to introduce legislation in accordance with the recommendations contained in the report of the General Council of County Councils.

523/29.

FERRY SERVICE AT MORASS.

Councillor Blaney stated that the persons interested were not continuing in their project for the installation of a motor service at Morass Ferry, but they requested the Council to carry out certain necessary repairs to the road leading to the Ferry in Ballyheerin.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

524/29.

ROADS IN INVER DISTRICT.

A letter was read from Mr. William McNern, Drumnakiellaw, Inver, in which he called the Council's attention to the state of the road No. 1902 and 1801 in the Inver District, which, he stated, was in very bad repair.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

525/29.

IRISH TOURIST DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION.

A letter was read from the Irish Tourist Development Association dated 1st March, 1929, in which they invited the nomination by the Council of a representative for the Executive Committee of the Association for the current year.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony, Councillor Francis Gallagher was re-appointed the Council's representative on the Executive Committee of the Association for the current year.

526/29.

HEAVY LORRY TRAFFIC.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 30th April, 1929, RV/7, relative to the report of the Special Committee of the Council concerning Heavy Lorry Traffic, and in which it was stated that before a public inquiry could be held an application should be made on the prescribed form. On receipt of a formal application for an Order under Section 7 (4) of the Roads Act, 1920, accompanied by a certified copy of a resolution of the County Council arrangements would be made for holding a public inquiry. The descriptions of the roads which it was proposed to exempt from the operation of the Order should be sufficient for the purpose of an advertisement and of an Order without reference to a Map, and should, therefore, correspond with the description of roads given in the Donegal Main Road Order, 1925.

Regarding the other matters referred to in the Special Committee's report the letter stated that drivers' licences could not be issued at 5/- as the fee of 10/- was statutory and vehicle licences could not be issued unless the full duty appropriate thereto was paid in advance.

Councillor Mahony moved and Councillor Brennan seconded "That application be made by the Donegal County Council to the Minister for Local Government and Public Health for an Order under Section 7 (4) of the Roads Act, 1920, prohibiting, subject to such exceptions or conditions as to occasional user or otherwise as may be specified in the Order, the driving of mechanically-propelled vehicles exceeding 5 tons in weight laden on all roads in the County of Donegal, within the area of the Council, with the exception of the following roads:-

- (1) From County Boundary at Bundrowe's Br. to Bundoran U. D. Boundary near Daneville Lodge.
- (2) From Bundoran U.D. Boundary near Daneville Lodge via Bundoran Br. and Singlestreet Br. to Bundoran U.D. Boundary at Finner.
- (3) From Bundoran U.D. Boundary at Finner via Ballyshannon, Laheen, Ballymagrory Scotch, Ballintra, Laghy, Tullygallan, Donegal, Barnesmore, Barnes Br., Ballybofey, Stranorlar, Killygordon, Low Town, Castlefinn, Cloghfin, Ballyboggan and Portinure to County Boundary at Lifford.
- (4) From Lifford via Drumboy, Cumberland Lodge, Tullyrap, Ballyholey, Manorcunningham Station to Keenaghan Br. three roads.
- (5) From Letterkenny U.D. Boundary at Port House via Port Br., Trimragh, Pluck, Raymoghy Sheddings, Magherabeg, Moneymore Little, Killyverry Lower, Newtoncunningham, Keshends and Garshooey to County Boundary at Killea.
- (6) From County Boundary east of Bridge End via Skeoge, Burt, Speenogue, Milltown, to three roads at Castleforward.
- (7) From junction in Letterkenny U.D. with Ramelton Road via Port Road to Letterkenny U.D. Boundary at Port House.
- (8) From Letterkenny U.D. Boundary at Gortlee via Ramelton Road to junction with Main Street.
- (9) From Letterkenny U. D. Boundary at Sallaghagrane via Slate Row and Main Street to junction with Ramelton Road.
- (10) From junction with Main Street via Kilmackeman Road to Letterkenny U.D. Boundary at Ballyboe Glencar.
- (11) From Culdaff via Gleneely, Moyglass Bridge, Gulladoo, Merville, Redcastle, Carrowkeel, and Muff to County Boundary at Muff Lodge.
- (12) From Carrigart via Holme, Cranford Br., Bunlin Br., Milford, Lough Aweel, Clooney Herons, Bridge End, Ramelton, Aghanagaddy, Drumnaskea, Monument and Barn Hill to Letterkenny U. D. Boundary at Gortlee.
- (13) From Carrigart via Rossapenna to Downings.
- (14) From Milford via Loughnafinn, Ranny Hill, Carrowkeel, Bridgetown, The Ross, Rosnakill, Kindrum, Doaghbeg to Portsalon.
- (15) From Carrowkeel three roads via Crooked Br., Stranagappog, Goorey Hill, Glentogher and Cashel Upper to Garndonagh.
- (16) From Garndonagh via Keenaglug, Doon Br. to Malin.

The grounds for the application are that the roads from which it is proposed to exclude vehicles exceeding 5 tons in weight laden are unsuitable for vehicles of that class."

The motion was passed unanimously.

527/29.

CUSTOMS HUT IN PETTIGO.

A Letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 4th May, 1929, 7292/29, in which they inquired if the Council would be prepared to let a site of about 26 feet by 15 feet in the Diamond at Pettigo for an enlarged Customs Hut for the examination of goods coming into the Saorstát by the Kesh-Pettigo Road. In the event of the Council being willing to let the site in question they wished to be furnished with the terms of letting on the basis of a yearly tenancy.

It was decided to instruct the County Surveyor to consult the local residents and report on the matter to the next meeting of the Council.

528/29.

LIFFORD BRIDGE.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 6th May, 1929, RG/7, in which it was stated that the Department could not deal with the question of a grant towards the reconstruction of Lifford Bridge without definite plans and estimate. As it appeared these could not be prepared with any degree of precision unless trial borings were made, the Minister, without prejudice to any decision he might come to in the matter of contribution towards the cost of building the bridge, was prepared to recommend a grant from the Road Fund of 80% of half the cost of carrying out trial borings. Before the borings would be made there should be some tentative plan of bridge agreed upon in order to test for foundations for piers, etc. Tenders for the borings should be invited, and an estimate of the total cost submitted before any Grant could be made.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

529/29.

CARNDONAGH WORKHOUSE GROUNDS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 9th May, 1929, P. 33157/29 Dun na nGall. Pb. in which it was inquired if the letting of lands at Carndonagh Workhouse for meadowing for current season to Mr. John McLaughlin at £4 : 10 : 0 was made at a public auction at which Mr. McLaughlin was the highest bidder, and stated that if so the Minister would raise no objection to the proposed letting.

The Secretary was instructed to inform the Department that the lands had been let at a public auction at which Mr. McLaughlin was the highest bidder.

530/29.

COUNCILLORS' TRAVELLING EXPENSES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 11th May, 1929, G. 33402/29 Dun na nGall. C. in which it was stated that the Council's resolution of 30th April relative to the calculation of members' travelling expenses was ultra vires as it was incumbent on the Council and the Minister to follow the plain interpretation of Section 63 (2) (b) of the Local Government Act, 1925. If the number of attendances was less by a fraction than the number of attendances required by the Statute contributions to travelling expenses could not legally be paid.

The Council decided not to pursue the matter any further.

531/29.

DRAINAGE SCHEMES.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 13th May, 1929, 2669/29, in which it was stated that the following schemes having been examined and as each was estimated to cost less than £1000, they were too small to be economically carried out under the Arterial Drainage Act, 1925. They could, however, be carried out on a fresh petition under the Arterial Drainage (Minor Schemes) Act, 1928:-
Glen Lough, Kilclooney, Doaghbeg, Ballaghasallagh Burn, Kindroghhead and Ballyharry, Ardloughill, Doochurry, Gortally and Drumatrummon, Cashel and Carrickafodan.

No action was taken in the matter.

532/29.

SUPERANNUATION ALLOWANCE - MR. JAMES HERON.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 13th May, 1929, G. 33156/29 Dun na nGall Se. in which attention was called to the Department's letters of 8th March and 11th April on the question of the superannuation of Mr. James Heron, and stated that an amended resolution granting a superannuation allowance based on 29 years' completed service should be submitted for the Minister's approval.

On the Motion of Councillor Wagentrieber it was unanimously decided to again request the Minister to allow the added years granted by the Council.

533/29.

ROADS IN BURTONPORT AND KINCASSLAGH DISTRICTS.

A Petition was submitted from the residents of the Burtonport and Kincasslagh Districts regarding the state of the Main Road from Burtonport to Kincasslagh via the Railway Station.

It was decided to adjourn the matter until next meeting and to request the County Surveyor to submit in the meantime a report and estimate.

534/29.

PAYMENTS ON ROAD CONTRACTS.

Letters were read from Mr. Edward O'Donnell, Chappel Road, Dungloe, and Mr. Phil Boner, Meenmore, Dungloe, regarding payments on foot of their road contracts which they understood was to be deferred owing to not having the material rolled in, and stating that this was not caused through their own fault and that it would be very unfair to retain their money under the circumstances.

The County Surveyor stated that payments in these cases were being made.

535/29.

STATISTICAL INFORMATION.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 14th May, 1929, G. 33154/29 Dun na nGall. C. in which they inquired the number of members and the number of meetings in each financial year of the Finance, Sub-Finance, and Agricultural Committees.

536/29.

CINEMA TOGRAPH ACT, 1908.

The Report of the British Board of Film Censors for the year ended 31st December, 1928, was submitted.

537/29.

FLOODING AT ARDARA.

A letter was read from Mr. Christopher O'Byrne, Ardara, regarding a complaint which he made six months ago about flooding of his garden by water from the street, and which he said had not yet been rectified.

The County Surveyor stated that Mr. O'Byrne's property was lower than the level of the road, and that when it rained the water passed off the road on to Mr. O'Byrne's property.

No action was taken.

538/29.

CINEMA TOGRAPH ACT, 1908.

An application for a cinema licence for a hall at Dungloe was unanimously granted on the motion of Councillor Brennan, subject to the usual conditions.

539/29.

CLAIM FOR PAYMENT FOR STONES.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Doherty, Meenagory, Buncrana, in which he demanded payment of £2 : 18 : 4 in respect of trespass for stones which he stated was due on 20th May, and that if not paid immediately proceedings would be taken.

The County Surveyor stated that the matter had been dealt with, and no action was considered necessary.

540/29.

APPLICATION FOR LICENCE FOR PETROL PUMP.

An application from Mr. Charles Mooney, Ardara, for permission to erect a petrol pump outside his premises in Main Street, Ardara, was unanimously granted subject to the approval of the County Surveyor.

541/29.

CARROWCANNON (RAY) RIVER DRAINAGE SCHEME.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 16th May, 1929, 8425/29, in which it was stated that having considered the Council's resolution regarding Carrowcannon (Ray River) proposed Drainage District, they were of opinion that the circumstances justified the preparation of a Drainage Scheme under Section 6 of the Arterial Drainage Act, 1925, and they had, accordingly, instructed their Engineer to proceed with the preparation of a Scheme.

542/29.

MR. HENRY REID.

The Secretary stated that he understood that the audit of the Council's accounts for the past five and a half years would be commencing next week. This would throw extra work on the permanent staff, and he requested the continuance of Mr. Reid's employment until 31st August next to enable him to deal with the matter.

The Secretary's request was unanimously granted.

543/29.

LIFFORD COURTHOUSE.

Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, applied for £25 to meet incidental expenses in connection with Lifford Courthouse.

The application was unanimously granted.

544/29.

DEFAULTING CONTRACTORS.

Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, submitted the following report:-
"The following contractors are neglecting their contracts and being unable to make any further of them I would recommend that same be prosecuted."

Inishowen.

60, April, 1928, John Doherty. 81, April, 1928, Denis Donaghey.

Derry No. 2.

54, April, 1928.

Milford.

277 Works (Co. Roads), Jos. Sheridan. 291, William Boyce.

Furthermore, I find it necessary to seek an Order to enter a quarry on the lands of Mrs. N. Hegarty, Carnamaggagh, and would require County Council Solicitor."

On the motion of Councillor Clarke seconded by Councillor Gentrieber the County Surveyor was directed to take proceedings against the defaulting contractors, and to apply for the authority to enter Mrs. Hegarty's Quarry.

545/29.

WALL AT QUIGLEY'S POINT.

Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, submitted the following report:-
 "Mr. Patrick Faulkner of Quigley's Point has built a wall encroaching upon the County Road at Quigley's Point and it will be necessary to prosecute him, should he, as looks likely, not comply with the notice he has had to remove same."

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Gallagher the County Surveyor was instructed to take proceedings.

546/29.

GARAGE IN MOVILLE.

Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, submitted the following report:-
 "In accordance with the action taken on this matter by the County Council at their meeting in April last I inspected the site as well as the Plan for this Building and pointed out to Mr. Doherty the conditions upon which I would recommend the Council to approve his proposal and to these Mr. Doherty was agreeable. These are as follows:-

- (1) That the drainage of the road at this place was to be provided for to the satisfaction of the County Surveyor and as he directed.
- (2) That the site being at a bend in the road near Moville Bridge Mr. Doherty was to give an undertaking not to allow vehicles of any kind while under repair, receiving petrol or for any other purpose, to remain on any portion of the County Road adjoining this Garage so as to eliminate the risk of accidents occurring."

It was unanimously decided to give Mr. Doherty permission to erect the garage subject to compliance with the County Surveyor's requirements.

547/29.

ERECTION OF BUILDING AT FAHAN.

Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, submitted the following report:-
 "Mr. Charles Murray of 208, Lecky Road, Derry, is erecting a building too close to the County Road near Ludden on the road from Derry to Buncrana, and in the event of it being proceeded with, I desire to know if proceedings are to be taken."

On the motion of Councillor Francis Gallagher seconded by Councillor Gallen it was decided to refuse permission for the erection of the building, and to institute proceedings if the erection was proceeded with.

548/29.

PURCHASE OF TWO TAR BOILERS.

The County Surveyor applied for permission to purchase two tar boilers at a cost of £75.

Permission was granted; cost to be charged against balance of unexpended loan obtained for purchase of granulators.

549/29.

SUDDEN BREACHES.

The County Surveyor applied for £6 to repair side of Road No. 5 April, 1929, Letterkenny District; for £2 to repair a pipe on road 32, April, 1928, Derry No. 2 District; and for £6 to repair breaches in road 41, April, 1928, Strabane No. 2.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Nyhan the amounts required were unanimously placed in the County Surveyor's hands.

550/29.

PURCHASE OF LIVING VAN.

The County Surveyor reported that he had purchased for £45 a living van for use with granulator, as authorised. (415/29)

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Nyhan the amount was passed for payment.

551/29.

BUNCRAHA PIER.

A letter was read from the Department of Industry and Commerce, dated 21st May, 1929, M.S. 1321, in which was enclosed copy of Provisional Order which the Minister proposed to make for appointing and incorporating Commissioners for the harbour of Buncrana, and in which it was requested that the Council's consent be given to the Order.

Councillor Kavanagh proposed and Councillor Cole seconded "That the Donegal County Council hereby consents, under Seal, to the making of this Provisional Order."

The motion was passed unanimously.

552/29.

LOUGH SALT WATER SUPPLY.

A letter was read from the Resident Medical Superintendent, Mental Hospital, Letterkenny, in which he stated that as the Urban District Council of Letterkenny had not replied to the invitation to meet representatives of his Committee and the County Council at a conference regarding the Lough Salt Water Supply, the Committee now requested the County Council to ask their Solicitor to take what steps he might consider advisable and necessary to secure the co-operation of the Letterkenny Urban District Council in having the water supply improved.

It was decided to instruct the Secretary to write direct to the Letterkenny Urban District Council asking for their co-operation in the matter to avoid unnecessary litigation and legal expenses.

553/29.

TEELIN PIER.

A letter was read from the Harbour Master, Teelin, in which he reported that Mr. Phil Gallagher was packing herrings on the Pier, and refused to cease doing so.

A letter was also read from Mr. Gallagher in which he stated that he only intended using the Pier for a few days.

The Council unanimously decided to let Mr. Gallagher have the use of the Pier for the few days as requested.

554/29.

DEFAULTERS UNDER HOUSING ACTS.

The Secretary reported that Messrs. John Doherty, Glenmakee, Collin, and Daniel Ward, Ballycallon, Ballynashanagh, had not yet paid their half-yearly instalments of loans obtained under the Housing Acts which were due on the 1st March last.

The Council decided to give them ten days' notice to pay; failing which matter be handed to the Council's Solicitor.

555/29.

HIRE OF ROLLER.

A letter was read from Mr. Frank Sweeney, Solicitor, Dungloe, regarding a deduction of £5 : 19 : 0 from the road money of Mr. John O'Donnell, Meencairn, Lettermacaward, for rolling, presumably on the grounds that the roller was worked for five days, whereas O'Donnell maintained that it was only worked for 2½ days. He wished to have the matter inquired into and rectified.

On the motion of Councillor Francis Gallagher it was decided to adjourn the matter until next meeting and to request Councillor Brennan to investigate the matter and to examine the driver's diary.

556/29.

ACCIDENT TO WORKMAN.

A letter was read from Mr. F. Gallagher, Solicitor, Donegal, in which he notified the County Council of an accident to Mr. W. J. Cassidy of Clogher, Donegal, when cycling to his work in the Doonan Quarry. The forks of the bicycle on which he was riding broke with the result that the machine collapsed and he was thrown heavily to the ground. He now applied for compensation.

The matter was referred to the Insurance Company.

557/29.

GUIDE BOOK - COUNTY DONEGAL.

A letter was read from Messrs. E. J. Burrow & Co., Châatenham, regarding the re-publication of a guide book which they published two years ago.

The Council decided to approve of the re-publication of the book, but to inform Messrs. Burrow that the publication of the official booklet was in the hands of the Irish Tourist Development Association.

558/29.

RECONSTRUCTION OF COUNTY HOUSE, LIFFORD.

A Certificate was submitted from the Architect for payment of £600 on account to Messrs. Robert Cullen & Sons, Portadown, in respect of reconstruction of County House, Lifford.

An account was also submitted from the Architect for £30 being architect's fees at 5% on amount certified.

Payment of the accounts submitted was ordered.

The Secretary was instructed to inform the Contractor that owing to the shortage of water he could not now use the town water supply.

559/29.

CARNDONAGH WORKHOUSE PREMISES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, P.35356/29., Dun na nGall., in which it was stated that the Minister had been informed by the Valuation Department that a fair rent for the portion of Inishowen Workhouse Buildings proposed to be let to Mrs. Doherty would be 8/- per week, and inquiring if Mrs. Doherty would be agreeable to pay this rent.

A letter was also read from Mrs. Doherty agreeing to pay 8/- per week.

Councillor Cole proposed that the Ministry be asked to expedite the matter as Mrs. Doherty wished to go into possession immediately.

560/29.

ERECTION OF BUILDING AT BALLYBOFEY.

An application was submitted from the Irish Agricultural Wholesale Society, Ballybofeigh, for permission to extend their stores at the corner of Navenny Street, Ballybofeigh.

The following report was submitted from the County Surveyor in the matter:- "With reference to the application of the Co-operative Society, Ballybofeigh, to extend their building into Navenny Street, I wish to state that by this extension the width of the entrance into Navenny Street will be reduced by 3' 9". At present there is a building of this Society projecting in Navenny Street, and the object of the Society is to extend the frontage of their premises in the Main Street so as to bring the gable wall of the proposed extension into line with the building projecting in Navenny Street."

On the motion of Councillor Gallagher (Francis) seconded by Councillor O'Donnell the required permission was unanimously given.

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Confirmed,

Patrick Dwyer Chairman

25/6/29

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL WAS HELD ON

TUESDAY, THE 25TH DAY OF JUNE, 1929.

562/29.

A T T E N D A N C E.

The following members were present:- Councillors Quigley (presiding), Baxter, Blaney, Boyle (James), Brady, Brennan, Callaghan, Cole, Doherty (Carrigart), Doherty (Philip), Doogan, Douglas, Gallagher (Bernard), Gallagher (Francis), Gallen, Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Mahony, Myles, McCrea, MacCreadie, McIvor, McPhelimy, McShane, Nyhan, O'Boyle (Daniel E.), O'Boyle (Manus), O'Doherty (Malin), O'Donnell, Scott, and Sweeney.

563/29.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMEN.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Callaghan Councillor McFadden was unanimously re-elected Chairman.

564/29.

ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN.

On the motion of Councillor Brennan seconded by Councillor Hamilton Councillor Quigley was unanimously re-elected Vice-Chairman.

565/29.

ELECTION OF DEPUTY VICE-CHAIRMAN.

On the motion of Councillor Philip Doherty seconded by Councillor McShane Councillor Nyhan was unanimously elected deputy Vice-Chairman.

566/29.

REGULATION OF NUMBER OF MEMBERS ON EACH
STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Council decided to make no alteration in the number of members on each Standing Committee.

567/29.

ELECTION OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Loughrey the whole Council was unanimously appointed on the Finance Committee.

568/29.

ELECTION OF ROADS COMMITTEE.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Nyhan the existing Roads Committee was re-elected.

569/29.

ELECTION OF DISEASES OF ANIMALS COMMITTEE.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Nyhan the whole Council was re-elected on the Diseases of Animals Committee.

570/29.

ELECTION OF OLD AGE PENSIONS COMMITTEE.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Loughrey the whole Council was re-elected on the Old Age Pensions Committee.

571/29.

ELECTION OF TENDERS COMMITTEES.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Loughrey the members of the Council for each County Electoral Area were appointed members of the Tenders Committees acting within their Electoral Areas.

572/29.

ELECTION OF SCHOLARSHIPS COMMITTEE.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Loughrey the following were elected on the Scholarships Committee:-

Very Rev. N. Farren, D.D.	President, St. Columb's College, Derry.
Very Rev. J. Maguire, P.P., V.F.	Clonmany.
Very Rev. J. McCafferty, P.P.	Stranorlar.
Very Rev. P. D. McCaul.	President, St. Eunan's College, Letterkenny.
Rev. Michael McGeown, P.P.	Carndonagh.
Rev. Michael Sheerin, P.P.	Moville.
Rev. Daniel Reid, C.C.	Carndonagh.
F. T. Byron, Esq.	Head Master, Prior Schools, Lifford.
T. A. Armstrong, Esq.	Head Master, Royal School, Raphoe.
James Clarke, Esq., Co.C.	Port Hall, Ballindrait.
Edward Gallen, Esq., Co.C.	Broomfield, Castlefin.
John McGlinchey, Esq., N.T.	Raphoe.
M. A. MacCreadie, Esq., Co.C.	Milford.
Thomas McShane, Esq., Co.C.	Dunkineely.
Charles Sweeney, Esq., N.T.	Moville.
W. H. Wagentrieber, Esq., Co.C.	Lifford.
Patrick M. Ward, Esq., N.T.	Ramelton.

On the motion of Councillor Daniel E. O'Boyle, Rev. Philip Boyle, C.C., Kincasslagh was elected, and on the motion of Councillor Scott seconded by Councillor Mahony Councillor Nyhan was also appointed.

573/29.

ELECTION OF PIERS COMMITTEE.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Loughrey the existing Piers Committee was re-elected.

574/29.

ELECTION OF LAW COMMITTEE.

The following members of the Council were appointed as Law Committee:- Councillors MacCreadie, Hamilton, Scott, Mahony, and Bernard Gallagher.

575/29.

ELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVE AT GENERAL MEETING OF IRISH PUBLIC BODIES MUTUAL INSURANCES, LTD.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Loughrey the Chairman was appointed the Council's representative at the General Meeting of the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances, Ltd.

576/29.

A P O L O G I E S.

A letter of apology from the Chairman, Councillor McFadden, for inability to attend was read.

Councillor Scott apologised for the non-attendance of Councillor Wagentrieber.

577/29.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

On the motion of Councillor Loughrey seconded by Councillor Callaghan the Minutes of the Meeting held on 28th May, 1929, were unanimously confirmed.

578/29.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The report of the Finance Committee Meeting held on 28th May, 1929, was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Hamilton.

579/29. REPORTS OF SUB-FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The report of the Sub-Finance Committee Meeting held on 18th June, 1929, was unanimously adopted.

The report of the Sub-Finance Committee Meeting held on 25th June, 1929, was read by the Secretary and unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Nyhan.

580/29. REPORT OF SHEEP DIPPING COMMITTEE MEETING.

The report of the Sheep Dipping Committee Meeting held on 11th June, 1929, was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor McIvor seconded by Councillor Loughrey.

581/29. OPENING OF STREETS IN DONEGAL.

An application from Mr. Patrick Diver, Donegal, for permission to open a road for sewage pipe was unanimously granted subject to the approval of the County Surveyor.

582/29. EXECUTION OF CONVEYANCE - HUGH GORMAN.

On the motion of Councillor Nyhan seconded by Councillor Loughrey the Council unanimously decided to execute under Seal Conveyance and Memorial in connection with Mortgage held under Housing Acts on loan of Hugh Gorman, Glasbolie; loan now being paid off.

583/29. BRIDGE ON DUNGLOE-BURTONPORT ROAD.

A letter was read from the Irish Land Commission, P. (A), 15314/29, in which they inquired the exact location of the Bridge on the Dungloe-Burtonport Road and asked for a tracing of the Bridge including enough of the surrounding country to enable the position to be identified.

In reply to an inquiry the Secretary informed Councillor O'Donnell that he understood from the County Surveyor that the required information had been furnished.

584/29. CHILDREN ACT, 1908.

A letter was read from the District Court Clerk, Stranorlar, in which he notified intention of making application at the District Court in Stranorlar on 5th June for the committal to an Industrial School of two children named Patrick and Michael McNamee of Meenahorna.

585/29. NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR PREVENTION OF TUBERCULOSIS.

An invitation was received to the Annual Conference of the National Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis to be held at Newcastle-on-Tyne on the 11th and 12th October.

586/29. EXTRACTS FROM IRIS OIFIGIUIL.

An extract was submitted from Iris Oifigiuil dated 21st May, 1929, notifying the sale of lands at Stralongford on the 7th June, now, or formerly, in the occupation of Neil MacAnulty.

Another extract was submitted from Iris Oifigiuil dated 28th May, 1929, notifying the sale of lands at Drumderrydoonan on the 12th June, 1929, now, or formerly, in the occupation of Hugh McGinley.

587/29. CARROWCANNON (RAY RIVER) PROPOSED DRAINAGE SCHEME.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 23rd May, 1929, P. 35521/29. 11gh. (B.C.T.) in which they asked to be furnished with a copy of the resolution of the Council agreeing to make a contribution towards the cost of the Carrowcannon (Ray River) proposed Drainage Scheme.

588/29.

TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 4th June, 1929, G. 38921/29, Dun na nGall, in which it was stated that the Minister raised no objection to the expenditure proposed in regard to the appointment of two junior temporary clerks in connection with the issue of the Demand Notes under the Local Government (Rates on Small Dwellings) Act, 1928.

589/29.

REGISTRATION AND LICENSING OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, M.T./209/7, dated 4th June, 1929, in which it was stated that the Minister would raise no objection to the purchase, at a cost not exceeding £10, of a steel filing cabinet for use in connection with the work of Motor Registration and Licensing.

590/29.

MR. HENRY REID.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 4th June, 1929, G. 38922/29, Dun na nGall. Se. sanctioning the retention of the services of Mr. Henry Reid up to the 31st August next at a remuneration of £2 per week. Mr. Reid should be given to understand that his services would then definitely terminate.

591/29.

BRIDGE AT CORKER.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 4th June, 1929, R.M./7. in which they asked to be furnished with an extract from the Minutes of the County Council on 28th May, 1929, in reference to the building of a bridge on the County Road at Corker.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 5th June, 1929, R.M./7, in which they acknowledged the receipt of the County Secretary's letter of the 3rd idem re Bridge at Corker and stated that the Minister assented under Article 3 of the Public Bodies Order, 1925, to such departure from the rules and regulations in the Order as would enable the Donegal County Council to contribute in the current financial year a sum not exceeding £400 towards the building of a bridge on the County Road at Corker.

592/29.

HEAVY LORRY TRAFFIC INQUIRY.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, R.V./7, in which they asked to be furnished with a map of the County showing the 16 roads proposed to be excluded from the Order under Section 7 (4) of the Roads Act, 1920, which had been applied for.

A further letter was read from the Chief Engineer, Local Government Department, Roads, in which he stated that the Inquiry would be held at the Courthouse, Lifford, on the 6th August, 1929.

It was unanimously decided to appoint a Special Committee to prepare the Council's case for submission to the Inquiry and make any further necessary arrangements.

The following were appointed on the Special Committee:- Councillors James Boyle, Nyhan, Scott, Philip Doherty, Gallen, Cole, Brady, and Hamilton.

593/29.

SHEEP SCAB.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 24th May, 1929, L. 1457/29, in which it was stated that in a lot of eight sheep being exported at Derry on 13th idem by Mr. C. Duffy, Letterkenny, one sheep was found to be affected with sheep scab. The animals were purchased from Mr. Neil McDaid, Foxhall, Newmills, and the Department wished to have the animals examined by the Council's Veterinary Inspector for the district and report on the remaining sheep on Mr. McDaid's lands.

In this connection a report was also submitted from the Veterinary Inspector.

594/29.

DUNGLOE WATER SUPPLY.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, dated 25th May, 1929, P.H. 33404/29, Dun na nGall (Pg) in which it was stated that the Minister did not propose to vary the Order of the 6th March last with regard to the chargeability of the cost of the Dunglow Water Supply Scheme.

Councillor Brennan proposed that the Minister be requested to reconsider his decision and stated that the town of Dungloe and the immediate vicinity was quite willing to pay for the supply, and it was on that condition only that the scheme was formulated.

Councillor O'Donnell, in seconding, stated that if the proposal was adhered to there would be considerable difficulty in obtaining the rates from the ratepayers.

The motion was passed unanimously.

595/29.

DEFAULTING LAND ANNUITANTS.

A letter was read from the Irish Land Commission dated 28th May, 1929, in which was enclosed a 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 the 1st December last. As the 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.

Councillor Gallen proposed that the Secretary be authorised to employ a temporary clerk for two weeks at 30/- per week to summarise the list in districts, etc. for the information of the Council at the next meeting.

The motion was passed unanimously.

596/29.

DOWNINGS WATER SUPPLY.

A letter was read from the Secretary of the County Board of Health in which he enclosed scale of charges for sales of water to fishing boats at Downings as adopted by the Board at their meeting on the 21st May, 1929.

The matter was adjourned pending the completion of the water tank at Downings.

597/29.

COUNCILLORS' TRAVELLING EXPENSES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 31st May, 1929, G. 39055/29. Ilgh. (c) in which they asked for particulars of amounts paid in respect of members' travelling expenses for the half-years ended 30th September, 1928, and 31st March, 1929.

598/29.

DREDGING AT GREENCASTLE HARBOUR.

A letter was read from the Department of Lands and Fisheries dated 10th June, 1929, D/73/7, in which it was stated that the question of a contribution from State Funds towards the dredging operations at Greencastle Harbour was under consideration.

599/29.

LOCAL ELECTIONS ACT, 1927.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 11th June, 1929, F. 41586/29, Ilgh. (c), in which it was stated that the Annual Meeting of the County Council under the Local Elections Act, 1927, should be held not earlier than 23rd June nor later than 1st July.

600/29.

APPROVED SHEEP DIPS.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 12th June, 1929, L. 1689/29 in which they enclosed, as requested, 30 copies of lists of approved sheep dips.

601/29.

STATISTICAL INFORMATION.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 14th June, 1929, Stat. 28432/29. Ilgh. in which they asked to be furnished with a return relative to the Council's receipts from other Local Bodies in 1926/27.

602/29.

FORM 49 (NOTICE OF RATES HAVING BEEN MADE.)

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 14th June, 1929, Stat. 42565/29. Ilgh. (S.E) in which they asked to be furnished with two copies of Form 49 (Notice of Rates having been made) in respect of rates made for the current financial year.

603/29.

SUPERANNUATION ALLOWANCE - EX-COLLECTOR CASSIDY.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 17th June, 1929, G. 35205/29. Dun na nGall. Fa. in which was transmitted duplicate of an Order, under Seal, assenting to a Superannuation Allowance of £99 : 9 : 8 to Mr. Philip Cassidy, late Rate Collector under the Donegal County Council.

604/29.

PORTNABLAGHEY PIER.

A letter was read from the Department of Industry and Commerce, T. 69815, dated 12th June, 1929, in which they asked to be furnished with a statement showing the extent of the trading done at Portnablaghey Pier for each of the three last financial years.

605/29.

GRANTS TO SURVEYORS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, RGS/7, dated 18th June, 1929, in which it was stated that a payment of £230 had been made in respect of allowances to Surveyors from the Road Fund. The claim in respect of Mr. P. J. Kelly had been deferred pending a report at the end of the present financial half-year from the County Surveyor as to the manner in which Mr. Kelly has discharged his duties.

The Secretary stated that the total amount payable to Mr. Kelly for three years would amount to £120, which amount had been deferred by the Ministry up to the present.

On the motion of Councillor Loughrey seconded by Councillor Nyhan it was unanimously decided to request the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to sanction the payment to Mr. Kelly of the allowance for the full period of three years if the report at the end of the present half-year be satisfactory.

606/29.

OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Loughrey it was unanimously decided to apply for continuance of overdraft accommodation of £15,000 to the 30th September, 1929, which the Secretary stated would be necessary to enable the Council to make their transfers to the Subsidiary Bodies pending the collection of the Poor Rate.

607/29.

MALICIOUS INJURY DECREE - BRIGID A. McSHANE.

A letter was read from certain ratepayers in Kilgoly Electoral Division in which they complained that a Malicious Injury Decree had been fixed on that Electoral Division instead of on the Electoral Division of Malinbeg.

A letter was also read from the Council's Solicitor in the matter in which he stated that the area of charge was fixed on the evidence of the local Sergeant of the Garda Síochána who was satisfied that the malefactors came from the Electoral Division of Kilgoly.

On the motion of Councillor Brady seconded by Councillor Nyhan it was unanimously decided to instruct the Council's Solicitor on his next attendance in Court to apply to have the area of charge altered to the Electoral Division of Malinbeg.

608/29.

HIRE OF STEAM ROLLER.

An application was received from Mr. J. Arthur Fraser, Agent, Leitrim Estate, for the use of roller on private avenue to Rossapenna Hotel.

It was unanimously decided to grant the application; matter to be arranged by the County Surveyor.

609/29.

REPAIRS TO ROADS IN FORMER GLENTIES RURAL DISTRICT.

The County Surveyor submitted the following report:-

"The following roads require repairs and as there is some money available for this area these roads should be repaired as they have been out of contract for some years.

With regard to Road No. 975 the sum of £38 can be expended on removing the rocks where they outcrop along the road surface."

	Amount.
Meenawana Road	£15
Meenagissagh Road	£20.
Lougherrig Road	£30.
Meenbanad (Road No. 973)	£38.

On the motion of Councillor Bernard Gallagher seconded by Councillor Nyhan it was unanimously decided to place the money required in the County Surveyor's hands.

610/29.

FOOTBRIDGE OVER CREGNAHORNA RIVER.

Councillor Cole moved:- "That the County Surveyor be instructed, with the sanction of the Minister for Local Government and Public Health, to build a footbridge over the Cregnahorna River between the road to Glenmakee and the road to Cregnahorna; cost not to exceed £40; work having been included in Provisional Road Works Scheme for current year and having been approved by the County Council."

Councillor Patrick Doherty seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

611/29.

DANGEROUS CORNERS ON ROAD FROM GWEEDORE TO DUNLEWEY.

A Notice of Motion by Councillor Doogan that three dangerous corners be removed on the road from Gweedore Station to Dunlewey as they were very dangerous to motor traffic was adjourned for inclusion in the Road Works Scheme.

612/29.

ROAD NEAR MAGHERAGALLON.

A Notice of Motion by Councillor Doogan that the road leading from the end of the Middletown Contract Road to the Graveyard at Magheragallon and on to the Pier be put in order before next winter and be made a County Road was adjourned for inclusion in the Road Works Scheme.

613/29.

HOMESPUN INDUSTRY IN DONEGAL, ETC.

Councillor Sweeney moved:- "That this Council knowing and seeing the absolute poverty of the industrial hand-spun workers and fishermen call on the Government to grant some financial aid to both immediately, and that they be asked to supply a stamp carder, breaker, and dyeing vats for the woollen industry, and boats and gear for the fishermen."

