

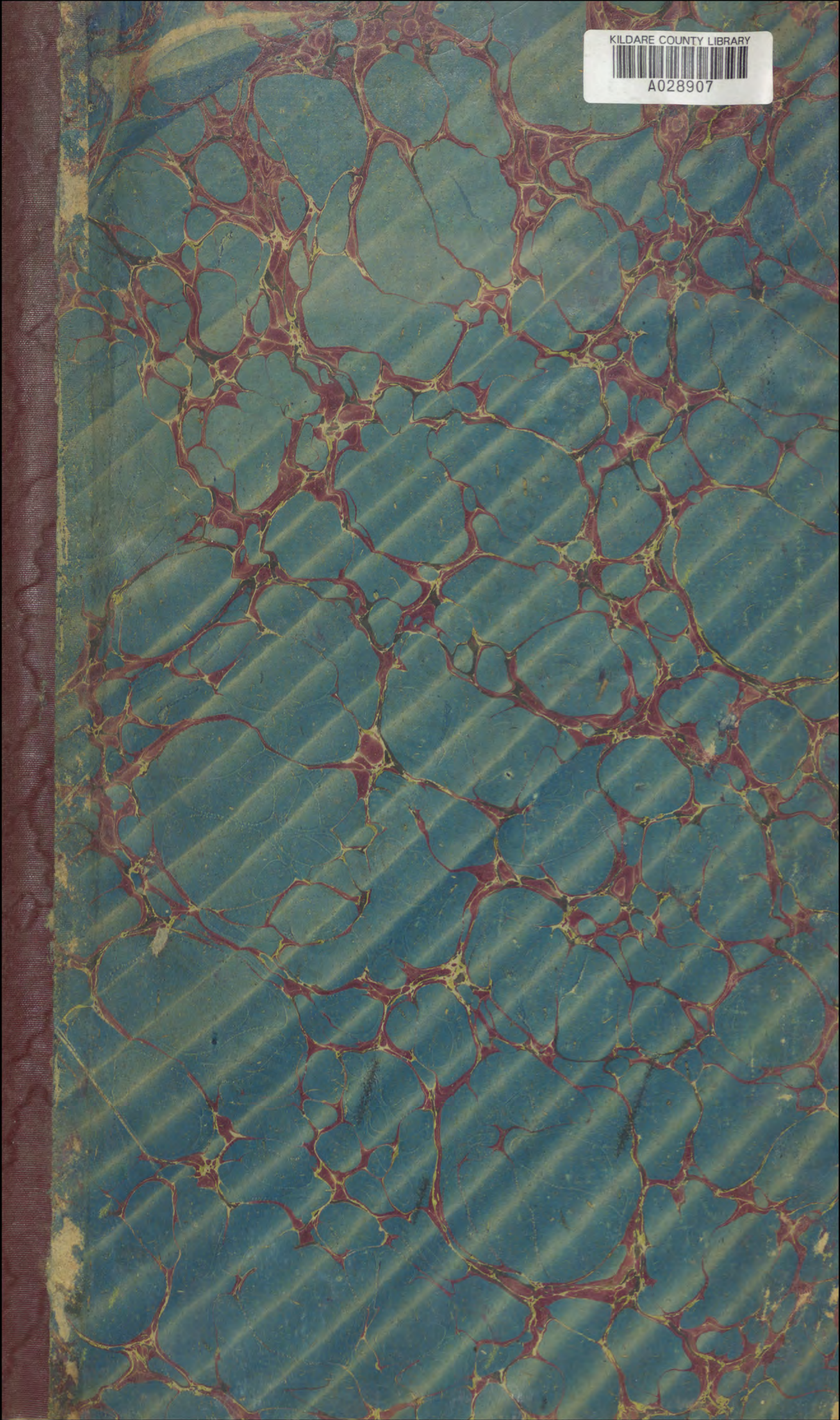
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COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE=DARA.

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Minutes of the Quarterly Finance Meeting of County Council, held on
29th August, 1927.

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Present—Messrs. Michael Fitzsimons (Chairman), presiding; James Behan (Vice-Chairman), James Flynn, Thomas Corcoran, George W. Henderson, John N. Greene, Patk. Phelan, David Weld, William E. Fawcett, James Bergin, Patrick J. Dunne, Bertram H. Barton, William R. Ronaldson, Edward A. Coonan, Nicholas Travers, Hugh Colohan, Robert Gannon, and Andrew McNally.

(8945.)

MINUTES.

Proposed by Mr. Patrick Phelan, seconded by Mr. Hugh Colohan, and resolved:—"That Minutes of Meeting of the County Council held on the 30th May, 15th June and 4th July, 1927, copy of which had been sent to each member be taken as read, confirmed and signed."

Proposed by Mr. Patrick Phelan, seconded by Mr. Hugh Colohan, and resolved:—"That Minutes of Meetings of Finance Committee held on the 8th and 22nd June, 6th and 20th July, 3rd, 10th and 17th August, 1927, copy of which had been sent to each member be taken as read and confirmed."

(8936.)

COUNTY ACCOUNTS.

The County Accounts Receipt and Expenditure books for quarter ended 30th June, 1927, were examined and signed by the Chairman, and the following books, etc., were produced by the Secretary written up to date:—(1) General Ledger, (2) Register of Mortgages, (3) Register of Separate Charges, (4) Register of Applications and Proposals, (5) Reports from Rate Inspector (Form 57) re Checking Collectors' Accounts.

(8937.)

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

The Treasurer's Statement of Receipts and Payments since date of last Quarterly Meeting was submitted and the Bank Book signed by the Chairman.

(8938.)

QUARTERLY PAYMENTS.

Proposed by Mr. William E. Fawcett, seconded by Mr. Patrick J. Dunne, and resolved:—"That all payments recommended by the Finance Committee for County-at-Large Charges be made and hereby approved."

(8939.)

PAYMENTS DRAINAGE DISTRICTS.

Proposed by Mr. William E. Fawcett, seconded by Mr. Patrick J. Dunne, and resolved:—"That all payments recommended by the Finance Committee in respect of expenses under the Drainage Acts be and are hereby approved, same to be charged against the respective districts as shown in the Abstract of Proposals for payment."

(8940.)

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,—

I have the honour to report that during the Quarter ended 30th June, 1927, the expenditure on ordinary maintenance of roads amounted to £3,645 11s 0d on Main Roads, and £2,623 8s 11d on County Roads, and on Machinery, etc., to the sum of £1,211 19s 4d, or a total expenditure of £7,480 19s 3d which I certified to the Finance Committee for Direct Labour.

In addition to the expenditure above I also certified the sum of £312 7s 1d to Contractors, deferred the sum of £366 3s 6d and struck off the sum of £1 on foot of County Roads under contract for the above Quarter.

There was also expended under the National Road Scheme (First Section) the sum of £8,839 14s 9d, and under the same (Second Section) the sum of £1,609 16s 10d, and under Main Road Grant (Tar Painting) the sum of £6,001 4s 9d.

The National Road Scheme work under the Second Allocation has now been commenced at Kilcock and Kilkullen.

Tar Painting of a very large mileage of roads has been completed, principally by Direct Labour, but also on two important Trunk Roads by contract for total length of about 20 miles.

Work on the several Arterial Drainage Districts is proceeding.

I have made arrangements for a large Sign-posting Scheme and am awaiting delivery of the Direction and Caution Notices, but these have been greatly delayed.

Your obedient servant,

JOHN RORKE,
County Surveyor.

10/8/27.

(8941.)

VOTES OF SYMPATHY.

A letter from the President, Executive Council of the Free State, thanking the Council for expression of sympathy on the death of the late Mr. Kevin C. O'Higgins, Minister for Justice and for External Affairs.

A letter from Mrs. Kevin O'Higgins thanking the Council for their vote of sympathy on the death of her husband.

(8942.)

COMMITTEE TO SEAL BONDS.

Proposed by Mr. Andrew McNally, seconded by Mr. James Behan, and resolved:—"That Messrs. Colohan, Dunne and Corcoran be appointed a Committee to affix the Seal of the Council, in the presence of the Council and during the progress of the Council meeting, to the following documents:—(1) Deed of Conveyance Mulhall to Council, (2) Bond of Messrs. T. J. Moran and Co., Ltd.; (3) Agreement with Mrs. Devany; (4) Assessment Sheet of Blackwater Drainage District."

(8943.)

SURCHARGE.

The Secretary reported that the Auditor had surcharged Councillors Fitzsimons, Coonan and Travers with a sum of £4 4s, being amount paid by the Council to Collector M. Cunningham, as costs for an action brought against him for illegal seizure. The Secretary was directed to bring the matter under the Collector's notice.

(8944.)

CO. MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

A letter dated 7th July, 1927, from the Secretary, Local Appointments Commission, recommending Dr. James A. Harbinson, for above position, was read, and it was proposed by Mr. George W. Henderson, seconded by Mr. James Bergin, and resolved, Mr. James Behan dissenting:—"That in pursuance of the recommendation from the Local Appointments Commission, that Dr. James A. Harbinson, be appointed County Medical Officer of Health and Chief School Medical Officer for County Kildare."

(8945.)

CASTLEHERMOT COURTHOUSE.

A letter from Mr. R. A. Osborne, Solicitor, enclosing copy of a letter from Mr. P. J. Byrne, Solicitor, on the subject of the use of the yard adjoining the proposed Courthouse at Castlehermot, was read, and referred to the County Surveyor with a view to his arranging a meeting of Messrs. Henderson and Greene, and also the owner, for the purpose of arriving at a working arrangement in this matter.

(8946.)

UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS.

A report dated 10th August, 1927, conveying results of Summer examinations of Students for 1926-27 session, was read, and the question of the renewal of these Scholarships was referred to the Finance Committee at meeting to be held on 14th prox, the Secretary being directed in the meantime to ascertain if the University Authorities would recommend the Committee to renew the Scholarships in the cases of Kathleen Mulhall, George Heffernan and Patk. Murphy, who had failed in their respective examinations.

An application from Mr. P. J. Daly for an extension of his Scholarship for a fourth year, was read and consideration adjourned until the meeting of the Finance Committee.

(8947.)

SECONDARY SCHOLARSHIPS.

The Secretary submitted results of the Secondary Schools Scholarships examination of 1927, and after discussion it was proposed by Mr. James Bergin, seconded by Mr. Hugh Colohan, and resolved:—"That scholarships be awarded to Messrs. Martin Mooney, 4 Railway Terrace, Naas; Patrick O'Shea, Naas; Patrick Walsh, Clogheen, Monasterevan; Charles Egan, Coole, Monasterevan; Stanislaus Gaffney, St. David's Terrace, Naas; Michael Murphy, Main St., Monasterevan, and Michael Barrett, "An Shamrogh," Athy, who were returned as having "passed" the Secondary examination."

The annual school reports on students holding Scholarships having been considered it was proposed by Mr. Hugh Colohan, seconded by Mr. David Weld, and resolved:—"That the scholarships awarded to the following students be renewed for one year, subject to the sanction of the Education Department, viz., John Jennings, Thomas R. Gibson, Thomas F. Whelan, Peter Fullam, Bernard O'Shea, Joseph C. Brennan, Kathleen Archbold, Mary Kilmurray, Julia Malone, Henry Bourke, Eugene Kerrigan and Emmet Fahy."

Master Thomas Broe wrote that he did not propose to pursue his studies further at a Secondary School, and his scholarship was accordingly withdrawn.

(8948.)

CORONERSHIP.

A letter dated 3rd August, 1927, from the Local Government Department, approving of a salary of £150 per annum, as temporary arrangement, to Dr. O'Neill, for the amalgamated Coroner's districts in the County, was read.

(8950.)

INQUEST EXPENSES.

A letter dated 28th July, 1927, from Local Government Department, assenting to a departure from Article 42 (4) (c) of the Public Bodies Order, 1925, permitting payment of the certificate of the Coroner direct through the Subsidiary Account of medical and witnesses' expenses at Inquests, was read.

(8951.)

SUPERANNUATION.

A letter dated 20th July, 1927, from Mr H. K. Toomey, solr., applying for payment of £37 14s 9d, per annum, to Mr. John J. McHugh, as compensation for the loss of employment as Compounder of Medicines in Athy Workhouse, was read, but no order was made thereon.

(8952.)

SURVEYORS' TRAVELLING EXPENSES.

A letter dated 19th July, 1927, from Local Government (Roads) Department, assenting to a reduction of mileage rates from 6d. to 5d., in respect of travelling expenses of Assistant Surveyors, was read.

(8953.)

IMPROVEMENT OF ROAD.

A letter dated 13th August, 1927, from Mrs. Mary Cribbin, stating she was prepared to accept £5 compensation for land required for the purpose of improvement of road at Allenwood, the Council to erect a proper fence adjoining the public road, was read, and the matter referred to the County Surveyor for the purpose of having the required fence erected.

(8954.)

PURCHASE OF TRACTOR.

A letter dated 8th July, 1927, from the County Surveyor, stating that it will be necessary to carry out some repairs to the Council's Fordson Tractor, and in view of the age of the vehicle, a quotation from Messrs. Duthie, Large and Co., Athy, was enclosed, agreeing to sell the Council a new Tractor at £224, allowing £55 for the old one, was read, and the Council decided to purchase the new Fordson Tractor, the cost to be defrayed out of the Machinery Account.

(8955.)

DISTRICT COURT CLERK'S OFFICE.

Following consideration of a letter dated 13th August, 1927, from the Clerk, District Court, Athy, the Council decided to purchase the following articles of furniture for the Clerk's Office, and referred to the County Surveyor the question of providing same—1 table, 1 press with shelves for Statutes, 1 pigeon-hole press for stationery, and 3 chairs.

(8956.)

APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS.

A letter dated 12th August, 1927, from the Local Government Department, stating that applications for sanction to the appointment of Officers by the Council under Section 5 of the Local Authorities (Officers Employees) Act, 1926, should be accompanied by a clear statement of the grounds on which the application is made, having due regard to the qualifications, etc., of the persons available for appointment.

(8957.)

ERECTION OF LAMP.

A letter dated 21st July, 1927, from the Secretary County Board of Health, applying for permission to erect a lamp outside Kildare Courthouse, was read, and approved, subject to the sanction of the County Surveyor.

(8958.)

LAND PURCHASE ANNUITY.

Correspondence from the Secretary, Office of Public Works, applying for payment of £2 10s 3d, being amount due, 1st April, 1927, in respect of three half-yearly instalments of 16/9 each on the lands of Killeagh, portion of lot 42, of Final Award relating to Rathangan Drainage District, was read, and the Secretary having stated that the Council were never called on to pay this annuity before, he was directed to obtain fuller information on the matter.

(8959.)

COUNCIL v HENRY FARRELLY.

A letter dated 2nd August, 1927, from Mr. A. Osborne, Solicitor, stating he had received notice of appeal in above case, and that he was taking steps to defend the appeal, was read, and approved.

(8960.)

CURRAGH SHEEP DIPPING.

Reports from the Superintendent, relating to the July dipping of sheep at Ballymanny Dipping Station, were submitted considered satisfactory.

(8961.)

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MALICIOUS INJURY CLAIM.

The Secretary submitted list of applications for compensation for criminal injuries received since date of last quarterly meeting, and the Council directed that Mr. Osborne, Solicitor, be instructed to enter defence in each case.

(8962.)

ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN.

A letter dated 20th August, 1927, from Local Government Department, stating that under the Local Officers and Employments Order, 1924, the appointment of Assistant Librarian is one that requires the approval of the Minister, was read, and the requisite query form having been completed the Secretary was directed to transmit same to the Department, and it was proposed by Mr. Hugh Colohan, seconded by Mr. Nicholas Travers, and resolved—"That the appointment of Mr. Wilnot as Assistant Librarian be and is hereby confirmed."

(8963.)

CARBURY MILL STREAM DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Following further consideration of letter dated 29th July, 1927, from Secretary, Office of Public Works, it was proposed by Mr. Patrick Phelan, seconded by Mr. William E. H. Fawcett, and resolved—"That this Council having considered letters of 11th June and 29th July, 1927, from Office of Public Works, together with Map of the Drainage Area, and having been informed by Messrs. Phelan and Fawcett of the views of the owners of land in the area decided that no useful purpose would be served by the re-constitution of the Drainage District, that it would place a burden on the ratepayers altogether out of proportion to any advantage ensuing, and that the proposed expenditure was uneconomic and unnecessary."

(8964.)

COTTAGE CONTRACTS.

A letter dated 19th August, 1927, from Secretary, County Board of Health, relative to payment of account of £14, to Mr. Michael Loughlin, for repairs to cottage for the former Edenderly No. 2 Rural District Council, was read, and payment ordered, subject to the sanction of the Local Government Department.

(8965.)

CO. ANALYST'S REPORT.

The County Analyst's Report, copy of which had been sent to each member, was taken as read as follows:—

Report of the Public Analyst appointed for the County of Kildare upon the articles analysed by him during the quarter ending the 30th June, 1927:—

Drugs, 8th April, 1927, 3, received from Kildare—2 Genuine, 1 not genuine.

Drugs, 16th April, 1927, 3, received from Monasterevan—Genuine.

Drugs, 9th May, 1927, 3, received from Carbury—Genuine.

Drugs, 9th May, 1927, 2, received from Athy—Genuine.

Drugs, 10th June, 1927, 3, received from Naas—Genuine.

Drugs, 10th June, 1927, 3, received from Moone—2 Genuine, 1 not genuine.

Drugs, 13th June, 1927, 3, received from Maynooth—Genuine.

Drugs, 16th June, 1927, 3, received from Maynooth—Genuine.