Councillor Nyhan seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

Councillor Philip Doherty moved and Councillor Nyhan seconded that the members of the County Council be requested to attend future meetings of the Council beginning with the August meeting dressed in Donegal homespun.

The motion was passed unanimously.

614/29.

LOUGH SALT WATER SUPPLY.

A deputation from the Mental Hospital Committee consisting of the Chairman (Rev. John O'Doherty, P.P.), and the Resident Medical Superintendent (Dr. Martin), appeared before the Council in connection with the Lough Salt Water Supply.

The deputation explained in detail the various arrangements between the County Council and the Letterkenny Urban District Council in connection with the construction of the Scheme. They referred to the serious position which might arise in the event of a fire, the present water supply being only sufficient in the event of a break-down for three days. An effort to settle the matter with the Letterkenny Urban District Council by conference had failed.

On the motion of Councillor MacCreadie seconded by Councillor Gallon it was unanimously decided to summon a conference of representatives of the County Council and the Mental Hospital Committee on the 8th July, 1929 at the Mental Hospital, Letterkenny, and to invite the Letterkenny Urban District Council to send two representatives. If the Urban Council failed to do so the County Council to then take whatever steps they consider necessary to protect their interests without consulting the Urban Council any further.

Councillor Scott said he would not be able to attend on the date fixed and he resigned his position as one of the representatives of the County Council. Councillor Blaney was unanimously appointed to act with Councillor Nyhan as a representative of the County Council.

615/29.

ROAD IMPROVEMENT GRANT OF £250,000.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 4th June, 1929, S.G.F./201 in which it was stated that a sum of £9,782 had been provisionally allocated to the Council out of the Road Improvement Grant of £250,000 for Main Road Improvement as follows:-

Northern Division.

T. 72.	Steamrolling at Dunfanaghy.	£1,191.
L. 79.	Steamrolling at Quigley's Point.	£1,400.
L. 80.	Steamrolling on Derry-Carrigans Road.	£1,700.
	Completion of work at Shankey Hill.	£600.

Southern Division.

T. 72.	Steamrolling near Dungloe.	£1,000.
L. 20.	Steamrolling at Ballyshannon.	£1,000.
L. 72.	Steamrolling on Glenties-Donegal Road.	£891.
L. 75.	Steamrolling on Fintown-Doochary Road.	£700.
L. 80.	Steamrolling on Convey-Stranorlar Road.	£1,000.
	Widening Ardara Bridge.	£300.

A Notice of Motion by Councillor Doogan regarding the non-receipt of any portion of the Grant by the Gweedore District was withdrawn. A motion by Councillor O'Donnell that a portion of the Grant be transferred to the Gweedore and Rosses Area was also withdrawn.

The provisional allocation of the money by the Ministry was unanimously approved of on the motion of Councillor Loughrey seconded by Councillor Nyhan.

On the motion of Councillor James Boyle it was unanimously decided to request the Ministry to allow a certain portion of the money allocated for steamrolling at Dunfanaghy towards carrying out certain very urgent repairs caused by the flooding on the road between Dunfanaghy and Falcarragh.

Councillor Bernard Gallagher moved that a certain portion of the money for the Glenties-Donegal Road be spent on that portion of the road between the Ivy Bridge and Glenties in the district of Mr. Kearney, Assistant Surveyor.

616/29.

APPLICATION FOR SPECIAL GRANT OF £2,000.

On the motion of Councillor O'Donnell seconded by Councillor Doogan it was unanimously decided to apply for a special grant of £2,000; £1,000 for the Gweedore Area and £1,000 for the Rosses Area to carry out certain urgent necessary road work.

It was decided in support of the application to point out to the Ministry that owing to the scarcity of work and the poverty prevailing in these Districts 2,500 labourers had migrated from the area to Scotland since the 1st April, while 75 had gone to the United States. The district contained one-sixth of the population of the County, and it had not in the past received its fair share of grants, and the present grant being applied for was very necessary to carry out urgent road improvements and provide employment.

617/29.

ROAD GRANTS.

Councillor McIvor moved and Councillor Scott seconded that in the next allocation of road grants for the County the Ministry be requested to allocate a sum for the road from Burnfoot to Muff which since the establishment of the Boundary had become a Main Road and was unable to bear all the traffic upon it.

Councillor Bernard Gallagher moved that in future grants a sum be allocated for the road from Ardara to Narin.

Councillor Mahony moved that in the next grant a sum be allocated for the road from Letterkenny to Stranorlar.

Councillor Cole moved that in the next grant a portion be allocated for the road from Three Roads at Drumaville to Lagg.

The motions were passed nem.con.

618/29.

PROMENADE AT BUNDORAN.

A letter was read from the Town Clerk, Bundoran, in which he asked to have heaps of road metal removed from the Promenade at Bundoran before the tourist season advanced further, and pointed out that through stone-crushing and carting operations considerable damage was done to the Promenade which it was expected would be repaired as soon as possible.

The County Surveyor stated that the matter was being dealt with.

619/29.

KILLYBEGS COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from Mr. Bernard Kelly, Killybegs, dated 25th May, 1929, in which he gave notice that as from the 1st June the rent of the Courthouse Premises, Killybegs, would be advanced to £20 per annum to be paid quarterly, owing to the valuation of these Premises having been increased.

The Council agreed to take three months' notice from Mr. Kelly and to make further arrangements for the holding of the Court in the meantime.

620/29.

CARRICK COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Cunningham, Carrick, in which he warned the Council that he would not allow the Court to be held in the Courthouse in Carrick in future.

No action was taken.

621/29.

DERELICT FARMS.

A letter was read from Wexford County Council regarding defaulting land purchase annuitants, and the difficulty of carrying on local administration owing to the withholding of Government Grants and suggesting that some provision should be made by which derelict farms could be let to suitable persons who would be prepared to pay annuities and rates.

The matter was adjourned until October.

622/29.

TEELIN PIER.

A letter was read from the Harbour Master, Teelin, in which he reported that John Haughey, Rannakille, had refused to pay dues on a small fishing boat for the summer season.

It was decided to instruct the Harbour Master not to allow Haughey to use the Pier in future.

Another letter was read from the Harbour Master, Teelin, in which he reported that Messrs. Gallagher Bros. were still packing herring on the Pier at Teelin, and that traffic on the Pier was being blocked with the barrels and that pickle was running over the Pier.

A letter was also read from Messrs. Gallagher Bros. in which they stated that the season was now practically over, and that their empties might have caused a little inconvenience to our own fishermen and they thanked the Council for the facilities already given.

It was decided to instruct the Harbour Master not to allow Messrs. Gallagher to encroach on the Pier in future with their curing station.

623/29.

GLENTIES FEVER HOSPITAL.

A letter was read from the Secretary, County Board of Health, dated 27th May, 1929, in which he stated that the Board had no objection to the letting of Glenties Fever Hospital to Mr. James W. Cunningham provided the space reserved for patients between the General and the Fever Hospital was not interfered with. The Board considered that it should be a condition of the letting that this space be fenced off by Mr. Cunningham.

A letter was also read from Mr. Cunningham in which he agreed to carry out the suggestions of the Board of Health re fencing off portion of ground as specified.

It was unanimously decided to request the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to accept Mr. James W. Cunningham as a yearly tenant at £10 per annum; tenancy to be determinable by six months' notice on either side; ground to be fenced off by Mr. Cunningham as the Board of Health required.

624/29.

MATTERS AFFECTING PETTIGO AND DISTRICT.

A letter from Mr. F. J. McGrath, Carntressy, Pettigo, was not considered as a further letter was received from him asking to have his letter returned.

625/29.

PROPOSED ERECTION OF CUSTOMS HUT IN PETTIGO.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works in which they applied for a site in the Diamond at Pettigo for Customs Hut.

The County Surveyor submitted the following report:- "As instructed by the Council I visited Pettigo and interviewed several of the business people who reside in the Diamond. These have no objection to the erection of the hut in the Diamond. They would, however, be glad to learn that Pettigo be made a clearing station for this area as all their goods have to go to Ballyshannon, a distance of thirteen miles, for custom purposes. With regard to the placing of the hut in the centre of the Diamond arrangements should be made with the Customs Authorities that no nuisance in the nature of smoke, etc. be created that would in any way be offensive to the adjoining occupiers."

It was unanimously decided to allow the erection of the hut at £1 per annum if facilities were granted for the establishment of a clearing station at Pettigo to enable traders to get in their goods direct instead of through Ballyshannon.

626/29.

BLIND CORNER AT BIRDSTOWN NEAR BALLINDRAIT.

A letter was read from Mr. W. Roulstone, Tober, Ballindrait, regarding a dangerous blind corner at Birdstown near Ballindrait, and in which he stated that Mr. Throne, the owner of the property on the blind side, had offered sufficient land to make the corner safe. The ratepayers of the district would be grateful if the Council would accept the offer and make the corner safe for the public.

The matter was adjourned for inclusion in the next Road Works Scheme.

627/29.

LOCAL AUTHORITIES (COMBINED PURCHASING) ACT, 1925.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 30th May, 1929, S. 30504/29, Ilgh. Trachtala, in which was enclosed copy of an order made by the Minister under the Local Authorities (Combined Purchasing) Act, 1925, and stated that a sum of £122 : 10 : 9 had been assessed on the Donegal County Council.

628/29.

ERECTION OF SIGN-POSTS AT GORTNABRADE N.S.

A letter was read from Mr. Teague McFadden, Gortnabrade N.S., Carrigart, in which he asked to have sign-posts for motorists erected at his School.

The County Surveyor stated that the School was only a temporary one and that the erection of sign-posts was scarcely worth while.

629/29.

BOE ROAD AT EGLISH.

A letter was read from Rev. R. J. Ryan, Lough Eske, regarding the condition of the bog road at Eglish on Major White's estate, and asking to have a few pounds spent on it. He stated that the road was used by about 35 families for the conveyance of turf, and that at present owing to the condition of the road the turf had to be carried out in creels.

The County Surveyor stated that the road was not a County Road and that the Council had no jurisdiction in the matter.

630/29.

RESOLUTION RE REDUCTION IN SALARIES FROM MAYO CO. COUNCIL.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Mayo Co. Council, in which he enclosed the following resolution passed by his Council at their meeting on the 18th May, 1929:-

"That with a view towards the reduction of taxation in this country, we, the members of the Mayo County Council, are of opinion that the membership of the Dail be reduced by 60% and the Senate to 12 members, who should be honorary, and that all salaries from that of Governor-General down to officials in receipt of over £500 be reduced from 5% to 10%."

Councillor Douglas proposed the adoption of the resolution and Councillor Bernard Gallagher seconded.

Councillor Scott moved as an amendment that the resolution be marked "read." Councillor Nyhan seconded.

On a show of hands the amendment was carried.

631/29.

DEDUCTION FROM ROAD MONEY.

A letter was read from Mr. Frank Sweeney, Solicitor, Dungloe, regarding a deduction of £5 : 19 : 0 from the road money of John O'Donnell, Meencairn, Lettermacaward for rolling.

Councillor Brennan stated that he had not been able to complete his inquiries in the matter and consideration was adjourned until next meeting.

632/29. LOCAL AUTHORITIES (OFFICES AND EMPLOYEES) ACT, 1926.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 3rd June, 1929, S. 30090/29 Ilgh. (S) in which was enclosed copy of an Order made by the Minister under Section 12 of the Local Authorities (Offices and Employees) Act, 1926, and stated that a sum of £92 : 5 : 0 had been assessed on Donegal County, and that a Paying Order for this amount should be forwarded.

Payment of the amount was ordered.

633/29.

APPOINTMENT OF ANALYST.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 3rd June, 1929, P.H. 36890/29. Dun na nGall (S.e.) in which it was stated that the Minister understood that the remuneration offered by the Council for the position of Public Analyst had proved to be inadequate, and he called upon the County Council to fix a proper salary for the position, otherwise it would be incumbent on the Minister to deal with the matter and exercise his powers under Section 16 of the Local Government (Temporary Provisions) Act, 1923.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Bernard Gallagher it was unanimously decided to fix the Analyst's Fees at 10/- per sample for each sample up to 100, and 7/6 for each sample over that number.

634/29.

APPOINTMENT OF CARETAKER, STRANORLAR COURTHOUSE.

A notification of the death of Miss Catherine Rogan, Caretaker, Stranorlar Courthouse, was received.

The Council unanimously decided to appoint Mrs. Rose O'Donnell, Hamilton Street, Stranorlar, at a remuneration of 15/- per quarter and 5/- for each Roads Meeting.

635/29.

DOWNINGS PIER.

A letter was read from Mr. James McGettigan, Harbour Master, Downings, in which he stated that the lamp stand on the Pier Head had been broken and would cost 10/- to be repaired.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Loughrey it was unanimously decided to authorise the Harbour Master to have the repairs carried out himself.

636/29.

BOG ROAD BETWEEN MULLY AND MEENAGISSAGH.

A letter was read from Mr. James McLoone, Mully, Glenties, in which he stated that no action had been taken so far by the County Surveyor toward the carrying out of repairs on the bog road between Mully and Meenagissagh and asked to have the necessary repairs carried out.

The County Surveyor stated that the matter was being dealt with.

637/29.

PAYMENT ON ROAD CONTRACT.

A letter was read from Mr. James Gill, Camatha, Collin, Carndonagh, in which he stated that he had been paid £2 : 10 : 8 short on foot of his road contract for the year and inquired the reason.

The County Surveyor stated that the amount had been struck off for inferior workmanship.

638/29.

ROAD TO PORTNABLAGH PIER.

A letter was read from Mr. John Montgomery, Dunfanaghy, in which he asked to have repairs carried out to the road to Portnablagh Pier which he used every morning collecting salmon.

The matter was adjourned for inclusion in the Provisional Road Works Scheme.

639/29.

ERECTION OF BUILDING AT FAHAN.

A letter was read from Mr. Charles Murray, 208, Lecky Road, Derry, regarding the erection of a temporary structure of corrugated iron at Fahan, which the Council ordered to be removed at last meeting, and stated that as it was only a temporary structure he did not consider that any difficulty would arise. He would be prepared to sign any agreement or give any undertaking to remove the building when the County Council so desired or demanded.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Nyhan it was unanimously decided to give permission for the erection of the building on the conditions mentioned by Mr. Murray.

640/29.

CONSTRUCTION OF BOAT SLIP AT MALIN HEAD.

A letter was read from the Department of Lands and Fisheries, dated 10th June, 1929, D/62/16, in which they stated that the proposed construction of a boat slip at Portronan, Malin Head, was still under consideration.

The Secretary was instructed to request the Department to expedite the matter.

641/29.

NOXIOUS WEEDS.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 11th June, 1929, 1682/29, in which they requested that the County Surveyors be requested to take such steps as might be necessary towards ensuring that the roads and lands under the control of the County Council be kept clear of noxious weeds throughout the present season.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyors for necessary action.

642/29.

INNISHOWEN NO. 3 OLD AGE PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from the Clerk, Innishowen No. 3 Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee in which he notified the resignation from the Committee of Mr. James C. Doherty, Carndonagh, and suggested that Mr. Francis Doherty, Fahan, Malin, be appointed in his stead.

On the motion of Councillor Quigley seconded by Councillor Mahony, Councillor Cole was unanimously appointed to the vacancy. *new com. J.R.*

643/29.

RECONSTRUCTION OF COUNTY COUNCIL OFFICES, LIFFORD.

A letter was read from Mr. W. J. Doherty, 12, Castle Street, Derry, Architect, giving the estimated costs of the heating, lighting, and plumbing of the reconstructed County Council Offices. He could not estimate the cost of the furnishing until the class of furniture was decided upon.

On the motion of Councillor Scott seconded by Councillor Nyhan it was unanimously decided to instruct the Architect to take tenders for the next Council meeting for the heating, lighting, and plumbing.

It was also decided to appoint a Committee consisting of Councillors Scott, Mahony, Baxter, and Gallen to arrange for the furnishing of the building; the money necessary to cover the cost of these items to be obtained by borrowing when the approximate cost had been ascertained.

644/29.

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION TO LAY CEMENT ALONG PROPERTYIN RAPHOE.

A letter was read from Messrs. Campbell & Co., Raphoe, in which they applied for permission to lay cement along bottom gable of their property in Irish Street, Raphoe, where no footpath exists to keep the surface water of street out. They also required the roadway levelled at their gateway.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

645/29.

SUPERANNUATION ALLOWANCE - MR. JAMES HERON.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, G. 40509/29, Dun na nGall, Pa. regarding the Department's letter of the 11th April, 1929 on the question of the superannuation of Mr. James Heron. The Minister was unable to admit the principle that compassionate allowances should be charged to the rates under the heading of superannuation, and regretted, therefore, that he was unable to reconsider the decision already given in the matter.

Councillor MacCreadie moved that the Department be requested to reconsider their decision in view of the exceptional circumstances of the case.

Councillor Brennan, in seconding, suggested that in the event of the Department being unable to recognise the addition of added years they be requested to allow the Council to include in the calculation of Mr. Heron's emoluments for the last three years the sum of £200 which had been allowed to him by the Council for extra work performed by him, which amount had not previously been included although it was earned within the period mentioned.

The Council unanimously approved of Councillor Brennan's suggestion, and the motion was passed unanimously.

646/29.

COUNTY COUNCIL v HUGH O'DUFFY.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor in which he stated that the Decree obtained in the case against Hugh O'Duffy, Beltony, had been returned from the Sheriff marked "No Goods" and he asked for instructions as to whether the Council required any further proceedings taken in the case.

The Council decided to take no further action in the matter.

647/29.

CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION - W. J. CASSIDY.

A letter was read from the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances, Ltd., re claim under Workmen's Compensation Acts re W. J. Cassidy, and stated that as Mr. Cassidy did not commence his work for the day it appeared that there was no liability under the Workmen's Compensation Acts. The accident must arise "out of" and "in the course of" the employment.

648/29.

OPENING OF TARRED OR CONCRETE ROADS WITHOUT AUTHORITY.

The County Surveyor submitted the following report:- "I wish to bring before the Council a matter which is becoming of frequent occurrence. This is the opening of roads to lay and repair gas and water pipes. These openings are, with few exceptions, carried out without asking permission. In the main street of Donegal after the carriageway had been re-surfaced under the National Road Grant twelve openings were made within a length of 150 yards.

In the case of tarred or concrete roads I would suggest that before permission be given to open any of these roads the person making application lodge to the credit of the Council a sum of money sufficient to cover the cost of restoring the roadway. This work to be carried out by the Council's workmen and the cost of doing so be defrayed out of the sum lodged."

On the motion of Councillor Nyhan seconded by Councillor Bernard Gallagher it was unanimously decided to adopt the County Surveyor's suggestion.

649/29.

INQUIRY RE REMUNERATION AND WORK OF THE SURVEY STAFF.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 13th June, 1929, R.S./7 in which it was stated that the Minister had instructed Mr. Quigley, Chief Engineering Inspector, to hold an Inquiry into the proposals regarding remuneration and the work of the Survey Staff. Mr. Quigley would arrange with the County Secretary a suitable date, time, and place for the Inquiry.

650/29.

STREETS OF BALLYBOFEY AND STRANORLAR.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, submitted the following report:-
 "At the meeting of the Council in April last I brought forward a report pointing out the necessity for not proceeding with the work of re-surfacing the carriageway of these streets until all water and sewer pipes were laid. The work of laying the water mains is near completion. No work, however, is yet begun of laying drain pipes to carry off sewage.

As I am being urged by the Local Government Board's Engineer to proceed with the Road Grant I would ask the Council to give the necessary instruction to the Board of Health so that the laying of the necessary sewer pipes may be carried out without any delay."

The Secretary was instructed to send a copy of the report to the Board of Health.

651/29.

DAMAGE TO RATHMULLAN PIER.

A letter was read from the Harbour Master, Rathmullan, in which he notified certain damage to the Pier at Rathmullan by the S.D. Chris S.N. 118 on the 7th June, 1929; estimated cost of repairs, £50.

Another letter was read from the Harbour Master, Rathmullan, in which he notified certain damage to the Pier at Rathmullan by the S.D. Good Friend on 3rd June, 1929; estimated cost of repairs, £35.

Consideration of the matter was adjourned until next meeting to enable the Secretary to get in touch with the Companies carrying the Insurances on the drifters mentioned.

652/29. SHEEP DIPPING (LOCAL REGULATIONS) (IRELAND) ORDER OF 1916.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 13th June, 1929, L. 1733/29, regarding the new regulations made by the Council for sheep dipping. These regulations must be formally made by the Local Authority under the Sheep Dipping (Local Regulations) (Ireland) Order of 1916.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Nyhan it was unanimously decided by virtue of the powers conferred in the Sheep Dipping (Local Regulations) (Ireland) Order of 1916 to require that any dipping or double dipping of sheep prescribed in the Sheep Dipping (Ireland) Order of 1915 be carried out under such conditions and at such time and place as may be specified in a Notice signed by an Inspector of the Council and served by post or otherwise on the owner or person in charge of the sheep referred to in the Notice.

653/29. PAYMENTS ON ROAD CONTRACTS - THOMAS MAGEE, CARRIGNAS.

Mr. Thomas Magee, Carrignas, appeared before the Council in connection with the sum of £150 which had been struck off his road payments, although he alleged he had the work performed.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor for investigation.

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Confirmed,

Robert Dingley Chairman
 30/7/29.

A MEETING OF THE DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL
WAS HELD ON TUESDAY, THE 30TH DAY OF
JULY, 1929.

654/29.

A T T E N D A N C E.

The following members were present:- Councillors Quigley (presiding), Baxter, Blaney, Boyle (James), Brady, Brennan, Callaghan, Clarke, Cole, Doherty (Carrigart), Doherty (Philip), Doogan, Douglas, Gallagher (Bernard), Gallen, Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Mahony, Myles, McCauley, McCrea, MacCreadie, McIvor, McPhelimy, McShane, Nyhan, O'Boyle (Daniel E.), O'Doherty, O'Donnell, Scott, Sweeney, and Wagentrieber.

655/29.

A P O L O G I E S.

Apologies for inability to attend were received from Councillors McFadden (Chairman), and Manus O'Boyle.

656/29.

C O N F I R M A T I O N O F M I N U T E S.

Councillor Mahony called attention to the omission of the name of Very Rev. Hugh Canon Gallagher, P.P., Tamney, from the Scholarships Committee, and he moved that the Minutes be amended to include him.

Councillor Brady seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

Councillor Douglas took exception to the word "unanimously" in Minute No. 642/29 re Inishowen Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

The Minutes were altered by the substitution of the words "nem. con" for the word "unanimously."

The Minutes were then unanimously confirmed on the motion of Councillor Scott seconded by Councillor Nyhan..

657/29

R E P O R T O F S U B - F I N A N C E C O M M I T T E E M E E T I N G . (2 3 / 7 / 1 9 2 9 .)

Councillors Cole and Patrick Doherty questioned the Minute regarding poundage to Rate Collectors on Board of Health Cottages.

The Secretary pointed out that as the warrants had been signed and sealed before the question was raised no change could now be made.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Nyhan the Minutes were adopted unanimously.

658/29.

R E P O R T O F F I N A N C E C O M M I T T E E M E E T I N G .

The Report of the Finance Committee Meeting held on 23rd July, 1929, was adopted unanimously, on the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Nyhan.

659/29.

F U R N I T U R E C O M M I T T E E .

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Scott Councillor Wagentrieber was elected a member of the Furniture Committee.

660/29.

R E P O R T O F H E A V Y L O R R Y T R A F F I C C O M M I T T E E M E E T I N G .

The Report of the Heavy Lorry Traffic Committee Meeting held on 23rd July, 1929, was adopted unanimously on the motion of Councillor Scott seconded by Councillor Hamilton.

661/29. REPORT OF CONFERENCE RE LOUGH SALT WATER SUPPLY.

On the motion of Councillor Melvor seconded by Councillor Blaney, it was unanimously decided to adopt the report of the Conference held on 8th July, 1929, re Lough Salt Water Supply.

It was unanimously resolved to request the Urban Council to appoint with the County Mental Hospital Committee a Joint Committee to take charge of and be responsible for repairs and maintenance to the Lough Salt Water Scheme; both Bodies to have equal representation.

662/29. LIST OF QUARTERLY PAYMENTS.

The List of Quarterly Payments were passed subject to the alterations made by the Finance Committee.

663/29. PUBLIC WORKS, ROADS, AND TRANSPORT CONGRESS AND EXHIBITION.

A letter was submitted in which the Council was invited to appoint delegates to attend Public Works, Roads, and Transport Congress and Exhibition to be held in London in November next.

664/29. GORTNASATE PIER.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works intimating the transfer of £57 : 13 : 3 in respect of Harbour Dues collected at Gortnasate Pier during the year ended 31st March last.

Councillor Daniel E. O'Boyle inquired the present position regarding the expenditure in connection with the road leading to Gortnasate Pier.

The Secretary stated that a sum of £370 had been expended, whilst dues amounting to £347 had been received.

665/29. EXTRACTS FROM IRIS OIFIGIUIL.

An extract was submitted from Iris Oifigiuil notifying the sale of lands at Clanboorhin on 10th July, 1929, now or formerly in the occupation of John O'Donnell.

Another extract was submitted from Iris Oifigiuil notifying the sale of lands at Greenan on the 10th July, now or formerly in the occupation of Patrick Diver.

A further extract notifying the sale of lands at Dooish on the 17th July, 1929, now or formerly in the occupation of Bridget Gallagher was submitted from Iris Oifigiuil.

A letter was also read from the Irish Land Commission intimating that the sale of lands at Dooish now or formerly in the occupation of Bridget Gallagher had been cancelled.

666/29. MALICIOUS INJURY CLAIMS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 28th June, 1929, G.41711/29, in which it was stated that there was no reason why Boards of Health and Public Assistance should be represented in the hearing of Malicious Injury Claims. The defence of these claims was a matter for the County Council.

667/29. ABSTRACT OF ACCOUNTS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 28th June, 1929, A.S. in which they asked to be furnished with the Abstract of Accounts for the period ended 31st March, 1929.

668/29. BALLYSHANNON WATER SUPPLY.

A letter was read from the Secretary of the Board of Health in which he enclosed an extract from the Minutes of Meeting of the Board held on 17th June re Ballyshannon Water Supply, and stating that the matter was having the attention of the Board and that advertisements were about to be issued inviting tenders for improvements.

669/29.

BALLYSHANNON PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from the Secretary of the Board of Health in which he enclosed an extract from the Minutes of Meeting of the Board held on 17th June re Ballyshannon Public Health Committee and stated that the matter was receiving attention.

670/29.

OCCUPATION OF LABOURERS' COTTAGES.

A letter was read from the Secretary of the Board of Health in which he enclosed an extract from the Minutes of Meeting of the Board held on 17th June, 1929, re occupation of Labourers' Cottages and stated that the Board would consider cases where cottages appear to be tenanted by persons other than labourers on specific instances being brought under their notice, and that in one such case a tenancy had already been determined.

On the motion of Councillor Scott it was unanimously decided to request the Board of Health to revise the Lists of Tenants of Labourers' Cottages themselves; any information required to be obtained from the Rent Collectors.

671/29.

EMPLOYMENT OF MEN ON ROAD GRANTS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department (Roads), RG/7/B dated 2nd July, 1929, in which it was stated that a complaint had been received that men had been engaged for work in connection with Road Grants in the Killygordon and Stranorlar Districts who were not recruited through the Local Employment Exchange.

A further letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 16th July, 1929, S.G.M./7/2 referring to the Minister's letter of the 2nd idem, and requesting that a reply be furnished thereto.

A letter was read from the County Surveyor (Mr. Caffrey) in which he stated that Assistant Surveyors and Road Gangers had definite instructions to engage workmen from the Local Labour Exchange and that as far as he knew these instructions were generally carried out. The work on the grants referred to by the Department was now finished.

672/29

AGRICULTURAL GRANT.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department in which was enclosed a Payable Order for £10,469 in respect of the Agricultural Grant.

673/29.

FORMATION OF A PANEL OF COUNTY SURVEYORS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 4th July, 1929, R.S.204, in which attention was drawn to an advertisement regarding the formation of a panel of County Surveyors.

674/29.

CORONERS' DISTRICTS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 26th June, 1929, G. 45701/29. Ilgh. in which they asked for precise particulars of the area administered by each Coroner.

675/29.

APPROVED NAMES FOR USE IN CONNECTION WITH MARGARINE.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 4th July, 1929, in which were transmitted copies of list of names approved by the Department for use in connection with margarine.

676/29.

MAIN ROADS UPKEEP GRANT.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 8th July, 1929, R.G.M./7 in which they asked that the claim for second half of Main Roads Upkeep Grant for year ended 31st March, 1929, be lodged within the ensuing week.

677/29. REPORT OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE PREVENTION OF TUBERCULOSIS.

The Report issued by the National Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis in which was set out particulars underlying a scheme of Anti-Tuberculosis measures in any country was submitted.

678/29. OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 6th July, 1929, G. 47902/29, Dun na nGall, sanctioning continuance of Overdraft Accommodation not exceeding £15,000 to the 30th September, 1929.

679/29. LOCAL AUTHORITIES (COMBINED PURCHASING) ACT, 1925.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 12th July, 1929, S. 49448/29, Ilgh. Trachtala, in which attention was called to Section 6 (1) of the Local Authorities (Combined Purchasing) Act, 1925, which required an entry to be made in the Minutes stating the reasons for the purchase of any commodity or for entering into a contract for the purchase of any commodity for which an official contractor has been appointed under the Act with a person who is not an official contractor for such commodity.

680/29. CHILDREN ACT, 1908.

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siochana, Letterkenny, in which he intimated intention of making application for the committal of Daniel Curran, Churchill, to an Industrial School.

681/29. DEFAULTING LAND ANNUITANTS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 6th July, 1929, G. 47903/29 Dun na nGall. Se. in which it was stated that the Minister raised no objection to the proposed employment of a temporary clerk for two weeks for two weeks at 30/- per week to summarise the list of defaulting land annuitants in the County.

682/29. PORTNOO PIER.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 17th July, 1929, in which they asked for copies of the existing bye-laws for Portnoo Pier.

683/29. IRISH PUBLIC BODIES MUTUAL INSURANCES, LTD.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances, Ltd., in which he enclosed copy of report of the directors together with audited statement of accounts and Balance Sheet for the year ended 31st December, 1928.

684/29. ROAD BETWEEN CASHEL AND MALIN TOWN.

A letter was read from Mr. Manus Harkin, P.C., Culdaff, in which he called attention to the state of the road between Cashel and Malin Town which he stated was utilised by a number of rate-payers carrying turf.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor for a report.

685/29. GLENTIES WORKHOUSE.

A letter was read from Councillor Bernard Gallagher calling attention to the state of Glenties Workhouse, and suggesting that some urgent repairs be carried out.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor for a report.

686/29.

CARNDONAGH WORKHOUSE PREMISES.

On the motion of Councillor Cole it was unanimously decided that the Ministry be requested to expedite the letting of the above Workhouse to Mrs. Madge Doherty.

687/29.

CASTLEDOOEY QUARRY.

A letter was read from Mr. Alexander Carlin, Drumatoland, St. Johnston, in which he stated that he had been prevented from obtaining stones from the above Quarry by Mr. Patterson, and he wished the Council's Solicitor to get an Order to enter.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

688/29.

PORTSALON AND DUNTINNY DRAINAGE SCHEME.

Notice of a Public Inquiry to be held at Corry, Portsallon, on 30th July, 1929, in respect of objections to the Portsallon and Duntinny Drainage Scheme was submitted.

689/29.

MAGHERANILLAUN BOAT SLIP.

A letter was read from the Department of Lands and Fisheries, dated 26th June, 1929, D/15/8, in which it was stated that the Minister was willing to recommend that certain necessary repairs be carried out to the boat slip at Magheranillaun and the boat-yard at Whiteport, Loughros Point, which was erected by the Congested Districts Board, on condition that the County Council agreed to take over the boat slip and the boat yard when the work has been completed and to be responsible for the future maintenance and repair of the works.

In the absence of the Chairman, Councillor M. O. McFadden, Councillor James F. O'Donnell moved:- "That this Council agrees to take over and be responsible for the maintenance of the boat slip at Magheranillaun and the boat-yard at Whiteport, Loughros Point."

Councillor Bernard Gallagher seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

690/29.

HOMESPUN INDUSTRY IN DONEGAL.

A Notice of Motion by Councillor Philip Doherty "That on and after 1st August, 1928, any member attending a meeting of the Donegal County Council attend dressed in suits of Donegal homespun; this Motion also to include all officials of the Council" was withdrawn as the matter had already been dealt with.

691/29.

GROWING OF WILLOWS IN COUNTY DONEGAL.

Councillor Hamilton moved:- "That the Forestry Inspector be requested to state if willows suitable for cricket bats could be grown in the County as there seems to be a good market for them."

Councillor Loughrey seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

It was decided to request the Instructor to call on Councillors Hamilton and Quigley in the matter.

692/29.

DONEGAL HARBOUR.

A letter was read from Councillor Hamilton in which he inquired what steps, if any, had been taken to provide a dumping ground for the town of Donegal, and whether the Harbour Master had made any report about dumping in the Harbour or had taken any steps to prevent same.

The matter was referred to the County Board of Health.

693/29.

LIFFORD - COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from the Under-Sheriff in which he enclosed a letter received from the Circuit Court Judge regarding certain necessary repairs which were required to the Courthouse, Lifford.

An application from Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, for £50 to meet cost of repairs to Judge's Room and Mr. Ward's Offices in Lifford Courthouse was passed unanimously on the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Scott.

694/29

ORDNANCE SHEETS REQUIRED BY COUNTY SURVEYOR.

An application from Mr. Steadman for £7 to meet cost of Ordnance Sheets as required in connection with County Work was unanimously granted.

695/29.

HEAVY LORRY TRAFFIC INQUIRY.

Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, submitted the following report:-
"In considering this matter re Heavy Lorry Traffic the two main factors to be taken into consideration are weights and speed. In deciding upon limits to be fixed re these factors for the roads in County Donegal consideration must be given to the manner in which these roads have been made. The roads were never made with a view to carrying traffic of the heavy nature brought to bear upon them during the past few years. There is an absence in them of any paving or pitching to furnish a reasonable foundation. In fact broken stone has merely been laid on a clayey or gravel surface and during past years this has merely been supplemented by further broken stone to cope in some measure with the defects disclosed so as to enable cart traffic get over them with some degree of safety. As the Inquiry has been adjourned and further time thus available I would suggest that further consideration be given to the matter and amended terms sent forward to form the basis for an Inquiry."

On the motion of Councillor Scott it was unanimously decided to request the Ministry to adjourn the Inquiry until October and to refer the whole matter de novo to the Special Committee.

696/29.

ROAD GRANTS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 10th July, 1929, R.G./7 in which it was stated that the Grants amounting to £29,119 recently notified represented the share of the County in the Road Fund allocations for the current financial year.

Councillor Baxter moved:- "That in connection with future Grants from the Road Fund, the Minister be asked to confer with this Council before finally allocating the money to certain works on roads."

Councillor Patrick Doherty seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

697/29.

APPOINTMENT OF CARETAKER, STRANORLAR COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from Mrs. Rose O'Donnell, Hamilton Street, Stranorlar, regarding her appointment as caretaker of the Courthouse, Stranorlar.

The Secretary was instructed to write Mr. Patrick Rogan to return the key of the Courthouse.

698/29.

GRANTS FOR ROADS IN ROSSES AND GWEEDORE AREAS.

Councillor O'Donnell moved and Councillor Doogan seconded that first preference be given in any future road grants to the roads in the Rosses and Gweedore Areas.

The motion was passed nem. con.

699/29.

NEW TRUNK ROAD.

Councillor O'Donnell moved and Councillor Daniel E. O'Boyle seconded that the County Surveyor be instructed to prepare a map of the road from Roshine Lodge to Kincasslagh with a view to having this road made a Trunk Road.

700/29.

NURSE HOUTEN, CARNDONAGH DISTRICT HOSPITAL.

Councillor Douglas moved:- "That we ask the County Board of Health to request the Local Government Department to restore Nurse Houten to her position."

Councillor Patrick Doherty seconded.

Councillor McCauley moved as an amendment that no further action be taken.

Councillor Clarke seconded.

On a show of hands the amendment was declared carried and the motion defeated.

701/29.

INISHOWEN NO. 3 OLD AGE PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from Councillor Douglas referring to Minute No. 1131/28 of the 25th September, 1928, regarding the Inishowen No. 3 Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee which set out that Councillor Cole resigned his position on the Sub-Committee in favour of the next Presbyterian Minister appointed in Carndonagh, and that Councillor Douglas asked to have substituted for his name that of Mr. James C. Doherty, Carndonagh. On this course being agreed to a Notice of Motion by Councillor Francis Gallagher for the inclusion of Councillor Douglas on the Committee was withdrawn.

No action was taken in the matter.

702/29.

BALLYSHANNON OLD AGE PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEE.

Councillor Nyhan moved that the Secretary be instructed to obtain from the Clerk of the above Sub-Committee a return of the attendance of the different members.

703/29.

DUNFANAGHY WATERWORKS.

In accordance with Notice of Motion duly given under Section 4 (3) of the Local Government Act, 1927, Councillor Mahony, in the absence of Councillor Gallen moved:- "That this Council hereby approves of the borrowing by the County Donegal Board of Health and Public Assistance of a sum of £120 for improvements and repairs to Dunfanaghy Waterworks."

Councillor Myles seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

704/29.

DUNGLOE WATERWORKS.

In accordance with Notice of Motion duly given under Section 4 (3) of the Local Government Act, 1927, Councillor Mahony, in the absence of the Chairman of the County Board of Health, moved:- "That this Council hereby approves of the borrowing by the County Donegal Board of Health and Public Assistance of a sum of £240 to complete Dungloe Waterworks."

Councillor Brennan seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

705/29.

STATEMENTS ON ROAD CONTRACTS.

Councillors Loughrey and Baxter called attention to the delay in payment to road contractors in certain specified cases in which the material was ready for spreading but the Contractors were delayed owing to the lack of machinery.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor for his special attention.

706/29.

DEDUCTION FROM ROAD MONEY.

A letter was read from Mr. Frank Sweeney, Solicitor, Dungloe, regarding a deduction of £5 : 19 : 0 from the road money of John O'Donnell, Meencairn, Lettermacaward for rolling.

Councillor Brennan submitted the following report:—"I have interviewed the driver of roller and find that the difference of actual time worked on O'Donnell's contract and time spent there and charged to O'Donnell's contract was due to the severe frost at this period. The machine or roller owing to radiator trouble was not working properly and also the stones were frozen to the hard ground and were not so easily driven into the road, therefore, more time had to be spent than under normal conditions. $2\frac{1}{2}$ days would be the normal time on this contract; actual time spent owing to frost, 5 days. I would suggest the Council make up the difference to the Contractor as neither the Contractor nor driver were to blame in the matter. The roller was unable to do any work on these roads for a week previous owing to the heavy frost as the roads were a regular sheet of ice and it was impossible to venture to take out the machine, so the driver informed me.

He also states "that the roller requires a number of repairs to be carried out as soon as possible;" in the meantime he is trying to carry on by temporary repairs. The County Surveyor has been notified of the repairs required. The driver says he is able to carry out these repairs if he gets the necessary parts and is allowed something for the time spent thereon. Under the present arrangement he is only paid for the actual time spent whilst rolling the several roads."

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor to adjust in next payments.

The County Surveyor stated that the repairs to the roller were being dealt with.

707/29.

ARTERIAL DRAINAGE (MINOR SCHEMES) ACT, 1928.

Petitions were presented under the above Act for the cleaning of Ballysallagh Burn and Templemoyle River near Culdaff.

The Petitions were referred to the County Surveyor for his report on the general merits of the proposals contained in the Petitions, and the probable total cost of the execution of the drainage works contained in the proposals under Section 3 (1) of the above Act.

708/29.

SUMMARY OF DEFAULTING LAND ANNUITANTS.

The Secretary submitted list of defaulting land annuitants.

It was decided to have the lists circulated amongst the Councillors for next meeting.

709/29.

LUG-NA-DRUAN BOAT SLIP.

A letter was read from the Department of Lands and Fisheries, dated 25th June, 1929, D/62/15, in which it was stated that the Minister was willing to recommend a contribution of £50 towards the carrying out of certain necessary repairs to the boat slip at Lug-na-druan, Glencolumbkille, if the County Council agreed to contribute the balance, £27, and to undertake the responsibility for the future maintenance and repair of the boat slip when the work has been completed.

On the motion of Councillor Brady seconded by Councillor O'Donnell it was unanimously decided to refer the matter back to the Department of Fisheries as the local Fishermen did not consider it advisable to proceed with repairs to the existing boat slip.

710/29.

LANDING FACILITIES AT MULLAGHDUFF.

A letter was read from the Department of Lands and Fisheries, dated 18th July, 1929, D/7/12, regarding the provisional landing facilities at Mullaghduff, and stating that on full consideration of the matter the Minister regretted that the large expenditure asked for at Mullaghduff could not be justified.

711/29.

COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE.

A letter was read from the Secretary of the Committee of Agriculture in which he enclosed list of members of his Committee disqualified for non-attendance.

On the motion of Councillor McShane seconded by Councillor Nyhan it was unanimously decided to re-appoint on the Committee all members of the Council who had become disqualified, with the exception of Councillor Patrick O'Doherty at his request.

712/29.

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from the Secretary of the Technical Committee in which he enclosed list of members of his Committee disqualified for non-attendance.

Councillor Brennan proposed and Councillor Kavanagh seconded that the members of the Council on the Committee be re-appointed.

713/29.

BROKEN PIPE ON ROAD BETWEEN KNOCK AND KINLETTER.

A petition was submitted from the residents of Knock and Kinletter in which they asked to have a broken pipe on the road between the townlands of Knock and Kinletter repaired.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor for his immediate attention.

714/29.

COMPLAINT RE. NON-PAYMENT FOR WORK DONE IN 1927.

A letter was read from Mr. Joseph Meehan, Doerin Point, Mountcharles, in which he stated that he repaired a pipe and opened 100 yards of drain therefrom in August, 1927, for which he had not yet received any payment; amount £4.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor for a report.

715/29.

DONEGAL COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Diver, Contractor, Donegal, in which he enclosed account for work done by him to Donegal Courthouse on the authority of the Architect, amounting to £45 : 7 : 0.

The matter was referred to Mr. W. J. Doherty, Architect.

716/29.

APPOINTMENT OF CARETAKER, PETTIGO COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from Mr. John McHugh, Hill Street, Pettigo, in which he applied for the position of caretaker of Pettigo Courthouse which he stated was vacant.

A letter was also read from Mr. D. J. Flood, Pettigo, recommending the applicant for the position.

On the motion of Councillor Nyhan seconded by Councillor Philip Doherty it was unanimously decided to appoint Mr. John McHugh to the position at remuneration of £4 per annum.

717/29.

APPLICATION TO OPEN ROAD TO LAY PIPES.

A letter was read from Miss Sara F. Jennings, The Warren, Rosstown, in which she asked for permission to open a road to lay down water pipes.

On the motion of Councillor Philip Doherty seconded by Councillor Nyhan permission was unanimously granted subject to compliance with the requirements of the County Surveyor.

718/29.

ROADS ADMINISTRATION - STATISTICS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 26th June, 1929, R/42/49, in which they asked for certain particulars regarding roads administration as on the 1st July, 1929.

The Secretary stated that he had furnished these particulars for the Southern Division of the County.

The County Surveyor for the Northern Division, Mr. Steadman, explained that he had been unable to complete his portion of the Returns owing to an accident which occurred to his Clerk.

719/29.

MALICIOUS INJURY CLAIM - BRIGID A. MCSHANE.

A letter was read from Mr. W. Maxwell, Clintycroe, Glencolumbkille, in which he stated that the ratepayers of Malinbeg Electoral Division would refuse to pay their rates if the Malicious Injury Decree, 28 : 17 : 6 in the above case, was altered from Kilgoly to Malinbeg as moved by Councillor Brady at the last meeting. On the motion of Councillor James Boyle it was decided to take no action on the letter.

720/29.

MALICIOUS INJURY CLAIM - GOUDY.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor in which he stated that he had lodged Order of Refusal in the Malicious Injury Claim, Rose Anne Goudy v. Donegal County Council with the Sheriff for execution and that he had received it back marked "No Goods." He asked for instructions.

On the motion of Councillor Callaghan seconded by Councillor Philip Doherty it was decided to indemnify the Sheriff in making a seizure on the premises.

721/29.

BATH GREEN, MOVILLE.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor in which he enclosed draft conveyance re transfer of Bath Green, Moville, to the Donegal County Council. Bishop Montgomery had now decided to make an absolute and unconditional conveyance to the County Council and he expressed the hope that the Council would see fit to observe the conditions laid down in his letter of 28th July, 1928. He wished to have the matter completed as early as possible.

On the motion of Councillor Cole seconded by Councillor Nyhan it was unanimously decided to approve of the draft conveyance submitted, and the Secretary was instructed to convey the best thanks of the Council to Bishop Montgomery for his generous action.

722/29.

HOUSING ACTS, 1929.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 5th July, 1929, H. 47022/29 (P.C.) Ilgh. in which was enclosed copy of the Housing Act, 1929, and reference was made to certain sections thereof.

Another letter was also read from the Local Government Department, dated 24th July, 1929, H. 53096/29/P.C. Ilgh. in which was enclosed copy of the Housing (Local Assistance) Order, 1929, relative to the Housing Act, 1929.

Consideration of the matter was adjourned until the next Council Meeting.

723/29.

LETTERKENNY COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from the Caretaker, Letterkenny Courthouse, in which he reported that certain necessary repairs were required, and that the doors and windows were in great need of painting.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Nyhan it was unanimously decided to instruct Mr. Doherty, Architect, to prepare a specification of the repairs required and to take tenders for the next meeting.

724/29.

MR. JAMES HERON, LATE ACCOUNTANT.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 6th July, 1929, G. 47901/29, Donegal County, in which it was stated that for the reasons already fully explained the Minister could not depart from the established principles regarding the calculation of superannuation on the basis of the actual number of completed years served. In view of the exceptional circumstances of Mr. James Heron's case, the Minister was prepared to accept an amended resolution awarding a pension based on the actual years served and the full emoluments. This would amount to £195 : 15 : 7.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Brennan it was unanimously decided to award Mr. James Heron a pension amounting to £195 : 15 : 7 per annum based on his service of twenty-nine years and the average full emoluments of office during the last three years of service.

725/29.

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION ACTS.

A letter was read from Mr. Thomas Waddell, Brandreth Cottages, Bundoran, in which he claimed compensation under the Workmen's Compensation Acts.

The matter was referred to the Insurance Company.

726/29.

FOOTBRIDGE OVER CREGNAHORNA RIVER.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 4th July, 1929, R.M./7, in which it was stated that the Minister was not aware of any authority under which the Council could legally expend rates on the building of a footbridge over the Cregnahorna River under existing circumstances.

On the motion of Councillor Cole seconded by Councillor Nyhan it was decided to request the Ministry to reconsider the matter.

727/29.

INTERNATIONAL BIBLE STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION.

A letter was read from the International Bible Students' Association in which they asked for permission to use the Courthouse at Ballyshannon for instructive bible lectures.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Nyhan it was unanimously decided to refuse the application.

728/29.

ERECTION OF DANGER SIGNS.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Breslin, Meenmore N.S., Dungloe, in which he asked to have danger signs erected in the vicinity of his School. A fatal accident occurred there to one of the school-children on the 1st inst.

The County Surveyor stated that the matter was having attention.

Councillors Loughrey, Cole, and McIvor called the attention of the County Surveyors to the necessity for the erection of danger signs at certain corners which they mentioned.

729/29.

DUNGLOE STREETS.

A letter was read from Mr. Murray Sweeney, Secretary, Town Improvement Club, Dungloe, regarding the grants for trunk roads for that section, and stating that as the Council promised to get Dungloe Streets improved from the first grants made they wished to know if this was being done.

On the motion of Councillor Brennan seconded by Councillor O'Donnell it was decided to request the Local Government Department, Roads, to give a special grant of £1,000 for the making of Dungloe Streets.

730/29.

COUNTY MONAGHAN CONTROL OF DOGS ORDER.

The County Monaghan Control of Dogs Order was submitted.

731/29.

ADULTERATED BUTTER.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 9th July, 1929, L.1882/29, in which it was stated that from information received butter adulterated with margarine was sold by farmers to private purchasers and shopkeepers in the Moville and Carndonagh Districts. The Department wished the Council to have inquiries made with a view to having samples taken for analysis in cases in which adulteration was suspected.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Hamilton it was unanimously decided to forward copies of the Department's letter to the Inspectors concerned under the Sale of Food and Drugs Act.

732/29.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS.

An application was made by the Secretary for bonus in lieu of fees for acting as Returning Officer at Local Government Elections. He stated that the bonus based on the amount of fees for the 1925 Election would amount to £52 :10 : 0 and for the 1928 Election to £48. The fees had been paid to him and re-lodged to the credit of the Council.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Scott and supported by Councillors Nyhan and Sweeney the application was unanimously granted.

The Secretary returned thanks.

733/29.

LOAN OF SMALL ROAD ROLLER.

A letter was read from Messrs. Crawford & Eakin, Victoria Road, Buncrana, in which they asked for the loan of the small road roller belonging to the County Council for four days to roll roads at Dunree.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Brennan it was unanimously decided to leave the matter in the hands of the County Surveyor with power to grant use of roller if he considers it advisable.

734/29.

BALLYSHANNON MAIN STREET.

A letter was read from Messrs. Lipsett & Ramage, Solicitors, Ballyshannon, in which they stated that owing to the quantity of sand or material of a sandy nature which has been spread on Ballyshannon Main Street the inhabitants are having their furniture ruined and the shopkeepers are having their goods destroyed. If the nuisance was not abated forthwith proceedings would be instituted against the Council.

The County Surveyor stated the matter was having attention.

735/29.

APPOINTMENT OF PUBLIC ANALYST.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 5th July, 1929, P.H.48162/29 Dun na nGall (Sd) in which it was stated that the Minister had approved of the proposed rate of revised remuneration for the Public Analyst to be appointed for the County in the following terms: 10/- for each sample up to 100 and 7/6 for each sample over that number.

A letter was read from the Local Appointments Commissioners dated 18th July, 1929, L.A. 6/3/28 in which they recommended Miss Philomena Frances Ryan, 12, Dawson Street, Dublin, for appointment to the part-time, temporary post of Analyst for County Donegal.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Nyhan it was unanimously decided to appoint Miss Ryan to the part-time, temporary post of Analyst as recommended by the Local Appointments Commissioners.

736/29.

HOMESPUN INDUSTRY IN DONEGAL.

A letter was read from the Department of Industry and Commerce in which it was stated that the resolution adopted at a recent meeting of the Council on the subject of the homespun industry is one for the Department of Lands and Fisheries.

737/29.

KILLYBEGS COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from Mr. Bernard Kelly, Killybegs, dated 8th July, 1929, giving the Council three months' notice to quit the Courthouse, Killybegs.

The question of obtaining Courthouse accommodation in Killybegs as from 8th Oct., 1929, was referred to Councillor Brady.

738/29.

BOG AND MINOR ROADS.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Mayo County Council, in which it was stated that his Council had asked the Minister for Local Government to introduce amended legislation with the object of having bog and minor roads originally constructed by the late Congested Districts Board and by the Land Commission repaired out of local rates. A resolution was adopted on the 29th ultimo suggesting that a conference of the Counties in the Gaeltacht be held with a view towards having pressure brought to bear on the Government to amend Section 25 of the Local Government Act, 1925. If the Council were prepared to take part in the Conference they were requested to suggest a suitable centre.

On the motion of Councillor Scott seconded by Councillor Mahony it was unanimously decided to appoint Councillors Myles and Nyhan as delegates to the proposed Conference, which the Council considered should be held in Sligo.

739/29.

ROAD NEAR CASHELARD.

A letter was read from Mr. J. O'Doherty, Cashelard N.S., Ballyshannon, in which the Council was asked to repair 300 yards of an old road into the Cashelard and Doobally Roads and leading directly to Cashelard School, which would shorten the journey to School a mile for 20 children. The cost would be about £10.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor for inclusion in the Provisional Roads Works Scheme in November next.

740/29.

DOWNINGS WATER TANK.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 27th June, 1929, S.33167/29, Dun na nGall. Pg. in which they asked for particulars in connection with the proposed erection of a water tank at Downings together with a Plan, Specification, and estimated cost of the work.

A letter was read from the Secretary of the Board of Health in which he stated that the Board considered the erection of a tank at Downings to be in the nature of harbour accommodation work and one that should be undertaken by the County Council.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Philip Doherty it was unanimously decided to execute, under seal, Conveyance of site of water tank at Downings from the Earl of Leitrim to the Donegal County Council.

741/29.

BLIND CORNERS NEAR BELLEEK.

A letter was read from Mr. Thomas O'Loughlin, Belleek, in which he stated that there were some trees and hedges on the road near Belleek obscuring the view at dangerous corners and he suggested that the Council should take steps to have them cut down.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

742/29.

ROAD FROM BUNCRAHA TO COCKHILL CHAPEL.

A letter was read from the Town Clerk, Buncrana, in which he asked to have the road from Buncrana to Cockhill Chapel tarred.

It was unanimously decided to adjourn consideration of all requests from the Buncrana Urban District Council until they had paid instalments of Demands to the County Council up to date.

743/29.

RATHMULLAN HARBOUR.

A letter was read from Mr. Charles Dooney, Harbour Master, Rathmullan, in which he stated that the crew of the steam trawler "Dean Swift", F.D.29 of Fleetwood came alongside the wooden extension for water and refused to leave when ordered by him. He asked for instructions in the event of a similar occurrence in future.

The Council decided to request the Board of Health to authorise the Harbour Master in his capacity as Water Caretaker to refuse water to any boat which ignores his orders, and to instruct the Harbour Master to cut the ropes of the vessels.

It was decided also to warn the owners of the vessel and the Harbour Master that similar conduct in future would be dealt with drastically.

744/29.

MR. CHARLES L. CALLAGHAN.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 20th June, 1929, G.40128/29 Dun na nGall. Se. in which they inquired how Mr. Charles L. Callaghan was at present engaged and asked for particulars as to how he had been employed since the Council dispensed with his services in December, 1926.

The Secretary stated that he had furnished the required information.

A further letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 17th July, 1929, G. 48371/29 in which they asked that a full report be furnished as to Mr. C. L. Callaghan performed his duties as checker of the accounts of ex-Collector McGowan.

Consideration of the matter was adjourned until next meeting.

745/29.

PAYMENTS ON ROAD CONTRACTS - THOMAS MAGEE.

A letter was read from Mr. Thomas Magee, Carriguns, in which he claimed certain money alleged to be due to him for road work.

The County Surveyor defended his action in deferring and striking off certain monies about which Mr. Magee complained.

The Chairman ruled that the matter was one which should be settled on oath and that if Mr. Magee felt he had a grievance he should take it to the District Court.

Strong exception was taken by Councillors Nyhan and James Boyle to Mr. Magee's attitude at the meeting in going up beside the Chairman to present his case.

746/29.

SHEEP DIPPING (IRELAND) ORDER OF 1915.

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Síochána, Letterkenny, in which he enclosed lists of persons found exposing sheep for sale without being in possession of Certificates of Dipping.

Mr. H. O'Neill, M.R.C.V.S., D.V.S.M., Department of Agriculture, who was in attendance, stated that he had made inquiries into the different cases reported and had learned that in practically every case the sheep had since been dipped. He informed the Council, however, that in the Dunfanaghy Area a large number of sheep-owners had refused to dip their sheep.

On the motion of Councillor James Boyle seconded by Councillor Loughrey it was unanimously decided to warn the persons mentioned that if they failed to dip their sheep within 10 days or make arrangements therefor, the matter would be handed to the Council's Solicitor to take proceedings without further notice.

It was decided to authorise the Solicitor accordingly.

747/29.

LIFFORD BRIDGE.

A letter was read from the Acting Secretary, Tyrone County Council, in which he stated that the County Surveyor intended to formulate a proposal to cover the cost of the Tyrone portion of the preliminary survey and the making of trial borings in connection with Lifford Bridge and he suggested that the County Surveyor for Donegal (N.) should formulate a similar proposal.

Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, applied for £200 for meeting expenses re borings in connection with the proposed new Lifford Bridge.

Councillor Wagentrieber proposed and Councillor Scott seconded that the money applied for be granted.

Councillor James Boyle proposed as an amendment and Councillor Brady seconded that the matter be adjourned for six months.

On a show of hands the amendment was defeated and the motion carried.

748/29. ROAD 39, APRIL 1929, STRABANE NO. 2 DISTRICT.

Mr. Steadman submitted the following report:-

"On road No. 39 April, 1929, leading from Lifford via Springhill to the Ballindrait - Castlefin road the surface is damaged when heavy rain occurs owing to water being diverted from the water tables due to defective pipes in the water tables where entrances have been formed into fields and lanes. The parties concerned are William McCorkell of Lifford, and Hohn Porterfield of Crohan. I would suggest that these parties be prosecuted and compelled to re-build these pipes with openings of sufficient size."

On the motion of Councillor Nyhan seconded by Councillor Clarke the report was unanimously adopted and the necessary prosecutions authorised.

749/29. ROAD 36, APRIL 1929, STRABANE DISTRICT.

A sum of £30 was unanimously granted to the County Surveyor to repair above road damaged by lorry traffic.

750/29.

SUDDEN DAMAGES.

Applications for the following were adjourned until the next meeting:-

- To repair Carrigans Bridge on road No. 11, April, 1928, Derry No. 2.
- To repair a bridge on road 146, April, 1928, Letterkenny District.
- To repair a bridge on road No. 9, April, 1929, Letterkenny District.

751/29.

OPENING OF ROADS.

A letter was read from the Secretary of the Board of Health in which he enclosed an extract from the Minutes of Meeting of the Board held on 15th July, 1929, regarding the Council's Minute adopting the County Surveyor's suggestion which required persons opening roads to lodge a sum of money sufficient to cover the cost of restoring the roadway. The Board approved of the Council's action provided that it did not apply in the case of urgent necessary repairs, but that it also apply to sewer connections.

It was decided to inform the Board of Health that the Council could not allow roads to be opened under any circumstances without the permission of the County or Assistant Surveyors.

752/29.

CLERICAL ASSISTANCE.

Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor (Northern Division), submitted the following report:-

"I desire to bring before the Council the necessity of making provision for clerical assistance in the event of sickness or accident rendering my Clerk unable to carry on his duties. Since the 29th June I have been without Mr. A. Heron who met with an accident. As a consequence work that should have been attended to has got behind including some Returns asked for by the Local Government Department.

As Mr. Daniel Kelly was for a considerable time my Clerk, and is, therefore, acquainted with the nature of the work, I would suggest, if it would not inconvenience the Secretary, that in the event of any emergency arising in future, that I get Mr. Daniel Kelly to keep things going and I should also like to have him until the end of next week until I can get things straightened out again.

Occasions occur when there is a large amount of work that one man cannot get through in time, and that is where assistance from Mr. Kelly would be of advantage. I recognise that what I have proposed would be a draw on the Secretary's Staff, but as it is recognised and proved from experience that he is understaffed, the solution is to give him another Clerk, and he will have Mr. Kelly also except when an emergency arises such as I have referred to. The solution has the further merit of being the most economical to cover the needs that must be met and I am not aware of any County Surveyor managing with less Clerical Assistance than those in County Donegal.

I feel constrained to add that I have never been able to understand why Mr. Kelly has not been appointed permanently. He is not only a quick worker but has other qualifications to recommend him, and there is manifestly ample work to keep him employed."

(Signed) J. Steadman,
County Surveyor,
25th July, 1929.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor (Southern Division) stated that he might also require assistance, and he suggested that when necessary he should be able to get this assistance from the County Secretary.

The Secretary stated that his staff was barely sufficient for his own requirements, and the allowing of the County Surveyors to draw on it as required would seriously impede the work of the County.

After considerable discussion the Council unanimously decided on the motion of Councillor Brady seconded by Councillor Nyhan

(a) to request the Ministry to renew the sanction on a temporary basis to the employment of Mr. Daniel Kelly; his services to be available for either of the County Surveyors when required;

and

(b) to appoint temporarily to the Secretary's Staff, Mr. Charles L. Callaghan, ex-Clerk, Stranorlar Rural District Council.

753/29.

STREETS OF BALLYBOFEY AND STRANORLAR.

A letter was read from the Secretary of the Board of Health, in which he enclosed an extract from the Minutes of Meeting of the Board held on 15th July, 1929, regarding the County Council's Minute asking the Board to make immediate arrangements regarding the water connections in the streets of Ballybofey and Stranorlar so that the road work can be proceeded with. The Board requested the Council to hold back surfacings of streets until water connections are made.

It was decided to instruct the County Surveyor to proceed with the surfacings of streets of Ballybofey and Stranorlar and to inform the Board of Health that sewage connections cannot be allowed to be made with surface water drains.

754/29.

MALICIOUS. INJURY CLAIMS.

A report was submitted from the Council's Solicitor on the Malicious Injury Claims heard at the June-July sittings of the Circuit Court.

755/29.

BOAT SLIP AT PORT RONAN, MALIN HEAD.

A letter was read from the Department of Lands and Fisheries, dated 24th July, 1929, D/62/16, in which it was stated that a contribution not exceeding £200 had been sanctioned from State Funds to cover half the cost of the construction of a boat slip at Port Ronan, Malin Head, provided the Donegal County Council agreed to contribute the balance and be responsible for the future maintenance of the work when completed.

On the motion of Councillor Quigley seconded by Councillor Baxter it was unanimously decided to give the required undertaking.

756/29.

ROAD GRANT OF £9,182.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 24th July, 1929, R/SBF/7, approving of certain proposals of the County Surveyor, Southern Division, re Road Grant of £9,182 to the County.

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Confirmed

Thomas Tadden Chairman

27/8/29

A MEETING OF THE DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL
WAS HELD ON TUESDAY, THE 27TH DAY OF AUGUST, 1929.

757/29.

A T T E N D A N C E.

The following members were present:-
Councillors McPadden (presiding), Quigley, Baxter, Blaney, Boyle (James), Brady, Brennan, Callaghan, Clarke, Cole, Doherty (Carrigart), Doherty (Philip), Doogan, Douglas, Gallagher (Bernard), Gallagher (Francis), Gallen, Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Mahony, Myles, McCauley, McCrea, MacCreadie, McIvor, McPhelimy, McShane, Nyhan, O'Boyle (Daniel E.), O'Doherty (Malin), O'Donnell, Scott, Sweeney, and Wagentricher.

758/29.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 30th July, 1929, were confirmed unanimously.

759/29.

JOINT TECHNICAL COMMITTEE.

Councillor Brady was unanimously appointed a member of the Joint Technical Committee.

760/29.

REPORT OF SUB-FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING.

The Report of the Sub-Finance Committee Meeting held on 20th August, 1929, was unanimously adopted.

761/29.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING.

The report of the Finance Committee Meeting held on 30th July, 1929, was unanimously adopted.

762/29.

REPORT OF SHEEP DIPPING COMMITTEE MEETING.

The report of the Sheep Dipping Committee Meeting held on 23rd August, 1929, was unanimously adopted.

763/29.

CARROWCANNON (RAY RIVER) DRAINAGE SCHEME.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 6th August, 1929, 13978/29, enclosing copy of notice published in Iris Officiail relative to the Drainage Scheme prepared for the Carrowcannon (Ray River) District, County Donegal.

A letter was also read from the Local Government Department dated 25th July, 1929; F. 35521/29, Ilgh. (B.C.T.) in which they approved of the proposal of the Council to contribute a sum not exceeding £106 or 41% of the total actual cost of carrying out the Ray River Drainage Scheme.

764/29.

FOOTBRIDGE OVER CREGNAHORNA RIVER.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 6th August, 1929; R.M./7, in which it was stated that the Minister could not sanction the proposal relative to the footbridge over Cregnahorna River which in existing circumstances appeared to be ultra vires.

765/29.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING.

The report of the Finance Committee Meeting held on 30th July, 1929, was unanimously adopted.

765/29. BYE-LAWS FOR PIERS AND HARBOURS IN THE COUNTY.

A letter was read from the Department of Industry and Commerce dated 6th August, 1929, T.55889 in which it was stated that the question of the approval of the proposed new bye-laws for the Piers and Harbours under the control of the Council was about to be considered and inquired if the Council desired to put forward any further representations, and pointed out that as Buncrana is being transferred to a new body of Commissioners this Pier will require to be deleted from the proposed regulations.

The Council decided to have Buncrana Pier deleted from these regulations as suggested.

766/29. LOCAL AUTHORITIES (OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES) ACT, 1926.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 3rd August, 1929, A.c/s. 55606-7-29, Donegal County, acknowledging the receipt of £92 : 5 : 0 and £122 : 10 : 9 being amounts payable by the Council in pursuance of the Local Authorities (Officers and Employees) Act, 1926, and the Local Authorities (Combined Purchasing) Act, 1925, respectively.

767/29. ROAD IMPROVEMENT GRANT, £250,000.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 31st July, 1929, S.G.F./7, in which they approved of the scheme for Main Roads proposed to be carried out under Road Improvement Grant, £250,000, and assigned numbers for the different works.

768/29. NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE PREVENTION OF TUBERCULOSIS.

An invitation to the Council to appoint delegates to the fifteenth annual conference at Newcastle-on-Tyne in October under the National Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis was submitted.

769/29. SECRETARY'S STATEMENTS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 29th July, 1929, A.S., in which they asked to be furnished with the Secretary's Statements for the period ended 31st March, 1929.

770/29. LUG-NA-DRUAN BOAT SLIP, GLENCOLUMBKILLE.

A letter was read from the Department of Lands and Fisheries dated 8th August, 1929, D/62/15, regarding the Council's resolution about repairs to Lug-na-Druan Boat Slip, Glencolumbkille, in which it was stated that following the representations made to the Minister he was having an examination of the site made by Government Engineers, and a further communication would be forwarded when the Engineers' report was received.

771/29. COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 9th August, 1929, G.55635/29, Dun na nGall, in which they inquired the number of members on the Committee of Agriculture during 1928/29, and asked for particulars of payments made on account of travelling expenses.

772/29.

BATH GREEN, MOVILLE.

A letter was read from Bishop Montgomery, Moville, in which he expressed appreciation of the Council's attitude in carrying out the wishes of himself and his family in taking over the Bath Green, Moville, and hoped that his example would be followed in other places in the County.

773/29.

SHEEP DIPPING SUB-INSPECTORS.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 9th August, 1929, in which they sanctioned the appointment of the Council's Sheep Dipping Sub-Inspectors for the dipping periods of the current year at a remuneration of £22 per week.

774/29.

ALLOWANCES TO SURVEYORS FOR GRANT WORK.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 14th August, 1929, R.G.S./201, intimating the payment of allowances to the Surveyors for the year ended 31st March, 1930, in respect of Grant Work at the following rates:- County Surveyors, £90; Assistant Surveyors (whole-time), £40; part-time, £25.

775/29.

CHILDREN ACT, 1908.

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siochana, Letterkenny, intimating the adjournment of a case under the School Attendance Act, 1926, to court at Letterkenny on the 17th August, to enable the Gardai to proceed against the defendant (Daniel Curran, Churchill) under the Children Act, 1908.

776/29.

CARNDONAGH HOSPITAL.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, dated 15th August, 1929, P. 57672/29, Dun na nGall, in which it was stated that the Minister had been informed that it was not advisable to let the buildings at the Entrance Gate to the Carndonagh Hospital as a dwelling, as such a course would interfere with the privacy of the Hospital.

777/29.

COST-OF-LIVING BONUS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 17th August, 1929, G.58481/29, Ilgh. (S) in which it was intimated that the cost-of-living bonus for the six months commencing 1st September, 1929, was based on the average cost-of-living figure of 75.

778/29.

PREPARATION OF SEVENTH REGISTER OF ELECTORS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 19th August, 1929, F.51929/29, Dun na nGall in which it was stated that the claim of the Registration Officer for remuneration and expenses in connection with the preparation of the seventh Register of Electors had been examined and it was found that the gross expenses amounted to £2136 : 13 : 9; fees received, £13 : 4 : 4; net expenses, £2123 : 9 : 5. The letter also called attention to the proposals of Sections 12 and 17 of the Juries Act, 1927.

Payment of the demand of the Stationery Office in respect of printing, amounting to £867, was ordered.

779/29.

BUNCRANA HARBOUR.

A letter was read from the Department of Industry and Commerce, Transport and Marine Branch, dated 15th August, 1929, M.S.1321, in which it was stated that under Section 9 (c) of the Piers and Harbours (Provisional Order) Confirmation Act, 1929, which became law on the 1st inst. the Council was required to furnish as soon as possible a statement of all the dues and other monies owing to them in respect of the Harbour at Buncrana, and also of all the debts and liabilities owing by them at the commencement of the year.

Another letter was read from the Department of Industry and Commerce, Transport and Marine Branch, dated 20th August, 1929, M.S.1321, in which it was stated that the following had been appointed as first Commissioners of Buncrana Harbour as provided for under the Order which became law on the 1st August, 1929.

Appointed by the Minister:- I. J. T. Colquhoun, Esq., Dr. James McCormick, Denis Brennan, Esq., and H. P. Swan, Esq.

Appointed by Buncrana Urban District Council:- Michael McGlinchey, Esq., John Porter, Esq., and P. H. Doherty, Esq.

780/29.

EXTRACTS FROM IRIS OIFIGIUIL.

An extract was submitted from Iris Oifigiuil dated 6th August, 1929, intimating the sale at Ballybofey on the 21st August of lands at Lettershambo now or formerly in the occupation of Marjorie McGinty.

Another extract was submitted from Iris Oifigiuil dated 23rd July, 1929, notifying the sale at Mountcharles on the 7th August, 1929, of lands at Knocknahorna now or formerly in the occupation of Neil Harvey.

A letter was also read from the Irish Land Commission dated 6th August, 1929, in which they stated that the sale of the holding of Neil Harvey fixed for the 7th August had been cancelled.

781/29.

SUMMARY OF DEFAULTING LAND ANNUITANTS.

A summary of defaulters in respect of Land Commission Annuities was submitted showing the amounts in respect of each Electoral Division in the County.

782/29.

REGISTRATION OF LAND BONDS.

A notification was received from the Irish Land Commission of the registration of £267 4¹/₂ Land Bonds in the name of the Council.

On the motion of Councillor Gallen seconded by Councillor Zavanagh the Secretary was instructed to sell the Bonds.

783/29.

POISON AND PHARMACY ACT, 1908.

Applications for licences under the Poison and Pharmacy Act, 1908, were received from Messrs. John Reid & Co., Carndonagh, Mr. Hubert S. O'Donnell, Carndonagh, and Mr. Arthur Doherty, Bridge Street, Carndonagh.

The licences were unanimously granted on the usual conditions.

784/29.

APPOINTMENT OF PUBLIC ANALYST.

A letter was read from Miss Philomena Ryan, M.Sc., 12, Dawson Street, Dublin, thanking the Council for her appointment as Analyst.

785/29.

COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES.

The Secretary reported that he had received from the Board of Health copy of their Minutes for the August Meeting and these would be open for inspection at his Office. These Minutes would be supplied regularly in future to him.

786/29.

GLENTIES WORKHOUSE.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 26th August, 1929, P.60220/29, P.B., Dun na nGall, in which they stated that the Valuation Department had estimated that a fair rent for the portion of Glenties Workhouse proposed to be let to Mr. James W. Cunningham at a yearly tenancy, lessee to be liable for rates and repairs, would be £30 a year and inquiring if Mr. Cunningham would be prepared to agree to these terms.

The Secretary was instructed to communicate with Mr. Cunningham in the matter.

787/29.

DOWNINGS WATER TANK.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 26th August, 1929, S.58248/29, Dun na nGall. Pg. stating that from an examination of the Plan of the proposed Water Tank at Downings Pier it would appear that too much space was occupied by cross walls. Pillars and beams would prove more economical both in capital expenditure and in the provision of storage capacity. It was requested that the Plan be re-considered.

The further inquired if the Council had arranged with their Treasurer for advance of the loan of £1,500 for a period of twenty years as specified in the Form.

The Secretary was instructed to refer the matter to Mr. W. J. Doherty, Architect, and to inform the Department that no application had been made for loan pending the receipt of the Department's sanction.