Drugs, 20th June, 1927, 3, received from Castledermot—2 genuine, 1 not genuine.

Drugs, 29th June, 1927, 3, received from Kildare—2 genuine, 1 not genuine.

Waters, 7th April, 1927, 1, received from County Board of Health (Tankardsgarden)—Condemned.

Waters, 10th June, 1927, 1, received from County Board of Health (Borehard)—Passed.

Water, 27th June, 1927, 1, received from County Board of Health (Tankardsgarden)—Condemned.

Water, 29th June, 1927, 1, received from County Board of Health (Tankardsgarden)—Condemned.

New Milk, 11th April, 1927, 2, received from Guard Hallinan, Naas—Genuine.

Butter, 16th April, 1927, 4, received from Kildare, per D.A.T.I.—Genuine.

Whiskey, 22nd April, 1927, 3, received from Guard Lennon, Newbridge—Genuine.

Buttermilk, 11th May, 1927, 2, received from Guard McNamara, Athy—Genuine.

New Milk, 11th May, 1927, 4, received from Guard McNamara Athy—Genuine.

Margarine, 11th May, 1927, 1, received from Guard McNamara, Athy—Genuine.

Whiskey, 11th May, 1927, 1, received from Guard McNamara, Athy—Genuine.

Whiskey, 13th May, 1927, 1, received from Guard Lennon, Newbridge—Genuine.

New Milk, 13th May, 1927, 3, received from Guard Lennon, Newbridge—2 genuine, 1 not genuine.

Tea, 13th May, 1927, 2, received from Guard Lennon, Kilcock—Genuine.

Butter, 13th May, 1927, 1, received from Guard Ryan, Kilcock—Not genuine.

Whiskey, 13th May, 1927, 2, received from Guard Ryan, Kilcock—Genuine.

Butter, 3rd June, 1927, 2, received from Guard Hallinan, Naas—Genuine.

Margarine, 3rd June, 1927, 1, received from Guard Hallinan, Naas—Genuine.

New Milk, 3rd June, 1927, 1, received from Guard Hallinan, Naas—Genuine.

New Milk, 3rd June, 1927, 8, received from Guard McCarthy, Celbridge—7 genuine, 1 not genuine.

Total number of samples analysed during the quarter—Foods, 38; Drugs, 29; Waters, 4. Total—71.

Number adulterated—Drugs, 4; New Milks, 2; Butter, 1; Water, 3 condemned. Date—16th. July, 1927.

Signed,

JOHN KEANE,
Public Analyst.

(8966.)

RATE COLLECTION.

The Secretary submitted a return showing the condition of the collection of poor rate to date, and he was directed to call upon the Collectors to expedite their respective collections.

(8967.)

COW PARK AT DUNCREEVAN.

Councillor Nicholas Travers handed in receipts for Poor Rate and for Land Commission annuities paid by the Trustees out of the lands of Duncreevan.

(8972.)

CORRESPONDENCE

OFFICIAL.

Cons. No.	Reg. No.	SUBJECT.
1	9186	A circular letter dated 26th May, 1927, from the Local Government Department, respecting date of Annual Meeting of County Council, was read.
2	9191	A letter dated 25th May, 1927, from the Local Government (Roads) Department, enquiring if the conditions governing employment of demobilised men of the National Army on Road Fund Grant works are being observed, was read.
3	9193	A letter dated 26th May, 1927, from the Local Government Department sanctioning payment of poundage to Collector Malone at 8d. for half-year ended March, 1927.
4	9251	A letter dated 31st May, 1927, from the Local Government Department sanctioning overdraft of £51,000 to 15th August next, was read.
5	9252	A letter dated 31st May, 1927, from the Local Government Department approving of payment of poundage fees at 8d to Collectors for half-year ended March, 1927, was read.

(8968.)

CELBRIDGE WORKHOUSE.

A letter dated 22nd August, 1927, from Mr. J. J. Wardell, Auctioneer, stating he had let meadows on lands adjoining Celbridge Workhouse, to W. Ellis at £9, and to Mr Lee at £2 10s was read and approved

(8969.)

POISONS AND PHARMACY ACT, 1908.

An application for a licence under above Act from Mr. Thomas Whelan, Ballymore-Eustace, was submitted and approved.

(8970.)

CO. INFIRMARY COMMITTEE.

The Council appointed Rev Father Kane, P.P., a member of the County Infirmary Committee in room of Rev Father Campion, deceased.

(8971.)

UNEMPLOYMENT.

Messrs. B. Curley and P. Kirwin, from Newbridge, attended before the meeting and applied for work, and Assistant Surveyor Quinn, who was present, undertook to give them employment when work would be available.

(8972.)

Cons. No.	Reg. No.	SUBJECT.
6	9304	Order dated 31st May, 1927, from Department of Agriculture entitled The Parasite Mange (Cattle) Order, 1927. was read.
7	9398	A letter dated 16th June, 1927, from the Local Government (Housing) Department, approving of the making of grants under the Housing Acts to Mr. Harris, Cloncurry and Mrs. Condron, Coolree, was read.
8	9409	A letter dated 17th June, 1927, from Local Government (Roads) Department, enclosing Forms for return of statistics relating to road administration, was read.
9	9427	A circular letter, dated 21st June, 1927, from the Local Government Department, enclosing for the information of the Council and Rate Collectors copy of Section 18, Land Act, 1927, was read.
10	9437	A letter dated 22nd June, 1927, from the Department of Agriculture enquiring if the Regulation for Control of Dogs between Sunset and Sunrise have yet been re-advertised, was read.
11	9519	A circular letter dated 30th June, 1927, from the Local Government (Roads) Department, enclosing supply of Forms No. 97, on which claims for the upkeep of Main Roads for Quarter ended June, 1927, are to be submitted was read.
12	9689	A letter dated 15th July, 1927, from the Local Government Department, advsing the intended issue of £29 1s. 1d. to the Council, recoupment of expenses under the Venereal Disease Grant, was read.
13	9716	A letter dated 16th July, 1927, from the Local Government (Roads) Department, approving of payment of £125 out of revenue in respect of the provision of road machinery, was read.
14	9725	A letter dated 18th July, 1927, from the Local Government Department, asking for plans, etc., of Court-houses proposed to be erected at Castledermot and Killocock, was read.
15	9797	A letter dated 26th July, 1927, from the Local Government Department, returning Collector Shinkin's schedule of uncollected poor rates for half-year ended September, 1926, was approved.
16	9826	A letter dated 29th July, 1927, from the Department of Agriculture, aproving of advertisement relative to Regulation for Control of Dogs between Sunset and Sunrise. was read.
17	9842	A letter dated 30th July, 1927, from the Local Government Department, enclosing Auditor's Reports and Abstracts of Account of the County Committees of Technical Instruction for three half-years ended March, 1927. was read.
18	9872	A letter dated 5th August, 1927, from the Local Government asking for copy of the contract documents relative to road work, which is being carried out by Messrs. Moran on the Naas-Monasterevan road, was read.
19	9874	A letter dated 6th August, 1927, from the Local Government (Roads) Department, stating that a sum of £145 was paid to the Treasurer in respect of allowances to Assistant Surveyors for half-year ended March, 1927. was read.
20	9875	A letter from the Local Government (Roads) Department, advsng payment of £125 to County Treasurer in respect of allowances to Surveyors from Road Fund for period ended September, 1926, was read.
21	9886	A letter dated 6th August, 1927, from the Local Government Department, respecting application from Collector O'Connor for payment of poundage for the period ended September, 1926, was read.

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Cons. No	Reg. No.	Subject.
22	9894	A letter dated 9th August, 1927, from the Local Government (Roads) Department, asking for a copy of advertisement regarding the temporary closing of the Timahoe-Drehid road, was read.
23	9904	A letter dated 6th August, 1927, from the Irish Land Commission, enclosing list of lands requiring revision of valuation, was read.
24	9930	Sealed order dated 31st May, 1927, from the Department of Agriculture entitled Importation of Carcasses (Prohibition) (Amendment) Order, 1927, was read.
25	9931	Sealed Order dated 7th June, 1927, from the Department of Agriculture, entitled "Foot and Mouth Disease (Boiling of Animal Food) Order, 1927, was read.
26	9934	A letter dated 15th August, 1927, from the Local Government (Roads) Department, respecting hours worked by employees on road works, was read.
27	9802	A letter dated 27th July, 1927, from Department of Local Government and Public Health relative to Order entitled "The Municipal Corporations (Ireland) Act, 1840, Adaptation Order, 1927," was read.
28	9917	A letter dated 12th August, 1927, from the Department of Local Government and Public Health enclosing copy of "Public Bodies (Temporary Provisions) Order, 1927, was read.
GENERAL.		
29	9031	A letter dated 10th May, 1927, from Secretary, Galway Co. Council stating that the resolution of the Kildare Co Council relative to non-payment of Land Purchase Annuities had been adopted by his Council, was read.
30	9069	A letter dated 14th May, 1927, from Secretary, Tirconnail County Council forwarding resolution relative to exemption of County Councillors from service as Jurors, was read.
31	9126	A letter dated 18th May, 1927, from Secretary, Cavan Co Council forwarding resolution relative to the repeal of "The Local Authorities (Officers and Employees) Act, 1926," was read.

W. E. COFFEY,
Secretary.

24th August, 1927,

Courthouse, Naas

Adjourned.

deputy mayor
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COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE DARA.

Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee held 31st August 1927.

Present:- Messrs Michael Fitzsimons (Chairman, presiding),
James Bergin, Nicholas Travers, George W. Henderson, Robert Gannon,
Patrick Phelan, Peter Keenan and David Weld.

(8810).

PAYMENTS.

Applications for payment for works in charge of the County
Surveyor amounting to £5967. 10. 11, were approved and ordered
to be made out of the Subsidiary Account.

Michael Fitzsimons
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Adjourned.

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COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE-DARA.

Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee held on 14th September, 1927.

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Present — Messrs. Michael Fitzsimons (Chairman), Patrick Phelan, Nicholas Travers, Michael Smyth, Patrick Dunne, Peter Keenan, William E. H. Fawcett, Bertram H. Barton, George Henderson, William Ronaldson, Edward A. Coonan and David Weld.

(8811.)

CHAIRMAN OF MEETING.

The Chairman, Mr. M. Fitzsimons, having informed the Committee that he would be unable to remain until the conclusion of the Meeting, it was proposed by Mr. Henderson, seconded by Mr. Smyth—“That Mr Phelan be appointed Chairman of the meeting.”

(8812.)

PAYMENTS.

Applications from the County Surveyor for payment for works in his charge amounting to £6,922 5s. 5d. were approved and ordered to be paid out of the Subsidiary account.

(8813.)

UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS.

A letter dated 2nd. September, 1927, from the University Authorities, recommending the renewal of the Scholarships awarded to Miss Kathleen Mulhall and Mr. Patrick Murphy, subject to their passing a supplemental examination in the autumn, in subjects in which they failed in the summer, and stating that they do not recommend the renewal of the Scholarship awarded to Mr. George M. Heffernan, was read, together with letter dated 8th September, 1927, from Mr. George Heffernan, enclosing medical certificate, and stating that his failure to pass the Summer Examination might have been due to ill health.

After consideration it was proposed by Mr. Henderson, seconded by Mr. Coonan—“That continuations of the scholarships be granted to Miss Mulhall and Patrick Murphy, subject to their passing the Autumn examination, and that Mr. G. Heffernan's scholarship be not renewed owing to the University Authorities not recommending the renewal of his scholarship.”

(8814.)

MOTOR LICENCE DUTY.

The Secretary reported that Mr. C. A. Lawler, Belan House, Moone, had taken out a motor licence, for which he tendered a cheque value £2 8s. His cheque having been dishonoured the Local Government

(Roads) Department had directed that the County Council should institute proceedings against Mr. Lawler for recovery of the the amount of the duty, and it was proposed by Mr. Fawcett, seconded by Mr. Smyth:—“That Mr. C. A. Lawler, Belan House, Moone, be prosecuted for failing to have his car licensed.”

(8815.)

MULLAGHMAST COW PARKS.

It was proposed by Mr. Keenan, seconded by Mr. Dunne, and resolved:—“That Mr. Joseph O'Connor, Ballytore, be appointed to collect all rents on Mullagh-mast Cowparks. Remuneration to be paid at the rate of 5 per cent.

(8816.)

PETROL PUMPS.

An application dated 18th September, was received from Messrs. Jackson Bros., Athy, for permission to erect two kerb-side petrol pumps outside their premises in Leinster Street, Athy. The Committee granted the necessary permission subject to the approval of the County Surveyor, and to Messrs. Jackson taking out the necessary licences.

(8817.)

ELECTIONS.

It was proposed by Mr. Travers, seconded by Mr. Keenan, and resolved. Messrs. Ronaldson, Henderson and Fawcett dissenting:—“That permanent men be allowed off at 4 p.m., Thursday, the 15th instant, being the date of the General Elections, for the purpose of recording their votes.”

(8818.)

FLOODING.

A letter dated 31st August, 1927, from the Great Southern Railways Company, addressed to the County Surveyor, was read, relative to the flooding of the road near bridge No. 51, Carlow branch, and stating that the Company could not entertain any claim in connection with this matter. After consideration the Committee referred the matter to the County Solicitor.

Adjourned.

M. Fitzsimons
2.11.27

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE-DARA.

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Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee held on 28th September, 1927.

Present:—Messrs. Michael Fitzsimons (Chairman), presiding; Patrick Phelan, William E. H. Fawcett, William Ronaldson, Nicholas Travers, Peter Keenan, Patrick J. Dunne, James Cregan, John Conlan and Edward A. Coonan.

(8819.)

PAYMENTS.

Applications from the County Surveyor for payments for works in his charge amounting to £5,155 12s 1d, were approved and ordered to be paid out of the Subsidiary Account.

(8820.)

COUNCIL CHAMBER.

A deputation consisting of Rev. P. J. Doyle, C.C.; Miss Sargent and Mr. S. Curry, Naas, appeared before the Committee on behalf of the Naas Choral Union, and applied for the use of the Council Chamber for the purpose of rehearsals. The Committee, after consideration, granted the application.

(8821.)

MACHINERY HIRE.

A letter dated 28th instant, from the Co. Surveyor, was received, suggesting certain charges in connection with the hire of the County Rollers, etc. The Committee approved of the charges as suggested by the County Surveyor.

(8822.)

RATE COLLECTION.

Applications from Collectors Joseph O'Connor, Gannon, Malone, Shinkins, Downey, Confrey, Cunningham, Headon and Stapleton, for one month's extension to the 31st proximo, to enable them close their accounts, were received, and consideration of the matter adjourned until meeting of the Finance Committee, to be held on the 12th proximo. In the meantime the Secretary was directed to communicate with the Collectors concerned and request them make every effort to close their respective collections as soon as possible.

(8823.)

ERECTION OF PORCH.

An application dated 28th. September, 1927, was received from Mr. P. A. Fitzsimons, for permission to re-erect a porch outside his premises at Moatfield, Kill, and permission granted, subject to the approval of the County Surveyor.

(8824.)

CASTLEDERMOT COURTHOUSE.

A letter dated 28th. September, 1927, from the County Surveyor, relative to Castledermot Courthouse site, was read.

Adjourned.

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COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE-DARA.

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Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee held on 12th October, 1927.

Present:—Messrs. Michael Fitzsimons (Chairman), presiding; William R. Ronaldson, Edward A. Coonan, John Conlan, William E. Fawcett, James Cregan, Peter Keenan, Nicholas Travers and Michael Smyth.

(8825.)

PAYMENTS.

Applications from the County Surveyor for payments for works in his charge, amounting to £10,004 11s. 10d, were approved and ordered to be made out of the Subsidiary Account, and a similar order was made with respect to expenses under Section 3 (4) (a) of Roads Act, 1920, for period ended September, 1927.

(8826.)

MEMBERS' TRAVELLING EXPENSES.

The Secretary submitted a schedule showing amount due to the respective members of the Council in respect of expenses for attending meetings of the Finance Committee and County Council for period ended 30th September, 1927. The Committee approved of same, and payments were ordered.

(8827.)

RATE COLLECTION.

Following the consideration of applications from Rate Collectors for one month's extension of time to enable them to close their respective collections of the first moiety of Rates, the Committee extended the time up to the 31st October, subject to the sanction of the Local Government Department.

Collector F. J. Field, who closed his collection, applied for payment of poundage fees, and same were approved, subject to the concurrence of the Department.

(8828.)

DIRECT LABOUR PAY SHEETS.

A letter dated 24th September, 1927, from the County Surveyor, stating that practically throughout the whole of Ireland Direct Labour Pay Sheets are made out to the end of the week instead of Thursday, as in the case of this Council, and asking the Committee to consider this change, was read, and consideration was adjourned to next meeting

(8829.)

ROAD CONTRACT.

A letter dated 4th October, 1927, from County Surveyor, enclosing letter from Mr. Peter Mooney, Riverstown, relinquishing his contract for road maintenance, was read, and the matter referred to the Law Agent, to advise if Mr. Mooney can be compelled to carry out this contract.

(8830.)

GORTEEN DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

A letter dated 24th September, 1927, from County Surveyor, asking authority to expend £12, on the cleansing of the upper reaches of the Gorteen River, and a similar sum of £12 for the repair of a bridge on the river, was read, and the necessary expenditure sanctioned.

(8831.)

WORKING HOURS.

A letter dated 20th September, 1927, from Local Government (Roads) Department, referring to the working hours of road workers employed by the Council, and stating that the hours of men employed on work under the Road Grants should correspond with the hours of men employed on road work being carried out under the Council's own funds, was read, and approved, and the Secretary was directed to communicate this matter to the County Surveyor.

(8832.)

PETROL PUMPS.

Applications from Messrs. Duthie Large Athy; and from T. J. McCabe, Newbridge, for permission to erect petrol pumps adjoining the public road at Athy and at Newbridge, were submitted and granted, subject to the sanction of the County Surveyor and subject also to the necessary licences being procured from the Council by these parties.

(8833.)

ROAD REPAIR.

A letter dated 21st September, 1927, from Mr. A. B. Coyle, complaining of the condition of the Brownstown road, was read, and the Secretary was directed to inform Mr. Coyle that it is the Council's intention to improve this road by rolling at an early date.

(8834.)

TUBERCULOSIS SCHEME.

A letter dated 3rd October, 1927, from the Local Government Department, enclosing copy of a letter addressed to the County Board of Health, regarding the furnishing to the County Tuberculosis Officer, of the name and address of owners of cows slaughtered under the Bovine Tuberculosis Order, 1926, by the County Council, was read, and the Secretary was directed to furnish the required information in future.

(8835.)

VOTE OF SYMPATHY.

Proposed by Mr. John Conlan, seconded by Mr. Michael Smyth, and resolved:—"That we, the members of the Finance Committee of the Kildare County Council, have learned with regret of the recent death of the late Mr. M. E. Doyle, who, as an able officer of the former Athy No. 1 Rural District Council, was, for many years officially associated with this Council. We deeply regret his untimely demise, and we hereby convey to his bereaved widow and family our sincere sympathy in the great loss they have sustained."

(8836.)

MULLAGHMAST COWPARKS.

A letter dated 20th September, 1927, from Mr. J. A. O'Connor, Ballytore, accepting the position of collector of rents of above,

and stating that he considered the remuneration insufficient, was read, The Committee ordered payment of Land Commission annuity due.

(8837.)

ATHY COURTHOUSE

A letter dated 11th October, 1927, from Messrs. Foley and O'Sullivan, stating that the work of construction of Athy Courthouse is now complete, and asking the Council to make arrangements for the formal taking over of possession, was read, and Messrs. Henderson, Greene, Foley, Flynn, and the County Surveyor were appointed a Committee to take over possession of the Courthouse, and to appoint some person temporarily as caretaker, pending the permanent appointment being made.

(8838.)

SUPERANNUATION.

A letter dated 10th October, 1927, from the Local Government Department, enclosing copy of a statutory declaration received from Mr. J. J. McHugh, in regard to his claim for compensation for loss of emoluments as Compounder of Medicine to the Athy Workhouse, was read, but no order was made thereon.

Adjourned.

Michael J. O'Connor

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COMHAIRLE GONNDAE CHILLE-DARA.

Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee held on the 26th October, 1927.

Present—Mr. Michael Fitzsimons (Chairman), presiding; Messrs William E. H. Fawcett, William Ronalson, James Behan, Patrick Dunne, David Weld, Patrick Phelan, Peter Kenan, Edward A. Coonan, George W. Henderson, Michael Smyth and James Bergin.

(8839.)

PAY DAY FOR ROAD MEN.

A letter dated 24th September, 1927, from County Surveyor, suggesting that the Road Men be paid up to Saturday instead of Thursday, as at present, was read. This arrangement would necessitate the holding of the meetings of the Finance Committee on Friday instead of Wednesday. In the course of a discussion on the matter, several objections were pointed out, and it was decided to make no change for the present. The County Surveyor to bring the matter before the Committee again at his discretion.

(8840.)

WEIGHTS & MEASURES ACTS.

A letter dated 19th October, 1927, from Superintendent, Civic Guards, Naas, was read requesting authority to purchase six Stencil Plates in connection with Weights and Measures Acts. The Committee granted the necessary authority.

(8841.)

COAL FOR ATHY COURT.

The Clerk, District Court, Athy, wrote

enclosing accounts for coal supplied to the Office and Court Room by Messrs. Whelan and Smith, Athy. The Committee decided to pay the accounts subject to the Minister of Local Government and Public Health extending the time as both accounts were statute barred.

(8842.)

RATE COLLECTION.

The Rate Collectors applied for an extension of time to close their Collections to 19th November next. The Committee granted the extension, subject to the sanction of the Minister of Local Government and Public Health.

(8843.)

BALLYTEAGUE CANAL BANK.

A petition was received from residents at Ballyteague to have the Canal Bank from Ballyteague to Littletown, etc., put in repair. The following committee were appointed to inspect the place and report to the Council:—Messrs. Phelan, McNally, Fawcett, Weld, and the Chairman.

(8843a.)

PAYMENTS.

Application from County Surveyor for payment for Works in his charge were approved and ordered to be paid out of the Subsidiary Account.

Adjourned.

M. Fitzsimons
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COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE-DARA

Minutes of ~~Finance~~ Meeting of County Council held on 26th October, 1927.

Present:—Mr. Michael Fitzsimons (Chairman), presiding; Messrs. William E. H. Fawcett, William Ronaldson, James Behan, Patrick Phelan, Patrick Dunne, David Weld, Peter Keenan, Edward A. Coonan, George W. Henderson, Michael Smyth and James Bergin.

(8973.)

CARDINAL O'DONNELL.

The following resolution was proposed by Mr. Patrick Phelan, seconded by Mr. Henderson, and resolved:—"That we, the members of the Kildare County Council, desire to give expression to our profound sorrow at the death of the illustrious Primate of all Ireland, Cardinal O'Donnell. The death of this distinguished Churchman and patriotic Irishman has left a void in the public life of Ireland, both North and South, which it will be difficult, if not impossible to fill, but he has left to posterity a precious heritage which will be remembered with pride and gratitude by generations to come."

(8974.)

SANITATION OF COUNTY HOME.

The following resolution was proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Mr. George W. Henderson, and carried unanimously:—"That the Kildare County Council consent to the proposal of the Kildare Board of Health and Public Assistance to borrow £3,600 for the purpose of providing a modern system of sanitation in the County Home, Athy."

(8975.)

CASTLEDERMOT COURTHOUSE.

Correspondence was read from the County Surveyor; Mr. Osborne, Solicitor; and Mrs Owens, regarding the site for porch at proposed Courthouse at Castledermot, when the Council decided not to purchase the site, and to dispense with the porch.

(8976.)

LEINSTER ESTATE WOODS.

The Council ordered payment of £3,387 purchase price of woods purchased from Leinster Estate.

Account amounting to £697 1s. 3d. of expenditure on the woods from 1st. November, 1923, to present, was submitted and approved. The amount to be paid out of funds of Committee of Agriculture.

(8977.)

ATHY COURTHOUSE.

The County Surveyor reported that the Committee appointed by the Council and he, met Mr. Foley, the Architect, on 21st inst, and formally took over Athy Courthouse, and appointed Mr. Bramley, Caretaker. The Council approved of the Committee's action and confirmed Mr. Bramley's appointment.

(8978.)

OFFICE ATHY COURTHOUSE.

The Clerk of District Court, Athy, asked permission to take possession of the office in Courthouse, formerly occupied by the Petty Sessions Clerk. The required permission was granted.

(8979.)

WEIGHTS & MEASURES OFFICE.

The Superintendent, Civic Guard, Naas, wrote by letter dated 25th October, 1927, requesting the Council to provide office accommodation for the ex-Officio Inspector of Weights and Measures in Athy Courthouse. The Council considered the office at present in use in the Town Hall, suitable, and declined to allot an office in Athy Courthouse.

(8980.)

TAXED COSTS.

A requisition to tax costs of Mr Osborne, Solicitor, was Sealed and signed by the Chairman and Secretary.

(8981.)

PUBLIC WORKS ROADS AND TRANSPORT EXHIBITION.

A letter dated 22nd October, 1927, was read from the County Surveyor re appointment of Delegate to Public Works Roads and Transport Exhibition and Conference, to be held in London on 14th November, 1927. The Council appointed the County Surveyor to attend, his expenses to be paid by the Council, subject to the sanction of the Minister of Local Government and Public Health.

(8982.)

UNEMPLOYMENT GRANT.

The Secretary was directed to apply to the proper Department for a Grant rto relieve unemployment, which is prevalent in the County.

(8983.)

ROAD WORKS MEETING.

The Council fixed Wednesday, the 18th

January, 1928, as date of Road Works Meeting.

(8984.)

TELEGRAPH POLE AT MONASTER-EVAN.

Mr Behan called attention to the erection of a Telegraph Pole in Monasterevan in a position which blocked the traffic. The Co. Surveyor undertook to raise the question with the Post Office Authorities.

Adjourned.

Mich. J. P. Morris
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COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE-DARA.

(8843.)

Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee held on 2nd November, 1927.

Present:—Mr. Michael Fitzsimons (Chairman), presiding; Messrs. Patrick Phelan, William E. H. Fawcett, Robert Gannon, Nicholas Travers, David Weld, Patrick Dunne, George W. Henderson, John N. Greene, Michael Smyth and Edward A. Coonan.

(8844.)

MINUTES.

Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee held since last Quarterly Meeting were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

(8845.)

APPLICATIONS FOR PAYMENT.

Payments as certified by the County Surveyor on Form 22 were approved and recommended for payment.

Payments 1 to 77 in the Schedule of Applications for Payment were approved and it was ordered that the payments be made in respect of salaries and pensions falling due monthly up to 1st February, 1928, by Special Treasurer's Advice Notes. All other payments as per the Chairman's copy were approved.

(8846.)

POUNDAGE FEES.

Payment of poundage fees to Collectors Downey and Sammon were ordered, subject to the sanction of the Minister of Local Government and Public Health.

(8847.)

COUNTY ACCOUNTS.

The County Accounts for the Quarter ending 30th September last were submitted, examined and found to be written up to date. The Bank Book for the Subsidiary Account was signed by the Chairman.

(8848.)

COPE v. COUNTY COUNCIL.

A letter dated 27th October, 1927, from Mr. Osborne, solicitor, was read recommending the Council to appeal in the case of Miss Cope (where the District Justice fixed the price of gravel at 8d per load) and requesting authority to engage Counsel. The Secretary stated that he had got notice of appeal on behalf of Miss Cope. The Committee approved of the appeal and authorised the engagement of Counsel.

(8849.)

RATHANGAN DRAINAGE.

A letter dated 27th October, 1927, was read from Mr. Osborne, solicitor, reporting the result of legal proceedings against defaulting ratepayers on Rathangan and Gorteen Drainage Districts. The Secretary submitted the following list against whom proceedings proved abortive, and the Committee decided to write off the amounts as irrecoverable:—

- 127—Margaret Donohoe, Robertstown, £1 0s 7d—Order refused.
- 262—Margaret Donohoe, Robertstown, £4 8s 2d—Order refused.
- 346a—Tenants of Ballyteague (Aylmer Estate), £1 3s 1d.
- 350—James Moore, Ballyteague, £13 17s 7d—Order refused.
- 374—Trustees of Sir G. G. Aylmer 11s 3d.
- 374a—Tenants of Cloncumber (Aylmer Estate), £3 10s. 8d.
- 387a—Tenants of Derrymullen (Aylmer Estate), £8 16s 1d.
- 481—Trustees Sir G. G. Aylmer, 11s 11d.
- 421a—Tenants of Pluckerstown, £13 9s 11d.
- 156—S. Fitzharris and E. Healy, Trustees, Curryhills, 4s 5d.
- 159—S. Fitzharris and E. Healy, Trustees, Curryhills, 7s 1d.
- 320—S. Fitzharris and E. Healy, Trustees, Curryhills, £8 5s. 0d.
- 283—Peter McCormack, Milltown (gone away), 11s 4d—No goods.
- 285—R. B. Steele (van't be found), £1 16s 1d.
- 360—James Moran, Ballyteague, £13 6s.
- 388—Patrick Behan, Derrymullen (costs £1 5s), £1 5s. Total, £73 4s 2d.

(8850.)

OVERDRAFT.

The Secretary was directed to apply to the Treasurer for an overdraft of £45,000, subject to the sanction of the Minister of Local Government and Public Health.

(8851.)

CELBRIDGE WORKHOUSE LANDS.

Mr. Wardell submitted an offer of £10 for the grazing (Simpson's Field) at Celbridge Workhouse for 11 months. The Committee approved of the offer.

(8852.)

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.

Deputy Superintendent, Civic Guards, Naas, wrote requesting that the premises lately occupied as a Courthouse at Celbridge be acquired temporarily as an Office for Weights and Measures Administration. The Committee decided that suitable accommodation could be obtained at Celbridge Workhouse premises.

(8853.)

RATE COLLECTION.

The Secretary submitted a return showing the state of collection of rate from which it appeared that Collectors Field, Sammon and Downey had closed their accounts, and that the gross amount outstanding of first moiety was £15,551 2s 8d.

Adjourned.

J. J. Higgins
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COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE-DARA.

Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee held on 9th November, 1927.

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Present—Mr. Michael Fitzsimons (Chairman), presiding; Messrs. Patrick Phelan, William E. H. Fawcett, Nicholas Travers, Edward A. Coonan and George W. Henderson.

(8854.)

PAYMENTS.

Applications for payment for works in charge of the County Surveyor amounting to £5,831 17s. 8d. were approved and ordered to be made out of the Subsidiary Account.

(8855.)

COLLECTOR BELL.

Applications for payment of Poundage Fees was received from Collector Bell, who had lodged the amount of his Warrant (less £277, Rates on Donohoe Estate and Dowling Arrears). The Committee recommended payment of Poundage Fees subject to the sanction of the Minister of Local Government and Public Health.

The Committee also recommended payment of Poundage Fees to Collector Dunne, subject to the Minister's sanction.

(8856.)

ATHY-CARLOW ROAD.

A letter dated 9th November, 1927, from County Surveyor, submitting estimate of £8,144 for improvement of Athy to Carlow road, to be done out of Grant. The Council approved of the estimate. With regard to the question of removal of fences at Corners and the erection of new fences by the Council, the Surveyor recommended that this practice be discontinued, and that owners be compensated for erecting the fences. The Committee found difficulty in making an order to suit every case, but requested the County Surveyor to arrange with the landowners as to fencing and compensation.

(8857.)

CASTLEDERMOT COURTHOUSE.

Letters were received from Mr. Keatley, Hon. Secretary to Castledermot Hall Committee, offering to sell the Hall for the purpose of a Courthouse. The Committee appointed Messrs. Henderson, Flynn, Foley, Green and County Surveyor to inspect and report to next meeting. Meantime the Secretary was directed to ask Mr. Keatley the selling price of the Hall.

Adjourned.

Michael Fitzsimons
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COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE-DARA.

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Minutes of Quarterly Finance Meeting of the County Council held on 21st November, 1927.

Present:—Messrs. Michael Fitzsimons (Chairman), presiding; James Behan (Vice-Chairman), Nicholas Hanagan, James Bergin, George W. Henderson, Edward A. Coonan, Patrick Dunne, Peter Keenan, Hugh Colohan, Michael Smyth, George Ronaldson, Robert Gannon, Nicholas Travers, John N. Greene, Patrick Phelan, Andrew McNally, David Weld, James Flynn, Bertram H. Barton, William E. H. Fawcett.

(8985.)

MINUTES.

Proposed by Mr. James Bergin, seconded by Mr. Michael Smyth, and resolved:—“That Minutes of Meetings of County Council held on the 29th August and 26th October, 1927, copy of which had been sent to each Member be taken as read, confirmed and signed.”

Proposed by Mr. James Bergin, seconded by Mr. Michael Smyth, and resolved:—“That Minutes of Meetings of Finance Committee held on the 31st August, 14th and 28th September, 12th and 26th October, 2nd and 9th November, 1927, copy of which had been sent to each Member be taken as read, confirmed and signed.”

(8986.)

COUNTY ACCOUNTS.

The County Accounts Receipt and Expenditure Books for Quarter ended 30th September, 1927, were examined and signed by the Chairman, and the following books, etc., were produced by the Secretary written up to date—(1) General Ledger, (2) Register of Mortgages, (3) Register of Separate Charges, (4) Register of Applications and Proposals, (5) Reports from Rate Inspector re Checking Rate Collectors' Accounts.

(8987.)

QUARTERLY PAYMENTS.

Proposed by Mr. Edward A. Coonan, seconded by Mr. Nicholas Travers, and resolved:—“That all payments recommended by the Finance Committee for County-at-Large Charges be and are hereby approved.”

(8988.)

PAYMENTS DRAINAGE DISTRICTS.

Proposed by Mr. Patrick Phelan, seconded by Mr. Nicholas Travers, and resolved:—“That all payments recommended by the Finance Committee in respect of expenses under the Drainage Acts be and are hereby approved, same to be charged against the respective Dis-

tricts as shown in the Abstract of Proposals for Payment.”

(8989.)

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

The Secretary submitted Auditor's Report on the accounts of the County Council for eleven half-years ended 30th September, 1926, was read, and considered satisfactory, and the Council ordered that in future the Urban Councils are not to participate in the Government Bounty in lieu of rates in respect of County Charges.

(8990.)

COUNTY SURVEYOR'S REPORT.

The County Surveyor's Quarterly Report as follows was read:—

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,—

I have the honour to report that during the Quarter ended 30th September, 1927, the expenditure on ordinary maintenance of roads amounted to £5,761 1s 11d on main roads, and £1,801 6s 4d on County Roads, and on Machinery, etc., to the sum of £1,269 11s 4d, or a total expenditure of £11,831 19s 7d which I certified to the Finance Committee for Direct Labour.

In addition to the foregoing there was also expended under Government Grant Schemes during the same period the sum of £26,965 15s 1d.