788/29.

OPENING OF STREETS IN DONEGAL.

On the motion of Councillor Francis Gallagher permission was given to open the streets in Donegal to Mr. Kerr, Donegal, subject to the approval of the County Surveyor.

789/29.

OPENING OF STREETS OF BALLYBOFEY AND STRANORLAR.

A letter was read from the Secretary of the Board of Health in which he enclosed an extract from the Minutes of Meeting of the Board held on 19th August, 1929, in which they requested the Council to make an exception in the case of the opening of the roadway at Ballybofey and Stranorlar to make water and sewage connections as it was anticipated that the waterworks contractors would carry out the work in a satisfactory manner.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

790/29.

ALLOCATION OF ROAD MONIES.

Councillor Gallen moved, Councillor McPhelimy seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:- "That a Committee consisting of one representative from each former Rural District be appointed to formulate and recommend to the Council an equitable scheme of allocating over the different areas all monies received for the purpose of road expenditure."

The appointment of the Committee was deferred until next meeting.

791/29.

ROAD FROM BALLINTRA CHAPEL TO RATH POINT.

Councillor Hamilton moved:- "That the County Surveyor be asked to take immediate action to have the road from the trunk road at Ballintrá Chapel to the Three Roads at Rath Point put into repair."

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor for immediate action.

792/29.

LIFFORD BRIDGE.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 2nd August, 1929, R.C./7, in connection with tenders received for borings for Lifford Bridge in which it was stated that the Chief Engineering Inspector would discuss the matter at an early date with the Surveyors, and in the meantime no tender for borings should be accepted.

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

"The following has been put before me for a reply - the necessity of bringing same before the Council will be apparent -. The query is this: Will the Donegal County Council and the Minister for Local Government consent to the cost of preparing a survey, plans and estimate for the proposed new Lifford Bridge as well as cost of borings. The cost of such estimate would probably be about 2½% of the total estimated cost of the work.

I take it that each of the parties concerned will stand in to cover such cost in the proportions already indicated.

Furthermore, I understand that if the improvements of the approach on Lifford side is postponed to a future date and not proceeded with concurrently with the new structure the whole cost re same would fall to be borne by the Donegal County Council."

In accordance with Notice of Motion duly signed by Councillors Gallen, Francis Gallagher, Daniel E. O'Boyle, Brennan, McCauley, Mahony, and Quigley, Councillor Gallen moved:-

"That the resolution of the County Council at their meeting on 30th July, 1929 (747/29) deciding to take tenders for borings for Lifford Bridge and granting £200 to the County Surveyor for this purpose be and is hereby rescinded."

Councillor McIvor seconded the resolution.

Councillor Scott submitted that in accordance with Standing Order No. 59 the consent of two-thirds of the members present was required before the motion could be proposed.

On a show of hands twenty-five members signified their consent to the proposal of the motion, which was then duly moved.

The motion was opposed by Councillors Clarke and Hamilton.

On a show of hands the following voted for the motion:-

Councillors McFadden, Quigley, Blaney, Boyle (James), Brennan, Brady, Callaghan, Cole, Doherty (Carrigart), Doherty (Philip), Doogan, Douglas, Gallagher (Bernard), Gallagher (Francis), Gallen, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Mahony, McCauley, McGreadie, McIvor, McPhelimy, McShane, Nyhan, O'Boyle (Daniel E.), O'Doherty (Malin), O'Donnell, and Sweeney. Total 28.

The following voted against the Motion:-

Councillors Baxter, Clarke, Hamilton, Hyles, McGree, Scott, and Wagentricker. Total 7.

The Chairman declared the motion duly carried.

793/29.

FLOODING OF ROAD BETWEEN DUNFANAGHY AND FALCARRAGH.

Councillor James Boyle moved, Councillor Baxter seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That steps be taken to have the Main Road between Dunfanaghy and Falcarragh repaired at the points where the Atlantic Ocean is washing over the road."

In view of the dangerous state of the road it was decided to place £250 in the hands of the County Surveyor to deal with the matter and to request the Ministry to sanction the deduction of this money from the road grant of £1,100 which is being spent quite adjacent and which is not of such extreme urgency.

794/29.

DUNGLOE WATER SUPPLY.

In accordance with Notice of Motion duly given under Section 4 (3) of the Local Government Act, 1927, Councillor Gallen, Chairman of the County Board of Health, moved, Councillor Mahony seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:- "That this Council hereby approves of the borrowing by the County Donegal Board of Health and Public Assistance of a sum of £900 for the purpose of providing a water supply for the town of Dungloe."

795/29.

DECLARATION OF ROADS TO BE COUNTY ROADS.

Councillor Philip Doherty moved:- "That three roads at Donegal-Pettigo Road to Three Roads at Priest's Bog be declared a County Road."

A letter was also read from Councillor Cole requesting to have the road from Adderville Contract Road to Moonbrungh Bog declared a County Road.

The Council decided to adjourn the matter so that public notice could be inserted in the Press in which would be included any other roads which it was also desirable to take over.

796/29.

BRAES IN VICINITY OF BALLINTRA.

Councillor Philip Doherty moved:- "That the Brae at Menan, and also two Braes, one opposite Ballintra Church, the other at the west of the village opposite McCormick's, be grouted or sanded."

A suggestion of Councillor Myles that a portion be left at the side of the road for horse traffic was unanimously agreed to.

797/29.

DONEGAL-PETTIGO ROAD.

Councillor Philip Doherty moved, Councillor Francis Gallagher seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:- "That when new road grants are being allotted a portion be set apart to finish the Donegal-Pettigo Road from Kinchiffin to Three Roads at Laghey."

798/29.

BALLYSHANNON PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

A Notice of Motion by Councillor Nyhan regarding the appointment of a few members of the Ballyshannon Town Commissioners on the Ballyshannon Public Health Committee was adjourned for the attendance of the Chairman of the County Board of Health.

799/29.

DERRY EYE, EAR, AND THROAT HOSPITAL.

Councillor O'Donnell moved, Councillor Philip Doherty seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:- "That in view of the fact that the authorities of the Eye, Ear, and Throat Hospital, Derry, have decided to call upon the Free State Ministry to sanction a grant to the Hospital, and the fact that one-third of the patients admitted to this Institution during the past year came from this County, we, the members of the Donegal County Council, request the Ministry to sanction a reasonable grant and request the Deputies representing this County to support the application of the Hospital authorities."

800/29. HOUSING ACT, 1929, AND HOUSING (LOCAL ASSISTANCE) ORDER, 1929.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 5th July, 1929, H. 47022/29, (P.e.) Ilgh. in which was enclosed copy of the Housing Act, 1929, and reference was made to certain sections thereof.

Another letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 24th July, 1929, H. 53096/29, (P.e.) Ilgh. in which was enclosed copy of the Housing (Local Assistance) Order, 1929, relative to the Housing Act, 1929.

The matter was referred to the Finance Committee.

801/29. APPLICATION BY MR. STEADMAN FOR AN INCREASE IN SALARY.

An application for an increase of 30% on his salary was submitted from Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor.

Mr. J. F. A. Simms, Solicitor, appeared in support of the application.

Councillor Scott proposed and Councillor McIvor seconded that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee.

Councillor Nyhan proposed and Councillor Douglas seconded that the matter be postponed indefinitely.

On a show of hands the amendment was defeated and the motion carried.

802/29. OLD AGE PENSION SUB-COMMITTEES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department conveying certain recommendations to the Committee of Inquiry under the Old Age Pension Acts regarding decisions of Old Age Pensions Sub-Committees, and regarding the selection of these Sub-Committees.

The contents of the letter were noted.

803/29. RESOLUTION OF IRISH LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS' UNION.

Copy of resolution passed at the Tenth Annual Conference of the Irish Local Government Officials' Union, that County Councils, County Boards of Health and other such Bodies be requested to fill all future vacancies in the Local Government Service by transferring, where possible, existing officers who are eligible in accordance with Section 5 (1) of the Local Authorities (Officers and Employees) Act, 1926. It was believed that this transfer system, if adopted, would be in the interests of efficiency and contentment within the Local Government Service.

When the resolution had been read the Council approved of the principles generally but decided not to bind themselves to it.

804/29. DOCKS REGULATIONS, 1928.

Councillors Baxter proposed, Councillor Hamilton seconded, and it was unanimously resolved that application be made to the Minister for Industry and Commerce for exemption from the Docks Regulations, 1928, in respect of the following Piers at which no loading or unloading is carried on:—Ballynass, Ballysaggart, Bruckless, Bunatruhan, Bundoran, ~~Bunatruhan~~, Culdaff, Daghobog, Greencastle, Killybegs (Kelly's Pier), Malinbeg, Malinmore, Mountcharles, Moville, Poolhurrin, Portnoo, Port Ochre, Ramagh, Towney, and Teelin Quay.

In view of the difficulty of protecting the different appliances against theft and destruction it was unanimously decided to request the Minister to require that the regulations only be enforced in respect of the other Piers, namely, Downings, Rathmullan, Donegal, Burtonport, Portnablaghey, Teelin, Malin Head, and Portsalon, when the actual process of loading or unloading is being carried on.

The County Surveyors were instructed to take the necessary steps to ensure compliance with the regulations at these latter Piers.

805/29. BALLYSHANNON OLD AGE PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from the Clerk, Ballyshannon Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee in which he enclosed a list of members and their attendances for the past year.

On the motion of Councillor Nyhan seconded by the Chairman it was unanimously decided to appoint to the vacancies which had arisen Mr. Philip Doherty, Co.C. and Rev. J. Murphy, Ballintra, and to re-appoint Major Mylos.

806/29.

IRISH TOURIST ASSOCIATION.

A letter was read from the Irish Tourist Association dated 15th August, 1929, in which they asked for moiety of the money voted for tourist development purposes for financial year 1929/30.

Councillor Philip Doherty complained of the omission from the Tourist Guide of his District, Ballintra.

Councillor Bernard Gallagher made a similar complaint regarding the Narin and Portnoo Districts.

It was unanimously decided to call the attention of the Association to these complaints and to pay the amount.

Another letter was read from the Irish Tourist Association dated 6th August, 1929, in which it was stated that it had been suggested that Tourist Guides be published in future for each Province instead of for each County and requesting the opinion of the Council in the matter.

On the motion of Councillor Scott it was unanimously decided to request the Association to continue publishing the booklet for this County, and to add the word "Ulster" after Donegal on all such publications.

807/29. APPOINTMENT OF COUNTY MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

A letter was read from the Local Appointments Commissioners dated 10th August, 1929; L.A. 2/4/29, in which they recommended for appointment as County Medical Officer of Health for County Donegal Dr. Sean O'Deagha, 38, Harcourt Street, Dublin, and appended a list of his qualifications.

Councillor Mahony proposed, Councillor Nyhan seconded, and it was unanimously decided to appoint Dr. O'Deagha to the position for which he was recommended.

Dr. Clinch of the Department of Local Government and Public Health appeared before the Council and asked for leave of absence for Dr. O'Deagha to enable him to accept a Scholarship under the Rockefeller Foundation. Dr. O'Deagha would take up duty on the 1st February, 1930, and no payment of salary would be made for the intervening period.

The Council unanimously gave the required permission.

808/29.

PETTIGO COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 13th August, 1929, G. 57017/29. Dun na nGall, Pg. in which it was stated that the Minister raised no objection to the proposed appointment of Mr. John McHugh, Mill Street, Pettigo, as caretaker of the Pettigo Courthouse at remuneration of £4 per annum.

A letter was read from the Caretaker, Pettigo Courthouse, in which he stated that the Courthouse was at present in a very dirty condition and would require to be scrubbed and washed, and applying for bucket, scrubbing brush, sweeping brush, one cwt. of coal, soap and Joyes' Fluid for the use of the Courthouse.

The Council unanimously decided to authorise the Caretaker to expend £1 on purchasing the articles required.

809/29

APPLICATION TO BLOCK ROAD NEAR CLONMANY.

A letter was read from Mr. P. Gallen, Clonmany, in which he applied for permission to block the road leading to Binion on day of races, 29th August, so as to give the Race Committee a chance of a gate on the Race Course.

The Secretary stated that under Section 29 of the Local Government Act, 1925, application would first have to be made to the Minister.

No action was taken accordingly.

810/29. CINEMATOGRAF ACT, 1909. APPLICATION FOR LICENCE.

An application from Mr. R. S. Chapman, Donegal, for a cinema licence was adjourned pending a report on the suitability of the premises from the Garda Síochána.

811/29. ENFORCEMENT OF CINEMATOGRAF ACT, 1909.

A letter was read from the Superintendent, Garda Síochána, Raphoe, dated 13th August, 1929, regarding the enforcement of the Cinematograph Act; 1909, and in which he suggested that members of the Gardai should be specially appointed under Section 4 of the Act as enforcing authorities where the circumstances warrant. If the Council considered the suggestion he would forward the names of the various Gardai.

The Council unanimously decided to adopt the suggestion and to ask the Chief Superintendent to nominate members of the Gardai for the whole County.

812/29. APPLICATION FOR PLOT OF GROUND AT ARDARA.

A letter from Mr. Charles McGill, Ardara, in which he applied for a small plot of ground at Ardara on which he wished to erect a motor shed was referred to the County Surveyor for a report.

813/29. BUNDORAN PIER.

A letter was read from the Town Clerk, Bundoran, dated 14th August, 1929, in which he applied for permission to open the road-way and to erect a public conveniences on Bundoran Pier.

On a favourable report being submitted from the County Surveyor the Council unanimously decided to give the required permission.

814/29. PAYMENTS TO ROAD CONTRACTORS.

The question of altering the system of payments to Road Contractors was referred to the Finance Committee.

815/29. APPLICATIONS FROM ENGINE DRIVERS FOR INCREASES IN WAGES.

Applications were submitted from Mr. John Peoples, Engine Driver, Mr. William McLaughlin, Driver of Sentinel Wagon, and Mr. Patrick McElwee, Engine Driver, for increases in their wages.

The applications were adjourned until next meeting, Councillor Baxter stating that he would lodge a Notice of Motion in the matter.

816/29. APPLICATIONS FOR PERMISSION TO ERECT PETROL PUMPS.

Applications for permission to erect Petrol Pumps were submitted from Mr. Thomas Coulter, Dunkineely, and Mr. J. C. McHugh, Breffni House, Bundoran.

The applications were granted subject to the approval of the County Surveyor.

817/29. APPLICATION FOR SMALL PIECE OF WASTE GROUND IN DONEGAL.

A letter was read from Mr. Dunlevy, Solicitor, Donegal, in which he applied for permission, on behalf of a client, to use a small piece of waste ground at the east side of Tirconnell Bridge in Donegal.

The Secretary was instructed to inquire from Mr. Dunlevy what rent his client would be prepared to pay for the ground.

818/29.

LOUGH SALT WATER SUPPLY.

A letter was read from the Town Clerk, Letterkenny, in which he stated that the Letterkenny Urban District Council had adopted the report of the conference re Lough Salt Water Supply.

A letter was read from the Town Clerk, Letterkenny, dated 14th August, 1929, in which he stated that the Letterkenny Urban District Council unanimously decided that they could not accede to the request of the County Council for the appointment of a Joint Committee to take charge of and be responsible for maintenance and repairs of the Lough Salt Water Scheme.

A letter was also read from Dr. J. C. Martin, R.M.S., Mental Hospital, Letterkenny, in which he stated that in his opinion the proper time to have a test made of the reservoir at Carnamuggagh was during the dry weather and that he had replied to this effect to a letter received by him from the Urban Council. He also stated that the water supply has frequently given very great cause for anxiety for many years past with as has often been the case less than one week's supply in the reservoir for everyday domestic requirements and no provision whatever in the event of a fire.

The Secretary was instructed to inform Dr. Martin that under the existing Agreement nothing could be done.

819/29.

HOMESPUN INDUSTRY IN DONEGAL.

Councillor Nyhan moved:- "That the Donegal County Council most earnestly urges on the government the urgency, the necessity, and the bare justice of subsidising the homespun and fishing industries in the county, same as was done by several British governments."

Councillor Sweeney seconded.

The Chairman proposed as an amendment that the following be added to the motion:- "And to this end requests the Government to sanction the purchase of a fixed proportion of Donegal homespuns for the requirements of the public institutions of the Saorstát, as well as in the trimming of the overcoats for the members of the Garda Síochána, the army, postmen, and other public services. That we also urge upon the government the desirability of taking the necessary legislative steps to acquire the several tidal fisheries of the Saorstát, now the cause of so much litigation, and develop them for the national good."

Councillor Nyhan accepted the amendment, and the motion as amended was carried unanimously.

820/29.

INTEREST AND LAW CHARGES ON HOUSING LOAN.

A letter was read from Mr. Daniel Gallagher, Killycolman, Rathmullan, in which he complained of the law and interest charges in respect of loan obtained by him under the Housing Acts.

The Secretary stated that of the loan of £260 which was given to Mr. Gallagher, £5:10:0 was deducted in respect of law costs and 5% was charged on the amount of the loan for the period for which it was actually given. This was in accordance with the agreement signed by Mr. Gallagher before the loan was given.

The Secretary was instructed to inform Mr. Gallagher accordingly.

821/29.

ROAD FROM GLASSAGH MAIN ROAD TO BUNFINNIVER SCHOOL.

A letter was read from the tenants of Bunfinniver in which they complained of the bad condition of the road leading from Glassagh Main Road to Bunfinniver School.

The County Surveyor stated the matter was having attention.

822/29.

ROAD LEADING TO PORTNABLAGHEY PIER.

A letter was read from Mr. John Montgomery, Dunfanaghy, in which he stated that no repairs had been done to the road leading to Portnablaghey Pier and that he would not pay dues on cargo of coals on or about the 23rd August.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

823/29. CONSIDERATION OF TENDERS FOR THE HEATING AND PLUMBING OF THE NEW COUNTY COUNCIL OFFICES, LIFFORD.

The Council appointed the following as a Special Committee to consider the plumbing and heating tenders: Councillors Myles, McIvor, and Daniel E. O'Boyle.

The Committee reported that the following tenders had been received in respect of the plumbing:

Hugh McMahon, London Street, Derry.....	£175.
B. McCafferty, 97, William Street, Derry.....	£179.
Wm. McLaughlin, 92, William Street, Derry.....	£194.
John Davison, Main Street, Strabane.....	£212.
J. J. & R. McCloskey, Falls Road, Belfast.....	£300.

The Committee recommended the acceptance of Mr. McMahon's tender for the plumbing.

The Committee reported that the following tenders had been received in respect of the heating:

Musgrave & Co., St. Ann's Ironworks, Belfast.....	£278	:10	:0.
Johnson & Co., Heating Engineers, Ravenhill Rd., Belfast....	£305	:0	:0.
J. J. & R. McCloskey, Glen Engineering Works, Falls Rd., Belfast....	£360	:0	:0.
John Davison, Main Street, Strabane.....	£385	:0	:0.
Hugh McMahon, London Street, Derry.....	£375	:3	:0.
The Air Vent Heater Co., Ltd., 56, Merrion Square, Dublin....	£493	:0	:0.

The following report from Mr. W. J. Doherty, Architect, was read in the matter:- "I have examined the tenders submitted in connection with the installation of the heating apparatus and attach same with a list showing the amounts of each tender.

I have gone carefully into the various proposals with your Sub-Committee and consider on the merits of the schemes submitted and the prices for carrying them out the following three tenders are the best proposals:-

(1) Musgrave & Co., Belfast.....	£278	:10	:0.
(2) Johnson & Co., Belfast.....	£305	:0	:0.
(3) Hugh McMahon, Derry.....	£375	:3	:0.

In regard to (1) and (2) I consider the Boilers suggested too small and also the amount of heating surface in some of the apartments not sufficient and I estimate that the sum of £63 :18 :6 would require to be added to Messrs. Musgrave's tender to bring it to the necessary standard and £30 to Messrs. Johnson's.

This would leave the three tenders as follows:-

(1) Musgrave & Co.....	£342	:8	:0.
(2) Johnson & Co.....	£335	:0	:0.
(3) Hugh McMahon.....	£375	:0	:0.

In regard to the piping schemes submitted I am of opinion that No. 2 is the best of the proposals and under all the circumstances I would recommend its acceptance at £335 :0 :0."

The Council unanimously decided to adopt the recommendation in each case.

824/29. ROADS LEADING FROM MOVILLE TO INISHOWEN HEAD.

A letter was read from a number of ratepayers in the Greenacres District complaining of the condition of the roads leading from Moville to Inishowen Head.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor, with instructions to report to the next meeting.

825/29. APPOINTMENT OF CARETAKER, MOVILLE DISTRICT COURT PREMISES.

A letter was read from Mr. H. Masterson, Malin Road, Moville, which he applied for the position of caretaker of the Moville District Court Premises.

On the motion of Councillor McCauley seconded by Councillor Blaney, Masterson was appointed to the position at a remuneration of £2 :10 :0 per annum.

826/29. APPOINTMENT OF CARETAKER, STRANORLAR COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from Mr. John Sweeney, Donegal, regarding the appointment of caretaker, Stranorlar Courthouse, in which he pointed out that under the Agreement the landlord of the Courthouse was responsible for the heating and cleaning, and that he proposed making the appointment.

The Council approved of the appointment being made by Mr. Sweeney as suggested.

827/29. VACANCIES ON LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from the Librarian, Donegal County Library, in which he intimated vacancies on his Committee caused by the death of Dr. Weir, Ballindrait, and the resignation of Mr. Tate.

On the motion of Councillor Wagentrieber Mr. F. T. Byron, M.A. was unanimously appointed on the Committee.

828/29. ROAD BETWEEN MALINMORE AND MEENAVEEN.

A letter was read from Mr. Joseph O'Boyle, Malinmore, in which he complained of the condition of the road between Malinmore and Meenaveen.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

829/29. REPAIRS TO HOUSE AT RUSKEY, MANORCUNNINGHAM.

A letter was read from Mr. John Doogan, Ruskey, Manorcunningham, in which he asked for assistance to carry out repairs to his house.

No action was taken.

830/29. FLOODING AT TOOLETT, BURT.

A letter was read from Mr. Percy Robinson, Toolett, Burt, in which he stated that no repairs had yet been carried out to prevent his land from being flooded of which he complained last April.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

831/29. ERECTION OF DANGER SIGNS AT DUNGLOE.

A letter was read from Mr. John Doherty, Dungloe, re erection of danger signs at corner near Dungloe.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

832/29. COMPLAINT RE BEING REFUSED JOB ON ROAD WORK.

A letter was read from Mr. George Quigley, Ballyboe, Ture, in which he complained that although an ex-member of the National Army he was refused a job on road work.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor for investigation.

833/29. SUDDEN BREACHES - SOUTHERN DIVISION.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, applied for the following:-

Glenties District, Map No. 1764, repairs to pipe.....	23	10	: 0.
" " " " 1662, " " " "	5	0	: 0.
" " " " 1766, " " " "	3	0	: 0.
Repairs to coping of Teelin Pier.....	10	0	: 0.
Payment to Mr. Joseph Meehan for repairing pipe,			
Doorin, Road No. 1929.....	4	0	: 0.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Quigley the applications were unanimously granted.

834/29. PURCHASING OF STORES FOR BREAKERS, ROLLERS, AND OTHER WORKS.

Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, Submitted the following report:-
 "At the last meeting of the County Council in July under Item 679/29 in Minutes there was a letter read from the Local Government Department which required an entry to be made on the minutes stating the reasons for the purchase of any commodity from any person other than the official contractor who had been accepted by the Department.

The above is a matter I have gone carefully into and under existing conditions find it unworkable. To ensure it being even a possible success in a County like Donegal, the Council would require to erect a store and appoint a storekeeper. Even then, cost of freights, lack of means of transport, delays caused in distribution, these elements when added together would lead to an article being higher priced in the end than what the same article could be obtained for locally.

Having verified this by experience my practice in the main has been to purchase the few articles required from the nearest local merchant and as these Orders are only issued by myself and Assistants a closer supervision is maintained and nothing got other than what is necessary and all delays in transport and freights done away with.

It is difficult to see why local merchants who are all rate-payers should be deprived of supplying what little is required for County Work apart from the advantages that result in avoiding loss of time.

Moreover, there seems to be undue cutting about the prices of various articles by Contractors accepted by Department which tends towards inferiority in the articles supplied, if a profit is to be realised.

Take for instance the matter of oils for our machinery (a most important one too), I would not buy or use the oils were the machinery my own. It is not only inferior but lacking in essential properties and contains a great deal of dirt. The results in practice are greater consumption and unnecessary wear in the bearings both of which mean loss of time and inconvenience which far outweighs the difference in price between this stuff and the satisfactory oil we had prior to the 1st April last from the Shell Co. who have a Depot at Letterkenny. Many of these reasons I brought before you some three years ago and after due consideration you directed me to carry on as I had been doing and if you still consider my reasons adequate I would suggest a continuance of this ruling."

On the motion of Councillor Hamilton seconded by Councillor Wagentrieber the report was unanimously adopted.

835/29.

DEFAULTING CONTRACTORS.

Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, submitted the following report:-
 "Gentlemen, The following contractors are neglecting their work and their roads in consequence running down. As I am unable to make anything further of them I recommend that proceedings be taken."

No. 36.	April, 1929.	Tom McColgan,	Dunfanaghy District.
" 92.	April, 1929.	John Coyle,	Glassagh, Dunfanaghy District.
" 40.	April, 1929.	Pat Kearney,	Inishowen District.
" 41.	April, 1929.	Barney Kearney,	" "
" 112.	April, 1928.	Pat McLaughlin,	" "
" 367.	April, 1928.	Patrick Doherty,	" "
" 30.	April, 1928.	Alex. Armstrong,	" "
" 277.	April, 1928.	Joseph Sheridan,	Milford District.
" 291	(Work)	William Boyce,	" "

The report was unanimously adopted.

836/29.

SUDDEN BREACH ORDERS - NORTHERN DIVISION.

Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, applied for the following:-
To repair Carrigans Bridge on road No. 11, April, 1928,

Derry No. 2 District.	£12 : 0 : 0.
To repair a bridge on road 146, April, 1926, Letterkenny.	8 : 0 : 0.
To repair a bridge on road No. 9, April, 1929, Letterkenny.	2 : 0 : 0.
To re-build a pipe on road 39, April, 1929, Derry No. 2.	5 : 0 : 0.
To repair a pipe on road 30, April, 1928, Derry No. 2.	1 : 10 : 0.
The following urgent repairs were carried out under S. B. Orders:-	
Repairing a bridge on road No. 99, April, 1928, Strabane.	3 : 10 : 0.
Repairing Meenaolin Bridge, Inishowen District.....	5 : 0 : 0.
Repairing a pipe on road No. 90, April, 1928, Dunfanaghy.	2 : 0 : 0.
Repairing a pipe on road No. 70, April, 1928, Dunfanaghy.	1 : 5 : 0.
Repairing a bridge on road 32, April, 1928, Lifford District.	10 : 0 : 0.
Repairing road No. 77, April, 1928, Inishowen District.....	8 : 0 : 0.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Loughrey the amounts required were unanimously placed in the hands of the County Surveyor.

837/29.

RECONSTRUCTION OF COUNTY OFFICES, LIFFORD.

A certificate was submitted from the Architect for payment of £1,000 to Messrs. Robert Cullen & Sons, Church Street, Portadown, in respect of their contract for the re-building of the County Offices.

Payment of the amount with Architect's fees was passed unanimously.

838/29.

DONEGAL COURTHOUSE.

A certificate was submitted from the Architect for payment of £40 to Mr. Patrick Diver, Donegal, in respect of his sewerage contract, Donegal Courthouse.

Payment of the amount was passed unanimously.

Confirmed

Mr. MacFarlane Chairman

A MEETING OF THE DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL
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839/29.

A T T E N D A N C E.

The following members were present:- Councillors McFadden (presiding), Quigley, Baxter, Blaney, Boyle (James), Brady, Brennan, Callaghan, Clarke, Cole, Doherty (Carrigart), Doogan, Douglas, Gallagher (Bernard), Gallagher (Francis), Gallen, Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Mahony, Myles, McCauley, McCrea, McIvor, McPhelimy, McShane, Nyhan, O'Doherty, (Malin), O'Donnell, Scott, Sweeney and Wagentrieber.

840/29.

A P O L O G Y.

A letter, regretting his inability to attend, was read from Councillor Daniel E. O'Boyle.

841/29.

C O N F I R M A T I O N O F M I N U T E S.

In the Minutes of the Meeting of 27th August, 1929, Minute No. 759/29 was amended to read "Councillor Brady was unanimously appointed a member of the Agricultural and Joint Technical Committees."

With this amendment the Minutes were then unanimously confirmed on the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Hamilton.

842/29.

R E P O R T S O F F I N A N C E C O M I T T E E M E E T I N G S.

The Report of the Finance Committee Meeting held on 27th August, 1929, was adopted on the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Hamilton.

In connection with the Report of the Finance Committee Meeting held on 17th September, 1929, the Secretary stated that in Minute No. 79/29 the 1st July should read the 1st April.

Councillor Scott moved and Councillor Clarke seconded that that part of the Report dealing with the increase in the County Surveyor's salary be referred back to the Committee for further consideration.

Councillor Cole proposed and Councillor Douglas seconded that the Report in full be adopted.

The following voted for Councillor Cole's amendment:- Councillors Quigley, Baxter, Blaney, Brady, Callaghan, Cole, Doherty (Carrigart), Doogan, Douglas, Gallagher (Bernard), Gallagher (Francis), Gallen, Kavanagh, Loughrey, McCauley, McCrea, McPhelimy, McShane, Nyhan, O'Doherty (Malin), O'Donnell and Sweeney. Total 22.

The following voted against the amendment:- Councillors Wagentrieber, James Boyle, Clarke, Hamilton, Myles, McIvor, and Scott. Total 7.

Councillor Mahony did not vote.

The Chairman declared the amendment carried and the Report of the Finance Committee was adopted with the alteration suggested by the Secretary.

Councillor Scott questioned the propriety of Councillor Douglas's publishing in the Press a Report of the Finance Committee and thereby imputing to members of the Council wrong motives in contravention of the Standing Orders.

Councillor McIvor supported Councillor Scott.

Councillor Douglas, in reply, stated that he considered he was justified in his action.

843/29.

R E P O R T O F S U B - F I N A N C E C O M I T T E E M E E T I N G.

The Report of the Sub-Finance Committee Meeting held on the 27th August, 1929, was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Scott.

844/29. REPORT OF HEAVY LORRY TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING.

Councillor Scott proposed and Councillor Nyhan seconded that the Report of the Heavy Lorry Traffic Committee Meeting held on the 17th September, 1929, be adopted.

Councillor Melvor proposed and Councillor Baxter seconded that the Report be referred back to the Committee for further consideration with instructions to raise the weight of lorries on the non-scheduled roads from $2\frac{1}{4}$ to $3\frac{1}{2}$ tons, and on the scheduled roads from 4 to 6 tons.

After some discussion the Report was unanimously referred back for further consideration by the Committee regarding the weight of vehicles.

A letter was also read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 10th September, 1929, in which they inquired the present position re proposed inquiry into heavy motor traffic in County Donegal.

A Notice of Motion by Councillor Scott regarding the proposed application to the Minister for Local Government and Public Health for an Order under Section 7 (4) of the Roads Act, 1920. was adjourned until the next meeting.

845/29. REPORT OF SCHOLARSHIPS COMMITTEE MEETING.

Councillor Gallen proposed the adoption of the report of the Scholarships Committee Meeting held on the 6th September, 1929, and Councillor Nyhan seconded.

The motion was carried unanimously.

The Council referred to the Scholarships Committee a letter from Very Rev. James Maguire, P.P., V.F., Clonmany, asking to have one or two Scholarships reserved for students pursuing the Faculty of Agriculture.

Councillor Baxter called attention to the clashing of the dates for the Dublin University Matriculation Examination and the County Council Scholarship Examination.

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Councillor Baxter strongly supported the application.

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846/29. STATISTICAL PARTICULARS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 13th September, 1929, 65007/29, Ilgh. (S & R) enclosing form for completion with certain statistical particulars.

847/29. FINANCE, SUB-FINANCE, AND COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE.

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848/29. SUPERANNUATION ALLOWANCE - MR. JAMES HERON.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 28th August, 1929, G.56254/29, Dun na nGall, transmitting, in duplicate, an Order, under Seal, assenting to the granting of a Superannuation Allowance of £195 :15 : 7 to Mr. James Heron, late Accountant to the Donegal County Council.

849/29. PUBLIC ANALYST.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated, 28th August, 1929, P.H.60777/29, Dun na nGall (Sd) returning the Declaration Form of Miss P. Ryan in connection with her appointment as Public Analyst for County Donegal.

850/29. COUNTY MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 14th September, 1929, P.H.64946/29, Dun na nGall (Ac) returning the Declaration Form of Dr. Sean O'Deagha in connection with his appointment as County Medical Officer of Health for County Donegal.

851/29. DUMPING GROUND FOR TOWN OF DONEGAL.

A letter was read from the Secretary of the County Board of Health in which it was stated that the Board had acquired a dumping ground for the town of Donegal and enclosed a specimen poster.

852/29. RATHMULLAN PIER.

A letter was read from the Dalby Steam Fishing Co., Fleetwood in which they apologised for the trouble caused at Rathmullan by the Master of the S. D. "Dean Swift" and stated that they would go into the matter with him on his next arrival and give him strict instructions that he must not in any way offend again.

853/29. RESOLUTION FROM BALLYSHANNON TOWN COMMISSIONERS RE INCREASE IN COUNTY SURVEYOR'S SALARY.

A letter was read from the Ballyshannon Town Commissioners in which they enclosed the following resolution passed by them on the 3rd September, 1929:-

"That we, the Ballyshannon Town Commissioners, most strongly protest against any increase of salary of Mr. Steadman or any other highly-paid official of Donegal County Council. Mr. Steadman is already in receipt of £3 for every working day exclusive of motor hire and other perquisites including fire and light in his Office. And we most strongly condemn the fifteen members of the County Council who were in favour of such an increase of 30% which would make Mr. Steadman's salary considerably over £1,000 a year, and we call on the members of the Donegal County Council to put a stop to this abominable increase of salaries considering the starvation conditions existing in County Donegal."

Councillor Scott criticised the resolution and said that the statements were misleading and inaccurate.

Councillor Nyhan supported the resolution.

854/29. CINEMATOGRAPH ACT, 1909.

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siothchana, Letterkenny, regarding the proposed appointment of Gardai as enforcing authorities under the Cinematograph Act, 1909, and in which he stated that the Gardai have already got the necessary authority under the Section and that no further action was necessary as far as the Gardai were concerned.

855/29. DERRY EYE, EAR, AND THROAT HOSPITAL.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 4th September, 1929, P.6266/29, A.F. Dún na nGall, in which they enclosed a copy of a letter addressed to the Board of Health regarding the question of a contribution to the funds of the authorities of the Derry Eye, Ear, and Throat Hospital, in respect of patients from Donegal treated in that Institution. The letter stated that it was proposed to include a clause which would enable such contributions to be made in forthcoming legislation in connection with the assistance of the poor.

A letter was also read from Mr. A. J. Cassidy, T.D. in which he acknowledged the receipt of the resolution of the County Council regarding the Derry Eye, Ear, and Throat Hospital, and stated that he was taking the matter up with the Minister for Local Government and Public Health.

856/29. EXEMPTION FROM DOCKS REGULATIONS, 1928.

A letter was read from the Department of Industry and Commerce (Trades and Industries Branch) acknowledging the receipt of the resolution on the subject of exemption from the provisions of the Docks Regulations, 1928, and stating that a further communication would be sent.

857/29. REGISTRATION AND LICENSING OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 4th September, 1929, M.T.214/1 in which they stated that the name of Messrs. C. & J. Herron, Ardara, did not appear on the list of Omnibus owners furnished, although they have returned themselves as having used an omnibus during the month of July last, and they asked to have the matter investigated.

858/29. AGRICULTURAL GRANT.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 4th September, 1929, in which was enclosed a Payable Order for £10,469 in respect of a further instalment of the Agricultural Grant for the year ending 31st March, 1930.

859/29. BYE-LAWS, RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR HARBOURS, ETC.

A letter was read from the Department of Industry and Commerce, (Transport and Marine Branch) dated 7th September, 1929, in which was enclosed a copy of the proposed bye-laws, rules and regulations for harbours, piers, etc. in Donegal.