During the Quarter under consideration all of the Council's six steam rollers have been principally engaged upon the National Roads Scheme either for sections placed in charge of County Surveyor or on contracts by hiring arrangements. The work allotted under this Scheme to County Kildare took place on three different Trunk roads and is practically completed. The full lengths agreed may be said to have been finished both on the Maynooth-Enfield road carried out by Direct Labour and on the Naas-Monasterevan road under three contracts and Direct Labour; on the Kilcullen-Carlow road approximately £4,000 of the later allocation remains to be expended and the work is rapidly proceeding.

As reported to Finance Committee have just been requested by the Roads Department of the Ministry of Local Government to submit an estimate for the improvement of the Athy-Carlow

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road which carries the traffic to the Beet Factory. One of the chief defects of the road is its narrowness and the number of bends where vision is obstructed by the existing fences. Hedges grow very quickly and in many cases it would appear necessary to substitute for them a different type of fence such as wire or railings or sunk fences, as if the hedges are cut sufficiently to attain the end in view there would be no protection of stock.

On this and other roads I am of opinion that such alterations should be carried out directly by the land-owners themselves even if the Council contribute a considerable portion of the cost in money; in fact I believe this method is now compulsory. Your Committee requested me to endeavour to get these improvements carried out by agreement, and I hope to do so; but when it is remembered that this will probably entail personal interviews with the individual land-owners on almost every road in the county, progress must be very slow even if agreement is reached. The risk of serious accidents has now increased so much that it might be considered necessary to appoint temporarily a special officer to deal exclusively with this matter, and such an officer would find his time fully occupied.

The Arterial Drainage Systems in charge of the Council have on the whole been well attended to during the past season.

There are a number of contractors to whom small roads were entrusted for unkeep who have failed to carry out any work, and as the season is now so far advanced I recommend that the roads affected revert to my own charge for the remainder of the financial year.

Your obedient servant,

JOHN RORKE,
County Surveyor.

Arising on the reading of the foregoing report, the Council ordered as respects the final paragraph thereof that the roads therein referred to be given in charge to the County Surveyor.

(8991.)

GORTEEN DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

A memorial signed by Mr. P. J. Mooney, and others, referring to the dangerous condition of the bridge crossing the Gorteen River in the townland of Kilmurry, and praying that same be repaired, was read, and referred to the Drainage Engineer, Mr. L. J. Fullam.

(8992.)

DRAINAGE RATES.

A letter dated 15th November, 1927, from Mr. H. J. Kearns submitting the names of Messrs. Laurence Allen, Dysart, and John Colgan, Hortland, as his sureties in connection with the Collection of Drainage Maintenance Rates on Ballycowan and Foranwell and Gorteen Drainage Districts, was read, and the sureties being accepted, the Secretary was directed to instruct the County Solicitor to have the necessary Bond prepared in a sum of £300 for execution by Mr. Kearns and his sureties.

(8993.)

ATHY COURTHOUSE.

A letter dated 16th November, 1927, from Councillor G. W. Henderson commenting upon the unsatisfactory manner in which the work of reconstructing Athy Court house was completed, was read, and Mr. Foley, the Architect, having been present, a long discussion took place on Mr. Henderson's letter, and finally it was decided that a Committee consisting of the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Messrs. Foley, Corcoran, Phelan, Henderson, Flynn, Greene, Bergin and the County Surveyor be appointed to inspect the Courthouse and to report on the matter to the County Council. The Committee to meet at Athy on Friday, 2nd proximo, at 2 p.m., Mr. Foley, Architect, to be in attendance.

An application for payment of £38 10s 0d from Messrs. Foley and O'Sullivan, Architects, balance of fees payable, was submitted, and payment deferred.

(8994.)

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES OFFICE IN ATHY.

Following the consideration of a letter dated 18th November, 1927, from Superintendent, Garda Síochána, the Council granted the temporary use of a room in Athy Courthouse to the Ex-officio Inspector of Weights and Measures if such room be available.

(8995.)

ROAD CONTRACT.

A letter from Mr. Patrick Kane, Cornamuckla, intimating his intention to relinquish his road contract, was read, but no order was made thereon.

(8996.)

SUPERANNUATION.

Arising on the reading of a letter dated 10th October, 1927, from Local Government Department relative to claim for compensation for loss of office on behalf of Mr. J. J. McHugh as Compounded of Medicines to Athy Workhouse, and stating that the De-

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partment are prepared to consider any representations from the Council on the matter, it was proposed by Mr. Edward A. Coonan, seconded by Mr. John N. Greene, and resolved—"That the Council decline to make any representations to the Department."

(8997.)

COUNTY LIBRARIAN.

Following the consideration of a report dated October, 1927, from Mr. J. C. Connolly relative to the working of the County Library Scheme to 31st October, 1927, it was proposed by Mr. Nicholas Hanagan, seconded by Mr. Hugh Colohan, and resolved:—"That this Council being satisfied with the progress made by the County Librarian, Mr. J. C. Connolly, the Minister of Local Government and Public Health be requested to sanction his appointment permanently."

(8998.)

DROICHEAD NUA LIFFEY BRIDGE.

A letter dated 22nd September, 1927, from the County Surveyor stating that it will be necessary to acquire the forge adjacent to the Liffey Bridge at Droichead Nua before the work of improvement of the bridge is commenced, was read, and the Secretary was directed to request the County Surveyor to acquire the forge in question from the occupant, Mr. Behan, by agreement, if possible.

(8899.)

CARLOW MENTAL HOSPITAL.
COMMITTEE.

A letter dated 3rd November, 1927, from Mr. P. A. Brown, Solicitor to the Joint Committee for Carlow Mental Hospital, stating that the Joint Committee are threatened with proceedings by their employees in consequence of a reduction in their wages, and that Carlow and Kildare County Councils will be named as defendants, and asking for authority to accept service on behalf of this Council, was read, and the necessary permission given.

(9000.)

ROAD TRAFFIC.

Following the reading of a letter dated 26th September, 1927, from the Secretary, Inter-Departmental Committee on Control and Regulation of Road Traffic, the matter was referred to the Finance Committee.

(9001.)

LURG LANE.

A letter dated 28th October, 1927, from the Army Finance (Lands Branch) Office stating that requisitions have been duly advanced to the British War Department for particulars of the undertaking made with the former

Grand Jury of County Kildare, respecting Curragh roads, and that on receipt thereof the Council will be communicated with, was read.

(9002.)

CORONER'S SALARY.

A letter from Dr. O'Neill, Coroner, applying for payment of salary from date of the death of Dr. Cosgrove, former Coroner, up to the date of the amalgamation of the districts, was read, and payment ordered subject to the sanction of the Local Government Department.

(9003.)

ATHY COURTKEEPER.

A letter dated 9th November, 1927, from Mr. Charles Daly, Sub-Sheriff, stating that he had appointed Mr. Bramley Courtkeeper of Athy Courthouse on 8th instant, was read, and the Council fixed the Courtkeeper's salary at £10 per annum, the Council to supply fire and light.

(9004.)

ATHY COURTHOUSE.

A letter dated 4th November, 1927, from the Acting Town Clerk, Athy, applying for the use of a room in Athy Courthouse on behalf of the Athy Library Committee, was read, and consideration adjourned.

(9004.)

FENCING OF PURCHASED LANDS.

Proposed by Mr. William E. H. Fawcett, seconded by Mr. Nicholas Travers, and resolved:—"That the Kildare County Council desire to call the attention of the Land Commission to the wire fences that have been erected, and are now being erected by them on the distribution of land in this county. This Council are of opinion that sod and quicked fences would be more serviceable and would cost very little more. The outlay on the importation of wire used in the erection of wire fences could be more economically spent on manual labour, and this Council is further of opinion that any additional expenditure incurred in sod fences would be well spent money.

"That copies of this resolution be sent to Messrs. Commissioners Hogan and O'Neill, and the Secretary of the Irish Land Commission."

(9006.)

COUNTY MEDICAL OFFICER OF
HEALTH.

A letter dated 1st November, 1927, from Dr. J. A. Harbison, stating he would take up duties as County Medical Officer of Health for County Kildare on 1st January, 1928, was read.

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(9007.)

CELBRIDGE WORKHOUSE.

A letter dated 25th October, 1927, from the Clerk, Celbridge No. 2 Rural District Council, stating that his Council are not aware of any provision empowering the County Council to enforce payment of the proposed rent of £26 a year for office accommodation in Celbridge Workhouse, was read, and the matter was referred to the County Solicitor for advice.

(9008.)

INJURED WORKMAN'S CLOTHES.

An application dated 15th September, 1927, from Mr. Wm. McDonald, Kildare, for payment of compensation for his clothes which were cut off him following his accident while working at the County Council tar boiler on the Curragh Road last August, was read, and the matter referred to the County Surveyor, the Council suggesting that £1 be paid to McDonald.

(9009.)

PATHANGAN DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

A letter dated 26th September, 1927, from County Surveyor enclosing correspondence with Mr. T. J. Murphy relative to the flooding of land below Rathangan Bridge, was read, and the Secretary was directed to inform Mr. Murphy that as the portion of the river complained of is not within the Rathangan Drainage District, the Council have no authority to incur any expenditure on its improvement.

A letter dated 12th October, 1927, from Mr. R. A. Osborne, Solicitor, reporting result of proceedings for the recovery of outstanding Drainage Rates, was read.

(9010.)

APPLICATION FOR COMPENSATION.

Arising on the reading of an application dated 10th October, 1927, from Mr. E. P. McShortall, Maddenstown, for payment of £2 2s 6d repairs to his cart owing to his horse having fallen on the Brownstown road in consequence of the condition of the road, the Secretary was directed to inform Mr. McShortall that the Council cannot accept any responsibility in this matter.

(9011.)

PIPING OF DRAINS.

A letter dated 18th October, 1927, from Mr. S. E. Holmes, asking the Council to have an open drain opposite his premises at Monasterevan, piped, was read, and the matter referred to the County Surveyor for report.

(9012.)

UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME

The question of the renewal of Scholarships awarded to Miss Kathleen Mulhall and Mr. Patrick Murphy was considered in conjunction with applications from Messrs. Joseph Tyrrell, P. J. Daly and Eugene Boland for an extension of their respective scholarships for a fourth year. The President, University College, having by letter dated 20th October, 1927, recommended the extension of Scholarships, Joseph Tyrrell and to P. J. Daly, subject to the latter passing his examination in Accountancy. The Council decided to extend Mr Tyrrell's scholarship for a fourth year, and also the scholarship of Mr. P. J. Daly, subject to the latter passing the examination in Accountancy and to renew the Scholarships of Miss Kathleen Mulhall and Mr. Patrick Murphy subject to their passing a supplementary examination in the subjects in which they failed last summer. The application of Mr. Eugene Boland was referred to the Finance Committee, the Secretary being directed in the meantime to make inquiries as to the financial circumstances of Mr. Boland's family

(9013.)

CASTLEDERMOT COURTHOUSE.

A letter dated 17th November, 1927, from Mr. P. Keatley, offering to sell the New Hall at Castledermot to the Council for the sum of £1,000, was read, and it was decided to ask the County Surveyor to submit a report, stating the estimated cost of converting the New Hall premises into a building suitable for court purposes, and also the probable expenditure involved in completing the work of reconstruction of premises proposed to be purchased from Mr. McDonald at Castledermot, the County Solicitor to be asked to advise as to the position of the Council in the event of their abandoning the latter proposal.

(9014.)

SECONDARY SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME

A letter from Mr. D. Fox applying for one year's extension of Secondary Scholarship awarded to his son, James Fox, was read, and the Secretary was directed to reply that the Council have no power under the scheme to grant the required extension.

(9015.)

CARBURY DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

A letter dated 14th September, 1927, from Office of Public Works, stating that it is not intended to proceed with the restoration works on the Carbury Mill Stream Drainage District, was read.

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(9016.)

SECONDARY SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME.

Applications from students attending the examination for the award of Secondary Scholarships in 1927, were submitted, and the Council approved of the following expenses—James Carey, Ballyhagan, £1; Mary Mallen, Killenaugh, £3 3s; Lucy Gilligan, £3 4s.

(9017.)

ASSISTANT CO. LIBRARIAN.

A letter dated 14th September, 1927, from the Local Government Department, sanctioning the appointment of Mr. Thomas Wilnot as Assistant Librarian, on probation for 12 months, from 27th June, 1927, at £78 per annum, was read.

(9018.)

SHEEP DIPPING.

A letter dated 29th September, 1927, from the Secretary, County Committee of Agriculture, respecting grants in aid of the provision of sheep dipping baths, was read.

A report from Mr. J. J. McElveen, Superintendent, Ballymany Sheep Dipping Station, relative to the second September Dipping, was submitted, and considered satisfactory, fees amounting to £35 5s. 0d. having been collected.

(9019.)

OFFICIAL GUIDE.

A letter from the Secretary, Irish Tourist Association, relative to the publication of official guide to Counties, was read.

(9020.)

COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH.

A letter dated 21st October, 1927, from the Secretary, County Board of Health, transmitting half-yearly statement of receipts and payments, and also of the condition of the County Home and County Hospital, and the expenditure of Home Assistance in the several districts, for the half-year ended 30th September, 1927, was submitted.

(9021.)

APPLICATION FOR BONUS.

An application from Mr. P. O'Carroll, Clerk in Accountant's Office, for payment to him of the Civil Service Cost of Living Bonus, was considered, and after discussion the application was adjourned for twelve months.

(9022.)

PUBLIC BODIES ORDER, 1927.

A letter dated 14th October, 1927, from the Local Government Department, enclosing copy of the Public Bodies Order, 1927, was submitted.

(9023.)

RATE COLLECTION.

A letter dated 31st October, 1927, from the Local Government Department, stating that the Department will be prepared to consider a recommendation from the Council as to what proportion of poundage should be paid to Collectors who close on the 19th instant, was read, together with an application from Collectors Cunningham, Confrey and Kearns, for a further extension of time to 30th November, to close their accounts, when it was decided to grant this extension, subject to the sanction of the Local Government Department, and the Council recommended that the Collectors who had closed be paid poundage at the rate of 8d in the £.

(9024.)

POISONS AND PHARMACY ACT, 1908.

An application from Messrs. Jackson Bros., Athy, for a renewal licence under the above Act, was submitted and approved, and also application from Mr. Samuel C. Cope, Castledermot, for licence under same Acts, was approved and licence granted.

(9025.)

MALICIOUS INJURIES.

The Secretary submitted a list of claims for compensation for malicious injuries received since last meeting. The Council ordered that same be defended by the Council's Solicitor.

(9026.)

ANALYST'S REPORT.

The County Analyst's Report, copy of which had been sent to each member, was taken as read, as follows:—

Report of the Public Analyst appointed for the County of Kildare, upon the articles analysed by him during the quarter ending the 30th September, 1927:—

Drugs, 6 July, 1927, 3, received from Kilcullen—Genuine.

Drugs, 18th July, 1927, 3, received from Kilmeague—Genuine.

Drugs, 18th July, 1927, 3, received from Clane—2 Genuine, 1 not Genuine.

Drugs, 10th August, 1927, 3, received from Celbridge—2 Genuine 1 not Genuine.

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Drugs, 13th August, 1927, 3, received from Newbridge—Genuine.

Drugs, 13th August, 1927, 3, received from Newbridge—Genuine.

Drugs, 19th August, 1927, 4, received from Kill—Genuine.

Drugs, 30th August, 1927, 6, received from Kildare Tuberculosis Hospital—Genuine.

Drugs, 6th September, 1927, 3, received from Johnstown—Genuine.

Drugs, 23rd September, 1927, 3, received from Fontstown—Genuine.

Drugs, 28th September, 1927, 3, received from Kilcock—2 Genuine; 1 not genuine.

Drugs, 28th September, 1927, 3, received from Navan—Genuine.

Water, 14th July, 1927, 1, received from County Board of Health (Athgarrett)—Passed.

Water, 24th August, 1927, 1, received from County Board of Health (Derrinturn) Passed.

Water, 10th September, 1927, 1, received from the Co. Board of Health (Tankards-garden)—Condemned.

New Milk, 4th July, 1927, 2, received from Guard McCarthy, Celbridge—Genuine
Ginger Cordial, 4th July, 1927, 1, received from Guard McCarthy, Celbridge—Genuine.

Whiskey, 4th July, 1927, 1, received from Guard McCarthy, Celbridge—Genuine.

New Milk, 14th July, 1927, 4, received from Guard McNamara, Athy—Genuine.

Margarine, 20th July, 1927, 1, received from Guard McNamara, Athy—Genuine.

Whiskey, 20th July, 1927, 1, received from Guard McNamara, Athy—Genuine.

New Milk, 20th July, 1927, 2, received from Guard McNamara, Athy—Genuine.

Butter, 6th August, 1927, 4, received from Guard McCarthy, Celbridge—Genuine.

Butter, 21st September, 1927, 3, received from Guard Hallinan, Naas—Genuine.

Total number of samples analysed during the quarter—Drugs, 37; Foods, 19; Waters, 3. Total 59 samples.

Number adulterated—Foods, Nil; Drugs, 3; Waters, 1 Condemned.

Signed,

JOHN KEANE,

Public Analyst

12/10/1927.

(9027.)

LOCAL AUTHORITIES (OFFICERS' AND EMPLOYEES) ACT, 1926.

A circular dated November, 1927, from the Secretary, Irish County Councils' General Council, relative to the working of above-mentioned Act, was read, together with a letter dated 11th November, 1927, from the Waterford Borough Council, transmitting the following copy of a resolution, which on the motion of Mr. Patrick Phelan, seconded by Mr. Nicholas Travers was adopted:—"That we call upon our Deputies in the Dail to co-operate for the purpose of repealing the Local Authorities (Officers and Employees) Act, 1926."

(9028.)

TOURIST TRAFFIC, &c.

Correspondence from the Irish County Councils' General Council respecting the striking of a rate for the development of Irish Tourist Traffic, and also with respect to grants in aid of local taxation, and report of Commission on Sick and Destitute Poor, was read.

(9029.)

PROPOSED DRAINAGE BILL.

A letter dated 15th November, 1927, from Roscommon County Council, referring to the Drainage Bill which has been presented to the Dail, and expressing disapproval of the provisions of the Bill to make Drainage expenses a County-at-Large charge, was read, and the Council expressed their disapproval of the terms of the Bill.

(9030.)

KILDARE COURTHOUSE.

The Council granted the Kildare Local Library Committee the use of a room in Kildare Courthouse for the storage of books, etc.

(9031.)

CORRESPONDENCE.

OFFICIAL.

SUBJECT.

A letter dated 26th August, 1927, from Local Government Department relative to an examination for County Surveyorship on 14th October, 1927, was read.

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- 1007 A letter dated 26th August, 1927, from the Department of Agriculture asking for advertisement respecting Regulations for Control of Dogs between sunset and sunrise, was read.
- 3 1008 A letter dated 27th August, 1927, from Local Government Department assenting to an overdraft of £60,000 to 1st November, 1927, was read.
- 4 10016 A letter dated 29th August, 1927, from Local Government Department enclosing Order enabling Miss Cope to proceed for the amount due in respect of road material was read.
- 5 10023 A letter dated 29th August, 1927, from Local Government Department notifying revision of bonuses from 1st September, 1927, was read.
- 6 10058 A letter dated 1st September, 1927, from Local Government Department enclosing Auditor's Report and Abstract of Accounts of Committees for Baltracey, Foranwell, and Gorteen Drainage Districts in respect of the six half-years ended 30th September, 1926, was read.
- 7 10065 A letter dated 1st September, 1927, from Local Government Department enclosing Payable Order for £7,870 5s 0d, instalment of Agricultural Grant for year ending 31st March, 1928, was read.
- 8 10066 A letter dated 31st August, 1927, from Local Government Department forwarding query forms for completion relative to former Union liabilities, was read.
- 9 10073 A letter dated 2nd September, 1927, from Local Government Department acknowledging Paying Order for £22 1s 3d, contribution payable under Local Authorities (Officers and Employees) Act, 1926, for year ending March, 1927, was read.
- 10 10079 A letter dated 2nd September, 1927, from Office of Public Works relative to annuity payable by the Council out of the Rathangan Drainage District, was read.
- 11 10080 A letter dated 2nd September, 1927, from Local Appointments Commission acknowledging notification relative to the appointment of Dr. Harbison as County Medical Officer of Health, was read.
- 12 10083 A letter dated 3rd September, 1927, from Local Government Department enclosing Auditor's Report and Abstract of Accounts of the Kildare Drainage District Committee for six half-years ended September, 1926, was read.
- 13 10091 A letter dated 2nd September, 1927, from Local Government Department relative to the appointment of Mr. Wilnot, Assitant Librarian, was read.
- 14 10110 A letter dated 7th September, 1927, from Local Government Department enclosing Auditor's Report and Abstract of Accounts of the Committees for the Blackwater, Lerr, Connell and Rathangan Drainage Districts for six half-years ended 30th September, 1926, was read.
- 15 10114 A letter dated 7th September, 1927, from Local Government (Housing) Department notifying the appointment of Mr. C. J. Gardiner, Rathangan, as Appointed Officer under the Housing Acts, 1925-26, in Naas No. 1 Rural District, and the similar appointments of Mr. A. K. Sargent, Kill, for Baltinglass No. 2 Rural District and Athy No. 1 Rural District, and Mr. J. Bruntz, Edenderry, for Rural Districts of Celbridge No. 1 and Edenderry No. 2, was read.
- 16 10121 A letter dated 7th September, 1927, from Department of Agriculture acknowledging newspaper containing advertisement relative to the Regulations for Control of Dogs between sunset and sunrise, was read.

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Cons. No.	Reg. No.	SUBJECT.
17	10136	A letter dated 9th September, 1927, from Secretary, Department of Finance, applying for payment of £4,206 18s 6d due under Damage to Property Compensation Act, 1923, was read.
18	10174	A letter dated 14th September, 1927, from Local Government Department relative to claim for recoupment of expenses connected with the preparation of the Fifth Register of Electors, was read.
19	10179	A letter dated 15th September, 1927, from Department of Agriculture asking for a copy of the Regulations for Control of Dogs between sunset and sunrise, was read.
20	10185	A letter dated 16th September, 1927, from Department of Local Government enclosing warning notices for publication relative to danger of interference of transmission lines of the Shannon Scheme, was read.
21	10221	A letter dated 22nd September, 1927, from Local Government (Roads) Department for return relative to main road upkeep 1927-28, was read.
22	10254	A letter dated 24th September, 1927, from Local Government Department asking for a return of salaries paid to Criers to High Court Judges at Assizes for five years ended 31st March, 1922, was read.
23	10280	A letter dated 28th September, 1927, from Department of Agriculture asking for the addresses of the Council's Veterinary Inspectors, was read.
24	10310	A letter dated 29th September, 1927, from Department of Local Government relative to the Public Bodies (Temporary Provisions) Order, 1927, was read.
25	10334	A letter dated 4th October, 1927, from Local Government Department stating that the Rate Collectors should be urged to expedite the close of the collection of the first moiety, was read.
26	10333	A letter dated 4th October, 1927, from Local Government Department relative to the application of the County Solicitor for an advance on account of costs in the case of Hosie v. the Council, was read.
27	10358	A letter dated 6th October, 1927, from Local Government (Roads) Department advising payment of £164 8s 1d as final settlement in respect of destroyed and damaged bridges, was read.
28	10375	A letter dated 8th October, 1927, from Local Government Department returning Collector Dowling's lists of uncollected poor rate approved, was read.
29	10399	A letter dated 10th October, 1927, from Department of Agriculture respecting lists of approved names under the Butter and Margarine Act, 1907, was read.
30	10407	A letter dated 13th October, 1927, from Local Government Department on the subject of the payment of poundage fees to Rate Collectors, was read.
31	10425	A letter dated 17th October, 1927, from Local Government Department asking for a return under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, was read.
32	10440	A letter dated 19th October, 1927, from Local Government Department returning Collectors' Lists of Uncollected Poor Rate approved, was read.
33	10487	A letter dated 25th October, 1927, from Local Government Department relative to payment of £7 12s 6d connected with the postage of Forms E. A. 1 in respect of the Register of Electors, was read.

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Cons. No	Reg. No.	Subject.
34	10511	A letter dated 28th October, 1927, from Local Government Department enclosing Auditor's Report and Abstract of Accounts of the Carlow Mental Hospital Committee for year ended 31st March, 1927, was read.
35	10518	A letter dated 29th October, 1927, from Local Government (Trade) Department stating that Reflectors for Warning and Danger Signs should be ordered immediately from Macroom Engineering Company, was read.
36	10531	A letter dated 31st October, 1927, from Local Government Department returning Collectors' Lists of Irrecoverable Arrears of Poor Rate approved, was read.
37	10600	A letter dated 8th November, 1927, from Local Government (Housing) Department respecting payment of balance of Housing Grant to James Lawler, Kiltaghan, was read.
38	10618	A letter dated 9th November, 1927, from Local Government Department sanctioning overdraft of £45,000 up to 15th February, 1928, was read.
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39	10234	A letter dated 21st September, 1927, from Secretary, Public Works Congress, inviting the appointment of delegates to Congress to be held in London from 14th to 19th November, 1927, was read.
40	10412	A letter dated 13th October, 1927, from Mr. M. Smyth, V.S., reporting that he had attended Johnstownbridge October Fair and found no symptoms of contagious diseases among the animals exposed for sale.

Adjourned.

H. Simpson
20/2/28

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE-DARA.

Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee held on 23rd November, 1927.

Present:—Messrs. Michael Fitzsimons (Chairman), presiding; George W. Henderson, and Bertram H. Barton.

(8858.)

PAYMENTS.

Applications for payment for works in charge of the County Surveyor amounting to £4,347 16s 5d were approved and ordered to be paid out of the Subsidiary Account.

(8859.)

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS

The Chief Superintendent, Civic Guard, Naas, wrote requesting permission to purchase an Aladdin Lamp for use in offices of Weights and Measures, Celbridge, Kilcock and Clane. The required authority was granted.

(8860.)

STENCIL PLATES.

The Chief Superintendent, Civic Guard, Naas, wrote for permission to purchase Stencil Plates of half-pint denomination. The necessary permission was granted.

(8861.)

UNEMPLOYMENT GRANT.

A letter dated 22nd November, 1927, from Department of Local Government and Public Health intimating that a Grant might be available for relief of unemployment on certain conditions if suitable Schemes were submitted. The Secretary was directed

to place the letter on the Agenda for next meeting and to send a copy to Board of Health and County Surveyor.

(8862.)

BLACKTRENCH DRAINAGE.

A petition was received from residents of Blacktrench requesting the County Council to drain the lands of Blacktrench. The Committee made no order on the matter.

(8863.)

CO. SURVEYOR'S EXPENSES.

The Co. Surveyor called attention to the fact that the Minister of Local Government and Public Health had refused to sanction payment of his expenses to the Transport Exhibition in London. As the Minister's decision was not received till he had gone he considered he had a grievance. The Secretary was directed to request the Minister to reconsider the matter.

(8864.)

COLLECTORS' POUNDAGE.

The Secretary was directed to request the sanction of the Minister of Local Government and Public Health to payment of poundage at the rate of 8d in the £ to Collectors Dowling, Gannon, Stapleton, James O'Connor, Malone, Shinkins, who had closed their Accounts on 19th inst.; also to Collectors Joseph O'Connor, and Joseph Headon who closed their Accounts on the 21st inst.

Adjourned.

Michael Fitzsimons

21/11/27

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE DARA.

Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee held on the
7th December, 1927.

Present:- Mr. Michael Fitzsimons, (Chairman, Presiding)
Messrs Wm. E. Fawcett, Wm. Ronaldson, E. A. Coonan, Hugh Colohan
T. D. James Cregan, Nicholas Travers, Peter Keenan, Michael
Smyth, George W. Henderson, Patrick Phelan, David Weld and
Andrew McNally.

(8865)
PAYMENTS.

Applications from the County Surveyor for payments for
Works in his charge amounting to £7668- 13- 8 were
approved and ordered to be paid out of the Subsidiary
Account.

(8866)
DEATH OF MR. E. B. H. BARTON, Co. C.

The following Resolution was proposed by The Chairman
Seconded by Mr. E. A. Coonan and resolved:-

"That we the Members of the Kildare
County Council have learned with deep regret of the
tragic death, in the hunting field, of our esteemed
colleague, Mr. Barton, and we tender to Mrs. Barton and
the other members of his family, our deepest sympathy
in their great bereavement"

As a mark of respect to the late Mr. Barton, the Meeting
adjourned without transacting any business until Wed-
nesday, the 14th instant.

Adjourned.

W. Fitzsimons
29/12/28

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE-DARA

Minutes of Finance Meeting of County Council held on 14th December, 1927.

Present:—Mr. Michael Fitzsimons (Chairman), presiding; Messrs. Patrick Phelan, William E. Fawcett, Robert Gannon, Andrew McNally, William Ronaldson, George W. Henderson, Nicholas Travers, David Weld, Peter Keenan, Hugh Colohan, T.D.; Patrick J. Dunne, Michael Smyth, and John Conlan.

(8867.)

UNEMPLOYMENT.

A letter dated 22nd November, 1927, from the Department of Local Government and Public Health re terms on which Schemes for relief of unemployment would be considered by the Minister of Local Government and Public Health, was submitted.

Arising out of the foregoing, Mr. Colohan submitted seventeen schemes for the consideration of the Committee, all of which were approved. Proposals were also considered for the drainage of the River Greise, drainage at Milltown, at Blacktrench and Caragh; also for the removal of dangerous corners at Killinaugh, Clogherinkoe and the improvement of Lurg Lane, the lowering and widening of road Monasterevan to Athy, and steam rolling at Ballymore-Eustace and the making of a new road between Ballinafagh and Blackwood.

With regard to the latter proposal, Rev. Fr. Keogh, P.P., and Mr. Buckley, T.D., attended before the Committee and urged the necessity of the latter work, when Mr. Colohan proposed and Mr. Wm. Ronaldson seconded, and it was unanimously resolved:—"That a deputation consisting of Rev. Fr. Keogh, P.P.; Messrs. Donal Buckley, T.D.; Hugh Colohan, T.D.; Patrick Phelan, Co.C.; David, Weld, Co.C., and the County Surveyor be appointed to interview the Land Commission with a view of having the road made out of the funds under the control of the Commission."

Further consideration of the foregoing works was adjourned to next meeting. The Secretary was directed to enquire from the Department of Local Government and Public Health if the Council would have to find portion of the expenses out of their own resources.

(8868.)

UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP.

A letter dated 18th November, 1927, was read from Mr. Eugene Boland requesting an extension of his Scholarship for a fourth year

when it was proposed by Mr. George W. Henderson, seconded by Mr. Phelan, and resolved:—"That the Scholarship of Mr. Boland be extended for another year."

(8869.)

CONTROL OF ROAD TRAFFIC.

A letter dated 26th September, 1927, from Secretary, Inter-Department Committee on Control and Regulation of Road Traffic, requesting the views of the Council on the subject.

The Council authorised the County Surveyor to give his views on the matter to the Committee.

(8870.)

PAYMENT OF ROAD MEN.

A letter dated 28th November, 1927, from Department of Local Government and Public Health re payment of road men to Saturday instead of Thursday, was read, and consideration of the matter adjourned to next meeting.

(8871.)

CASTLEDERMOT COURTHOUSE.

A letter dated 29th November, 1927, from Mr. R. A. Osborne, Solicitor, re site for Castledermot Courthouse, was read, and consideration of the matter adjourned to next meeting.

(8872.)

COAL FOR COURTHOUSE.

The Secretary was directed to get quotation for supply of 10 tons of coal for Naas Courthouse.

(8873.)

POUNDAGE FEES.

Application was received from Collectors Kearns, Cunningham and Confrey for payment of Poundage Fees at 8d in the £ as they had closed their Accounts for 1st moiety. It was decided to request sanction of the Minister of Local Government and Public Health to payment at the rate of 8d in the £.

(8874.)

LEINSTER ESTATE WOODS.

A letter dated 6th December, 1927, was read from Mr. Osborne, Solicitor, stating that the Vendors of the Leinster Estate

Woods had furnished him with a Bill of Costs amounting to £105 16s 8d and requested payment. He advised the Council to refuse payment as in his opinion the Council were not liable. The Committee refused payment.

(8875.)

FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS.

Chief Superintendent O'Neill wrote by letter dated 9th December, 1927, requesting a supply of Jars, Sealing Wax and Twine for Guard McNamara, Athy. The Committee directed the Secretary to order the articles required.

(8876.)

NATIONAL LOAN.

A circular letter dated 2nd December, 1927, was read from Secretary, Department of Finance giving particulars of Prospectus of National Loan.

(8877.)

KILDARE COURTHOUSE.

A letter from Mr. McCormack was read stating that the Ladies' Committee were holding an afternoon entertainment on 28th December and wanted the use of the Courthouse for the purpose. The request was granted subject to the usual conditions.

Adjourned.

*By Signature
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COMHAIRLE GONNDÁE CHILLE-DARA.

Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee held on the 21st December, 1927.

Present—Mr. Michael Fitzsimons (Chairman), presiding; Messrs. William Ronaldson, George W. Henderson, John Conlan, Edward A. Coonan, William E. H. Fawcett, Patrick Phelan, David Weld, John Cregan, Nicholas Travers, Hugh Colohan, T.D.; John N. Greene, Patrick Dunne and Michael Smyth.

(8878.)

SYMPATHY.

The following resolution was proposed by Mr. David Weld, seconded by Mr. Patrick Phelan, and resolved:—"That we, the members of the Kildare County Council, desire to express our sincere sympathy with our colleague, Mr. G. W. Henderson, on the death of his brother, of whose demise we have heard with much regret."

(8879.)

PAYMENTS.

Applications for payment for works in charge of County Surveyor amounting to £1,773 14s 0d were approved and ordered to be paid out of the Subsidiary Account.

(8880.)

UNEMPLOYMENT.

A letter dated 19th, December, from Department of Local Government and Public Health, stating that the Council will be expected to contribute to the cost of works proposed to be undertaken for the relief of unemployment, was read.

The Committee considered that the Council were not in a position (owing to the state of their finances) to contribute to any such works. It was decided to refer all the schemes considered at last meeting to the Committee appointed by the Government to consider unemployment schemes.

(8881.)

BALLINAFAGH—BLACKWOOD ROAD

Messrs. Colohan and Phelan stated that the Deputation appointed waited on the Secretary, Land Commission, re proposed road Ballinafagh-Blackwood, and were very courteously received. As a result of the interview they had great hopes of the road being made by the Land Commission.

(8882.)

DAY OF MEETING.

Mr. Robert Gannon proposed, and Mr. David Weld seconded, and it was resolved:—"That the meetings of the Finance Committee be held on Fridays at 2 o'clock instead of Wednesdays."

(8883.)

CASTLEDERMOT COURTHOUSE.