860/29. BUNCRANA HARBOUR.

A letter was read from the Department of Industry and Commerce, (Transport and Marine Branch) in which they inquired the amount of debts, etc. owing to and by the Council in respect of the Harbour at Buncrana.

861/29. CUAILLE CONTABHARTHACHA (DANGER SIGNS).

Do Leigheadh litir ó Padraic Ó Breisleán, Scoil Na Míne Móire, An Clochan Liath; ag tabhairt buidheachais do'n Chomhairle Conndae fa choinne na cuaille contabharthacha atá curtha suas in aice na scoile.

862/29. ADULTERATION OF BUTTER IN THE MOVILLE AND CARNDONAGH DISTRICTS.

A letter dated 3rd September, 1929, L.1882-29, was read from the Department of Agriculture in regard to butter sold in the Moville and Carndonagh Districts, and requesting to be informed of the results of any action taken by the Donegal County Council in the matter.

A report was submitted from the Food and Drugs Inspector, Carndonagh, in which he stated that eight samples of butter had been taken for analysis at Carndonagh and Moville. One of the samples taken at Carndonagh contained 2.87 more water than the legal standard allowed and one of the samples taken at Moville contained .99 more water, and he stated that proceedings would be instituted in these two cases. The other samples were genuine.

863/29. PORTSALON AND DUNTINNY PROPOSED DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 14th September, 1929, 15216/29, in which it was stated that as certain alterations had become necessary in the Portsallon and Duntinny proposed Drainage District Scheme and that while the estimated cost remained unaltered the annual benefit had been reduced from £50 : 3 : 8 to £44 : 17 : 5 so that free grants to the extent of 79% of the cost would require to be made. The Minister for Finance had agreed to contribute 50% and they wished to know if the Council was prepared to contribute the remaining 29% estimated at £385 : 14 : 0 and involving an annual charge of £24 : 19 : 6.

Councillor Blaney moved, Councillor Baxter seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:- "That the Council agree to contribute 29% of the total actual cost of carrying out the Portsallon and Duntinny proposed drainage scheme."

864/29. WALL IN LETTERKENNY.

Councillor Mahony moved, Councillor McCrea seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:- "That the County Surveyor be instructed to report on the wall enclosing railway property at the junction of the road from Letterkenny to Lifford and from Letterkenny to the Railway Station with a view towards improving the view for vehicular traffic."

865/29. DANGER SIGNS.

Councillor Mahony called attention to the urgent necessity for the erection of Danger Signs at Doon National School.

Councillor Loughrey urged that the erection of Danger Signs at the dangerous corner in Kerrykeel be expedited.

866/29. AGRICULTURAL AND TECHNICAL COMMITTEES.

Councillor Doogan proposed, Councillor James Boyle seconded, and it was unanimously resolved "That Mr. William Hunt of the Gweedore Hotel be appointed a member of the Agricultural and Technical Committees."

Councillor McCauley, in the absence of Councillor Cole, proposed:- "That Rev. Michael McGeown, P.P., Carndonagh, be appointed on the Agricultural and Technical Committees."

It was explained that Father McGeown's absence was caused by his necessary attendance at a Mission and other important Ecclesiastical business.

The Council unanimously accepted the explanation and appointed him on the Committee.

867/29.

INCREASES IN SALARIES.

Councillor Doogan moved:- "That no increase of salary be granted to any official of the Donegal County Council in the present financial year owing to the high rates already in existence and the amount of rates and land annuities still in arrears that we consider it is not an opportune time to increase salaries already too high seeing the depression in agricultural produce and the low prices ruling for stock. I will also move that no new works or repairs be passed until the next Provisional road meeting and that all districts get a fair share of monies to be expended; sudden branches to be exempted."

Councillor Sweeney seconded.

Councillor Mahony moved as an amendment:- "That each increase be dealt with as it arises and considered on its merits."

Councillor Scott seconded.

On a show of hands the amendment was declared carried.

868/29.

PREPARATION OF ROAD SHEETS.

Councillor Hamilton moved:- "That the County Surveyor prepare the Road Sheets to read 'To keep in repair for three years, etc. with not less than X tons not to exceed fX' and that any cut in the tender shall take the form of tendering for extra tonnage."

Councillor Brennan seconded.

The motion was adjourned until the next meeting for a report from the County Surveyors.

869/29.

STANDING ORDERS.

Councillor Hamilton moved, Councillor Nyhan seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:- "That the Chairman be asked to rigidly enforce the Standing Orders, more especially 35, 62, and 72, with a view to greater efficiency and saving of time and permitting Councillors who have to catch trains, etc. to attend the whole meeting."

The Chairman appealed to the Councillors to be brief and to the point in all discussions and to adhere as closely to the Standing Orders as possible. In this way his duties would be considerably lightened and no time would be wasted.

Councillor Gallen stated that he believed that the business was as well conducted as at any other Public Body and he thought the Chairman had done wonderfully well.

870/29.

BALLYSHANNON PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

A Notice of Motion by Councillor Nyhan regarding the appointment of a few of the Ballyshannon Town Commissioners on the Ballyshannon Board of Health was further adjourned until the next meeting.

871/29.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE RE ALLOCATION OF ROAD MONIES.

The following Committee was unanimously appointed re the allocation of road monies:-

Ballyshannon.....	Councillor Nyhan.
Derry No. 2.....	" Scott.
Donegal.....	" Hamilton.
Dunfanaghy.....	" James Boyle.
Glenties.....	" Brennan.
Inishowen.....	" Quigley.
Latterkenny.....	" Mahony.
Milford.....	" Blaney.
Strabane No. 2.....	" Gallen.
Stranorlar.....	" Callaghan.

872/29. LANDSLIDE ON ROAD BETWEEN LETTERKENNY AND GLENTIES.

A letter was read from Messrs. McFadden & Co., Solicitors, Letterkenny, in which they stated that Mr. Michael Kelly of Barrack, Breenagh, had consulted them with regard to a landslide on the Main Road between Letterkenny and Glenties thus blocking a stream on his lands and thereby causing flooding. He wished to have the matter put right and he believed that the Contractor would do it in a very short time.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

873/29. APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION TO ERECT A PETROL PUMP.

An application from Mr. F. McGlynn, Dunkineely, for permission to erect a Petrol Pump was granted on the usual conditions subject to the County Surveyor's approval.

874/29. COURTHOUSE ACCOMMODATION IN KILLYBEGS.

A letter was read from Mr. W. B. Walker, Killybegs, regretting that the Foresters could not rent the Hall as the Courthouse business would interfere with other arrangements, and that they had no heating or sanitary accommodation.

Councillor Brady submitted a letter from the Governors of the Robertson Endowed Schools in which they stated that they would consider at their next meeting the question of granting the Council a place for the holding of Courts.

The matter was accordingly adjourned until next meeting.

875/29. APPLICATIONS FROM ENGINE DRIVERS FOR INCREASES IN WAGES.

Applications were submitted from Mr. Paddy McElwee, Engine Driver, Mr. John Peoples, Engine Driver, and Mr. William McLaughlin, Driver of Sentinel Wagon for increases in their wages.

The matter was adjourned until next meeting.

876/29. ROAD AT BALLYLOUGHAN, BRUCKLESS DISTRICT.

A letter was read from Mrs. K. M. Sinclair, Ballyloughan, Bruckless, in which she stated that nothing worth while had been done to the road leading to her house and that she paid more rates than any other person in the neighbourhood.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

877/29. OUTBREAKS OF SHEEP SCAB, MILFORD AND DONEGAL AREAS.

Outbreaks of sheep scab in the Milford and Donegal Areas were reported by the local Veterinary Inspectors.

In the Milford Area 260 sheep were found affected on one holding.

The following report was read from Mr. Hugh O'Neill, M.R.C.V.S., D.V.S.M., Department of Agriculture:-

"Gentlemen, A large outbreak of sheep scab affecting 300 sheep was discovered in the Fanad District and restrictions were served on the persons in charge, scheduling the area.

I consulted members of the Sheep Dipping Committee and the No. 2 man for the area, Mr. James Friel, Doaghmore, Kindrum, was appointed temporarily to look after the outbreak. Hoping this will meet with your approval." (Signed) H. O'Neill.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Nyhan the appointment of Mr. Friel was unanimously confirmed to date from the 7th Sept., and to continue as long as considered necessary on a weekly basis by the Inspector.

878/29.

MOVILLE COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 9th September, 1929, G. 63628/29 (Sg) Dun na nGall, in which it was stated that the Minister raised no objection to the proposed appointment of Mr. Henry Masterson as caretaker of the Moville District Court Premises.

A letter was read from Mr. Charles J. Crumlish, Secretary of the Moville Hall Committee, in which it was stated that the Caretaker of the Hall must necessarily be the Caretaker of the Courthouse, and asking to have Mr. William Farren appointed to the position.

Letters were also read from Rev. Michael Sheerin, P.P., and Mr. Masterson in the matter.

Councillor McCauley proposed, Councillor Cole seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:- "That instead of the appointment of a Caretaker being made by the Council, a cleaning allowance, equal to the amount formerly paid the Caretaker, be paid to the Trustees of the Hall who will be responsible for the carrying out of the work."

879/29. APPOINTMENT OF HARBOUR MASTERS AT BURTONPORT, CLADNAGERAGH, AND TEELIN.

On the motion of Councillor James Boyle seconded by Councillor Doogan, Mr. John O'Donnell, the only applicant, was appointed Harbour Master at Burtonport.

Applications for the position of Harbour Master at Cladnageragh were submitted from Mrs. Margaret Cunningham, the present acting Deputy Harbour Master, and Mr. John Haughey of Teelin.

The Chairman stated that Mr. Haughey was withdrawing in favour of Mrs. Cunningham.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by the Chairman Mrs. Cunningham was unanimously recommended for appointment by the Board of Works.

Applications for the position of Harbour at Teelin were submitted from Mr. John Haughey, Teelin, and Mr. Hugh O'Byrne, the present Acting deputy Harbour Master.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by the Chairman Haughey was unanimously appointed to the position.

880/29. ARTERIAL DRAINAGE (MINOR SCHEMES) ACT, 1928.

A petition under the Arterial Drainage (Minor Schemes) Act, 1928, was submitted for the drainage of the River Behy.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor for a preliminary report.

881/29. EXECUTION OF HEATING AND PLUMBING CONTRACTS, COUNTY OFFICES.

On the motion of Councillor Wagentrieber, seconded by the Chairman, the Contracts for the heating and plumbing of the new County Council Offices, Lifford, were executed, under seal.

882/29. SURVEYORS' SALARIES AND TRAVELLING EXPENSES.

A letter was read from Mr. John McDermott, Rossgier House, Ballindrait, in which he applied for particulars of Surveyors' travelling expenses and salaries.

On the motion of Councillor Scott the Secretary was instructed to inform Mr. McDermott that the Council's Books were open to him for inspection at his Office at any time.

883/29.

BUNCRANA HARBOUR.

A letter was read from Mr Cornelius Moran, Harbour Master at Bunrana, in which he stated that he was unable to continue in his position owing to ill-health, and applying for a Superannuation allowance.

In view of the fact that Bunrana Harbour had passed from the Council's control it was decided to take no action in the matter.

884/29.

PIPE AT TOOME, LETTERMACAWARD.

A letter was read from a number of ratepayers in Toome, Lettermacaward, complaining of the flooding of their lands caused by breaking of a water pipe.

The County Surveyor submitted the following report:-
"The pipe referred to is in good condition and the road does not suffer. It seems every year the outlet of the pipe is blocked with stones for the purpose of catching trout and the Road Contractor has to remove the obstruction. The inlet from the lake into the pipe is gradually silting up and, consequently, the lake is spreading over the lands. To drain the Lake a larger pipe would require to be built at a level of two feet below the existing pipe."

The Secretary was instructed to convey the contents of the report to the persons interested.

885/29.

SNÍOMHADOIREACHT AGUS FIGHEADOIREACHT.
(Homespun and Fishing Industries.)

Do Leigheadh litir ó Roinn Tailte agus Iascaigh fe dtaobh de'n Sníomhadoireacht agus Figheadoireacht agus ag radh nach bhfuil se beartuithe go foill aiseanna i scoir cardail agus dathu do chur in aon ait eile seachas na haiteanna in a bhfuil siad cheana. Tá Bille a ullamhu i dtaobh na h-iascáirí sa lathair agus tathar ag suil go ndéanfadh na foralacha a bheas ann níos fusa a baid agus gleusa d'fhail.
Councillor Sweeney criticised the letter which he considered unsatisfactory.

The Chairman read a further letter which set out details of the action being taken by the Department to assist the industry.

On the motion of Councillors Mahony and Scott it was decided to express approval of the Department's action.

886/29.

TENDERS FOR SUPPLY OF COAL TO LIFFORD COURTHOUSE.

Tenders for the supply of coal were submitted from Messrs. McDevette & Donnell, Derry, at 49/- per ton, and from Messrs. R. J. Smith & Co., Strabane at 42/6 per ton for best Whitehaven Coal, delivered in one lot.

The Council decided to accept Messrs. Smith & Co.'s tender which they requested should be delivered in two lots at the same price.

887/29.

TANK AT DOWNINGS PIER.

A letter was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health dated 17th September, 1929, S.64209/29, Dun na nGall, in which they asked for a map or plan showing the position of the proposed tank at Downings Pier.

The Secretary submitted a 'fresh' plan which had been prepared by Mr. Doherty, Architect.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter the Secretary was instructed to forward the 'fresh' plan to the Department.

888/29. CLAIM FOR PAYMENT ON ROAD CONTRACTS - THOMAS MAGEE.

A letter was read from Mr. Thomas Magee, Carrigans, advorting to the Minutes of the County Council of the 30th July, 1929, relative to his claim and inquiring if the Council would take advantage of the fact that the proceedings had not been instituted within six months if he should take the matter to Court.

The matter was adjourned until the next meeting of the Council on the suggestion of the County Surveyor.

889/29. GLENTIES FEVER HOSPITAL.

A letter was read from Mr. James W. Cunningham of Carrick offering £15 per annum for the Glenties Fever Hospital.

The Chairman stated that Mr. Cunningham would have to expend about £50 putting the place in repair before he could occupy it and he, therefore, moved that the offer be accepted.

Councillor Nyhan seconded the motion which was passed unanimously.

890/29. CARNDONAGH COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from the Caretaker of the Carndonagh Courthouse in which he stated that the spoutings of the Courthouse were glutted with dirt flowing over at the west gable and going in through wall to inside.

In view of the fact that this Courthouse is a new building the matter was referred to Mr. Doherty, Architect, for a report.

891/29. CLAIM - ROSE ANNE GOUDY v DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor in which he stated that he had again received Order of Refusal from the Sheriff in the case Rose Anne Goudy v. Donegal County Council with further return of "No Goods" and he asked for further instructions.

The Council decided to take no further action in the matter.

892/29. APPLICATION FOR CINEMA LICENCE.

An application for a Cinema Licence for the Recreation Hall, Dungloe, was unanimously granted on the motion of Councillor Brennan, a favourable report on the building having been submitted from the Assistant Surveyor.

893/29. RENEWAL OF CINEMA LICENCE.

A renewal of a cinema licence issued to Mr. Denis McCauley, CO.C., Moville, was unanimously granted.

894/29. TEELIN PIER.

A letter was read from the Acting Deputy Harbour Master, Teelin, in which he reported that Messrs. Gallagher Bros. were packing herring on the Pier this season again and refused to stop when told to do so.

A letter was read from Messrs. Gallagher Bros. in which they stated that they were not using the Pier as a curing station and that as the space on the Pier where they pack is never used they trusted they would be allowed to continue.

The matter was referred to the new Harbour Master, Mr. John Haughey of Teelin.

895/29. STATEMENT AND CLAIM OF IRISH REPUBLIC.

A letter from the Secretary, Mansion House Chambers, 27, Dawson Street, Dublin, enclosing statement and claim of the Irish Republic addressed to the Right Honourable Ramsay MacDonald, Premier of England, was ruled out of order by the Chairman.

896/29.

APPLICATION FOR PIECE OF GROUND AT ARDARA.

An application for a piece of ground at Ardara on which to erect a motor shed was submitted from Mr Charles McGill.

The following report was submitted from the County Surveyor:-
"The piece of ground for which Mr. McGill made application is situated on the Ardara-Donegal Road at the junction of Woodhill Road. It is about 26 feet square and seems to have been an old quarry. As it is of no utility a motor shed or other building erected on it would improve its appearance."

Mr. McGill, who was present, stated that the ground formerly belonged to the Glenties Rural District Council.

On the motion of Councillor Nyhan seconded by Councillor O'Donnell it was unanimously decided to let the ground to Mr. McGill at 1/- per annum; Mr. McGill also to bear the cost of the Agreement.

897/29.

ROAD TO INISHOWEN HEAD.

The County Surveyor submitted the following report:-

"Regarding the road Greencastle via Carrowhugh and Carrowtrasna to Shrove, this road has become of more importance owing to the Motor traffic to Shrove.

Its condition is rough, many rocks in surface, centre portion depressed and sides high. The road would require to be re-formed and widened for most of its length. I would ask for £380." *Scott*

Councillor McCauley proposed and Councillor *Deke* seconded that the money be placed in the County Surveyor's hands.

The Chairman ruled the motion out of order.

898/29.

MR. DANIEL KELLY.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 30th August, 1929, G. 56256/29, Dun na nGall, in which they sanctioned the continuance of Mr. Daniel Kelly's services for a further period of six months as proposed.

899/29.

MR. CHARLES L. CALLAGHAN.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 17th July, 1929, G. 48371/29, Dun na nGall, in which they asked that a full report be furnished as to how Mr. Charles L. Callaghan performed his duties as Checker of the accounts of ex-Collector McGowan.

On the motion of Councillor James Boyle seconded by Councillor O'Donnell it was unanimously decided to instruct the Secretary to reply stating that it was through the efforts of Mr. Callaghan, when acting as Deputy Checker, and as a result of his evidence, that McGowan was convicted in the criminal prosecution. In the civil proceedings the Council are satisfied that had the case been fought to a finish no loss would have accrued to them through any fault of the Deputy Checker.

At the time it was proposed to terminate Mr. Callaghan's appointment his services were considered redundant, but it has since become evident from the County Surveyor's report that the Offices are understaffed, and in view of the fact that Mr. Callaghan was the only existing Officer who was not transferred permanently, and who did not wish to be superannuated the Council have unanimously appointed him on their Office staff at his previous salary and emoluments.

900/29.

FLOODING IN BALLYSHANNON.

A letter was read from Mr. Terence Kennedy, West Rock, Ballyshannon, in which he stated that his house was subject to flooding in wet weather and he asked to have it remedied before the winter sets in.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

901/29.

DRAINAGE OF BALLYSALLAGH BURN.

A letter was read from Mr. T. Carr, Ray P.O., Letterkenny, in which he asked to have the County Surveyor's attention directed to the petition lodged for the drainage of the Ballysallagh Burn.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor for his attention.

902/29.

PIECE OF LAND IN EAST PORT STREET, BALLYSHANNON.

A letter was read from Mr. James Monaghan, Carpenter, Ballyshannon, in which he stated that he formerly owned a piece of land in East Port Street, Ballyshannon, which was now in the possession of the Council and he would feel grateful if the Council would return it to him.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor for a report.

903/29.

BALLYSHANNON COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from Miss Stephens, Main Street, Ballyshannon, in which she applied for the use of Ballyshannon Courthouse for a Jumble Sale on the 4th September, 1929.

The Secretary stated that in view of the urgency of the application he had, on the recommendation of the Local Councillors, Messrs. Myles and Nyhan, granted the application.

The Council unanimously approved of the Secretary's action.

904/29.

SALARIES OF ASSISTANT COUNTY SURVEYORS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 27th August, 1929, R.S./7, in which he stated that the Minister sanctioned the placing of Assistant Surveyors on a salary scale commencing at £250 and rising by annual increments of £10 to a maximum of £400, each officer to be placed as from the 1st September, 1929, on the point of the scale next above his present salary and bonus. The letter further set out certain special conditions on which the scale was proposed.

Councillor Mahony proposed, Councillor Baxter seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:- "That the Minister be requested to sanction the scale of salaries as fixed by the Council and on the conditions laid down by the Council", and the Secretary was instructed to point out to the Ministry that the Council considered the present duties of the Assistant Surveyors sufficient to keep them wholly employed, apart altogether from any work which they might be required to do by the Board of Health.

The Secretary was instructed to continue paying the Assistant Surveyors at their present salaries.

905/29

IRISH TOURIST ASSOCIATION.

A letter was read from the Irish Tourist Association dated 5th September, 1929, regarding the approval given by the Council to the issue of a Guide Book by Messrs. Burrow & Co. and in which they stated that they had yet to learn that the said issue justified their receiving the official approval which helped them to take advertising revenue from various parts of the County and give in return for it a few hundred copies of the Guide, the printing of which is done outside the country.

In view of the fact that approval had been given to Messrs. Burrow & Co. the Council considered that no action could be taken.

906/29.

GLENTIES DISTRICT HOSPITAL

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Browne, Letterilly, Glenties, in which he asked permission to allow a few cattle on the lands at Glenties District Hospital to eat the grass before the 1st October.

The Council considered that in view of the proximity of the 1st October, it was not worth while granting the application.

907/29.

OVERGROUND TELEGRAPHIC LINES.

An application was submitted from the Department of Posts and Telegraphs for permission to erect an overground telegraphic line from the Market Square to a point near the District Hospital, Carndonagh.

Another application was submitted from the Department of Posts and Telegraphs for permission to erect an overground telegraphic line along the road from Bridgend Post Office to the main Derry-Buncrana Road.

The applications were granted on the usual conditions.

908/29.

REGISTRATION AND LICENSING OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

A letter was read from Superintendent O'Riordan, Garda Siothchana, Buncrana, in which he reported breaches of the motor licensing regulations.

The matter was referred to the Council's Solicitor with instructions to institute proceedings.

909/29.

BATH GREEN, MOVILLE.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor in which he enclosed a draft map in connection with the transfer of the Bath Green, Moville.

The map was unanimously approved of.

910/29.

REPAIRS TO GLENTIES WORKHOUSE ROOF.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, submitted the following report:- "As instructed I made an inspection of the roofs of the buildings of Glenties Workhouse. The building known as the porter's lodge requires considerable repairs to the roof. One of the chimneys seems to have been blown down and a large hole has been made in the roof. Slates have also been stripped off the front and back portions of this building. To repair the roof I estimate the sum of £30 would require to be expended.

Since making the inspection I have learned that this building is about to be sold and removed. If so, no repairs should be carried out."

In view of the fact that tenders are being taken for the demolition of the building the Council decided to take no action in the matter.

911/29.

BALLYSAGGART AND BRUCKLESS PIERS.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, submitted the following report:- "As instructed I made an inspection of these Piers. There are about 15 yards of the masonry of Ballysaggart breakwater requiring immediate repairs which can only be carried out between tides. Bruckless Pier has a number of large stones missing and several others loose. The masonry work of this Pier requires in addition general repairs and pointing. To carry out the necessary repairs to both piers a sum of £30 would be required."

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor McShane the report was unanimously adopted and the required amount placed in the County Surveyor's hands.

912/29.

MILFORD WORKHOUSE.

A letter was read from the Caretaker of the Milford Workhouse reporting that a tile had been blown off the roof and that the spoutings required cleaning.

The matter was referred to the Assistant Surveyor for the District, Mr. Patrick Dawson, to have the necessary repairs carried out.

913/29.

LIFFORD BRIDGE.

A letter was read from the Acting Secretary, Tyrone Co. Council, in which he stated that having regard to the resolution of the Donegal County Council it was decided not to take any further action regarding the reconstruction of Lifford Bridge.

914/29.

FIXING OF DATES FOR HALF-YEARLY MEETINGS TO ROAD CONTRACTORS.

The list of dates for half-yearly meetings to payments to Road Contractors submitted by Mr. Steadman was unanimously approved of.

915/29.

SUDDEN DAMAGES - NORTHERN DIVISION.

The following report was submitted by Mr. Steadman:-

"The following works are required:-

Repair of fencing at County Quarry, Craigtown.	£1 : 0 : 0.
Repairing breaches in side of road, Raphoe to Convoy, 1,	£14 : 0 : 0.
April, 1928, Strabane No. 2.	
To re-build a pipe and clean a drain on Road No. 84,	£10 : 0 : 0.
April, 1928, Derry No. 2.	

On the motion of Councillor Mahony it was unanimously decided to place the amounts required in the County Surveyor's hands.

916/29.

re WILLIAM McLAUGHLIN, DRIVER, NO. 11 STEAM WAGGON.

Consideration of a report by the County Surveyor re William McLaughlin, Driver of No. 11 Steam Waggon, was adjourned until the next meeting.

Confirmed,

Mr. J. J. J.

Chairman,

29/10/29.

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A MEETING OF THE DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL
WAS HELD ON
TUESDAY, THE 29TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 1929.

917/29.

A T T E N D A N C E.

The following were the members present:-
Councillors McFadden (presiding), Quigley, Baxter, Blaney, Boyle (James), Brady, Cole, Doherty (Carrigart), Doherty (Philip), Douglas, Gallagher (Bernard), Gallagher (Francis), Gallen, Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Myles, McCauley, McCrea, MacCreadie, McIvor, McPhelimy, McShane, Nyhan, O'Boyle (Manus), O'Doherty (Malin), Scott, Sweeney, and Wagentrieber.

918/29.

C O N D O L E N C E.

The Chairman proposed that the sympathy of the Council be extended to Very Rev. Chancellor McGafferty, Chairman of the Scholarships Committee, on the death of his esteemed brother, the Parish Priest of Burtonport.

Councillor Gallen seconded the resolution which was supported by Councillor Nyhan, and passed in silence, all the members standing.

919/29.

S Y M P A T H Y.

The Chairman moved that the sympathy of the Council be extended to Councillors Callaghan and Clarke in their illness, and he hoped that they would be both back again in a very short time.

920/29.

A P O L O G I E S.

Apologies for inability to attend were received from Councillors Doogan, Mahony, Daniel E. O'Boyle and O'Donnell.

Councillor Wagentrieber apologised for the non-attendance of Councillor Clarke.

921/29.

C O N F I R M A T I O N O F M I N U T E S.

The Secretary stated that in Minute 897/29 the name of Councillor Scott should be substituted for that of Councillor Cole.

Councillor Cole agreed, and with this amendment the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 24th September, 1929, were unanimously confirmed.

922/29.

R E P O R T O F S U B - F I N A N C E C O M M I T T E E M E E T I N G.

The Report of the Sub-Finance Committee Meeting held on the 24th September, 1929, was unanimously adopted.

923/29.

R E P O R T O F F U R N I T U R E C O M M I T T E E M E E T I N G.

The Report of the Furniture Committee Meeting held on the 16th October, 1929, was unanimously adopted.

The Chairman moved that full powers be given to this Committee to proceed with the purchase of the necessary furniture for the new County Council Offices.

Councillor Hamilton seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

924/29.

REPORT OF HEAVY LORRY TRAFFIC COMMITTEE.

Councillor Scott moved and Councillor Gallen seconded that the Report of the Heavy Lorry Traffic Committee Meeting held on the 15th October, 1929, be adopted.

Councillor McCauley moved as an amendment and Councillor Quigley seconded that the matter be adjourned for six months or until such time as legislation is introduced in the Dail dealing with motor traffic in the Free State.

The following voted for the amendment:- Councillors Quigley, Baxter, Cole, Doherty (Carrigart), Doherty (Philip), Douglas, Gallagher (Francis), Kavanagh, Loughrey, Nyles, McCauley, McCrea, MacCreadie, McIlvor, McShane, and O'Doherty (Malin). Total 16.

The following voted against the amendment:- Councillors Boyle (James), Brady, Gallen, Hamilton, McPhelimy, Nyhan, O'Boyle (Manus), Scott, Sweeney, and Wagentrieber. Total 10.

The amendment was then put as a substantative motion and carried by the same majority.

925/29.

REPORT OF ROAD MONIES ALLOCATION COMMITTEE MEETING.

Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, suggested that no alteration be made in the present system regarding roads included in scheme by County Surveyors, but that if the Council so desired they could make the scheme of allocation suggested applicable to Councillors' Motions.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, stated that the Scheme could not be adopted until the existing road contracts were completed.

It was decided to adjourn the matter pending the expiry of the existing road contracts and to apply the allocation scheme to Councillors' Motions in the forthcoming Provisional Road Works Scheme.

926/29.

QUARTERLY LIST OF PAYMENTS.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Brady the list of quarterly payments were passed.

927/29.

CORKER BRIDGE.

A letter was read from the Irish Land Commission dated 25th October, 1929, 35182/29, stating that they are not prepared to increase the grant of £200 which was sanctioned as a contribution towards the cost of Corker Bridge.

On the motion of Councillor Nyles it was unanimously decided to request the County Surveyor to prepare, for the next meeting, an estimate of the cost of the erection of this Bridge.

928/29.

RESIGNATION OF COUNCILLOR JAMES F. O'DONNELL.

A letter was read from Councillor James F. O'Donnell resigning his seat on the Council, and asking to have the Standing Orders suspended in order that the matter could be considered at the meeting.

The Council adjourned consideration of the matter until next meeting.

929/29.

UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS.

Letters were read from Misses Sarah Peyton and Annie McBride declining the County Council Scholarships awarded to them.

On the motion of Councillor James Boyle seconded by the Chairman the Scholarships were awarded to Mr. Edward Roarty, Falcarragh, and Miss Mary McMackin, Rathmullan.

A letter was read from the Reverend Mother, Loreto Convent, Omagh, asking the Council to award a Scholarship to Miss Mary McMackin tenable at Queen's University, Belfast.

The Secretary was instructed to inform the Reverend Mother that her request could not be granted as it was in contravention of the Council's Scholarship Scheme.

930/29.

ERECTION OF NEW COUNTY OFFICES.

Certificates were submitted from the Architect for £1,000 to Messrs. Cullen & Sons, £8 to John Davidson, Strabane, and £50 Architect's Fees.

Payment of the amounts was unanimously ordered.

931/29.

ALTERATION OF SYSTEM OF TAKING ROAD CONTRACTS.

Councillor Hamilton asked for report ordered by the Council from the County Surveyor regarding the proposed alteration in system of taking road contracts. (868/29 C.C.)

The matter was adjourned until the next meeting; The County Surveyor to report in the meantime.

932/29.

LOCAL AUTHORITIES (COMBINED PURCHASING) REGULATIONS, 1929.

A copy of the Local Authorities (Combined Purchasing) Regulations, 1929, was submitted.

933/29.

GENERAL CATTLE DISEASES FUND.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 3rd October, 1929, stating that a sum of £335 : 4 : 10 had been levied on the Council as a contribution towards the General Cattle Diseases Fund, being equal to one farthing in the £.

934/29.

ADULTERATION OF BUTTER, CARNDONAGH AND MOVILLE DISTRICTS.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 8th October, 1929, L.1882/29, asking for the names and addresses of the persons in the Carndonagh and Moville Districts from whom samples of butter were taken for analysis, and inquiring whether any of the samples in question were taken in course of delivery.

935/29.

APPOINTMENT OF ADDITIONAL SHEEP DIPPING SUB-INSPECTOR.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 8th October, 1929, L.3027/29, in which they sanctioned the appointment of an additional Sheep Dipping Sub-Inspector (Mr. Friel) from 7th September, 1929, at £2 per week to continue, if necessary, until the end of the Autumn Dipping Period.

936/29.

LETTERKENNY WORKHOUSE PREMISES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 9th October, 1929, P.70816/29 (Pb) Dun na nGall, in which was enclosed cheque for £66 : 19 : 6 in respect of half-year's rent received from Messrs. Watt & Co. for Letterkenny Workhouse Premises.

Rent.....£75.

Income Tax Deductions.....£8 : 0 : 6.

937/29.

CHILDREN ACT, 1908.

A letter was read from the Superintendent, Garda Siothchana, Dungloe, in which he stated that he was making application for the committal to the Industrial School, Killybegs, of Edward O'Brien, Lower Moenacady.

Councillor Brady moved that the Garda Siothchana be requested in future to give a month's notice of intended applications so that the County Council could make inquiries regarding them.

938/29.

SHEEP SCAB.

Reports from the Veterinary Inspectors re sheep scab were submitted.

939/29.

BOVINE TUBERCULOSIS ORDER, 1926.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture, T.2230/29, in which they stated that a biological test of a sample of milk taken from a cow the property of Mr. T. Gallagher, Tyroddy, Churchtown, contained tubercle bacilli and stated that steps should be taken to have the animal slaughtered.

940/29.

ALLOWANCES TO SURVEYORS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 15th October, 1929, R.G.S./7, in which it was stated that a payment of £20 in respect of allowances to Surveyors was made to the County Treasurer on the 3rd October.

941/29.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS, 1928.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, dated 4th October, 1929, F. 69,997/29. Ilgh. (c) asking for particulars of expenditure in connection with the Local Government Elections, 1928.

942/29.

PAYMENT OF FEES TO THE COUNTY SECRETARY FOR ACTING AS RETURNING OFFICER AT L. G. ELECTIONS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 2nd October, 1929, G. 56,287/29 (c) Dun na nGall, addressed to the Chairman, in which it was stated that the Minister sanctioned the payment to the County Secretary of fees for acting as Returning Officer at the Elections in 1925 and in 1928.

943/29.

PUBLIC WORKS, ROADS, AND TRANSPORT CONGRESS.

An invitation was submitted to the Public Works, Roads, and Transport Congress and Exhibition, 1929, to be held in London in November.

944/29.

BALLYSHANNON PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

Councillor Nyhan moved:- "That as the Donegal County Board of Health has stated that the matter of appointing a few of the Ballyshannon Town Commissioners on the Ballyshannon Board of Health is 'receiving consideration' I would like to know how long does it take the County Board of Health to come to a decision on the simplest matter, as this subject has been before the County Board of Health for the last twelve months."

Councillor Gallen, Chairman of the County Board of Health, stated that the matter was before the Public Health Committee of the Board of Health and they recommended that no action be taken. The Board had confirmed that decision.

945/29.

SURVEYORS' TRAVELLING EXPENSES.

Councillor Patrick Doherty moved:- "That with a view to lightening the unbearable burden of taxation consequent on the recent increases in salaries the Council are of the opinion that the expenditure on the mileage allowance to the Assistant Surveyors should be reduced to 2d. per mile - that being considered a sufficient sum to cover cost of petrol and upkeep - and that when the increase has attained £80 under the increment scheme the mileage be further reduced to 1d. per mile, and when the full £160 increase has been obtained the allowance under "Travelling Expenses" be abolished altogether."

The Acting Chairman (Councillor Nyhan) ruled the motion out of order.

946/29.

CUTTING OF TREES AT CARNDONAGH WORKHOUSE.

Councillor Cole moved:- "That a sum of £7 be placed in the County Surveyor's hands for the cutting of trees on the grounds of Carndonagh Workhouse in order to save the boundary wall - trees to be sold."
The motion was passed unanimously.

947/29.

GLENTIES OLD AGE PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEE.

Councillor Brady (in the absence of Councillor Mahony) moved:- "That Rev. Michael Canon Forker, D.D., P.P., be appointed a member of the Glenties Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee to replace Very Rev. Canon Charles Kennedy, P.P., deceased."

Councillor Bernard Gallagher seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

948/29.

CONVEYANCE OF PRISONERS.

Councillor Douglas criticised the action of the Garda Síochána in conveying prisoners from Carndonagh to Sligo Jail by Catherwood's Bus.

Councillor McIvor replied that this course was being taken in the interests of economy.

949/29.

PAYMENT OF PENSIONS AND SALARIES.

Councillor Douglas inquired if the Council was compelled by Statute to pay to officials and pensioners residing in foreign countries salaries and pensions.

The Secretary replied in the affirmative.

950/29.

HEAVY LORRY TRAFFIC.

A Notice of Motion by Councillor Scott was not proceeded with in view of the fact that consideration of the report of the Heavy Lorry Traffic Committee had been adjourned.

951/29.

HIGH PRICE OF SCHOOL BOOKS.

Councillor Nyhan moved, Councillor Boherty seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:- "That the Council requests the Government to devise means to reduce the present high price of school books so as to make the price commensurate with the ability of the pupils' parents to pay for them."

952/29.