A letter dated 29th November, 1927, was read from Mr. Osborne, Solicitor, stating that if the Council decided to abandon the site proposed to be purchased from Mr. McDonald, that Mr. McDonald would be entitled to proceed against the Council for damages. Having regard to the terms of the foregoing letter, it was decided to recommend the completion of the purchase of the site from Mr. McDonald, and the Secretary was directed to withhold application for the sanction to loan of £1,200 for the building of Castledermot and Kilcock Courthouses, pending a detailed estimate from the Co. Surveyor of the cost.

(8884.)

HOURS OF MEETING.

Mr. Nicholas Travers withdrew his notice of motion changing the hours of meeting from 2 o'clock to 11.30.

(8885.)

BALLYMORE-EUSTACE STREETS.

A letter dated 12th, December, 1927, was read from Rev. Nicholas Cantwell, P.P., Ballymore-Eustace, complaining of the condition of the streets in Ballymore-Eustace. The matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

(8886.)

RATES ON LABOURERS' COTTAGES.

A letter dated 2nd, December, 1927, was read from Secretary, Board of Health, re rates on Labourers' Cottages.

(8887.)

TENDERS FOR COAL.

The tender of Mr. J. Hederman at 32/- per ton, was accepted for 10 tons of coal for Naas Courthouse.

(8888.)

ATHY COURTHOUSE.

The following report was received and ordered to be sent to the Architects, re condition of Athy Courthouse:—

Pursuant to the resolution of the Kildare County Council, adopted at meeting on 21st. November, 1927, the following members of the Committee appointed to inspect and report as to the work of reconstruction of Athy Courthouse, attended at Athy on 2nd December, 1927—Messrs. Michael Fitzsimons, George W. Henderson, James Flynn, and J. J. Bergin. Messrs. Foley and O'Sullivan, Architects, were also in attendance.

The Committee having inspected the Athy Courthouse premises report to the County Council as follows:—

In our opinion the interior of the Courthouse is unsuitable, and the following matters require attention:—(1) The Jury Box should be extended further into the body of the Court so that no Juror would be seated behind the Judge, (2) There should be a door into the Jury Box, leading directly from the Court, (3) The seating of the Jury Box should be raised higher, (4) The Witness Box should also be extended further into the body of the Court, and present Witness Box made available for the Press Representatives, (5) The seating accommodation in the body of the Court is most uncomfortable and requires to be remedied. The seats are too near each other and the backs straight and too high. The backs of the seats should be

lowered and slanted and more space provided between the seats by removing some of the existing seats. (6) We consider the galleries on each side of the Court are not safe for occupation by the public, but the Architects informed us that they are incomplete, and when finished will be quite safe. (7) As regards the furnace, we are of opinion that it cannot possibly give satisfaction owing to the fact that there is no room available for a man to clean it out and attend to it. The wooden ladder down to the furnace should be taken away and an iron one or concrete steps provided. (8) We further recommend the County Council to ask the Architects to submit their views as to the feasibility of carrying out the foregoing recommendations, which we consider should be done without any further cost to the Council.

Signed,

MICHAEL FITZSIMONS,
JAMES BERGIN,
GEORGE HENDERSON,
JAMES FLYNN.

Dated this 2nd. day of December, 1927.

(8889.)

BILL OF COSTS.

A taxed bill of costs amounting to £1,504 13s 3d. was received from Mr. Osborne, Solicitor, and payment recommended.

Adjourned.

H. Fitzsimons
31/12/28

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE DARA.

Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee held on the 4th January, 1928.

Present:—Mr. Michael Fitzsimons (Chairman), presiding; Messrs. E. A. Coonan, N. Travers, J. Cregan, P. Dunne, P. Keenan, Hugh Colohan, T.D.; John Conlan, D. Weld; Wm. E. M. Fawcett, Ml. Smyth, and James Bergin.

(8890.)

PAYMENTS.

Applications for payment from the County Surveyor for payment for works in his charge amounting to £2,023 12s 8d were approved and ordered to be paid out of the Subsidiary Account.

(8891.)

RATE COLLECTION.

Applications from Rate Collectors Headon and Confrey for extension of time to 31st January to have one-fourth of their warrants lodged was granted subject to the sanction of the Minister of Local Government and Public Health.

(8892.)

KILDOON GRAVEL PIT.

Letters dated 24th December, 1927, and 3rd January, 1928, were read from Messrs. J. Brennan and Son, Kilcullen, enclosing statement of account of Kildoon lands and also cheque for £6 15s 0d rent of same. The Committee approved of the account and directed the Auctioneers to let the lands for the coming year.

(8893.)

ENCLOSING PART OF CURRAGH.

A letter was read from Quit Rent Office stating that the Turf Club proposed erecting a railing on the right hand side of the road leading from the turn to Newbridge to the Standhouse and requesting the views of the Council thereon.

It was ordered that the County Surveyor confer with the Turf Club Authorities, and the nature of the proposed fence, its exact location and the precautions necessary for the protection of the public, especially pedestrians, if the fence be erected.

(8894.)

REPAIRING KILDARE STREETS.

A letter dated 22nd December, 1927, was read from Secretary, Board of Health, Naas, enclosing account from Messrs. Moran and Co. for reinstatement of trenches in Kildare streets amounting to £27 10s 0d, and stating that the Board of Health considered the amount excessive and requesting the Council to take the matter up with Messrs. Moran. The County Surveyor reported that in his opinion the amount was not exorbitant, and in the circumstances the Committee took no action.

(8895.)

PLATFORM—KILCOCK COURTHOUSE.

On the motion of Mr. Travers it was decided to request the County Surveyor to have a platform erected in Kilcock Court-room for the convenience of the District Justice.

(8896.)

UNEMPLOYMENT.

Mr. Colohan, T.D., brought forward a petition from a number of unemployed at Carrigeen requiring work. It was decided to forward it to the Dail Committee of Unemployment.

(8897.)

EDWARD LYSAGH.

Mr. Lysagh complained that he had been dismissed from the employment of the Council without fault sixteen months ago and that several unmarried men had been employed since, and he considered he had a grievance as he had to live on home help.

The matter was referred to the County Surveyor with a view of his finding employment for Lysagh, if possible.

(8898.)

NEWBRIDGE COURTHOUSE.

A letter dated 2nd January, 1928, was read from County Surveyor stating that he cannot suggest that the Council go to any considerable expenditure again in this matter for some time; that he had visited the Courthouse and gave instructions for some minor repairs. The Committee made no order.

Adjourned.

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE-DARA

Minutes of Road Works Meeting held on the 18th January, 1928.

Present:—Mr. Michael Fitzsimons (Chairman), presiding; Messrs. P. Phelan, J. Conlan, J. Flynn, R. Gannon, G. W. Henderson, James Bergin, Wm. Ronaldson, Wm. Wilson, A. McNally, J. Behan, H. Colohan, T.D., Ml. Smyth, James Cregan, D. Weld, P. Keenan, N. Hannigan, E. O'Reilly, J. N. Greene, W. E. H. Fawcett, P. Dunne, and E. A. Coonan.

(9038.)

ROAD WORKS SCHEME.

The Provisional Road Works Scheme was considered by the Council when it was proposed by Mr. Henderson, seconded by Mr. Fawcett, and carried on a division, by 13 votes to 8:—"That the expenditure proposed by the County Surveyor be reduced by 30 per cent."

There voted for the motion:—Messrs. Phelan, Conlan, Fawcett, Coonan, Henderson, Gannon, Wilson, Hannigan, Flynn, Greene, Bergin, McNally and Ronaldson—13.

Against:—Messrs. Behan, Weld, Cregan, Smyth, Colohan, Keenan, Dunne and O'Reilly—8.

(9033.)

CONTRACTS.

It was proposed by Mr. Phelan and seconded by Mr. Henderson:—"That all the County Roads be put up for contract for three years."

On a division being taken the motion was carried by 13 votes to 8.

(9034.)

CARAGH FOOTPATH.

On the motion of Mr. Weld, seconded by Mr. Coonan, it was unanimously decided to amend the Road Works Scheme by including the making of a footpath from the Caragh Chapel to top of hill at Caragh, at a cost of £60, the work to be done by contract.

(9035.)

ROAD WORKS SCHEME.

The Road Works Scheme as amended was then adopted by the Council.

(9036.)

TENDERS COMMITTEE.

It was decided to appoint the Tenders Committee at next meeting and to adjourn the meeting to a date to be fixed by the Chairman.

(9037.)

ROAD AT DANFORD LODGE.

A letter was received from Mr. Buckley, T.D., stating that if the road at Danford Lodge, Leixlip, was put in repair he had an assurance that a factory would be started there. The Council decided that they would sympathetically consider the repair of the road when the factory would be started.

Adjourned.

M. Fitzsimons
18/1/28

Co. Council Meeting held
18/1/28

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COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE-DARA.

Minutes of Meeting of County Council held on 13th January, 1928.

Present—Mr Michael Fitzsimons (Chairman), presiding; Messrs. Patrick Phelan, John Conlan, James Flynn, Richard Gannon, George W. Henderson, James Bergin, William Ronaldson, William Wilson, Andrew McNally, James Behan, Hugh Colohan, T.D.; Michael Smyth, James Cregan, David Weld, Peter Keenan, Nicholas Hannigan, Edward O'Reilly, John N. Greene, William E. H. Fawcett, Patrick Dunne, and Edward A. Coonan.

(9038.)

MR. McHUGH'S PENSION.

A Sealed Order was received from the Minister of Local Government and Public Health determining the pension of Mr. J. J. McHugh (late Compounder of Medicine in Athy Union) at £33 per annum. The Council protested against the granting of the pension and directed the Secretary to enquire from the Minister why the views of his Department changed on the question.

(9039.)

RESIGNATION OF ANALYST.

Mr. John Keane wrote resigning his position as County Analyst. The County Council accepted the resignation, and referred the matter of appointing a successor to the Finance Committee.

(9040.)

NEWBRIDGE COURTHOUSE.

A letter dated 6th January, 1928, was read from District Justice Reddin proposing to change his Court from the Town Hall, Newbridge, to the new Hall, subject to the approval of the Council.

The Council directed the Secretary to enquire from the Newbridge Town Commissioners the terms on which they intend accommodating the District Justice's Court.

(9041.)

MAIN ROADS GRANT.

A letter dated 6th December, 1927, was the Department of Local Government and Public Health re Grant for the upkeep of main roads for 1928-29 was read.

(9042.)

CO. COUNCIL MEETINGS.

On the motion of Mr. Patrick Phelan, seconded by Mr. John Conlan, it was unanimously resolved—"That a meeting of the County Council be held each month; that no business be transacted at the fortnightly Finance Committee meetings except the payment of the workmen and other necessary payments.

(9043.)

FOOTBALL TEAM.

Mr. Nicholas Travers withdrew a resolution of which he had given notice re presentation to Kildare Football Team, as the matter had been taken up by another body in the county.

(9044.)

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

EXPENSES.

Sergt. Nunan, Weights and Measures Inspector, Monasterevan, wrote requesting permission to purchase a screwdriver and a piece of chamosis cloth, for use in cleaning the Standard Measures. The Council granted the required authority.

(9045.)

PAYMENTS.

Payments of costs to Mr. Osborne, Solicitor, and other payments as recommended by the Finance Committee, were approved and payment ordered.

(9046.)

CELBRIDGE WORKHOUSE

PREMISES.

A letter dated 4th January, 1928, from Mr. Osborne, Solicitor, stating that he had applied to the Celbridge No. 2 District Council for payment of £117 rent in respect of occupation of portion of the premises from 1st April, 1923, to 1st October, 1927, being 4½ years rent at £26 per annum, and that the Secretary wrote denying liability. He also stated that Counsel had advised that the Council was entitled to recover the amount.

Eastern Circuit Meeting 13th June 1928. Civil Bill no 5 Ejectment no 3.

*to Council the Kildare P.L.C. Celbridge no 2 Rural District Council Defendants
Plaintiffs Prof
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J. W. S. S. S.
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Having considered the letter, the following order was made:—"That the Council's Solicitor be instructed to take legal proceedings for the recovery of the amount due, that he also be instructed to issue a Civil Bill claiming damages for the use and occupation of the premises, and an ejectment civil bill on the title, claiming possession of the offices used by the Celbridge No. 2 Rural District Council.

(9047.)

FENCE ON CURRAGH.

Mr. Hugh Colohan, T.D., referred to the proposal of the Turf Club to erect fence near the Standhouse at Curragh, and stated that the Club was willing to meet the wishes of the County Council.

The Council made no order pending a report from the County Surveyor on the matter.

(9048.)

CO-OPTION.

On the motion of Mr. Edward Coonan, seconded by Mr. Henderson, and unanimously resolved—"That Major Dease be co-opted a Member of the County Council in place of the late Mr. Barton."

(9049.)

DISQUALIFICATION OF MR. SAULTS

The Secretary reported that Mr. Saults had not attended a meeting of the Council for over 12 months, and was consequently disqualified from acting. It was decided to adjourn the matter to the Quarterly Meeting on the 20th February.

(9050.)

UNEMPLOYMENT GRANT.

A letter dated 7th January, 1928, from the County Surveyor, was read, re the condition of Clane road, and recommending the Council to apply for a grant of £1,000, and to borrow £1,000.

The Secretary was directed to apply to the Minister of Local Government and Public Health for the amount recommended, and to request the Minister's sanction to a loan of £1,000 for same purpose.

(9051.)

ATHY-CARLOW ROAD.

The Secretary was directed to apply to the Roads' Department for a Grant of £8,000 to put in repair the road from Athy to Carlow, which is being injured by the traffic drawing beet.

(9052.)

MR. LYSAGH.

Mr. Lysagh complained to the Council that he could get no work on the roads, notwithstanding his appeal to the Council at last meeting. The Council consulted the County Surveyor, who stated that he had no hope of being able to employ Lysagh.

(9053.)

POUNDS.

Authorisation from District Justice Reddin re establishment of Pounds in Newbridge and Robertstown, were submitted, and consideration adjourned to next Quarterly Meeting.

Adjourned.

*J. W. S. S. S.
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COMHAIRLE GOHNDAE GHILLE DARA.

Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee held on the
20th January, 1938.

Present:- Mr. Michael Fitzsimons, (Chairman, Presiding) Messrs
N. Travers, and P. Keenan. *P. Keenan*

(8899)
PAYMENTS.

Applications from the County Surveyor for payments
amounting to £2107- 6- 6 under Direct Labour Scheme
were received and payment ordered out of the Subsidiary
Account.

A sum of £1342- 6- 6 was ordered to be paid to Messrs
Keran for work done by Contract.

The total amount of payments ordered = £3449- 13- 1.

M. Fitzsimons
8/1/38

Adjourned.

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COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE-DARA.

Minutes of Quarterly Meeting of Finance Committee held on the 3rd
February, 1928.

Present—Mr. Michael Fitzsimons (Chairman), presiding; Messrs. Robert Gannon, William E. H. Fawcett, William Ronaldson, James Bergin, John Conlan, Hugh Colohan, T.D.; David Weld, Nicholas Travers, Patrick Dunne, Patrick Keenan, Andrew McNally, George W. Henderson, Patrick Phelan, James Cregan, and Michael Smyth.

(8900.)

CONDOLLENCE.

It was proposed by Mr. Hugh Colohan, seconded by Mr. Michael Fitzsimons, and resolved—"That we, the Members of the Kildare County Council, desire to express our sincere sympathy with our Rate Collector, Mr. Michael Cunningham, on the death of his mother, of whose demise we have heard with much regret."

(8901.)

MINUTES.

Minutes of Meetings of Finance Committee held since last Quarterly Meeting were confirmed and signed.

(8902.)

APPLICATIONS FOR PAYMENT.

Payments as certified by the County Surveyor on Form 22 were approved and recommended for payment.

Payments 1 to 74 in the Schedule of Applications for Payment were approved, and it was ordered that the payments be made in respect of salaries and pensions falling due monthly up to 1st May, 1928, by special Treasurer's Advice Notes. All other payments as per the Chairman's copy were approved.

(8903.)

COUNTY ACCOUNTS.

The County Accounts for the Quarter ending 31st December last, were submitted, examined and found to be written up to date. The Bank Book for the Subsidiary Account was signed by the Chairman.

(8904.)

OVERDRAFT.

The Secretary was directed to apply to the Treasurer for an overdraft of £60,000, subject to the sanction of the Minister of Local Government and Public Health.

(8905.)

MR. McHUGH'S PENSION.

A letter dated 31st January, 1928, was read from the Minister of Local Government and Public Health in respect of the Pension assigned to Mr. McHugh. After considering the matter the Council decided to recommend payment of same.

(8906.)

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES OFFICE, KILCOCK.

A letter dated 18th January, 1928, was read from Superintendent, Civic Guard, Naas, re hiring of room for Weights and Measures Office at Kicock. The Committee approved of the hiring of the room referred to for temporary use.

(8907.)

CO. SURVEYOR'S EXPENSES.

The County Surveyor submitted details of his expenses of attending Roads Transport Congress in London, amounting to £11 11s. The Minister of Local Government and Public Health had declined to sanction such expenses, and the Secretary stated that the Finance Committee had requested the Minister to reconsider the matter, but got no reply so far.

It was decided to adjourn the matter pending the consent of the Minister to the payment.

(8908.)

SECONDARY SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME.

A letter dated 9th January, 1928, was read from the Office of National Education amending the Secondary Scholarship Scheme as prepared by the County Council.

The Secretary was directed to embody the suggested amendments in the scheme and submit it to next meeting of the Council.

(8909.)

PRINTING CONTRACT.

The Secretary was directed to advertise for Tenders for Printing on same terms as last year in three local papers and "Irish Times."

(8910.)

COUNTY ANALYST.