HOMESPUN INDUSTRY.

Councillor Sweeney moved, Councillor Nyhan seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:- "That the Council declare that it is the cottagers' hand-spun industry in which they are interested and not the mills' and manufacturers' industry."

Councillor Scott criticised Councillor Sweeney's insinuation that tweeds made at the Convey Woollen Mills were shoddy.

953/29.

REMOVAL OF SIGNPOST AT GARDA BARRACKS, CARNDONAGH.

Councillor Quigley (in the absence of Councillor Cole) moved:- "That instructions be given to the County Surveyor to have the signpost at Garda Barracks, Carndonagh, removed as it is dangerous to the public."
The motion was agreed to.

954/29.

REGISTRATION AND LICENSING OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 22nd October, 1929, M.T./202/7, in which it was stated that a supply of Drivers' Licences and Renewals of Drivers' Licences printed in Irish and English was being forwarded.

955/29.

DERELICT FARMS.

Councillor Baxter moved that the Secretary get in touch with the Land Commission with a view to the letting of derelict farms.

956/29.

CLAIM FOR PAYMENTS ON ROAD CONTRACTS - THOMAS MAGEE.

A letter was read from Mr. Thomas Magee, Carrigans, in which he inquired if the Council would take advantage of the fact that proceedings had not been instituted within six months if he should take his claim for road monies alleged to be due to him to Court.

Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, submitted the following report:- "The Contract referred to was No. 91, April 1925, Derry No. 2 Rural District. I have looked into the matter and find that this Contractor has been paid for everything that was returned to me as measured by Mr. Kelly. I also met the Contractor and his contention is that he supplied to Mr. Kelly more metal than Mr. Kelly returned in his measurements to me. When an Assistant makes a measurement he has to give or send a copy of same to the Contractor by means of forms in a book supplied for that purpose. When this is done the Contractor should have in his possession a docket for every measurement made for him by an Assistant. Without the production of these measurement dockets it would be impossible for me to tell whether what measurements Mr. Kelly returned to me were the same as those given to the Contractor. The Contractor alleges that Mr. Kelly did not give him dockets on all occasions."

Councillor Scott proposed that the Council take advantage of every legitimate defence in the event of proceedings being instituted.

Councillor Nyhan seconded.

Councillor McPhelimy proposed as an amendment and Councillor Douglas seconded that the Council waives its rights under the Public Authorities Protection Act, 1893, in the event of Magee instituting proceedings.

The Secretary warned the Council that in the event of Magee succeeding in his claim through their not taking advantage of the Public Authorities Protection Act, 1893, the members voting therefor would be liable to surcharge.

The following voted for Councillor McPhelimy's amendment:- Councillors Douglas and McPhelimy. Total 2.

The following voted against the amendment:- Councillors Baxter, Boyle (James), O'Boyle (Manus), Brady, Cole, Gallagher (Bernard), Hamilton, Kavanagh, Loughrey, Myles, McCauley, McCrea, McShane, Nyhan, O'Doherty, Quigley, Scott, Sweeney, and Wagentricker. Total 19.

The Chairman declared the amendment defeated and the motion carried.

957/29.

APPLICATIONS FOR INCREASES IN WAGES - ENGINE-DRIVERS.

Applications were submitted from Messrs. Paddy McElwee, William McLaughlin, and John Peoples, Engine-Drivers, for increases in their wages.

The applications were not considered as they are already in receipt of wages according to scale drawn up by the Council.

958/29.

ROAD FROM BALLYBOFEY TO CLOGHAN.

A letter was read from Rev. M. J. Harkin, C.C., Cloghan, in which he stated that the road from Ballybofey to Cloghan was in a very unsatisfactory state and he hoped that a proper grant would be made for its complete repair from the allocation of funds for the County Roads.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

959/29.

BUNDORAN URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

A letter was read from the Department of Local Government and Public Health dated 11th October, 1929, G.55833/29, Bundoran U.D., in which was transmitted copy of report of Mr. MacLysaght following the local Inquiry into the performance of their duties by the Bundoran Urban District Council, and in which it was stated that the Minister proposed to dissolve the Urban District Council and to transfer their property and their several powers and duties to the County Council. The County Council could, from amongst their members, appoint a small Committee to administer the affairs of the Urban District. The Minister trusted that the County Council would concur in this proposal.

Mr. M. Maguire, Solicitor, Ballyshannon, and Mr. John Conlan, Bundoran, appeared before the Council and urged them to decline to appoint the Committee suggested.

The Chairman moved that while the Council appreciated the action of the Department in showing their confidence in the administrative capacity of the Council it was generally felt that they should not take this load upon their shoulders, and he proposed that they decline responsibility in the matter.

Councillor Baxter seconded.

Councillor Gallen proposed as an amendment that the Council appoint a small independent Committee to examine the Inspector's report and the Minutes of evidence on which it was based and report back to the Council in the matter.

This amendment was not seconded.

Councillor Nyhan proposed as a further amendment and Councillor McPhelimy seconded that the Ministry be requested to order a fresh election of the Urban District Council.

The following voted for Councillor Nyhan's amendment:- Councillors Blaney, James Boyle, Manus O'Boyle, Brady, Patrick Doherty, Douglas, McPhelimy, Nyhan, O'Doherty, Quigley, and Scott. Total 11.

The following voted against it:- Councillors Baxter, Philip Doherty, Bernard Gallagher, Francis Gallagher, Hamilton, Loughrey, Myles, McCauley, McCrea, MacCreddie, McFadden, McIvor, McShane, and Wagentrieber. Total 14.

The Chairman declared the amendment defeated.

The motion was then carried; Councillor Gallen dissenting.

960/29.

BROKEN PIPE ON CRICKAMORE ROAD.

A letter was read from Mr. M. Ferry, Crickamore, Dungloe, in which he called attention to a broken pipe on the Crickamore Road and stated that all his potatoes were destroyed by the flood which it caused.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

961/29.

ENTRANCE TO ALLINGHAM HOTEL, BUNDORAN.

A letter was read from Mr. Michael Smyth, Allingham Hotel, Bundoran, in which he stated that at the re-making of the new concrete road the entrance to his property was left in a manner which renders it very difficult for motor-cars to enter and asked the Council to give the matter attention.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, submitted the following report:- "The road opposite Mr. Smyth's premises had to be excavated to give a proper cross section to the new concrete carriageway. The finished level of new road is therefore lower than the entrance to the grounds of the Hotel. A concrete incline was formed from road to entrance gate. The ganger who carried out the work states that Mr. Smyth seemed satisfied with this arrangement. The work is now completed almost six months and all the money is expended. To make an easier entrance it would be necessary to lower the surface of the Avenue inside the gates which is outside the scope of the Council's work. Furthermore, the gates would require to be lowered or new gates erected."

No action was taken.

962/29.

OBSTRUCTION ON MAIN ROAD, KEELDRUM.

A letter was read from Mr. James Malseed, Solicitor, Letterkenny, in which he notified the Council that unless a heap of stones on the Main Road at Keeldrum were removed within one week he had been instructed by Miss Giley Doogan, Lower Keeldrum to take proceedings against the Council.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

963/29.

COMPLAINT RE NON-PAYMENT FOR GOODS SUPPLIED.

A letter was read from Mrs. M. Gormely, Rossgier, Lifford, in which she stated that two of the Council's workmen obtained groceries from her and left the District without paying.

The Secretary stated that the workmen in question were not employees of the Council.

964/29.

ROADS IN ARDFARNA, BUNDORAN.

A petition was submitted from a number of ratepayers in Ardfarna, Bundoran, in which they requested to have certain roads from Bundoran Urban Boundary to Garrison repaired.

The County Surveyor stated that there was no money available at present for the roads in question but that they could be included in the forthcoming Provisional Road Works Scheme.

965/29.

ROAD FROM BALLYSHANNON TO BUNDORAN.

Letters were read from the Secretary, Market Trustees, Ballyshannon, and Mr. Michael Cassidy, Ballyshannon, asking to have the road from Ballyshannon to Bundoran gravelled so as to make it safe for horse traffic.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor with instructions to have each concrete road gravelled for seven feet on each side.

966/29.

APPLICATIONS FOR POSITIONS AS FLAGMEN.

Applications were submitted from Mr. Henry Gallagher, East Port, Ballyshannon, and Mr. John Collins, Castle Street, Donegal, for positions as flagmen.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

967/29.

BUNCRANA COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from the Courtkeeper, Buncrana, in which he stated that the floor of the Courthouse at Buncrana was broken and needed to be repaired.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

968/29.

BUNCRANA HARBOUR.

A letter was read from the Department of Industry and Commerce, Transport and Marine Branch, 14, Stephen's Green, Dublin, dated 9th October, 1929, T.70170, in which it was stated that the Minister determined that no part of the liabilities, amounting to £1 : 12 : 6, outstanding in respect of Buncrana Harbour should be paid by the Buncrana Harbour Commissioners.

969/29.

BOATSLIPS AT GOLA AND OWEY.

A letter was read from Mr. Agnew, Inspector, Irish Land Commission, in which he inquired if the Council would take over the boatslips at Gola and Owey which were constructed in 1925 out of funds placed at the disposal of the Land Commission for the relief of distress.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor for a report for next meeting when the local Councillors would be present.

970/29. APPOINTMENT OF HARBOUR MASTERS AT BURTONPORT,
CLADNAGERAGH, AND TEELIN.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 4th October, 1929, G.69369/29. Dun na nGall. Sg. in which it was stated that the Minister sanctioned the temporary appointment of the Harbour Masters at Burtonport, Cladnageragh, and Teelin, from 1st April to 30th September, 1929.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 1st October, 1929, G.68148/29. Dun na nGall. Sg. which acknowledged the receipt of the Council's resolution relative to the appointment of Harbour Masters and stated that the Minister approved of the Council's action in the matter and asked that full particulars be sent in the case of fresh appointments.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 16th October, 1929, 18686/29, in which they stated that they had formally appointed Mrs. Cunningham as Harbour Constable at Cladnageragh; the conditions of the appointment provided that she give security in the sum of £20 for tolls, etc. and they presumed the Council would, as before, make arrangements for the execution of the necessary Bond.

971/29. FLOODING OF ROAD AT RINGLEVIN BETWEEN DUNFANAGHY AND
FALCARRAGH.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 2nd October, 1929, S.G.F./7, in which it was stated that the Minister could not agree to the Council's request to deduct a sum of £250 from the Grant of £1,191 allocated for steam-rolling at Dunfanaghy. A report from the County Surveyor should accompany all such applications in future.

Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, read the following report:-
"With regard to this Dunfanaghy-Falcarragh Road I have several times brought the matter before the Council. I cannot impress more strongly than I have already done the great necessity of dealing promptly with these flooded portions of this road. At the last Co. Council Meeting a sum of £250 was approved by the Council for this work but as it did not appear upon the Minutes I am bringing the matter forward again."

Councillor James Boyle moved, Councillor Baxter seconded and it was unanimously resolved to ask the Local Government Department to send down one of their Engineering Inspectors who would consult with the County Surveyor as to the means and methods of having the water of the Atlantic Ocean prevented from washing away a substantial part of the main coast road from Letterkenny to Burtonport.

The County Surveyor was authorised to spend £250 in carrying out certain necessary repairs to make the road safe for traffic, the amount to be withdrawn from the Contingency Fund.

A Petition for the drainage of the Area was submitted under the Arterial Drainage Act.

The following report from the County Surveyor in the matter was read:- "I have inspected this proposed scheme. Undoubtedly a considerable area of arable land is now under water, running into 170 to 200 acres owing to the blocking up of the outlet channel from this area which channel ran under Horn Head Bridge. This matter of cleaning the channel referred to would also relieve the flooding of the Dunfanaghy-Falcarragh Road, which, being a Trunk Road, it is of the greatest importance that it should be kept in a passable condition. The circumstances connected with this scheme are such that if gone into by an Engineer from the Local Government Department I would expect that assistance would be forthcoming from the Department."

Consideration of the drainage petition was adjourned until the next meeting to enable the Secretary to give each member seven days' notice in accordance with the Act.

972/29.

SALARIES OF ASSISTANT SURVEYORS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 5th October, 1929, R.S./7, in which it was stated that having regard to the substantial maximum salaries fixed by the Council for their Assistant Surveyors the Minister did not think it unreasonable to require the Assistants to attend to Board of Health Engineering Work or to demand of them a correspondingly higher standard of technical knowledge. He was, therefore, unwilling to interfere with the terms of his letter of the 27th August, 1929.

Mr. Patrick Dawson, Assistant Surveyor, who was present, stated that his salary would be increased from £287 to £290 under the Ministry's scheme, and that for the increase he would be required to do Board of Health Work, Drainage Work, etc.

Councillor Scott proposed and Councillor James Boyle seconded that the matter be again referred to the Ministry on the understanding that the Assistant Surveyors agree to do work for the Board of Health in addition to their ordinary duties other than the supervision of work of repairs to Labourers' Cottages.

Councillor Cole proposed as an amendment and Councillor Douglas seconded that consideration of the matter be adjourned for a month.

On a show of hands the amendment was defeated and the motion carried.

973/29.

BATH GREEN, MOVILLE.

Councillor James Boyle proposed, Councillor Scott seconded, and it was unanimously resolved that the conveyance and counterpart in connection with the transfer of the Bath Green, Moville to the County Council be executed under Seal.

974/29.

LETTING OF LAND AT ARDARA - CHARLES MCGILL.

Councillor James Boyle proposed, Councillor Scott seconded, and it was unanimously resolved that the Agreement in connection with the letting of lands at Ardara to Mr. Charles McGill be executed by the County Council under Seal.

975/29.

BALLINDRAIT DRAINAGE SCHEME.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 14th October, 1929, 5068/28, in which it was stated that they were of the opinion that the circumstances were not such as to justify the preparation of a detailed drainage scheme or the construction of a separate drainage district at Ballindrait. The decision was based on the grounds that the necessary works could not, owing to their cost, be carried out without a substantial contribution from County Funds which the Council had declined to make.

976/29.

CROLLY DRAINAGE SCHEME.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works dated 10th October, 1929, 8636/27, in which it was stated that they were of the opinion that the circumstances were not such as to justify the preparation of a detailed drainage scheme or the construction of a separate drainage district at Crollly. The decision was based on the grounds that the works could not be carried out without imposing an undue burden on the finances of the County.

977/29.

POUND AT MILFORD.

A letter was read from Mr. John B. O'Donnell, Rate Collector, in which he inquired as to the ownership of the Pound at Milford.

Councillor Baxter stated that the Pound was the property of Lord Leitrim, the landlord.

The Secretary was instructed to inform the Rate Collector accordingly.

978/29.

HIGH RATE CHARGED BY BANKS.

On the motion of Councillor McPhelimy seconded by Councillor Callen the following resolution passed by the Finance Committee of the Galway County Council was unanimously adopted:-
 "That we, the members of the Finance Committee of the Galway County Council, view with alarm the increase in the already too high rate of interest on loans charged by Irish Banks. We regard this increase as entirely unjustified by any financial consideration and as calculated to kill existing industries and to prevent the establishment of new factories and to render useless the Acts passed for the granting of loans to farmers. We call for legislation that will prevent Banks charging such high rate of interest and for the establishment of a new State Bank."

979/29.

SUPPLY OF COALS TO LIFFORD COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from Mr. R. J. Smith, Coal Merchant, Strabane, in which he regretted that he could not accede to the Council's request to supply the full quantity of coals at 43/6 per ton as the price will be more than 2/- per ton higher as the winter goes on and the Collieries will not sell any coals for forward delivery.

It was unanimously decided to accept the tender of Mr. Smith on the terms quoted by him.

980/29.

INISHOWEN NO. 3 OLD AGE PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEE.

A report was submitted from the Clerk, Inishowen No. 3 Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee on attendances of members.

It was unanimously decided to appoint Councillor Douglas in place of Mr. Anderson who had become disqualified for insufficient attendance.

The other members who had become disqualified were re-appointed.

981/29.

PLOT OF GROUND IN EAST PORT, BALLYSHANNON.

A letter was read from Mr. Eugene Gallagher, Solicitor, Ballyshannon, regarding the ownership of a plot of ground in East Port Street, Ballyshannon, which is, beyond doubt, the property of Mr. James Monaghan who wrote to the Council in connection with the matter as he was under the impression that the Council in building a wall in proximity to the plot was thereby claiming the ground as its own property.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, submitted the following report:-
 "With regard to Mr. Monaghan's application to the Council for plot of ground in East Port, Ballyshannon, I wish to state that some years ago this ground was covered with the ruins of houses. These became dangerous and notices were served on the parties interested to take down their houses. After considerable delay the Council decided to take down the dangerous walls and widen the street. The parties who claimed ownership signed Agreements, dedicating a portion of the ground to the public for widening the street on the condition that the Council would build a wall, supply and erect a gate entrance. This work was carried out and I am of opinion the ground behind the wall did not become the property of the County Council."

The matter was adjourned until the next meeting to enable the Secretary to inspect the Rural District Council records in the matter.

982/29.

DANGEROUS WALL IN DUNKINEELY.

A letter was read from Mrs. Annie Wray, Dunkineely, in which she stated that there was a wall belonging to Mr. George Hill adjoining her property in a very dangerous state of repair and inquiring if the Council was liable.

The Secretary was instructed to inform Mrs. Wray that the Council was under no liability in the matter.

983/29.

MR. CHARLES L. CALLAGHAN.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 18th October, 1929, G.69312/29, Dun na nGall, regarding the Council's proposal to appoint Mr. C. L. Callaghan on their Office Staff, in which it was stated that the Minister was not satisfied that the necessity existed for a permanent increase in the Council's staff as proposed, and that if a further appointment were necessary the vacancy should be filled in the usual manner after advertisement and selection by means of a competitive examination. The Minister did not consider it desirable that Mr. Callaghan should be re-employed as a local Officer and he was prepared to consider a proposal to grant this Officer a reasonable compensation for the abolition of his Office as Clerk to the Stranorlar Rural District Council.

Councillor Philip Doherty proposed and Councillor Nyhan seconded that consideration of the matter be adjourned for one month.

Councillor Brady proposed and Councillor Gallen seconded that the matter be referred to the Sub-Finance Committee to determine the compensation payable to Mr. Callaghan.

On a show of hands the voting was equal and the Chairman gave his casting vote in favour of Councillor Doherty's motion.

The Secretary stated that Mr. Quigley had been ill for some time and his wife was now dangerously ill and Mr. Kelly had been requisitioned by the County Surveyor in his place. In accordance with the Council's instructions he had, therefore, availed of the services of Mr. Callaghan temporarily.

He was instructed to continue this arrangement until next meeting.

984/29.

ERECTION OF BUILDING IN LIFFORD.

A letter was read from Mr. R. S. Magee, Solicitor, Strabane, asking for the approval of the Council, on behalf of Mr. Alfred White, to erect a building on the "Sally Garden" in Lifford.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor for a report.

985/29.

ROAD CROSSING CARRICKFIN ISLAND.

A letter was read from a number of ratepayers in Carrickfin Island demanding that the road crossing the Island from Braide Strand to the boatslip on the east side of the Island be put in proper repair and stating that they refuse to pay any further rates until this is done.

A letter was read from Councillor Daniel E. O'Boyle stating that he was lodging a motion to have this road put in repair as it was six years since anything had been done to it.

986/29. RESOLUTION OF BUNDORAN U.D.C. RE IMPROVEMENT OF BUNDORAN HARBOUR, ETC.

The Council unanimously approved of the terms of the following resolution from the Bundoran Urban District Council:-

"That we, the Bundoran Urban District Council, respectfully request the Minister for the Department of Lands and Fisheries to arrange for the allocation of a Grant towards the necessary work of extending the fishing Pier and the improvement of the Harbour in Bundoran in order to afford proper accommodation for suitable fishing craft to operate in Donegal Bay, and also a grant for the necessary drainage work of lands affected by the flooding of the River Drowes running between the Counties of Leitrim and Donegal.

We claim the restoration of the annual sum of £41,250 which was available for relief in Congested Districts but which was abolished under the provisions of the Land Act, 1923, and ask that this amount be expended in Congested Areas in which Bundoran Urban and Rural Districts were formerly included."

RATHMULLAN PIER.

987/29.

A letter was read from the United Scottish Marine Insurance Co., offering to pay £20 in respect of damage done to Rathmullan Pier by the S. D. "Good Friend."

A letter was also read from the United Kingdom Steam Tug and Trawler Insurance and Indemnity Association in which they inquired the lowest amount the Council was prepared to accept in settlement of all claims for damage done by the drifter, S.D. Chris, to Rathmullan Pier.

Both letters were referred to Councillor Baxter for his views.

OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION.

988/29.

On the motion of Councillor Brady it was unanimously decided to request the Ministry to sanction Overdraft accommodation of £15,000 to the 31st December.

STAMP-AFFIXING AND ADDRESSING MACHINES.

989/29.

On the motion of Councillor Scott seconded by Councillor Gallen the Secretary was authorised to purchase two stamp-affixing machines costing nine guineas each, and an addressing machine with equipment, cost not to exceed £90.

APPLICATION FOR ANNUAL INCREMENT - MISS QUINN.

990/29.

An application by Miss Quinn for the annual increment (1/- per week) due to her on the 1st November was unanimously granted.

LETTING OF LANDS AT GLENTIES WORKHOUSE.

991/29.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 4th October, 1929, P.69368/29, P.b. Dun na nGall, in which it was stated that in view of the fact that the Department of Valuation estimated that £30 a year would be a fair rent for the lands at Glenties Workhouse proposed to be let to Mr. J. W. Cunningham the Minister could not recommend the letting at the rent proposed, namely, £15 a year.

The Chairman stated that Mr. Cunningham was prepared to give £20 per annum, and the Secretary was instructed to inform the Ministry accordingly.

DEMAND FOR TOLLS AT TEELIN HARBOUR.

992/29.

A letter was read from the Department of Lands and Fisheries dated 23rd September, 1929, D/1, in which it was stated that a demand for tolls had been received from the Harbour Master at Teelin in respect of twenty herring nets discharged by the steam fishing boat, "Spring Star". As these nets were part of the boat's fishing gear and as Harbour dues were paid on the boat the Department considered that tolls should not be charged on the gear.

The matter was referred to the Harbour Master at Teelin with instructions to withdraw the claim.

PACKING AND CURING OF HERRING ON TEELIN PIER.

993/29.

A letter was read from the Harbour Master, Teelin, in which he stated that the use of the Pier to Messrs. Gallagher Bros. should not be further allowed, as apart from the obstruction they caused the pickle and refuse from the curing and packing creates a slippery and foul-smelling slush on the Pier which prevents fishermen from drawing out their nets at this particular part, makes it dangerous to people passing to and fro and gives a nasty appearance to the place.

The matter was referred to the Assistant Surveyor for the District for a report.

994/29.

EX-HARBOUR MASTER, TEELIN.

A letter from Mr. Hugh O'Byrne, ex-Harbour Master, Teelin, regarding his non-appointment as Harbour Master was adjourned.

995/29.

HARBOUR MASTER, LEABRANNAGH.

A letter was read from Mr. Condy O'Donnell, Deputy Harbour Master, Leabannagh, in which he stated that his father who is the Harbour Master there was compelled to go every year to Scotland for five or six weeks and during his absence he left the writer to attend to his duties. As the Pier cost over £3,000 and is the only Pier on the coast where there is a lifeboat and lifeboat station he considered that the Council would be unwise to dispense with the Harbour Master's services.

The Council decided, in view of the importance of the Pier, to retain Mr. O'Donnell's services at his previous salary, £4 per annum.

996/29.

CHAPEL PIER ON ARRANMORE ISLAND.

A letter was read from Mr. Neil Gallagher (Hugh), Harbour Master, Chapel Pier, Arranmore Island, in which he reported damages done to the Pier by the recent storm.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor for a report.

997/29.

BREACHES OF MOTOR LICENSING REGULATIONS.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor (1) asking the Council to definitely authorise prosecutions in each of the following cases:-

Council v. W. J. Doherty, Millbrae, Carndonagh (Brewster's Ltd.)

Council v. William McMonagle, Ture.

Council v. James McColgan, Crescent, Buncrana.

Council v. Patrick McLaughlin (Hugh Stevenson, Ltd.)

Council v. John McCutcheon (Roberts and Sons.)

(2) asking the Council to authorise the Local Taxation Officer, Mr. John P. Gallagher, to conduct the proceedings on behalf of the Council.

(3) asking the Council to delegate generally to the Taxation Officer for the purposes of the prosecutions all powers conferred on the Council by the Roads Act, 1920, and any Act amending or extending the same.

The matter was referred to the Law Committee.

998/29.

COURTHOUSE ACCOMMODATION, KILLYBEGS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 9th October, 1929, G.71068/29, Dun na nGall, requesting the Council to make immediate provision for the accommodation of the District Court Clerk at Killybegs and to provide for the transfer of office furniture, books, etc.

A letter was also read from the District Court Clerk in the matter. The matter was left in the hands of Councillor Brady with a request that he endeavour to have accommodation for next Court.

999/29.

LIST OF SCHOOLS ELIGIBLE FOR COUNTY SCHOLARSHIPS.

A letter was read from the Reverend Mother, Convent of St. Louis, Carrickmacross, asking to have her school put on list of schools eligible to send candidates forward for County Scholarships.

The Council unanimously agreed to the request.

1000/29.

MAIN ROAD, MAGHERACAR, BUNDORAN.

A letter was read from the Town Clerk, Bundoran, in which he asked to have the footpath extended for about 100 yards on east side of Main Road, Magheracar, Bundoran, and to have repairs carried out on the road leading from the Main Road to the sea at Bundrowes.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1001/29.

DEFAULTERS UNDER THE HOUSING ACTS.

The Secretary reported the following defaulters in respect of annuities under the Housing Acts:-

Patrick Doherty (Taylor), Glenmakee, Collin P.O., Carndonagh...	£6	:18	: 8.
Bernard Bradley, Drumskeellan, Ture P.O.....	£4	: 9	: 0.
John Doherty (Hollow), Ballyloskey, Carndonagh.....	£4	: 9	: 0.
Patrick Kelly, Ramny, Kerrykeel.....	£2	:19	: 9.

The Secretary was instructed to call on them to pay up within fourteen days failing which drastic action would be taken.

1002/29.

APPLICATION FOR RETURN OF CHILDREN FROM INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS.

A letter was read from Mr. Dan Logue, Glontogher, Carndonagh, in which he asked to have his four children who were in Industrial Schools returned to him.

The Secretary was instructed to communicate with the local Clergy in the matter.

1003/29.

PRINTING CONTRACTS.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor regarding the execution of Bond for printing Contracts, in which he stated that Mr. Lawson, one of the Contractors, who had in specification given his own name as Surety now wished to submit the name of Mr. F. W. Elliott, Westmoreland Street, Dublin, instead.

It was unanimously decided to accept Mr. Elliott as surety.

1004/29.

CARNDONAGH COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from Mr. W. J. Doherty, Architect, in which he stated that the dampness from gutters at Carndonagh Courthouse was entirely due to the eave-gutters requiring cleaning. The matter only required a half-hour's attention at rare intervals and he suggested that the Courtkeeper be instructed to get the gutters cleaned immediately and to employ a man to do so if unable to do it himself.

It was decided to instruct the Courtkeeper accordingly; the ladder at the Workhouse to be obtained by him for the purpose when required.

1005/29.

CARNDONAGH COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from the Clerk, Inishowen No. 3 Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee in which he complained of the conduct of the Courtkeeper in Carndonagh and asked to be supplied with a key for the Courthouse.

It was decided to instruct the Courtkeeper to light a fire and to have the Courthouse cleaned for meetings of this Sub-Committee in future.

As the Courtkeeper lives beside the Courthouse it was not considered necessary to supply the Clerk with a key.

1006/29.

COURTHOUSE ACCOMMODATION AT DRUM.

A letter was read from Mr. James Friel, Drum, Portsalon, in which he stated that he was unable to give room in future for use of Court, and a letter was also read from the District Court Clerk in the matter.

It was decided to adjourn the matter until the next meeting and to request Mr. Friel to allow use of room for Court in November.

1007/29.

NEW ROAD IN KILRAINE.

A letter was read from Mr. James McHugh, Ardara, regarding new road from house of John O'Donnell, Kilrairie Upper to the road leading from the Main Road, Kilrairie, for which a grant of £40 is required.

On the motion of Councillor Sweeney seconded by Councillor Brady it was unanimously decided to have this road included in the Provisional Road Works Scheme.

1008/29.

ROADS IN TOWNAWILLY DISTRICT.

A memorial was submitted from a number of ratepayers in the Townawilly District for the suitable repair of road branching from Donegal-Derry Main Road at Corveen and leading along eastern shore of Lough through Townawilly.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1009/29.

DRAINAGE OF THE RIVER BEHY.

The County Surveyor submitted the following report:-
 "I have inspected the River Behy and inspected the lands which are subject to periodic flooding on the up-stream side of Behymore Hill. This part of the river causes flooding to about 80 acres of land. The River is shallow, narrow, and forms many bends in its course. It requires to be straightened, widened, and deepened. As two County Roads cross the river where flooding takes place the Bridges which are small will require enlarging.
 My estimate for carrying out the work is £450."

The matter was adjourned until next meeting to enable the Secretary to give seven days' notice to each member under Section 3 (3), of the Arterial Drainage (Minor Schemes) Act, 1928.

1010/29.

HOME-GROWN GRAIN.

The following resolution from the Offaly County Council was adjourned until the next meeting:-

"That we respectfully urge the Government to immediately enact the necessary legislation to make compulsory the admixture of fifteen per cent. home-grown grain with foreign feeding stuff before being offered for sale."

1011/29.

ROADS IN CLONTYSEER AND DRUMNAGROUGH.

A letter was read from a number of ratepayers in the Clontyseer and Drumnagrough Districts in which they complained of the bad condition of the road there.

The County Surveyor stated that the Contractor for this road had left the District and it was decided to call on his sureties to carry out the work.

1012/29.

SUDDEN BREACHES - SOUTHERN DIVISION.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, reported the following:-
 To build a pipe on road No. 308, April, 1928, Dungloe-Brockagh, £12:10:0.
 " " " " " " " " £5:0:0.
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Payment of the amounts was passed.

1013/29.

NO. 23 LIGHT ROLLER.

Mr. Steadman applied for authority to raise the charge for No. 23 Light Roller to 30/- per day as from 1st April, 1930.
 The required authority was unanimously given.

1014/29.

DRIVER OF NO. 11 STEAM WAGGON.

A report from Mr. Steadman re the driver of No. 11. Steam Waggon was adjourned.

1015/29.

SEA WALL AT LAG STRAND.

An application by Mr. Steadman for £30 to repair the sea wall at Lag Strand was unanimously granted.

1016/29.

BALLYSTALLAGH DRAINAGE SCHEME.

The County Surveyor submitted the following report:-
 "I have inspected the proposed scheme which consists in removing all obstructions in the stream known as Ballysallagh Burn between the points shown on Ordnance Sheet.
 The principal obstruction is the remains of an old weir that had been erected a long time ago for the purpose of diverting water to a mill. By the cleaning of this river some 60 acres or more of the lands adjoining the stream would be relieved of flooding and the drainage of further lands made capable of increased improvement. A sum of about £90 would be required but it would be in the interests of those concerned to carry out the work from the economy point."

The matter was adjourned until the next meeting to enable the Secretary to give seven days' notice to each member under Section 3 (3), of the Arterial Drainage (Minor Schemes) Act, 1928.

1017/29.

SUDDEN BREACHES - NORTHERN DIVISION.

Mr. Steadman reported that the following small repairs, being urgent, were carried out with sudden breach orders and payment of the amounts was passed:-

On Road No. 6, April 1928, Dunfanaghy Dist. repair of bridge,	£1:10:0.
No. 20, April 1928, Dunfanaghy Dist., repair of culvert.	£3: 0 :0.
No. 102, April 1928, do. repair of road.....	£7: 0 :0.
No. 35, April 1928, Inishowen Dist. repair of bridge.....	£2: 0 :0.
No. 350, April 1928, do. do.	£2 :0 :0.
No. 85, April 1927, do. repair of pipe.	£1 :0 :0.
No. 52, April 1928, Letterkenny Dist. repair of retaining wall.	£3:10 :0.
No. 9, April 1928, do. repair of pipe.	£1:10 :0.
No. 16, April 1928, do. repair of 2 pipes.	£5 :0 :0.
No. 84, April 1928, Derry No. 2 Dist. repair of pipe.	£2 :0 :0.
No. 20, April 1928, do. repair of pipes.	£5 :0 :0.
No. 169, April 1928, Milford District, repair of pipe.	£1 :0 :0.
No. 18, April 1928, do. repair of pipe.	£2 :0 :0.
No. 38, April 1928, do. repair of bridge.	£5 :0 :0.

1018/29.

HOUSING ACTS.

In the absence of Councillor O'Donnell Councillor James Boyle proposed and Councillor Cole seconded "That as the majority of the people of this County who are in need of new houses are unable to take advantage of the existing scheme due to the want of finance and employment and as there is no provision in the scheme for reconstruction of existing houses we appeal to those who are now engaged in drafting the Gaeltacht Housing Bill to make provision for the reconstruction of existing houses."

Councillor Gallen proposed as an amendment that the following addendum be added "That any housing scheme should apply to the County generally, and should include such provision for the payment of grants to the owners of existing cottages in rural districts for the purpose of repairing or reconstructing such cottages, and that any cottages so repaired or reconstructed be only let to bona-fide agricultural labourers and at a rent not exceeding 2/- per week."

Councillor Scott proposed as a second amendment that a further addendum be added asking the Department of Local Government and Public Health to extend the time limit fixed in Article 4 of the First Schedule of the Housing Act, 1929, for a further year.

With the addition of the amendments the motion was passed unanimously.

Thomas Steadman

Confirmed

Chairman

A MEETING OF THE DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL
WAS HELD ON TUESDAY, THE 26TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1929.

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1019/29. A T T E N D A N C E.

The following were the members present:-
Councillors McFadden (presiding), Quigley, Baxter, Blaney, Boyle (James), Brady, Brennan, Cole, Doherty, Doherty (Philip), Doogan, Douglas, Gallagher (Bernard), Gallagher (Francis), Gallen, Hamilton, Loughrey, Mahony, Myles, MacCreadie, McShane, Nyhan, O'Boyle (Manus), McCrea, O'Doherty, Scott, Sweeney, and Wagentrieber.

1020/29. A P O L O G Y.

A letter was read from Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, regretting his inability, through illness, to be present.

1021/29. L E T T E R O F T H A N K S.

A letter was read from Councillor Callaghan thanking the Council for their kind sympathy in his illness.

1022/29. R E C O N S T R U C T I O N O F C O U N T Y O F F I C E S.

A Certificate was submitted from the Architect for £750 to Messrs. Cullen & Sons in respect of the reconstruction of the County Offices, and payment was ordered.

1023/29. M O S T . R E V . D R . M C R O R Y ' S E L E V A T I O N T O C A R D I N A L A T E .

The Chairman, speaking in Irish, proposed that the Council extend their felicitations to Archbishop McRory on his elevation to the Cardinalate.

Councillor Mahony seconded the motion which was passed unanimously.

1024/29. C O N F I R M A T I O N O F M I N U T E S .

The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 29th October, 1929, were unanimously confirmed on the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Hamilton.

1025/29. R E P O R T O F T H E F I N A N C E C O M M I T T E E .

The Report of the Finance Committee Meeting held on the 29th October, 1929, was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Hamilton.

1026/29. R E P O R T O F F U R N I T U R E C O M M I T T E E .

The Report of the Furniture Committee Meeting held on the 4th November, 1929, was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Scott.

1027/29. R E P O R T S O F S U B - F I N A N C E C O M M I T T E E .

The Reports of the Sub-Finance Committee Meetings held on the 29th October, 1929, and the 14th November, 1929, were unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Scott.

1028/29.

REPORT OF LAW COMMITTEE.

The Report of the Law Committee Meeting held on the 26th November, 1929, was unanimously adopted on the motion of Councillor Cole seconded by Councillor Mahony.

1029/29.

PAYMENTS TO ROAD CONTRACTORS.

The List of payments to the Road Contractors for the half-year ended the 30th September, 1929, was passed unanimously, as certified by the County Surveyor.

1030/29.

DEMAND FOR TOLLS AT TEELIN PIER.

A letter was read from the Department of Lands and Fisheries dated 28th October, 1929, requesting a reply to their letter re demand by Harbour Master, Teelin, for tolls on nets discharged by the M. B. "Spring Star".

1031/29.

DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL HANDBOOK.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 4th November, 1929, G.79184/29 Dun na nGall. C. acknowledging, with thanks, receipt of two copies of Donegal County Council handbook.

1032/29.

CHILDREN ACT, 1908.

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Síochána, Letterkenny, acknowledging request of Council re notification of applications under the Children Act, 1908, which he stated would be complied with.

1033/29.

DERELICT FARMS.

A letter was read from the Irish Land Commission dated 8th November, 1929, 46900/29, acknowledging receipt of Secretary's letter on the subject of derelict farms and stating that the matter was having attention.

1034/29.

TRAVELLING EXPENSES - MR. PATRICK DOHERTY, Co.C.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 30th October, 1929, G.77521/29 Dun na nGall. G. in which was enclosed copy of a letter for the Secretary's observations, received from Mr. Patrick Doherty, Co.C., Carrigart, relative to Travelling Expenses payable to him under Section 63 of the Local Government Act, 1925.

A further letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 6th November, 1929, G.79425/29 Dun na nGall. C. transmitting copy of a letter addressed to Mr. Doherty on the subject of Travelling Expenses.

Councillor Doherty animadverted on the fact that the Surveyors were paid the actual mileage travelled whilst his allowance was curtailed and he blamed the Secretary in the matter.

The Chairman called on him to withdraw his allegations against the Secretary which he did.

The Secretary explained that the expenses were calculated in accordance with the provisions of Article 4 of the Fifth Schedule of the Local Government Act, 1925.

1035/29.

HIGH PRICE OF SCHOOL BOOKS.

A letter was read from An Roimn Oideachas dated 7th November, 1929, Ed.1866/29, acknowledging receipt of the Secretary's communication re price of school books.

1036/29.

OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 7th November, 1929, G.80,000/29, Dun na nGall. Pa. sanctioning overdraft accommodation, not exceeding £15,000, to the 31st December next.

1037/29.

FURNISHING OF NEW COUNCIL OFFICES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 7th November, 1929, G.80,000/29 Dun na nGall. Pg. in which they inquired if it was the intention of the Council to invite tenders for the furnishing of the new Council Offices and whether any limit of expenditure had been fixed, and, if so, what was the amount.

Another letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 14th November, 1929, G. 81,225/29 Dun na nGall. Pg. in which it was stated that the proposal regarding the purchase of the necessary furniture for the new Council Offices did not require the Minister's sanction unless it was proposed to make an expenditure beyond the limit of the insurance award in which case it might be necessary to obtain his sanction to any necessary loan.

A further letter dated the 20th November, 1929, G.82877/29 was read from the Local Government Department in which it was stated that the Minister saw no objection to the negotiations, etc. regarding the arrangements for the furnishing of the new Council Offices being entrusted to the Furniture Committee, but it was presumed that when tenders for the furnishing have been invited the acceptance or non-acceptance thereof will be dealt with by the Council.

1038/29.

BUNDORAN URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 8th November, 1929, G.78,668/29, Bundoran U.D. in which it was stated that, pursuant to Sub-Section 2 of Section 72 of the Local Government Act, 1925, the Minister had dissolved the Bundoran Urban District Council and transferred their several powers and duties to Mr. P. J. Meghan, B.E., B.Sc.

1039/29.

REGISTER OF ELECTORS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 7th November, 1929, F.80,205/29, Ilgh. C. in which was enclosed copy of a circular letter addressed to Registration Officers in connection with the preparation of the forthcoming Register of Electors.

1040/29.

LETTER OF THANKS.

A letter was read from Very Rev. Chancellor McCafferty, P.P., Stranorlar, thanking the Council for their kind sympathy on the occasion of his brother's death.

1041/29.

UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS.

A letter was read from Miss Mary McMackin, St. Mary's Training College, Belfast, in which she stated that she did not wish to accept the Scholarship for the National University awarded her at the last Council Meeting.

1042/29.

ANNUAL INCREMENT - MISS QUINN.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 12th November, 1929, G. 80308/29 Dun na nGall. Se. sanctioning the annual increment of 1/- per week to Miss Quinn on the 1st November.

1043/29.

SEVENTH REGISTER OF ELECTORS.

A letter was read from the Department of Finance dated 18th November, 1929, S.26/1/29 enclosing Paying Order for £793 :11 : 1 being the amount recoupable to the County Council in connection with the preparation of the Seventh Register of Electors.

1044/29.

CUMANN COSANTA NA GAEDHEALTACHTA.

Do Leigheadh litir ó Chumann Cosanta na Gaedhealtachta ag iarraidh euidadh an Comhairle Chonndae an Gaedhealtacht a shabail. The Secretary was instructed to reply stating that the object had the Council's fullest sympathy and that they would co-operate in every possible way.

1045/29.

DE-RATING.

Councillor Scott proposed, Councillor Patrick Doherty seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That this Council approves of the principle of de-rating of agricultural land (including farm buildings) and productive industries and also of transport freight relief for the Saorstát, and urges upon the Government the necessity for immediate legislation to give effect thereto so that the farmers and industrialists of the Free State may be put on terms of equality with those of Northern Ireland.

That copies of this resolution be sent to each member of the Executive Council, and to each T.D. for the County, and, that the latter be requested to bring the matter before the Dail on the first opportunity."

The following resolution from the Dublin County Council was also adopted unanimously:-

"That the T.D.'s for County Dublin and the other County Councils in An Saorstát be requested to make representations to the Minister for Finance to introduce, and have passed at the earliest possible moment, a De-rating Bill that will place the Agricultural and Manufacturing Industries in the Free State on an equal footing with those of Northern Ireland to prevent the confusion and discontent that would otherwise arise if the wealth-producers of Northern Ireland were relieved and encouraged and those of the Free State left staggering under unjust and intolerable burdens as at present, which relief could early be given by adopting the scheme approved by the General Council of County Councils at their meeting held in March, 1929, and that copies of this resolution be sent to the Finance and Local Government Ministers, the eight County Dublin T.D.'s and to the local and Metropolitan newspapers."

Standing Orders were suspended on the motion of the Chairman seconded by Councillor Scott to allow Councillor Galleh to deal with, at length, various schemes and suggestions for the raising of the money for de-rating.

1046/29.

HARBOUR MASTER AT TEELIN.

A Notice of Motion by Councillor Brady that the services of Mr. John Haughey as Harbour Master at Teelin be terminated and that the Council notify him accordingly was ruled out of order by the Chairman as being a rescinding resolution and requiring six signatories.

1047/29. DANGEROUS CORNERS AT LOUGH ESKE RAILWAY CROSSING AND BARNES RAILWAY BRIDGE.

Councillor Hamilton proposed, Councillor Gallagher seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That the two dangerous corners at Lough Eske Railway Crossing and Barnes Railway Bridge be straightened and that the Road Board be asked to make a special Grant for the purpose as they are on the Trunk Road so that the cost shall not be borne by the Railway Company who naturally have no great interest in the improvement. That copies of this resolution be sent to the Railway Company, and the Deputies for the County with a request that the latter press for legislation if necessary."

1048/29. GLENLOUGH DRAINAGE SCHEME.

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Hamilton was adjourned, at his own request, sine die:-

"That the Council approves of the proposed Glenlough Drainage Scheme under the Arterial Drainage (Minor Schemes) Act, 1928; that steps be taken under Section 6 to carry out the Scheme; that the Minister for Finance be requested under Section 14 to grant one-fourth of the total expenditure, say, £100; that the County Council grant a further £100, and that the balance, £200, be raised by way of loan; repayments to be spread over a period of fifteen years."

1049/29. NO. 23 FORDSON ROLLER.

A Notice of Motion by Councillor Doogan that the charge for No. 23 Fordson Roller be reduced to £1 per day to all Road Contractors was ruled out of order by the Chairman as being a rescinding resolution and requiring six signatories.

1050/29. HOME-GROWN GRAIN.

Councillor Gallen proposed, Councillor Gallagher seconded, and it was unanimously resolved that the following resolution from the Offaly County Council be adopted:-

"That we respectfully urge the Government to immediately enact the necessary legislation to make compulsory the admixture of fifteen per cent home-grown grain with foreign feeding stuff before being offered for sale."

1051/29. CORKER BRIDGE.

The County Surveyor submitted the following report:-

"The road from Dunkineely to Ardara crosses the Oily River by means of a Ford at the junction of the Corker and Tullintain Rivers. To construct a Bridge over this Ford a sum of £600 is required. As an alternative the road could be slightly deviated and two small Bridges erected over the Corker and Tullintain Rivers at a cost of £500."

Councillor Myles, proposed, Councillor Brady seconded, and it was unanimously resolved that the alternative scheme for the erection of two bridges as suggested by the County Surveyor be adopted.

1052/29. BOATSLIP AT GOLA ISLAND.

Consideration of a letter from the Irish Land Commission requesting the Council to take over the boatslip at Gola Island was adjourned pending receipt of a report from the County Surveyor.

1053/29.

BOAT SLIP AT OWEY ISLAND.

The County Surveyor submitted the following report:-
 "I have to report that I visited the Pier on Owey Island. This structure consists of two flights of steps and a small triangular-shaped landing. The lower flight of steps leads from the sea to the landing and the upper flight from the landing to the tops of the cliff.

This Pier owing to the size of the landing is of very little use to the fishermen. When the tide is full the lower flight of steps is covered leaving a pier about fourteen feet long. This landing is too small so that they have no room for their nets. The landing would require to be extended about thirty feet and new lower steps formed making a pier about 42 feet long so as to enable the fishermen to moor their boats alongside and have some room on the Pier for their fishing nets."

Councillor Brennan proposed, Councillor James Boyle seconded, and it was unanimously resolved that the Irish Land Commission be requested to carry out the improvement suggested by the County Surveyor before the Council would make any arrangements for taking over the boatslip.

1054/29.

RESIGNATION OF COUNCILLOR JAMES F. O'DONNELL.

A letter was read from Councillor James F. O'Donnell resigning his membership of the Council.

Councillor Brennan proposed, Councillor James Boyle seconded, and it was unanimously resolved that the Council accept Mr. O'Donnell's resignation with regret, subject to compliance with the Standing Orders.

Councillors Gallen, Nyhan, and Doogan, with the Chairman and Secretary, associated themselves with the expressions of regret at Mr. O'Donnell's severance from the Council.

Councillor James Boyle proposed and it was unanimously resolved to declare the office held by Mr. O'Donnell vacant and the Secretary was directed to notify the vacancy by public advertisement.

1055/29.

DRAINAGE OF THE RIVER BENY.

The County Surveyor's report submitted at last meeting (Minute No. 1009/29) was again read.

The County Surveyor further stated that other interests would be affected if the drainage scheme were carried out.

It was unanimously decided to adjourn the matter for a month to give the other parties an opportunity to submit a drainage petition also.

1056/29.

BALLYSALLAGH BURN DRAINAGE SCHEME.

A letter was read from Mr. T. Carr, Ray P.O., Letterkenny, on the subject of the drainage of Ballysallagh Burn and stating that the persons affected were of the opinion that the amount allocated by the County Surveyor for the work in connection with the drainage of the Ballysallagh Burn was inadequate and it could not be carried out at the amount.

The report submitted by the County Surveyor at the last meeting of the Council (Minute No. 1016/29) and the following further report were read:—"With regard to No. 38 on Agenda the estimate for the work altogether depends on the extent to which the drainage is to be effected. When I inspected the stream I saw only two of the parties interested and understood from them that if the remains of an old weir together with other obstructions in the existing stream were removed that this would effect the object desired. If, however, other works such as cuts to remove bonds, etc. is required then more money will be necessary. However, I will be in that direction again shortly and will endeavour to see more of the parties concerned." On the motion of Councillor Baxter it was decided to adjourn the matter for a month.

1057/29.

RINGLEVIN DRAINAGE SCHEME.

The Report submitted from the County Surveyor at the last meeting (Minute No. 971/29) and the following further report were read:-

"In the report I submitted at last meeting and handed to you re above no estimate was mentioned. I desire to have this put at £1,200."

Councillor James Boyle proposed and Councillor Baxter seconded:-
"That the Council requests the Board of Works to inquire into the scheme, and undertakes to maintain the Drainage District if one is formed."

1058/29.

SUPPLY OF COATS AND HATS TO ROAD WORKERS.

Councillor Philip Doherty proposed, Councillor Gallagher seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:- "That all permanent road-workers (surface men) be supplied with oil coats and hats by the Donegal County Council."

Before making the purchases the County Surveyor was instructed to obtain samples of the goods proposed to be purchased.

1059/29.

ALTERATION IN SYSTEM OF TAKING CONTRACTS FOR ROADS.

The following report from the County Surveyor re alteration in system of taking road contracts was submitted:-

"With regard to Item No. 39 on the Agenda I take it that it refers to a suggestion of Councillor Hamilton re a variation in the manner of letting contracts in which the amount allowed for a proposal was to remain fixed and the Contractor to be accepted was the one who gave the greatest number of tons for the money allowed. Of course there is nothing to prevent contracts being let in this manner were it so desired. I would point out, however, that until Contractors get accustomed to this method misunderstandings would be likely to arise. Even if tried I would be doubtful if the object in view would be attained to any great extent. Good Contractors usually keep close to the County Surveyor's estimate and it is much better for the County to get a man who will satisfactorily perform his contract than to encourage the acceptance of offers which on paper may look advantageous.

My experience is that the more absurd a man's offer is the worse for the County because he has little incentive to do the work and resorts to various means of escaping his obligations and rarely gives the tonnage all of which summed up means that the roads suffer. I prefer to see men take work that will provide them with a fair day's pay in return for a fair day's work."

Councillor Cole proposed, Councillor Brady seconded, and it was unanimously resolved that no departure be made from the existing system. The County Surveyor was, however, given permission to experiment with the system proposed by Councillor Hamilton in one or two cases in which he would be letting contracts himself if he considered it advisable.

1060/29.

ERECTION OF BUILDING ON "SALLY GARDEN" IN LIFFORD.

The County Surveyor submitted the following report:-
"Regarding Item No. 40 on Agenda it would be advisable before giving permission to the applicant to ask him to supply a ground plan of the building proposed to be erected so that one might be sure that nothing is done that would be likely to interfere with what might be of importance to the County in the future."

The Secretary was instructed to request the applicant to submit the ground plan as suggested.

1061/29. RE PLOT OF GROUND EAST PORT, BALLYSHANNON.

A letter was read from Mr. Cormac McGowan, ex-Clerk, Ballyshannon R.D.C. regarding a plot of ground in East Port, Ballyshannon, the ownership of which was claimed by Mr. James Monaghan and on which he intends building.

Councillor Myles suggested that the matter be adjourned for a month as there were other parties interested, and that in the meantime Mr. Monaghan be requested to submit plans of the building which he proposed erecting.

The suggestion was unanimously adopted.

1062/29. TEELIN PIER.

A report was submitted from Mr. Thomas J. O'Reilly re Teelin Pier.

A letter was read from Mr. John Haughey, Harbour Master, Teelin, in which he explained the circumstances under which he was reported by the ex-Harbour Master for failing to pay Harbour Dues and pointing out that Messrs. Gallagher Bros., who are the chief shippers at the Pier, were never charged correctly.

Councillor Baxter suggested that Harbour Masters should be supported in enforcing their authority and he proposed that no person be allowed in future to use any of the County Piers for gutting or curing purposes without special permission.

The motion was passed unanimously.

1063/29. DRUM DISTRICT COURT.

A letter was read from the District Court Clerk in which he stated that the Drum District Court Area had been abolished by the Minister for Justice and amalgamated with the Milford District Court Area as from the 1st November.

1064/29. BUNCRANA COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from the Courtkeeper, Buncrana, in which he reported that there was a pane of glass broken in one of the windows and a lock broken on the front door in Buncrana Courthouse.

The County Surveyor submitted the following report:-
"I inspected the above Courthouse and find that the pane of glass was deliberately broken by a stone which I got inside the building. The lock has been attended to."

I would suggest that the Council place £10 in my hands for meeting incidental expenses connected with this Courthouse. I might mention that a portion of the floor already needs repair."

It was unanimously decided to place £10 in the County Surveyor's hands to carry out the necessary repairs and to call on the Courtkeeper for an explanation regarding the broken pane, lock and floor.

1065/29. DRAIN IN MOVILLE.

A letter was read from the County Board of Health referring to the Council a recommendation by the Moville Public Health Committee that the drain from road at end of Bath Terrace to the sea be re-built of stone and lime and that the work be put out for tender at an estimated cost not to exceed £10.

It was decided on the motion of Councillor Myles to instruct the County Surveyor to take tenders for the work.

1066/29.

STREETS OF MANORCUNNINGHAM.

A letter was read from the residents of Manorcunningham in which they called attention to the state of the Main Road through the village and to the footpaths which are in a dilapidated condition.

The County Surveyor stated that he was having the matter attended to.

1067/29.

RUN O CHOMHRADH NA GAEDHILGE.

Do Leigheadh litir o Chomhradh na Gaedhilge ag iarraidh cuideadh i dtaobh an run seo leanas a cuireadh i bhfeidhm ag cruinnuighadh de'n Cheiste Gnotha:-

"Gurab e tuairim Coiste Gnotha Chomhradh na Gaedhilge go bhfuil se in n-am Ollscoileana an tSaorstát a chur in oireamhaint do na Gaedhilgeoiri a bheas ag teacht ionnta os na scoileana i n-áirí mheadhonacha agus na Colaisti Oilúna ionnus go mbeadh siad i n-ann leanuint da gcuid Oideachais triú an nGaedilg, agus chuige sin iarraimid ar an Riaghaltas Coiste Fiosruchain a chur ar bun gan mhoill leis an sgeal seo a bhreithniú agus a reidhteach."

The Council unanimously approved of the terms of the resolution.

1068/29.

TRAVEL ASSOCIATION OF GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND.

A circular from the Travel Association of Great Britain and Ireland in which they invited the Council to become members was read.

1069/29.

COURTHOUSE ACCOMMODATION IN KILLYBEGS.

Councillor Brady reported that he was negotiating with the Governors of the Robertson School Board regarding Courthouse accommodation in Killybegs, but that no arrangements had yet been made.

The Secretary was instructed to get in touch with the Robertson School Board direct.

1070/29.

CARNDONAGH COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from the Courtkeeper, Carndonagh, regarding the complaint made by the Clerk of the Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee, in which he stated that the Clerk's room or the body of the Court was always available for meetings but the Clerk of the Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee wanted the Judge's room with a fire.

The Courtkeeper was instructed to provide a fire for these meetings in future.

1071/29.

MALICIOUS INJURY CLAIMS.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor enclosing report on the Malicious Injury Claims heard at the Michaelmas Sittings of the Circuit Court.

The Council's Solicitor, who was present, asked for authority to bring to Dublin witnesses in connection with the Malicious Injury Appeal, Earl of Leitrim v. Donegal County Council, which was being heard in December.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Cole the authority required was unanimously given.

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1067/29.

RUN O CHOMNRADH NA GAEDHILGE.

Do Leigheadh litir o Chomnradh na Gaedhilge ag iarraidh cuideadh i dtaobh an run seo leanas a cuireadh i bhfeidhm ag cruinnuighad de'n Choiste Gnotha:-

"Gurab e tuairim Coiste Gnotha Chomnradh na Gaedhilge go bhfuil se in n-am Ollsgoileana an tSaorstát a chur in oireamhaint do na Gaedhilgeoiri a bheas ag teacht ionnta os na sgoileana iir-mheadhonacha agus na Colaisti Oiliuma ionnus go mbeadh siad i n-ann leanuint da gcuid Oideachais tríd an nGaedilg, agus chuige sin iarraimid ar an Riaghaltas Coiste Fiosruchain a chur ar bun gan mhoill leis an sgeal seo a bhreithniú agus a reidhteach."

The Council unanimously approved of the terms of the resolution.

1068/29.

TRAVEL ASSOCIATION OF GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND.

A circular from the Travel Association of Great Britain and Ireland in which they invited the Council to become members was read.

1069/29.

COURTHOUSE ACCOMMODATION IN KILLYBEGS.

Councillor Brady reported that he was negotiating with the Governors of the Robertson School Board regarding Courthouse accommodation in Killybegs, but that no arrangements had yet been made.

The Secretary was instructed to get in touch with the Robertson School Board direct.

1070/29.

CARNDONAGH COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from the Courtkeeper, Carndonagh, regarding the complaint made by the Clerk of the Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee, in which he stated that the Clerk's room or the body of the Court was always available for meetings but the Clerk of the Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee wanted the Judge's room with a fire.

The Courtkeeper was instructed to provide a fire for these meetings in future.

1071/29.

MALICIOUS INJURY CLAIMS.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor enclosing report on the Malicious Injury Claims heard at the Michaelmas Sittings of the Circuit Court.

The Council's Solicitor, who was present, asked for authority to bring to Dublin witnesses in connection with the Malicious Injury Appeal, Earl of Leitrim v. Donegal County Council, which was being heard in December.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Cole the authority required was unanimously given.

1072/29.

REGISTRATION AND LICENSING OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 4th November, 1929, M.T.209/7, in which it was stated that as from the 1st ultimo the maximum amount recoupable in respect of the supervisory and clerical duties in connection with the work of Motor Registration and Licensing was £310 per annum or $1\frac{1}{2}\%$ on the net amount collected whichever is lesser. In view of the increase in the rates and amounts of motor licence duties collected the sums named in Guarantee Bonds generally require revision and arrangements should be made to have the Bonds entered into by Mr. Gallagher and the Secretary increased to £1,000 and £500 respectively. Full particulars of the premiums, etc. should be communicated to the Department before the transactions are completed.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter it was unanimously resolved to request the Ministry to fix the maximum amount recoupable at $1\frac{1}{2}\%$ on the net amount collected which would amount to £360.

1073/29.

RATES OF MOTOR LICENCES.

Councillor Loughrey proposed, Councillor Gallen seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-
"That we repeat our request of the 29th May, 1928, (680/28) asking 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, and that the T. D. 's of the County be asked to take the matter up with the Department of Finance and the Local Government Department (Roads) respectively."

1074/29.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES STORED IN DERRY.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick Shiels, 23, Chamberlain Street, Derry, ex-Liason Officer, in which he stated that as the County Council had refused to pay the expenses of storing certain weights and measures which he entrusted to his keeping during the Truce he was instructing Mr. James McGuinness to sell the above-mentioned articles to defray costs of storage as per Agreement.

A further letter was read from Mr. Shiels in which he stated that the Agreement was a verbal one which provided for the payment of 5/- weekly. He could not say definitely if the County Council was aware of the Agreement but the authorities in Dublin were cognisant of it.

No action was taken in the matter.

1075/29.

BRIDGE ON ROAD BETWEEN DUNGLOE AND BURTONPORT.

A letter was read from Mr. Francis O'Donnell, Meenanolobney House, Burtonport, inquiring position re deepening of bridge on road between Dungloe and Burtonport.

The Secretary was instructed to get in touch with the Land Commission in the matter.

1076/29.

SUPPLY OF FREE SCHOOL BOOKS TO NECESSITOUS CHILDREN.

A letter was read from the Clerk, Ballyshannon Town Commissioners, in which he enclosed copy of the following resolution passed by them:-
"That we call on the Government to introduce the necessary legislation in the Dail for the supplying of school books free of charge to all schoolchildren and free meals to necessitous schoolchildren."

As a similar resolution had already been passed by the Council no action was taken.

1077/29. EMPLOYEES OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL RESIDING OUTSIDE THE FREE STATE.

A letter was read from the Clerk, Ballyshannon Town Commissioners, in which he stated that he had been instructed by the Ballyshannon Town Commissioners to inquire if it was not feasible for employees of the County Council to reside in the Free State. It was understood that the County Surveyor, Mr. Steadman, resided in Northern Ireland. He further inquired if it was not possible for Mr. Steadman to find a home in the County from which he derived his salary.

In view of a decision of the County Council governing such cases no action was taken.

1078/29. BALLYSHANNON PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from the Clerk, Ballyshannon Town Commissioners, in which they requested the Council to see to the appointment of two representatives from the Ballyshannon Town Commissioners on the local Health Committee in Ballyshannon and also a representative on the County Board of Health at Stranorlar. They also requested their Vice-Chairman (Mr. Nyhan Co.C.) to see to these matters at the next meeting of the County Council.

No action was taken in the matter.

1079/29. ELECTRIC STANDARD IN BALLYSHANNON.

A letter was read from the Clerk, Ballyshannon Town Commissioners, in which he enclosed copy of the following resolution passed by the Town Commissioners at their last meeting:-

"That we call on the County Council to request Messrs. Hyles & Co. to remove the Electric Standard at the Bridge End, Ballyshannon, from its present position to about three feet to the west. As at present situated it obstructs the view of the business premises of Mrs. McDermott.

That we call on our Vice-Chairman (Mr. Nyhan, Co.C.) to see to this matter at next County Council Meeting."

No action was taken in the matter.

1080/29. RIGHT-OF-WAY.

A letter from Miss Eliza Wilkin, Castle Doe, Creeslough, regarding a right-of-way was referred to the County Surveyor.

1081/29. APPLICATION FOR RELEASE OF CHILDREN FROM INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS.

A letter was read from Rev. Michael McGeown, P.P., Carnfonagh, regarding the application of Mr. Dan Logue for the release of his children from Industrial Schools.

The Council decided to take no action in the matter.

1082/29. BUNDORAN URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

A letter was read from the Clerk, Bundoran U.D.C., in which he asked to be furnished with a statement showing the amounts of grants from the Road Board allocated to the several Districts in the County in the years 1928/29 and 1929/30 by the Donegal County Council.

1083/29.

MAIN ROAD UPKEEP GRANTS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 7th November, 1929, R.G.D. 201/30, in which it was stated that the Minister was anxious to be in a position to inform County Councils as early as possible the grants which might be made from the Road Funds in the year 1930/31. He, therefore, wished County Councils to deal with the matter without undue delay. The upkeep grants in future would be on a basis of a flat rate of 40% for all Main Roads without distinguishing whether they were Trunk or Link Roads.

Councillor Hamilton proposed, Councillor Mahony seconded, and it was unanimously resolved to request the Ministry to allocate under this Grant to this Council not less than was previously allocated under the other basis.

1084/29.

MEARES V. DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor in which he enclosed copy of a letter from Messrs. McFadden & Co. recasts of preparation of Agreement - Miss Meares and another to Donegal County Council.

The Secretary stated that the costs amounted to £11 : 9 : 3 and that £10 had been previously offered in full discharge of the claim.

It was unanimously decided to pay the full amount subject to sanction.

1085/29.

REFUSAL OF COUNCIL'S EMPLOYEE TO PAY RATES.

A letter was read from the Rent Collector, Burt Area, in which he stated that Andrew Doran, an employee of the Council, refused to pay rates on a Labourer's Cottage of which he was the tenant.

The Secretary stated that this man was no longer an employee of the Council. No action was taken.

1086/29.

CONTINUATION OF A NEW ROAD.

A letter was read from Messrs. George Devlin and John Doherty, Letter, Fahan, in which they applied for continuation of a new road which ran in conjunction with Fahan Road and Crislaughkeel Road and stated that the original road made in 1924 had not been repaired since and was getting into very bad repair.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor for inclusion in the Provisional Road Works Scheme if possible.

1087/29.

CHANGING OF SEAL FROM "TIRCONAILL" TO "DONEGAL."

The Secretary was instructed to have the Council's Seal changed from "Tirconaill" to "Donegal."

1088/29.

COUNTY MAPS.

Councillor Scott proposed, Councillor Gallen seconded, and it was unanimously resolved that the best thanks of the Council be given to the Secretary for the care and attention he had devoted to the preparation of the County Maps.

It was decided to sell the maps at 1s/3d. each, post free; fifty to be retained for Council purposes.

1089/29. LANES AND PATHS LEADING TO CRAIGTOWN N. S., CARNDONAGH.

A letter was read from Mr. Brian O'Gallagher, Craigtown N. S., Carndonagh, in which he complained of the abominable state of the lanes and paths leading to his School.

The County Surveyor submitted the following report:-
"As Item No. 68 on Agenda the lanes and paths referred to by Mr. Brian O'Gallagher are not County Roads and I have no way of dealing with them. Under the circumstances one would expect that the parents of the children referred to would see that the small amount of time required to improve them was given."

It was decided to refer the matter again to the County Surveyor to do anything possible.

1090/29. HOUSES IN RAMELTON.

A letter was read from Mr. James Malseed, Solicitor, Letterkenny, regarding two houses belonging to Mr. Matthew Gallagher, Ramelton, which are situated at the corner of the Market Square where it enters Church Street. It was understood that the Council were thinking of widening the street at this particular spot, and, if so, Mr. Gallagher was prepared to accept £400 for the houses if the Council wished to purchase them.

No action was taken.

1091/29. STONES ON ROAD AT LOWER KEELDRUM, GORTAHORK.

A letter was read from Mr. James Malseed, Solicitor, Letterkenny, in which he stated that his client, Miss Doogan, had intimated to him that no attempt had been made to remove the pile of stones from her house at Lower Keeldrum, Gortahork, about which she complained recently.

The following report was submitted from the County Surveyor:-
"Regarding Item No. 73 on Agenda the stones referred to were not placed there by orders of any official of the County Council and I asked Mr. M. Dawson to interview Mr. Malseed on the matter. As a matter of fact the stones are there as the outcome of an altercation between his client and a neighbour."

No action was taken.

1092/29. APPLICATIONS FOR POSITIONS AS FLAGMEN.

Applications for positions as flagmen were received from Mr. John Harkin, Ballymagroarty, Ballintra, and Mr. Daniel O'Callaghan, Drumfad, Ballymashannagh.

It was decided to refer the names to the County Surveyor who stated that there were no vacancies.

1093/29. FORM 19, ROAD SCHEDULE, AND FORM 20, ROAD WORKS SCHEME.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 14th November, 1929, R.M./7, which stated that Form 19, Road Schedule, and Form 20, Road Works Scheme, should be submitted in the Form prescribed in the Public Bodies Order, 1925. Sample forms were enclosed for the information of the County Surveyors.

The Secretary stated that arrangements had already been made for compliance with the Public Bodies Order this year.

1094/29. LIST OF SCHOOLS ELIGIBLE FOR COUNTY SCHOLARSHIPS.

A letter was read from T. H. Blackburn, Esq., Head Master, Grammar School, Sligo, in which he asked to have his school recognised as one at which Protestant boys who have been awarded Scholarships might hold them.

Councillor Baxter proposed, Councillor Mahony seconded, and it was unanimously resolved to recognise the Grammar School, Sligo, as one which could send forward boys for the County University Scholarships.

1095/29. SURETIES FOR HARBOUR ILSTERS.

The Harbour Masters at Teelin, Gladnageragh and Burtonport submitted names of sureties which were unanimously accepted by the Council.

1096/29. CONSTRUCTION OF BOAT SLIP AT POOL-NA-BPIOCH.

A letter was read from the Department of Lands and Fisheries dated 15th November, 1929, in which it was stated that the Department were prepared to contribute one-half the cost towards the construction of a boat slip at Pool-na-bpioch as an alternative to that at Lug-na-Druan, Glencolumbkille, provided that the County Council agreed to contribute one-half the cost together with any sum by which such cost exceeded £250, the amount estimated by the Department for the carrying out of the work.

The Chairman ruled that Notice of Motion would be required before anything could be done.

1097/29. FLOODING OF ROAD BETWEEN DUNFANAGHY AND FALCARRAGH.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, S.G.F./7, in which it was stated that an Engineering Inspector would shortly visit County Donegal when opportunity would be taken to consult with the County Surveyor regarding the flooding of the road between Dunfanaghy and Falcarragh.

1098/29. ST. COLUMBA'S INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL, KILLYBEGS.

A letter was read from Rev. J. Deeney, Rector, St. Columba's Industrial School, Killybegs, in which he stated that he would be pleased to assist the Committee which had been appointed to visit his School in any way he could.

Councillor Baxter proposed and Councillor Myles seconded that Councillors Brennan, MacCreadie and Mahony be appointed as a Committee.

Councillor Scott proposed and Councillor Manus O'Boyle seconded as an amendment that the name of Councillor Brady be included.

On a show of hands the amendment was defeated by 11 votes to 8 and the Chairman declared the motion carried.

1099/29. SHEEP DIPPING PROSECUTIONS.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor reporting results of sheep dipping prosecutions.

1100/29.

MR. CHARLES L. CALLAGHAN.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 15th November, 1929, G.79,999/29, regarding the temporary employment of Mr. Charles L. Callaghan in which they called attention to the concluding paragraph of their letter of the 18th ultimo, and stated that the Minister was not prepared to sanction Mr. Callaghan's employment.

Councillor James Boyle proposed and Councillor Francis Gallagher seconded that the Ministry be requested to reconsider their decision.

Councillor James Boyle proposed, Councillor Nyhan seconded, and it was unanimously resolved that the Secretary be instructed to continue Mr. Callaghan in the employment of the Council in the meantime.

1101/29.

APPLICATION FROM ROAD CONTRACTOR FOR PAYMENT.

A letter was read from Mr. John E. Doherty, Carramore, Glentogher, in which he applied for payment in connection with certain road work carried out by him.

The County Surveyor submitted the following report:-
"The Contractor, John Doherty, has already been paid £22 out of £30, the amount of the contract. He has still further work to do to complete his contract and I cannot at present go any further."

1102/29.

LIGHTING OF RATHMULLAN PIER.

A letter was read from the Irish Lights Office, Dublin, dated 16th November, 1929, 723/29, which stated that the ordinary hurricane lamp erected at Rathmullan Pier was useless for navigational purposes and that if the Council did not see their way to re-establish the acetylene light the case might be met by the use of an up-to-date ships port side light (oil) in place of the existing lantern.

Councillor Baxter proposed, Councillor Loughrey seconded, and it was unanimously resolved to instruct the County Surveyor to purchase the lamp suggested.

1103/29

APPLICATION FOR CINEMA LICENCE FOR DOHERTY'S HALL, BALLINTRA.

An application from Mr. S. J. Beresford, Ballyshannon, for a cinema licence for Doherty's Hall, Ballintra, was unanimously granted.

1104/29.

APPLICATION FOR CINEMA LICENCE FOR CHAPMAN'S HALL, DONEGAL.

An application for a cinema licence for Chapman's Hall, Donegal, was unanimously granted on the motion of Councillor Francis Gallagher subject to a satisfactory report being received from the Assistant Surveyor.

1105/29.

MAPS FOR NEW ROADS.

A letter was read from Mr. O'Neill, Assistant Surveyor, in which he inquired who should supply maps in the case of new roads.

The Secretary was instructed to inform Mr. O'Neill that in the case of new roads the ordnance survey sheets should be supplied by the persons requiring the new roads.

1106/29.

COUNTY DONEGAL TOURIST GUIDE.

A letter was read from Messrs. E. J. Burrow & Co., Cheltenham, in which they inquired if the Council would be prepared to purchase at £14 :10 : 0 1000 extra copies of the County Donegal Tourist Guide.

The Secretary was instructed to inform Messrs. Burrow & Co. that the Council declined the offer.

1107/29.

APPOINTMENT OF FOOD AND DRUGS INSPECTORS.

A letter was read from the Chief Superintendent, Garda Siothchann, Letterkenny, in which he stated that the eleven Food and Drugs Inspectors appointed in the County at present were inadequate and suggested the appointment of the following seven additional inspectors:-

Garda J. C. McCrossan, 3553, Carrick.

Gardn P. Harvey, 1189, Raphoe.

Garda J. H. Flanagan, 3660, Lifford.

Garda J. Hartigan, 1059, Creeslough.

Garda E. T. Tierney, 4359, Dungloe.

Garda Martin Guilfoyle. 4409. Moville.

Garda F. Hegarty, 6855, Muff.

He also suggested the appointment of Garda Peter McGurk, Carndonagh, in place of Sergeant Patrick Meehan, Carndonagh.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Cole the Chief Superintendent's suggestion was unanimously adopted, and the new appointments made.

The Secretary was instructed to arrange for the supply of the necessary equipment.

1108/29:

SUDDEN BREACHES - NORTHERN DIVISION.