The question of the terms of appointment of County Analyst, was considered, and it was decided to make no alterations, and to recommend the salary of £60 per annum the same as usual.

(8911.)

The Committee proceeded to consider the Annual Estimate submitted by the Secretary. After examining the figures carefully the Committee adopted the Estimate as submitted.

(8912.)

KILDANGAN PIT.

A letter was read from Mr. O'Donoghue (Steward for Mr. More O'Ferrall), complaining that the Council only paid 4d per load for gravel taken from Kildangan pit last year, while 6d was paid formerly, and requesting to be paid at latter rate. Having consulted the County Surveyor on the matter, the Committee decided to recommend no increase.

(8913.)

MOTOR DUTY.

A report dated 24th January, 1928, was received from Guard Logan, Donadea, stating that he found Sergt. Griffin using a motor car I.K.7767, on the public road at

Donadea, on 21st January, 1928, without a road tax, also that the tax expired in June, 1927, and that he was using the said car since then without road tax.

The letter was referred to the Superintendent, Civic Guards, Naas, for attention.

(8914.)

POUNDAGE FEES.

An application was received from Collector Gannon requesting to be paid poundage fees at 8d in the £ for half-year ended September, 1926.

As all the other Collectors were paid at that rate the Committee considered it would be unfair to make an exception in his case, and decided to pay, subject to the sanction of the Minister of Local Government and Public Health.

(8915.)

USE OF KILDARE COURTHOUSE.

A letter dated 27th January, 1928, was read from the Secretary, Kildare Co-operative Society, requesting the use of a room in Kildare Courthouse, for the holding of a meeting of members on 18th February. The Committee granted the application subject to the usual conditions.

(8916.)

RATE COLLECTION.

The Secretary submitted a return showing the state of collection of rate, from which it appeared the gross amount outstanding of second moiety was £49,939 0s. 5d.

Adjourned.

W. J. Gannon
20/2/28

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE-DARA.

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Minutes of Meeting of County Council, held on the 3rd February, 1928.

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Present—Mr Michael Fitzsimons (Chairman), presiding; Messrs. Richard Gannon, William E. H. Fawcett, William Ronaldson, James Bergin, John Conlan, Hugh Colohan, T.D., David Weld, Nicholas Travers, Patrick Dunne, Patrick Keenan, Andrew McNally, George W. Henderson, Patrick Phelan, John Cregan, and Michael Smyth.

(9054.)

UNEMPLOYMENT GRANT.

A letter dated 31st January, 1928, was read from the Minister of Local Government and Public Health intimating the allocation of a Grant of £650 for Clane Road on condition that the Council contribute £1,350.

The Council agreed to the conditions of the Minister and decided to borrow £1,350 from the Treasurer.

(9055.)

LOAN OF £1,350.

The following resolution was proposed by Mr. John Conlan, seconded by Mr. Bergin, and resolved:—"That application be now made to the Hibernian Bank, Ltd., Naas, being the Treasurer of this Council, for a loan of £1,350 for the purpose of improving a road in the neighbourhood of Clane, said loan to be secured on the Rates of the entire County, the repayment to be spread over a period of five years, and to be made by ten half-yearly instalments with interest on outstanding balances from time to time."

(9056.)

UNEMPLOYMENT SCHEMES.

Mr. Colohan, T.D., brought under the notice of the Council list of unemployed people in Kilcock and Castledermot areas, and suggested schemes for the drainage of the Rye River, the Griese and the completion of the Drainage of the Lerr, in order to relieve unemployment.

It was decided to send forward the schemes to the Dail Commission, which is dealing with the unemployment question.

(9507.)

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES EXPENSES.

An account from Messrs. Carbery for £1 6s for supplying working bench in Weights and Measures Office in Athy, was submitted by Sergt. O'Brien, Ex-Officio Inspector of Weights and Measures. The Council decided to pay the amount.

(9058.)

HOSIE v. CO. COUNCIL.

A letter dated 30th January, 1928, was received from Mr. Osborne, Solicitor, stating that the Taxing Master refused to allow him his out of pocket expenses while attending the trial of the Hosie case in the Court of Appeal, amounting to £15, and requesting the Council to allow the amount. The Taxing Master considered that there was no necessity for his attendance and that his Town Agent would do to represent him. The Council agreed that having regard to the importance of the case, and the amount of money involved, that the attendance of Mr. Osborne was absolutely necessary, and agreed to allow him the amount claimed, and Sealed a consent to that effect for the Taxing Master.

(9059.)

TENDERS COMMITTEE.

It was decided to appoint Tenders' Committee for the areas of Athy, Carbury, Maynooth, Kildare, and Naas, for the purpose of examining Road Tenders.

For Athy Area—Messrs. Henderson, Flynn, Greene, Foley and Corcoran.

For Carbury Area—The Charman, Messrs. Phelan, Fawcett, and McNally.

For Kildare Area—Messrs. Behan, Gannon, Bergin, Cregan, Wilson and Murphy.

For Maynooth Area—Chairman, Messrs. Ronaldson, Coonan, Phelan and Fawcett.

For Naas Area—Chairman, Messrs. Conlan, Gannon, Phelan and Ronaldson.

Messrs. Keenan, Smyth, Colohan, Weld and Travers declined to act on the Tenders Committee.

It was decided to leave the fixing of the dates of the meeting of the Tenders' Committee to the Chairman and County Surveyor.

Adjourned.

M. Fitzsimons
20/2/28

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE DARA

Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee held on the 17th
February, 1928.

Present:- Mr. M. Fitzsimons (Chairman, Presiding) Messrs E.A.
Coppnan, G.W. Henderson, W. Ronaldson, W.E.H. Fawcett, Andrew McNally,
Peter Dunne, Ml. Smyth, Peter Keenan, Hugh Colohan, T.D. Nls. Traversa,
and Patk. Phelan.

(8917)
PAY PAYMENTS.

Applications for payments for Works in charge of the County
Surveyor amounting to £1990- 0- 9 were approved and
payment ordered.

M. Fitzsimons
21/5/28

Adjourned.

GOMHAIRLE CONNDAE GHILLE DARA.

Minutes of Meeting of Tenders Committee held on the 17th February, 1928.

Present:-Mr.M.Fitzsimons, (Chairman, Presiding) Messrs E.A. Coonan, G.W.Henderson, W.Ronaldson, W.E.H.Faewcett, Andrew McNally, Patk.Dunne, Ml.Smyth, Peter Keenan, Hugh Colohan, T.D. Nicholas Travers, and Patk.Phelan.

(8918)

TENDERS FOR PRINTING.

The Committee proceeded to examine the Tenders for Printing received as follows:-

"Leinster Leader, Ltd, Naas. E.I.Grey, Naas, Jas.Reddy, "Nationalist" Carlow, and John Falconer, Sackville Street, Dublin.

M Fitzsimons
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Ad journed.

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COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE-DARA.

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Minutes of the Quarterly Finance Meeting of County Council, held on

20th February, 1928.
Present:—Messrs. Michael Fitzsimons, Chairman, presiding; James Flynn, G. W. Henderson, James Foley, John N. Greene, Patrick Phelan, David Weld, W. E. Fawcett, James Cregan, James Bergin, Edward O'Reilly, Nicholas Hanagan, Patrick Dunne, W. R. Ronaldson, Major Dease, E. A. Coonan, Nicholas Travers, Michael Smyth, Hugh Colahan, John Conlan, Robert Gannon, Peter Keenan, and Andrew McNally.

(9060.)

MINUTES.

Proposed by Mr. Patrick Phelan, seconded by Mr. James Cregan, and resolved:—"That Minutes of Meetings of the County Council held on the 21st November, 1927, 18th January and 3rd February, 1928; also Minutes of Road Work Meeting held on the 18th January, 1928, copy of which had been sent to each member, be taken as read, confirmed and signed."

Proposed by Mr. John Conlan, seconded by Mr. Patrick J. Dunne, and resolved:—"That Minutes of Meetings of the Finance Committee held on the 23rd November, 7th, 14th and 21st December, 1927, and 4th and 20th January, and 3rd February, 1928, copy of which had been sent to each member, be taken as read and confirmed."

(9061.)

COUNTY ACCOUNTS.

The County Accounts, Receipt and Expenditure Books for Quarter ended 31st December, 1927, were examined and signed by the Chairman, and the following books, etc., were produced by the Secretary written up to date—(1) General Ledger, (2) Register of Mortgages, (3) Register of Separate Charges, (4) Register of Applications and Proposals, (5) Reports from Inspector (Form 57) re checking Collectors' Accounts.

(9062.)

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

The Treasurer's statement of receipts and payments since date of last Quarterly Meeting was submitted, and the Bank Book signed by the Chairman.

(9063.)

QUARTERLY PAYMENTS.

Proposed by Mr. James Cregan, seconded by Mr. Nicholas Travers, and resolved:—"That all payments recommended by the Finance Committee for County-at-Large and other Charges be approved."

PAYMENTS DRAINAGE DISTRICTS.

Proposed by Mr. George W. Henderson, seconded by Major Dease, and resolved—"That all payments recommended by the Finance Committee in respect of expenses under the Drainage Acts, be and are hereby approved, same to be charged against the respective Districts as shown in the Abstract of Proposals for Payment."

(9064.)

OVERDRAFT.

The Secretary submitted a letter dated 9th February, 1928, from Local Government Department sanctioning overdraft of £60,000 to 31st March, 1928.

(9066.)

COMMITTEE TO SEAL BONDS.

Proposed by Mr. Nicholas Travers, seconded by Mr. James Cregan, and resolved:—"That Messrs. Keenan, Dunne and Colahan be appointed a Committee to affix the Seal of the Council to the following documents:—(1) Bond of "Leinster Leader," Ltd., in the presence of the Council and during the progress of the Council meeting."

(9067.)

COUNTY SURVEYOR'S REPORT.

The County Surveyor's Report as follows was read:—

Mr. Chairman and Gentleman,—

I have the honour to report that during the Quarter ended 31st December, 1927, the expenditure on ordinary maintenance of roads amounted to £3,674 12s 8d on main roads, and £5,877 14s 1d on County roads, and on Machinery, etc., to the sum of £1,228 8s 6d, or a total expenditure of £10,780 15s 3d which I certified to the Finance Committee for Direct Labour.

In addition to the foregoing there was also expended under Government Grant Schemes during the same period the sum of £21,905 7s 9d.

The provision of work for the county owned road machinery throughout the coming financial year is a matter of importance that has been left in doubt. A steam roller will roll in an average of 200 tons of stones per week at a

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total cost of say 12s per ton, to include cost of quarrying stone and subsequent breaking, carting to road, spreading and rolling; thus necessitating an expenditure at the rate of £120 a week or £6,000 in the year of 50 weeks to allow time for repairs. Accordingly, £36,000 for steam rolling should be provided from some source if your six steam rollers are to be left properly employed for twelve months.

For the maintenance during the coming year of the 265 miles of road classed as Trunk and Link Roads, which class alone remains in the Direct Labour Scheme, the Council have provided £14,463, which is equivalent to 3s 4d per perch per annum (some of these roads cost 10s per perch before the war). Allowing for minor repairs it is clear that this sum would account for the occupation of no more than one of your rollers. The "County" Roads, all offered for contract, will provide a further amount of rolling, but not more than will occupy a roller for about six months of the year. From this it will be seen that unless a sum close on £30,000 is provided in grants for steam rolling beginning at the commencement of new financial year the majority of your rollers must go idle. This estimate is based on water-bound macadam and if anything better is required the cost will be considerably greater. In comparing the present estimate with those previous to 1925 it must be borne in mind that in the latter the total for road upkeep was never shown in one sum, but was made up of amounts provided by District Councils; by Urban Councils and shown in their own budget of Expenditure; and by the County Council which provided a sum out of County-at-Large expenditure for the running expenses of road machinery which has now to be taken out of money provided for road repair.

Two of the Rollers require to have their wheels re-shod at present.

The weight and volume of heavy motor traffic still appears to be increasing. This statement is so often made that readers might be inclined to pay little attention to it. To give but one example—I think that up to 8 months ago a motor passenger bus had never traversed the road from Kildare to Monasterevan; certainly there was no regular service; now, I understand, there are at least nine buses per day.

The Trunk road from Naas to Dublin in this county has often been praised for its durability though there have been some who, from the date of its rolling 12 or 13 years ago, predicted its imminent failure. For the first

time I have now myself to warn the Council that it is at last showing signs of foundation weakness and deterioration and that the maintenance which has been so carefully given to it will not suffice in the future as it has in the past. I have no doubt this is due to the rather sudden increase in the weight of traffic which I have referred to and which I believe would have been recorded for 1927 if statistics had been kept.

I regret to say that several county roads have broken down in the South of the County under the transport of last season's crop of beet, and the damage would appear to come under the description of "extraordinary" traffic. As, however, it is no doubt a matter of congratulation that industrial agricultural traffic has assumed such proportions, and I am sure, it is hoped will retain them and become "ordinary," I would ask the Council to direct how the matter may be dealt with to the common interest. While on this subject I have to report that beet traffic to Carlow is coming from Stradbally through Athy, although the direct road from Stradbally to Carlow is a trunk road: the Athy road is not, and I submit that representations should be made to give it the higher classification seeing that the road users select it for the journey. The greater portion of it is now requiring reconstruction as is also the trunk road from Athy to Ardscull, but I have no intimation of any funds being forthcoming for this purpose.

Your obedient servant,

JOHN RORKE,

County Surveyor.

Arising on the roading of the foregoing report, it was proposed by Mr. John Conlan, seconded by Mr. Patrick Phelan, and resolved:—"That a deputation consisting of the Chairman, Messrs. Colohan, Greene, Henderson, Conlan, Phelan, and the County Surveyor, and also a Representative from the Carlow Beet Factory, be appointed to wait on the Minister for Local Government with a view to getting a grant towards the repair of roads damaged by extraordinary traffic owing to the carriage of the Beet to the Carlow Factory."

(9068.)

COUNTY LIBRARY.

The Secretary submitted County Librarian's Report on the County Libraries Service up to 31st January, 1928.

(9069.)

KILDARE COURTHOUSE.

An application from Mr. J. G. Steel for the use of Kildare Courthouse for the holding of a public auction, was read, and the necessary permission granted, subject to the payment of the usual fees.

(9070.)

ANNUAL ESTIMATE.

The Secretary reported that the Valuation Department had not furnished him with the Provisional Abstract of Valuation, and in the circumstances he was not in a position to complete the Annual Estimate. The Council adjourned the Estimate question and authorised the Chairman to convene a special meeting to dispose of this matter as soon as convenient.

(9071.)

ESTIMATES DRAINAGE DISTRICTS.

The Council adjourned consideration of the County Surveyor's Estimates for the several Drainage Districts till next meeting.

(9072.)

BALLYCOWAN DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

The Secretary reported that the Ratepayers on the Ballycowan Drainage District had failed to pay the rates assessed on their holdings, and after consideration it was decided to adjourn consideration of this matter.

(9073.)

LOCAL ELECTIONS.

The question of fixing day of election pursuant to section 6 of the Local Elections Act, 1927, was discussed, and it was decided to fix Monday, 25th June, 1928, as date of Election for County Councillors.

(9074.)

POLLING PLACES.

The Secretary submitted provisional scheme of Polling Places which had been duly sent to each Local Authority pursuant to Article 6 (2) (1) of the Local Elections (Polling Districts and Polling Places) Rules, 1928. After consideration it was decided to adjourn this matter to next meeting of the Council.

(9075.)

VETERINARY INSPECTOR COSGROVE.

A letter dated 6th January, 1928, from Department of Agriculture approving of payment of salary to Mr. Cosgrove, V.S., to 31st

December, 1927, and asking for the views of the Council as to payment of future remuneration, was read, and adjourned to next meeting.

(99076.)

UNEMPLOYMENT.

A letter dated 1st February, 1928, from Secretary, Committee on the Relief of Unemployment, acknowledging receipt of Council's schemes for the relief of unemployment and stating that his Committee will deal with this question as it affects the Saorstát as a whole, was read.

A letter dated 7th December, 1927, from Secretary, County Board of Health, relating to numbers of unemployed, was read.

(9077.)

BOVINE TUBERCULOSIS ORDER.

Correspondence from the Department of Agriculture respecting samples of milk submitted by Mr. W. T. M. Browne, V.S., which contained avid fast bacilli, was read, together with a letter dated 4th January, 1928, from Mr. J. J. Cosgrove, V.S., reporting he had examined the cows and found no symptom of Tuberculosis coming within the above Order.

(9078.)

NEWBRIDGE COURTHOUSE.

A communication from District Justice Peddin relative to the transfer of the Courthouse in Newbridge to the Newbridge Military Barracks, was read, together with a letter from the Clerk, Town Commissioners, Newbridge, offering the new accommodation at £10 per annum rent, when it was decided to refer this matter to the Council's Solicitor to inquire into the title of the Commissioners.

A letter dated 2nd February, 1928, from Mr. J. J. Dunne, Solicitor, was read.

(9079.)

PENSIONS (INCREASE) ACT, 1920.

An application from Mrs. Kelly, Millbrook, Naas, for an increase of pension under above Act was submitted and approved.

(9080.)

MR. McHUGH'S PENSION.

Proposed by Mr. M. Smyth, seconded by Mr. P. J. Dunne, and resolved—"That the recommendation of the Finance Committee as embodied in Minute No. 8905 of meeting held on 3rd February, 1928, relative to payment of pension to Mr. McHugh be and is hereby approved."

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(9081.)

COUNTY ANALYST.

Proposed by Mr. Patrick Phelan, seconded by Mr. Nicholas Travers, and resolved:—"That the recommendation of the Finance Committee as embodied in Minute No. 8910 of meeting held on 3rd February, 1928, relative to vacancy in the office of County Analyst be approved."