The following applications from the County Surveyor were unanimously granted:-

For repairing breach in sea wall at Greencastle.....	£45.
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For repairing bridge on Main Road at Umrycam.....	£40.
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1109/29.

ENTRANCE TO QUARRY AT TERRAWEE, GLENEELY.

A letter was read from Mr. Charles Faulkner, Tullyally, Redcastle, requesting the assistance of the Council's Solicitor in obtaining entry into a quarry on the lands of John Cunningham, Terrawee, Glencely, and suggesting that the Council be joined with him as applicant.

On the motion of Councillor Cole seconded by Councillor Nyham it was unanimously decided to instruct the Council's Solicitor to take the necessary steps to obtain an Order to enter the quarry on the lands named.

1110/29.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING.

1929. It was decided to hold the next meeting on the 17th December,

Confirmed,
W. W. M. Fadder Chairman,
17/12/29.

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WAS HELD 'ON TUESDAY, THE 17TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1929.

1111/29.

The following were the members present:- Councillors
McFadden (presiding), Quigley, Baxter, Blaney, Brady, Brennan,
Cole, Doherty (Carrigart), Doherty (Philip), Doogan, Douglas,
Gallagher (Bernard), Gallagher (Francis), Gallen, Hamilton,
Kavanagh, ~~Louisa~~, Mahony, Myles, MacCreadie, McIvor, McPhelimy,
McShane, Nyhar, O'Boyle (Manus), O'Boyle (Daniel E.), O'Doherty,
Scott, Sweeney, and Wagentrieber.

1112/29.

A letter was read from Councillor Loughrey regretting his inability to be present at the meeting.

1113/29.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Brennan the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 26th November, 1929, were unanimously confirmed.

1114/29.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Brennan the Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance Committee held on the 26th November, 1929, were unanimously adopted.

1115/29.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 12th December, 1929, G.87655/29, stating that the Minister regretted he was unable to alter his decision regarding the employment of Mr. Charles L. Callaghan in the County Council Offices, and referred the Council to the concluding paragraph of his letter of the 18th October last.

Councillor Scott proposed, Councillor Sweeney seconded, and it was unanimously resolved to refer to the Sub-Finance Committee the determination of the gratuity to be awarded to Mr. Callaghan for the loss of his office. The Secretary was instructed to continue Mr. Callaghan on his staff until the end of December.

The question of making an appointment in the place of Mr. Callaghan, if necessary, was also referred to the Sub-Finance Committee.

1116/29.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 13th December, 1929, G.89125/29, Dun na nGall. Pg. stating that the Minister raised no objection to the settlement of Messrs. McFadden & Co.'s Bill of Costs in connection with the preparation of the Agreement - Miss Meares and another to the Donegal County Council for £10 without taxation.

1117/29.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 22nd November, 1929, 83461/29, Dun na nGall. Sg. sanctioning the appointment of Mr. Edward O'Donnell as Harbour Master at Leabhrannagh at a salary of £4 per annum.

1118/29. APPOINTMENT OF HARBOUR MASTERS AT CLADNAGERAGH,
BURTONPORT AND TEELIN.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 12th December, 1929, G.88584/29 Dun na nGall sanctioning the appointment of Mrs. Cumminsham and Mr. John Haughey as Harbour Masters at Cladnageragh and Teelin respectively subject to the provisions of the Local Offices and Employments (Gaeltacht) Order, 1928. The Minister regretted that he was unable to sanction Mr. John O'Donnell for the Burtonport appointment as he had not yet reached the age at which he would be in a position to perfect a Bond.

The Council decided to readvertise the Burtonport appointment, and to instruct their Solicitor to have Fidelity Guarantee Bonds signed by the new Harbour Masters.

It was further decided to have Fidelity Guarantee Bonds completed in respect of each Harbour Master in the County.

1119/29. DE-RATING.

Letters were read from the Department of the President, Departments of Lands and Fisheries, Industry and Commerce, Education and Agriculture, acknowledging the receipt of the extract from the Minutes of the last Council Meeting on the subject of de-rating which it was stated was having attention.

1120/29. LIST OF OMNIBUS OWNERS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 20th November, 1929, in which they inquired why the name of Mr. Barr, Main Street, Buncrana, was omitted from the list of omnibus owners who had taken out licences for the month of October as Mr. Barr's name was included in the returns furnished to the Minister for Industry and Commerce.

1121/29. BREACHES OF THE MOTOR LICENSING REGULATIONS.

Councillor Scott proposed and it was unanimously resolved to ask the Minister for Justice to furnish the Council with a list of the prosecutions in the County and the fines imposed for the year ended the 30th September last for breaches of the Motor Licensing Regulations.

1122/29. LOAN FOR THE HIRE OF MACHINERY.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 23rd November, 1929, R.B./7, in which it was stated that a sum of £419 :13 : 6, being instalment in respect of loan for the hire of machinery, had been forwarded to the County Treasurer on the 20th idem.

1123/29. FORM NO. 97 AND TABLE BR/42(1929).

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 2nd November, 1929, in which they asked for an explanation of the discrepancy between the expenditure shown on Form No. 97 and Table BR/42(1929) regarding the expenditure on Main Roads.

1124/29.

SECRETARY'S STATEMENTS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 27th November, 1929, in which they asked to be furnished with the Secretary's Statements for the period ended 30th September, 1929.

1125/29. COUNTY SECRETARY'S SALARY UNDER THE DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACTS.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture dated 28th November, 1929, L.2884-29, in which it was stated that the question of allocating a portion of the County Secretary's salary to rank for recoupment was under consideration.

A further letter dated 11th December, 1929, L.3907-29, was read from the Department of Agriculture stating that the Department approved of the allocation of £100 per annum of the County Secretary's salary in respect of duties under the Diseases of Animals Acts, including the duties under the Bovine Tuberculosis Order; such sum to rank for recoupment from the General Cattle Diseases Fund.

1126/29. CONGRESS UNDER THE ROYAL SANITARY INSTITUTE.

An invitation to the Council to send delegates to a Congress to be held at Margate in June next under the Royal Sanitary Institute was submitted.

1127/29. MOST. REV. DR. McRORY'S ELEVATION TO THE CARDINALATE.

A letter was read from the Rev. P. Finnegan, A.M., Armagh, in which he acknowledged, on behalf of His Grace Most. Rev. Dr. McRory, the Council's kind message, and intimated the great pleasure with which His Grace had received the congratulations of Tírconnail.

1128/29. BREACHES OF THE MOTOR LICENSING REGULATIONS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 18th November, 1929, M.T., in which they asked for particulars of the breaches of the Motor Licensing Regulations reported by the Gardaí.

1129/29. ABSTRACT OF ACCOUNTS AND SECRETARY'S STATEMENT OF DONEGAL COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH AND PUBLIC ASSISTANCE.

The Abstract of Accounts and Secretary's Statements of the Donegal County Board of Health and Public Assistance from the 31st March, 1924, to 30th September, 1928, were submitted.

1130/29. CONSTRUCTION OF BOAT SLIP AT POLL NA BPIOCH.

The Chairman (Councillor McFadden) moved, Councillor Brady seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That this Council agrees to contribute one-half of the cost of construction of Boat Slip at Poll na bPíoch, Glencolumbkille, together with any sum in addition by which such cost exceeds £250, which is the amount estimated by the Government Engineers as being the cost of the work."

1131/29.

CHARGE FOR HIRE OF FORDSON ROLLER NO. 23.

The following Notice of Motion signed by Councillor Doogan and five other members was submitted:-

"That the County Surveyor's proposal to increase the charge for hire of Fordson Roller No. 23 be rescinded and the charge reduced to £1 per day."

The Secretary referred the Council to Article 59 of the Public Bodies Order under which the Council was required to charge for the use of machinery an amount to cover the cost.

It was decided to adjourn the whole matter until next October.

1132/29.

THE NEW DERRY BRIDGE.

Councillor Hamilton proposed, Councillor Nyhan seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That we endorse the action of Councillor Blaney as to the opening span in the proposed Derry Bridge and we call upon our T.D.'s and the Government to support him."

Councillor Blaney proposed, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That we, the members of the County Council of the County of Donegal, call upon the Minister for Industry and Commerce to take all necessary steps to protect the rights of the ratepayers of this County (especially those resident along the River Foyle) to free passage on the River by the opening span in the Derry Bridge being retained in the new Bridge about to be erected and that representations be immediately made by him to the Northern Government to ensure that this is done."

Councillor Scott suggested that it be pointed out to the Minister that the delay of the Executive Council in giving a satisfactory reply to the County Council prevented them from taking any action themselves and having an appearance entered earlier on their own behalf.

1133/29.

EMPLOYMENT OF LOCAL MEN ON TOWNWILLY ROAD.

Councillor Hamilton called attention to the failure to employ local men on the Town-willy Road.

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

"A proposal was brought forward in March, 1928, to improve the road leading into the Townwilly Area. The work was advertised but no tenders were received. The £60 proposed for carrying out the work, having been placed in the County Surveyor's hands, the Assistant Surveyor advertised it locally but failed to get satisfactory offers."

It was decided to carry out the work by employing men by the day. On the 1st inst. four men started work under a local Ganger. Four of these, including the Ganger, belong to Townwilly. On the second day after the work had started about seventy men applied for work. The Ganger told these men he could not employ them all as he had only £60 to expend. He would, however, take on ten more men. This they would not agree to but demanded that all the men be employed, should the work only last one hour. They then removed the barrows and lines and obstructed the men and ganger. The following day the same tactics were adopted. As the work could not be carried on the Assistant Surveyor stopped work entirely on this road."

It was unanimously decided to leave the matter in the hands of Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor.

1134/29.

DUNGLOE OLD AGE PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEE.

Councillor Daniel E. O'Boyle moved, Councillor Brennan seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That Rev. John McInteer, P.P., be appointed on the Dungloe Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Canon McCafferty."

1135/29.

PRIMARY TEACHERS' PENSION FUND.

Councillor Francis Gallagher proposed, Councillor Nyhan seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:-

"That we, the members of the Donegal County Council, express our entire sympathy with and support to the Irish Free State Primary Teachers in their request that the Government should place the Teachers' Pension Fund on a satisfactory basis without making any further financial demands on the teachers, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Minister for Finance, Dublin."

1136/29.

ROADS NEAR CARRIDONAGH.

The following Notice of Motion, standing in the name of Councillor Cole, was withdrawn:-

"That the Council instruct the County Surveyor to have the following four roads included in his application, (1) Land Commission No. 177; (2) Crowsburn to Trussey's Park, No. 178; (3) Inishmill Road; (4) Guill Bog Road."

1137/29.

COURTHOUSE ACCOMMODATION IN KILLYBEGS.

A letter was read from Rev. Alex. Munro, Secretary to the Governors of the Robertson Endowments, in which he stated that the Governors could not accede to the request of the Council to let the Murray Hall, Killybegs, for sittings of the District Court.

Councillor Brady stated that there was a possibility of other premises being obtained if the Council considered them suitable.

The County Surveyor was instructed to inspect them and to report to the next meeting.

1138/29.

MILICIOUS INJURY APPEAL - EARL OF LEITRIM v. COUNCIL.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor reporting the result of the appeal in the Milicious Injury Case, Earl of Leitrim v. Donegal County Council.

1139/29.

ROAD BETWEEN FALCARRAGH AND BALLYCONNELL COLLEGE.

A memorial was submitted from certain residents in the Falcarragh Area requesting the Council to have the road between Falcarragh and Ballyconnell College Entrance Gate put into repair.

The County Surveyor stated that he was dealing with the matter.

1140/29.

PIPE AT CASTLEDOOBY, MINORCUNNINGHAM.

A letter was read from Mr. E. H. Cochrane, Castle Dooby, Minorcunningham, regarding the application to build a pipe made by him last February.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1141/29. DECLARATION OF ROADS TO BE PUBLIC ROADS.

Councillor Nyhan proposed, Councillor Myles seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:- "That the road, 110 perches in length, in the townland of Ardfarna, made by the Irish Land Commission, from Mr. John McNulty's house to the Co. Leitrim Border be declared a public road."

Councillor Nyhan proposed, Councillor Philip Doherty seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:- "That the road, about 400 yards in length, near Cashelard National School, joining the Cashelard and Doobally Roads, be declared a public road."

Councillor Gallen proposed and it was unanimously resolved:- "That the road, 230 perches in length, in the townlands of Carrick and Blairstown past Mr. Michael Murray's residence and connecting the County Road from Castlefin to Liscooley with the County Road from Liscooley to Doohan (O.S. 79, Co. Donegal) be declared a public road."

Councillor Gallen proposed and it was unanimously resolved:- "That the road, 240 perches in length, in the townland of Drumurphy past Mr. Thomas Elliott's residence and connecting the County Road from Ringsend to Crossroads with the County Road from Dungormon to Castlederg (O.S. 79, Co. Donegal) be declared a public road."

The following Notice of Motion, standing in the name of Councillor Gallen, was ruled out of order, the road in question not complying with the provisions of Section 25 of the Local Government Act, 1925:- "That the road, 152 perches in length, in the townlands of Ballygonigan and Bolalt, and traversing the holdings of Messrs. Charles Mortland, John McMenamin, Edward Geary and Joseph Carlin, and connecting the County Road at Ballygonigan with the County Road at Bolalt (O.S. 79, Co. Donegal) be declared a public road."

Councillor Francis Gallagher moved:- "That the road from the Laghey-Pettigo Road to the Cool Road leading to the Shannagh-Pettigo Road be declared a public road."

The County Surveyor reported that the road in question was only six feet wide in places.

The matter was adjourned for a month; Councillor Gallagher stating that it would be widened in the meantime.

The following Notice of Motion, standing in the name of Councillor Cole, was ruled out of order, the road in question not complying with the provisions of Section 25 of the Local Government Act, 1925:- "That the road between Adderville Contract Road and Moonbrough Bog in the Electoral Division of Straid, be declared a public road."

Councillor Doogan proposed and Councillor Brennan seconded:- "That the road, about 320 perches in length, from the end of the Middletown Road to the Pier and Graveyard at Magheragallon be declared a public road."

The County Surveyor stated that the road did not connect two public roads but that it was the only thoroughfare leading to the Pier.

The Chairman ruled that this road complied with the provisions of Section 25 of the Local Government Act, 1925, and the motion was passed unanimously.

The following Notice of Motion, standing in the name of Councillor Philip Doherty, was ruled out of order, the road in question not complying with the provisions of Section 25 of the Local Government Act, 1925:- "That the road from Three Roads on Donogall-Pettigo Road to Three Roads at Priests' Bog be declared a public road."

1142/29.

INSURING OF MEN EMPLOYED ON DIRECT LABOUR WORK.

Mr. Steadman, County Surveyor, asked for a direction as to the insuring of men employed on roads maintained by Direct Labour, whom he stated were not at present insured under the Workmen's Compensation Acts.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, stated that the same applied to his District.

Councillor Hyles proposed, Councillor Brady seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:- That the Council insure these men against damages under the Workmen's Compensation Acts; the necessary figures to be furnished as required by the County Surveyors to the Secretary. "

1143/29.

CARNDONAGH WORKHOUSE.

Mr. Steadman reported as follows:- "To meet the cost of carrying out the resolution of the County Council re boarding-up the windows of Carndonagh Workhouse and cutting some trees I would ask that a sum of £18 be placed in the hands of the County Surveyor."

Councillor Cois moved and Councillor O'Doherty (Malin) seconded that the amount required be placed in the County Surveyor's hands.

1144/29.

APPLICATIONS FOR Sums TO REPAIR A ROAD AND
RE-BUILD A PIPE.

An application was submitted by Mr. Steadman for £30 for repairs to Road No. 34, April, 1928, Dunfanaghy District, and for £5 to re-build a pipe on road No. 34, April, 1928, Derry No. 2 District.

Both applications were unanimously granted.

1145/29.

DEFAULTING CONTRACTORS.

Mr. Steadman submitted the following report:- "The following Contractors are neglecting their contracts and I am unable to make anything further of them so I would recommend that same be prosecuted.

20, April, 1929, Strabane District, Charles Henderson, St. Johnston.
74, April, 1928, Derry No. 2 District, John Burke, Plaster, Newton-
185, April, 1928, Milford District, Michael McDaid, Tullybeg.(Cunningham).

The prosecutions as recommended were ordered.

1146/29.

PAYING ORDER OF THOMAS McALLISTER.

Mr. Steadman submitted the following report:- "In Form 22, Payments for half-year ending 30th September, 1929, Derry No. 2 District, the name Thomas McAllister appeared instead of Denis McAllister. I returned the Paying Order in favour of Thomas McAllister to the Secretary for cancellation and would ask that a Paying Order be issued to Denis McAllister for same amount so as to regularise the matter. No loss accrues to the County Council by so doing and Denis McAllister is entitled to the money."

On the motion of Councillor Baxter it was unanimously decided to issue a Paying Order to Denis McAllister as suggested by the County Surveyor.

1147/29. BREAKING OF CONTRACTS, DERRY NO. 2 DISTRICT.

The County Surveyor submitted the following report:-
 "The following two Contractors have proved unsatisfactory and I would recommend that their Contracts be broken as from 31st December, 1929. It is decidedly in the interests of the County to do so:-

No. 11, April, 1928, Derry No. 2, Thomas Magee.

No. 33, April, 1928, Derry No. 2, John Magee.

I will be able to deal with these roads directly to much better advantage."

The Council unanimously ordered that the Contracts referred to be broken.

1148/29. HEAVY BUS TRAFFIC ON ROADS IN STRABANE DISTRICT.

Mr. Steadman submitted the following report:-
 "Owing to the traffic of heavy buses on roads 27, April 1928, and 16, April, 1928, in Strabane District, which has developed since these Contracts were taken the Contractors for same are unable to keep them in order with the tonnage provided for in their Contracts. I would, therefore, recommend that a sum of £25 extra on each of these Contracts be allowed so that I might get additional metal to maintain these roads in a passable condition."

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Scott the amounts required were placed in the County Surveyor's hands; Councillor Hamilton dissenting.

1149/29. PAYMENTS OF LICENCES BY BUSES FROM NORTHERN IRELAND NOW ON THE DONEGAL ROADS.

A discussion arose regarding the payment of Motor Licences to the Council by Messrs. Gatherwood and Roberts.

The Secretary stated that neither of these firms had any buses licensed in the County.

On the suggestion of Councillor Myles it was unanimously decided to instruct the Secretary to ascertain where the buses domiciled in the County were paying their licences and to report to the next meeting.

1150/29. SUDDEN BREACHES- NORTHERN DIVISION.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony Mr. Steadman was authorised to have the following repairs carried out under Sudden Breach Orders:-

Repair of Bridge on road No. 115, April, 1928, Derry No. 2.-	£2:10:0.
do. road no. 350, April 1928, Innishowen -	£2 : 0 : 0.
do. " " 289, April 1925, do. -	£2 : 0 : 0.
do. " " 368, April 1928, do. -	£2 : 0 : 0.
do. " " 182, April 1928, do. -	£9 : 0 : 0.

A sum of £28 was also placed in the County Surveyor's hands to repair a Sudden Breach on the road between Keadew Bridge and Kerrykeel.

1151/29. CO-OPTION OF COUNCILLOR IN PLACE OF MR. J. F. O'DONNELL.

Councillor Brennan proposed, Councillor Doogan seconded, and it was unanimously resolved to co-opt Mr. Thomas J. McBride, Buncbeg, a member of the County Council in place of Mr. James F. O'Donnell, resigned.

Councillor McBride duly signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

1152/29. HOUSING OF THE WORKING CLASSES ACT.

Councillor McPhelimy proposed, Councillor Brady seconded, and it was unanimously resolved to adopt the following resolution forwarded from the Wicklow County Council:-

"That we call upon the Executive Council to extend the local Loans Fund to Boards of Health to enable houses under the Housing of the Working Classes Act to be erected in the Rural Areas under the same facilities as at present exercised by Urban Authorities!"

1153/29. ROAD LEADING FROM BURTONPORT TO CLOGHANEELY.

A Memorial was submitted from the inhabitants of Gweedore Parish requesting the County Council to seek a Grant from the Road Fund to improve the Coast Road leading from Burtonport to Cloghaneely.

A deputation from the District consisting of Messrs. T. J. McBride, W. H. Hunt and B. Coyle appeared before the Council and urged upon them the importance of urgent action in the matter.

Councillors Brennan, Daniel E. O'Boyle and Michael Doogan supported the deputation.

Councillor Bernard Gallagher proposed, Councillor Mahony seconded and it was unanimously resolved to request the Ministry to earmark out of the next Road Grants a sufficient sum to carry out the repairs required.

1154/29. SOLICITOR'S BILL OF COSTS.

The Solicitor's Bill of Costs, amounting to £667 : 18 : 0, was submitted.

The Report of the Law Committee recommending that the Bill be sent forward for taxation was adopted, on the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Brady, and it was decided to seal the Requisition to Tax.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Bernard Gallagher Mr. Manus R. Regan, Solicitor, Letterkenny, was appointed to appear for the Council in the taxation.

1155/29. LAW COMMITTEE.

On the motion of Councillor Mahony seconded by Councillor Brady it was unanimously resolved to appoint Councillor Manus O'Boyle on the Law Committee.

It was also decided to appoint Councillor Nyhan on the Law Committee, on the motion of Councillor Cole seconded by Councillor Patrick Doherty.

1156/29. CONTINUANCE OF APPOINTMENT OF MR. GEORGE DUNNION AS RATE AND RENT INSPECTOR.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Mahony it was unanimously decided to request the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to approve of the continuance of the employment of Mr. George Dunnion in the joint capacities of Rate and Rent Inspector for the whole County.

1157/29. OFFICE OF RATE INSPECTOR.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 13th December, 1929, G.88744/29, transmitting copy of an Order made under Section 2 of the Local Authorities (Officers and Employees) Act, 1926, declaring the Office of Rate Inspector to be an office to which the Act applies.

1158/29.

ROAD BETWEEN MAGHERA AND LAGUNNA.

A letter was read from Mr. James McGrenra, Lacomell, Ardara, requesting the Council to keep in repair about two miles of a new road between Maghera and Lagunna which was recently made by the Land Commission.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1159/29.

ROAD LEADING FROM BOCAN CHAPEL TO CARROWMORE.

A letter was read from Mr. Noel Faulkner, Culdeff, in which he referred to the dangerous state of the Main Road leading from Bocan Chapel to Carrowmore.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1160/29.

SHEEP DIPPING SCHEME, 1929.

The following report was submitted from Mr. Hugh O'Neill, M. R. C. V. S., D.V.S.M., Department of Agriculture:-

"The Sheep Dipping Scheme has now been completed in the County, and the following figures show the number of sheep dipped during the Summer and Autumn Dipping Periods.

Summer Period (1st June to 31st July)..... 166,775.

Autumn Period (1st August to 15th November)..... 222,448.

The Autumn Period comprises a double dipping with not less than seven or more than fourteen days between each dipping so that the above figures show that 111,224 sheep were dipped during this period.

Sheep Scab was prevalent in seventeen of the twenty sub-districts at the beginning of the sheep dipping period, and I must say that the sheep-owners in practically every area co-operated with the Sub-Inspectors and carried out the regulations in a proper manner so that at the present time there are only four areas in the County where there is any trace of scab. These four areas were badly affected with scab at the beginning of the season, and although the disease has not been completely eradicated therefrom they are 70% cleaner than they were at the beginning of the Scheme.

Some of the Sub-Districts are larger than others and as a result some Inspectors have a bigger sheep population with which to deal, and I propose to recommend the Sub-Committee to re-adjust the areas for the 1930 Season.

In most districts there is a shortage of dipping facilities and the erection of forty Subsidy Baths during the season greatly facilitated the Inspectors in carrying out their duties. There were applications for seventy-nine Subsidy Baths during the season and although they have not been all built yet I expect that the majority of them will be completed before the 1st March, 1930."

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Cole it was unanimously decided to pay the salaries of the Sub-Inspectors for the Autumn Dipping Period.

Councillor Gallen proposed, Councillor Mahony seconded, and it was unanimously decided to place on record the satisfaction of the Council at the working of the scheme, and to express appreciation of the services rendered by the Sub-Inspectors and by Mr. O'Neill of the Department of Agriculture.

1161/29.

APPLICATION TO PIPE TWELVE YARDS OF VENNEL IN CARRIGANS.

A letter was read from Mr. George Wilkin, Carrigans, in which he asked for permission to pipe about twelve yards of vennel in Carrigans.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1162/29.

MILFORD OLD AGE PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEE.

A letter was read from the Clerk, Milford Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee, reporting two vacancies on his Committee.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Patrick Doherty it was unanimously decided to re-appoint Rev. Canon Dunlevy, P.P., Tormon, and to appoint Rev. D. Canning, P.P., Kilmaureen.

1163/29.

COMPLAINT RE BEING REMOVED FROM POSITION.

A letter was read from Mr. John Kennedy, Inver, in which he complained that he, a married man, was removed from his position as surface-man and re-placed by a single boy.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

1164/29.

RENT FOR USE OF WATER AT GLENTIES COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from the Secretary of the County Board of Health in which he stated that the Board proposed to charge a water rent of £4 per annum for the use of the water at Glenties Courthouse as from the 1st April, 1929.

1165/29.

OPENING OF ROAD AT DRUMBANE.

On the motion of Councillor Gallon permission was given to the Board of Health to open the road at Drumbane for sewerage purposes.

1166/29.

ALLEGED OUTRAGES BY THE C.I.D.

A letter was read from the Irish Republican Political Prisoners' Committee alleging a number of outrages by the C.I.D.

On a show of hands eight voted for considering the matter and eight against.

The Chairman gave his casting vote against.

1167/29.

IRISH TOURIST ASSOCIATION.

A letter was read from the Irish Tourist Association applying for rate in aid of Tourist Development under Section 67 of the Local Government Act, 1925, for the coming year.

Councillor Mahony, in the absence of Councillor Francis Gallagher, moved, Councillor Bernard Gallagher seconded, and it was unanimously resolved that the Council make the same contribution next year as in the current year.

1168/29.

DAMAGES AT CLADNAGERAGH PIER.

A letter was read from the Harbour Master, Cladnageragh, in which she reported that a plank was taken off the underneath platform of the Pier during the storm.

The County Surveyor was instructed to carry out the necessary repairs and to forward the bill to the Board of Works.

1169/29.

BOVINE TUBERCULOSIS ORDER, 1926.

A letter was read from Miss Lizzie Long, Crohonagh, Ballybofey, in which she complained that she had not yet received compensation in respect of a cow which was slaughtered on the 13th June last by Mr. McGlinchey, V.S.

A report was read from Mr. McGlinchey stating that the animal in question was not slaughtered under the Bovine Tuberculosis Order.

No action was considered necessary.

1170/29.

ERECTION OF WATER TANK AT DOWNINGS PIER.

A letter was read from the Department of Lands and Fisheries dated 2nd December, 1929, D/11/10, in which they inquired the position regarding the erection of a water tank at Downings Pier, and stated that it would be an advantage if the improved water services were available for the 1930 Summer Herring Fishing.

Councillor Baxter suggested that the Secretary be instructed to inform the Department that the delay was not caused by the County Council but by the Department of Local Government and Public Health in holding up the Plans.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department dated 28th November, 1929, S.81471/29, Dun na nGall. Pg. in which it was stated that the Plan and Specification now submitted were in order. It would be desirable if the pipe line should be kept some distance back from the Pier Head. Before commencing the work a notification should be sent to the Commissioners of Public Works by whom the Pier Extension was carried out. Information was desired as to the amount derived from the sale of water to fishing boats during the past few years. On receipt of this information a formal sanction to the raising of the loan would be issued.

Councillor Baxter proposed, Councillor MacCreadie seconded, and it was unanimously resolved to invite tenders for the work.

1171/29.

OLD ROAD TO BALLYKINARD, ROSSNAKILL.

A letter was read from Mr. Humphrey Gallagher, Ballykinard, Rossnakill, in which he stated that John Blaney was endeavouring to make the old road to Ballykinard his private property, and that the matter would come before the Circuit Court at the next Sitting.

No action was taken.

1172/29.

DANGEROUS CROSSINGS AT LOUGH ESKE AND BARNES.

A letter was read from the General Manager of the County Donegal Railway Committee in which he acknowledged the receipt of the Council's resolution re dangerous crossings at Lough Eske and Barnes and stated that "it would be more appropriate if these gentlemen would interest themselves in forcing the heavy lorries and buses now on the Donegal Roads to contribute a proper amount to the cost of maintenance of the roads in the interests of the rate-payers whom they are supposed to represent."

The Council adjourned consideration of the matter for a month pending replies to the representations made to the Ministry.

1173/29.

STANDING ORDER NO. 136.

A letter was read from Mr. James F. O'Donnell, ex-Co.C., Burtonport, in which he suggested that Standing Order No. 136 should be amended so that persons compelled to resign the office of County Councillor as he was be not fined for so doing.

It was unanimously decided to remit the fine in the case of Mr. O'Donnell, subject to the sanction of the Ministry.

1174/29.

MR. BERNARD A. O'BYRNE - SCHOLARSHIP HOLDER.

A letter was read from the Registrar of the National University asking for authority to forward to Mr. Bernard A. O'Byrne, Blagdon, Bristol, his instalment of his Scholarship for the fifth year. Mr. O'Byrne was not in attendance at the College owing to illness. On the motion of Councillor Baxter it was unanimously decided to hold over the Scholarship for Mr. O'Byrne until next year; no payment to be made in the meantime.

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1175/29. PIECE OF WASTE GROUND AT NEW ROW, DONEGAL.

A letter was read from Mr. Dunlevy, Solicitor, Donegal, in which he stated that his client was prepared to pay 10/- per annum for the small piece of waste ground at New Row, Donegal.

The County Surveyor submitted the following report:-
"I wish to report that Mr. Dunlevy's client lives beside the piece of waste ground. The gable wall of his house abuts on this ground and recently a window opening has been made and a window put in overlooking the ground.

In any agreement which may be drawn up a clause should be inserted that the window opening be built up on termination of lease."

It was decided to adjourn the matter for a month and to inquire from Mr. Dunlevy in the meantime the name of his client, and if he would be prepared to enter into the agreement suggested by the County Surveyor.

1176/29. ROADS NEAR CULDAFF.

A letter was read from Mr. Manus Harkin, P.C. Culdaff, in which he inquired if the Council had yet received from the County Surveyor a report on the roads complained about in July last. A sum of £4 or £5 would do the work required.

The County Surveyor stated that he had the matter in hands.

1177/29. ROAD FROM LOUGHNAGINN TO KNOCKABRINN.

A letter from Mr. Robert Orr, Ardara, Letterkenny, complaining of the state of the road from Loughnaginn to Knockabrin was referred to the County Surveyor.

1178/29. ROAD FROM SHERNE TO BALLYLAWN.

A letter from Mr. Joseph Roulston, Manorcunningham, complaining of the state of the road leading from Sherne to Ballylawn was referred to the County Surveyor.

1179/29. RE "CARN ROCK" QUARRY, TANNERY.

A letter was read from Mr. W. J. Friel, Croghan, Tannery, complaining that some Road Contractors are going on his lands and opening holes all over the place to the danger of his cattle, and asking that the Contractors in future be confined to the real quarry known as the "Carn Rock."

Mr. Steadman submitted the following report:-
"With regard to Mr. Friel's complaint the matter rests with himself to prevent what he complains of. I might say, however, that steps have been taken to confine Contractors to the "Carn Rock" referred to.

There has been an encroachment on his private road and it would not be unreasonable to have this fenced under the circumstances."

On the motion of Councillor Baxter it was unanimously decided to place £3 in the County Surveyor's hands to carry out certain necessary fencing; Mr. Patrick Dawson, Assistant Surveyor, to point out the places to be fenced.

1180/29.

BUNCRAHA COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from the Courtkeeper, Buncrana, in which he explained that the lock on the door of the Courthouse was faulty when the Contractor handed it over but it had now been repaired. The pane of glass was broken by a stone thrown from the outside at the rear of the building. Regarding the floor the timber seemed to have been bad as a gentleman went down through it on the day of a Court.

A letter was also read from the Architect stating that he was making inquiries in the matter, and consideration was adjourned until the next meeting.

1181/29.

BREACHES OF THE MOTOR LICENSING REGULATIONS.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 5th December, 1929, M.T./7, in which it was stated that in the circumstances the Council would appear to have no option but to continue the proceedings in the cases of McColgan and McMonagle. The Gardaí should, however, prosecute in all the other cases.

1182/29. APPLICATIONS FOR SULLS TO CARRY OUT REPAIRS - SOUTHERN DIVISION.

Mr. Caffrey, County Surveyor, applied for the following amounts:-
To repair a Bridge on road, Map No. 2072, T.35.....£5.
Repairs to Donegal Quay.....£20.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter it was decided to place the amounts required in the County Surveyor's hands.

1183/29.

LIFFORD COURTHOUSE.

A letter was read from the Office of Public Works in which they inquired if an apartment suitable for the purpose would be available in the near future in the Courthouse at Lifford for the use of the Surveyor of Customs and Excise, and if so, the terms upon which the letting of it might be obtained.

A letter was read from the Sheriff stating that there would be no accommodation for an office as suggested.

On the motion of Councillor Baxter seconded by Councillor Nyhan it was decided to adjourn the matter for a month and to ask the Sheriff in the meantime to reconsider the matter.

1184/29.

REGISTRATION AND LICENSING OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 7th December, 1929, M.T.209/7, in which they stated that the amount sanctioned in the Department's letter of the 4th ultimo, namely £310, for the supervisory and clerical duties incidental to Motor Registration and Licensing in County Donegal was to be regarded as the maximum.

1185/29.

CORKER BRIDGE.

A letter was read from the Local Government Department, Roads, dated 9th December, 1929, RM/7, in which they stated that the assent given in the Department's letter of the 5th June last regarding Corker Bridge might be taken as applying to the alternative scheme now proposed.

1186/29.

BREACHES OF THE MOTOR LICENSING REGULATIONS.

A letter was read from the Council's Solicitor (1) asking the Council to definitely authorise prosecutions in each of the following cases:-

Council v. William McMonagle, Ture.

Council v. James McColgan, Crescent, Buncrana.

(2) asking the Council to authorise the Local Taxation Officer, Mr. John P. Gallagher, to conduct the proceedings on behalf of the Council and (3) asking the Council to delegate generally to the Taxation Officer all powers conferred on the Council by the Roads Act, 1920, and any Act amending or extending the same.

Councillor Bernard Gallagher proposed, Councillor Baxter seconded, and it was unanimously resolved

(1) to authorise prosecutions in the following cases:-

Council v. William McMonagle, Ture.

Council v. James McColgan, Crescent, Buncrana.

(2) to authorise Mr. John P. Gallagher to conduct the proceedings on behalf of the Council and (3) to delegate generally to Mr. Gallagher all powers conferred on the Council by the Roads Act, 1920, and any Act amending or extending the same.

Councillor Scott suggested that in the event of the decisions being against the Council that Appeals should not be lodged.

1187/29.

DAMAGE TO RATHMULLAN PIER.

Councillor Baxter proposed and it was unanimously resolved to accept, without prejudice, the sum of £30 in respect of damage done to Rathmullan Pier by the B.D. Good Friend, and the sum of £40 in respect of damage done by the S.D. Chris; in the event of the Insurance Companies failing to accept this the repairs to be carried out by the County Surveyor and the full bills forwarded to the Companies concerned for payment.

1188/29.

LIGHTING OF RATHMULLAN PIER.

The County Surveyor adverted to the Letter from the Commissioners of Irish Lights read at the last meeting and stated that he believed the erection of the light in question was a matter for the Commissioners and not for the County Council.

The Secretary was instructed to communicate accordingly with the Commissioners.

1189/29.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS FOR THE STAFF.

Councillor Baxter proposed and Councillor Philip Doherty seconded that the Office Staff and the Engine-drivers and flagmen be granted Christmas Holidays from Tuesday evening, 24th December, until Monday morning, 30th idem.

Councillor Scott suggested that the question of holidays for the clerical staff should be left in the hands of the Secretary.

The suggestion was adopted unanimously.

1190/29.

VOTE OF THANKS.

Councillor Nyhan proposed a vote of thanks to the Chairman for his conduct at the meeting.

Councillor Scott, in seconding, associated the Secretary and the staff with the resolution, and extended to them the compliments of the season.

The Secretary reciprocated on behalf of himself and the staff.

28/1/29.

Confirmed
John Doherty Chairman



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