A letter dated 9th February, 1928, from Local Government Department stating that the vacancy in the office of County Analyst should be reported to the Local Appointments Commission for their recommendation, was read, and the Secretary was directed to make the necessary report.

(9082.)

CASTLEDERMOT DISTRICT COURT.

Mr. John N. Greene drew attention to the transfer of Castledermot District Court to Athy, and the Secretary was directed to ask the District Justice to reconsider this matter and to continue to hold the District Court at Castledermot, as the transfer to Athy is a great inconvenience to the people in the neighbourhood of Castledermot.

(9083.)

NEW COURTHOUSES.

The Secretary submitted plan for the reconstruction of Castledermot Courthouse received from the County Surveyor, and same was approved of by the County Council.

The Secretary also submitted plan, specification and estimate received from the County Surveyor in reference to the new Courthouse at Kilcock. Following a discussion it was decided to ask the Minister of Justice to rearrange the existing District Court areas and appoint Carbury and Celbridge as District Court centres as Courthouses already exist at these places, and by complying with this suggestion the necessity for building a new Courthouse at Kilcock would not arise.

(9084.)

TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION.

A letter dated 17th February, 1928, from the Secretary, Technical Instruction Department, conveying resolution asking the Council to strike an additional rate of 1d in the £ for Technical Instruction purposes in the county, was read, and it was proposed by Mr. George W. Henderson, seconded by Mr. Hugh Colohan:—"That it be an instruction to the Secretary to include in estimate for service of the ensuing financial year, an additional rate of 1d in the £ for Technical Instruction."

The matter having been discussed at length the motion was withdrawn and consideration of the proposal adjourned to next meeting.

(9085.)

CASUAL VACANCY.

The Council decided to adjourn the question of filling the vacancy on the Council caused by the disqualification of Councillor William Sauls through non-attendance at meetings.

(9086.)

BOYNE DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

A letter dated 17th December, 1928, from Local Government Department enclosing Sealed Order transferring the business of the Boyne Drainage District to the County Councils of Kildare, Meath, Offaly and Westmeath, was read, and the matter adjourned.

(9087.)

ATHY COURTHOUSE.

Pursuant to Notice it was proposed by Mr. George W. Henderson, seconded by Mr. William E. Fawcett:—"That the condition of the Athy Courthouse be considered, that the Contractor be penalised according to his contract for not having the job completed, and that the Council employ another Architect other than the present firm to finish the work."

In this connection the Secretary submitted a letter from Messrs. Foley and O'Sullivan, from which it appeared that the suggested alterations as recommended by the Committee would cost £50.

After discussion Mr. Henderson withdrew his motion, and the following order was made:—"Mr. Foley to have the work completed in accordance with the original contract."

(9088.)

ROAD OVERSEER KELLY.

In accordance with notice, it was proposed by Mr. George W. Henderson, seconded by Mr. Richard Gannan:—"That Road Ganger Kelly, of Fontstown, be dismissed." Mr. Henderson having alleged certain irregularities against Road Overseer Kelly, and Kelly, who was present at the meeting, having explained his position, the Council accepted his explanation and Mr. Henderson withdrew his motion.

(9089.)

ROADMEN'S AND CARTERS' WAGES.

The following motion, of which notice had had been given, was proposed by Mr. George W. Henderson, seconded by Mr. William E. Fawcett:—"That the wages of carters employed by the Council be fixed at 8s. per day."

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An amendment was proposed by Mr. James Cregan, seconded by Mr. Hugh Colohan:—"The wages of carters remain at 9s."

After discussion, Mr. Henderson withdrew his motion, and the wages of the carters were fixed at 9s for the twelve months, commencing 1st. April, 1928.

Mr. George W. Henderson proposed, and Mr. William E. Fawcett seconded:—"That the wages of the Roadmen be fixed at 27s per week for a 54 hour week, for one year from 1st. April, 1928."

An amendment was proposed by Mr. Hugh Colohan, seconded by Mr. Michael Smyth:—"That the wages and hours remain as at present, viz., 32s, and 51 hours."

The amendment, on being put to the meeting, was defeated by 14 votes to 9, and Mr. Nicholas Hanagan proposed, and Mr. Edward A. Coonan seconded, a further amendment as follows:—"That the wages of the Roadmen be fixed at 30s per week and the hours 54 per week."

This amendment on being put to the meeting was carried by sixteen votes to four, Messrs. Henderson, Fawcett, Phelan and Colohan voting against it.

(9090.)

DANGEROUS CORNER.

Pursuant to notice, it was proposed by Mr. Nicholas Hanagan, seconded by Mr. Bergin, and resolved:—"That portion of land be acquired from Mr. Peter Scully for the purpose of making safe for public traffic the dangerous turn locally known as "Billy's Corner," on the Lackagh-Mountrice road."

The Secretary pointed out that no provision was made in the Road Works Scheme for this work, but he was directed to transmit the order to the County Surveyor.

(9091.)

RATE COLLECTION.

A letter dated 14th. January, 1928, from the Local Government Department, refusing sanction to an extension of time to 31st. January for the lodgment of one-fourth of amount of warrants of Rate Collectors, was read.

(9092.)

CINEMATOGRAPH ACT.

An application from Mr. R. Mooney for a licence under above Act, in respect of the C.Y.M.S. Hall at Monasterevan, was read, and referred to Assistant Surveyor Quinn for report as to the suitability of the premises.

(9093.)

PETROL PUMP.

An application from Messrs. Burke Bros., for permission to erect a Petrol Pump in Claregate Street, Kildare, was submitted, and approved, subject to the sanction of the County Surveyor.

(9094.)

RATHANGAN DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

A letter was read from Mr. C. Tully, Coolree, calling attention to the condition of the Rathangan River flowing through his lands, was read and referred to the County Surveyor for attention, with authority to spend whatever amount was necessary to repair the damage.

(9095.)

EDENDERRY COURTHOUSE.

A letter from Messrs. T. O'K. White, Solicitors, applying on behalf of the Trustees of Edenderry Courthouse for a rent of £20 per annum as portion of County Kildare in the Edenderry district court area, was read, and payment refused.

(9096.)

UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS.

Following the consideration of a report from the Secretary, University College, it was decided to renew the scholarships awarded to Miss K. Mulhall and Patrick Murphy.

(9097.)

BALLYSAX ROAD.

A letter signed by Ratepayers in the Ballysax District complaining of the unsatisfactory condition of the road between Ballysax Manor and Brownstown Cross roads, was read, and the County Surveyor having stated that this road was recently inspected no action was taken in the matter.

(9098.)

DUKE OF LEINSTER v. THE COUNCIL

A letter dated 31st January, 1928, from Mr. R. A. Osborne, Solicitor, reporting that the petition of the Duke of Leinster to compel the Council to pay his costs in connection with the sale of Dollardstown lands to the Council, was dismissed in the Council's favour with costs, was read.

(9099.)

REPAIR OF ROAD.

A letter dated 25th January, 1928, from Mr D. Buckley, T.D., asking for an assurance that the Danford Lodge-Grangewilliam road would be repaired immediately the industry referred to in previous correspondence was started, was read.

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(9100.)

BOSTON ROAD.

A petition from Ratepayers asking that the Boston-Rathangan road be repaired by the Council at a cost of £100, was read, but as no provision was made in the Road Works' Scheme for this work, the Council decided they had no power to comply with the wishes of the Petitioners.

(9101.)

POUNDS

The Secretary submitted authorisation from District Justice Reddin relative to the establishment of Pounds by the Council for the District Court areas of Newbdidge and Robertstown, but no action was taken by Council as no suitable accommodation was available.

(9102.)

TAXATION ON BEER AND SPIRITS.

A circular dated January, 1928, from the Secretary, Beer and Spirits Duties' Relief Organisation, was read, together with a letter from the Waterford County Council, transmitting resolution, which, on the motion of Mr. E. A. Coonan, seconded by Mr. N. Hanagan, was adopted as follows:—"That the attention of the Government be called to the desperate plight of the licensed trade, mainly due to excessive taxation on beer and spirits which in view of the general depression and shortage of money, menaces the very existence of the whole industry.

"That these excessive duties were imposed on the trade as a war-time emergency measure, and are now creating under the changed conditions what is tantamount to Prohibition, and thereby driving publicans and all connected with the business to the verge of ruin.

"We therefore call on the Government to provide for very substantial reductions in beer and spirit duties in the Budget of 1928."

A circular from the Secretary, Catholic Abstinence Federation of Ireland, protesting against the lowering of drink taxes, was read.

(9103.)

MALICIOUS INJURY CLAIMS.

The Secretary submitted list of claims for malicious injury to property received since last meeting, and the Council's Solicitor was instructed to defend same.

(9104.)

SECONDARY SCHOLARSHIPS SCHEME.

Proposed by Mr. Patrick Phelan, seconded by Mr. Nicholas Travers and resolved:—"That the following scheme for the award of Secondary Scholarships be adopted:—"

1—Subject to the sanction of the Department of Education, the Kildare County Council offer ten scholarships, tenable for four years, for competition amongst children not more than 14 years of age on 1st August, 1928, whose parents or guardians have been resident in Co. Kildare for the three years immediately preceding that date and who continue to reside therein during the full term of the Scholarship.

2—Boys and Girls (hereafter called applicants) of promising ability and good character, whose own means, or that of their parents or guardians, or other persons responsible for their maintenance, are, in the opinion of the County Council (after considering evidence of same) insufficient to provide them with a secondary education (except as hereinafter excluded by this Scheme) may, under the terms of this Scheme, apply to the Council for Scholarships which, subject to the terms of Clause 3 (b), will be awarded in the order of merit in which said applicants stand in the results of a special examination to be conducted by a body of Examiners approved by the Department of Education to be held in the month of June or whatever time that may be fixed by that Department.

Children of parents in receipt of a salary or income of over £200, or whose Poor Law Valuation exceeds £50, are not eligible to compete for Scholarships.

3—(a) The value of the Scholarship shall be between the limits of £20 and £50: £20 to day Scholars and £50 to resident Scholars. Any child residing within four miles of a Secondary School to be considered a day Scholar.

(b) In order to avoid an undue preponderance of Scholarships being awarded to pupils in the larger centres of population, two of the Scholarships shall be allocated for pupils of Urban Schools, one in Athy Urban, and one in Naas Urban, and the remaining Scholarships being open to pupils of any approved Primary School in Rural Areas.

(c) The Primary School from which the pupil comes and the Secondary School to which he or she desires to go, must satisfy the Co. Council and Department of Education that due time and zeal are devoted to the teaching of Irish and Irish History.

4—The evidence of ability, character and means shall be testified on the following Forms prescribed by the County Council, and obtainable from the Secretary.

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FORM A.—Application, with statutory declaration at foot, to be made by parent or guardian, or other person responsible for the applicant's maintenance that neither the applicant nor the person responsible for the applicant's maintenance has sufficient means to provide said applicant with a secondary education.

FORM B.—Certificate from the manager of the school where the applicant received his or her primary education that the applicant is of unblemished character and has, by his or her application and ability, shown himself or herself likely to give a satisfactory return for a secondary education.

FORM C.—Certificate from a clergyman of the applicant's parish in support of the evidence given on Forms A. and B., aforesaid.

Said Forms duly filled in to be lodged with the Secretary of the County Council on or before 15th April, 1928, due notice of which will appear in the Local Press. The County Council shall consider said application and evidence, also any other evidence pertaining thereto.

The County Council shall decide by resolution what applicants comply with the conditions as to character, application, ability, residence and means herein mentioned. The Secretary shall, as soon as may be thereafter, notify the decision of the County Council to the applicants, or their parents or guardians, from whom he has received applications on Form A., as aforesaid, and shall notify to those whom the Council decided on as having complied with the said conditions, that cards of admission to the examination (to be held on a date to be fixed, which will not be earlier than June 1st or later than July 1st) shall be forwarded to them from the County Council. An applicant in respect of whom a card of admission, as aforesaid, has been issued will thenceforth be described as a candidate.

5—The following shall be the subjects of examination:—(a), Irish; (b), English; (c), Arithmetic; (d), History and Geography; (e), Algebra; (f), Geometry; (g), Drawing; (h), Rural Science or Nature Study; (k), Needlework.

Candidates must answer in the first four of these subjects, and in any two, but not more than two of the remaining subjects.

To be eligible for the award of Scholarship, a candidate must secure (a) not less than 30 per cent. in each of the essential subjects—(a), Irish; (b), English; (c), Arithmetic; (d), History

and Geography, and not less than 50 per cent. of the aggregate marks assigned to these subjects, and

(b)—Not less than 40 per cent. of the aggregate marks assigned to Irish and English.

(c)—40 per cent. of the aggregate of the maxima in two of the subjects: Algebra, Geometry, Drawing, Rural Science or Nature Study and Needlework; and not less than 20 per cent. in each of the subjects selected.

6—Candidates at the examination may answer in either Irish or English in Arithmetic, History and Geography, Algebra, Geometry, Drawing, Rural Science or Nature Study and Needlework, and that excess marks not exceeding 10 per cent. of the marks scored may be awarded to a candidate who answers a paper in these subjects wholly in Irish, except in the case of Mathematics when such excess marks may not exceed 5 per cent.

7—Each student at the end of each Academic Year must renew application for his or her Scholarship accompanied by a report of satisfactory progress and conduct from the School Authority and to the County Council and the Minister of Education is reserved the right of withholding the Scholarship in the second or any succeeding year if report on student is unsatisfactory in the previous year. A Scholar who does not pass with honours the Department's Intermediate Certificate Examination at or before the end of his third year shall not as a rule be eligible for a further renewal of his Scholarship.

8—The County Council shall hold a meeting in the month of August and award the Scholarships, and the right is reserved to the Council to exclude any candidate from competing for a Scholarship, subject to the approval of the Department of Education. Subject to the same authority the decision of the Council on all questions relating to Scholarships shall be conclusive and final.

9—A notice of this Scheme to be published by the Secretary in the newspapers appointed for County advertisements.

Signed and Sealed on behalf of the Kildare County Council this 20th day of February, 1928.

Michael Fitzsimons, Chairman.
William E. Coffey, Secretary.

(L.S.).

County Council Offices,
Naas.

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APPENDIX I.

PROGRAMME.

In all subjects the programme of the Primary Scholarship Examination is the programme prescribed for Standard VI. Pupils in the Official Programme of the National Schools with such modifications as are mentioned below:—

(a) **Irish.** (200 Marks).

ORAL.

(100 Marks).

- (1) General Conversation.
- (2) Reading as prescribed for Standard VI. Conversation on passage read.
- (3) Recitation—80 lines of poetry.

WRITTEN.

(100 Marks).

- (1) Composition as prescribed for Standard VI.
- (2) Exercises in the more important portions of etymology and syntax.

(b) **English.** (200 Marks).

ORAL.

(100 Marks).

- (1) To read and explain passage from suitable Reader, etc., as prescribed for Standard VI.
- (2) Recitation—80 lines of poetry.

WRITTEN.

(100 Marks).

- (1) Composition as prescribed for Standard VI.
- (2) Exercises in more important portions of etymology and syntax including analysis and parsing.

(c) **Arithmetic.** (200 Marks).

As prescribed for Standard VI.

(d) **History and Geography.** (200 Marks).

HISTORY.

(100 Marks).

As prescribed for Standard VI.

GEOGRAPHY.

(100 Marks).

As prescribed for Standard VI.

(e) **Algebra.** (100 Marks).

As prescribed for Standards V. and VI.

(f) **Geometry.** (100 Marks).

As prescribed for Standards V. and VI.

(g) **Drawing.** (100 Marks).

As prescribed for Standard VI.

(h) **Rural Science or Nature Study.** (100 Marks).

Primary Schools' Programme. Boys—Syllabus A. and B. Rural Science, or Syllabus A. and B. Nature Study. Girls—Syllabus C. and D. Nature Study.

NOTE—Girls who have studied Syllabuses A. and B. of either Rural Science or Nature Study may take the examination papers for boys on these Syllabuses.

(k) **Needlework.** (100 Marks).

As prescribed for Standard VI.

NOTE.—Obligatory Subjects: (a), (b), (c) and (d). Additional Subjects: any two of the remainder.

(9105.)

COUNTY ANALYST'S REPORT.

The County Analyst's Report, copy of which had been sent to each Member, was taken as read, as follows:—

Report of the Public Analyst appointed for the County of Kildare, upon the articles analysed by him during the Quarter ending 31st December, 1927:—

Jams, 3rd October, 1927, 1, received from Guard McCarthy, Celbridge—Genuine.

Butter, 13th October, 1927, 1, received from Guard McCarthy, Celbridge—Genuine.

Margarine, 13th October, 1927, 3, received from Guard McCarthy, Celbridge—Genuine.

New Milk, 18th October, 1927, 4, received from Guard McCarthy, Celbridge—Genuine.

Milk, 18th October, 1927, 3, received from Guard Lennon, Newbridge—Genuine.

Milk, 1st November, 1927, 3, received from Guard Hallinan, Naas—Genuine.

Milk, 4th November, 1927, 4, received from Guard Lennon, Newbridge—Genuine.

Butter, 11th November, 1927, 3, received from Guard Hallinan, Naas—Genuine.

Margarine, 11th November, 1927, 1, received from Guard Hallinan, Naas—Genuine.

Tea, 11th November, 1927, 4, received from Guard McCarthy, Celbridge—Genuine.

Dripping, 11th November, 1927, 4, received from Guard McCarthy, Celbridge—Genuine.

Milk, 14th November, 1927, 4, received from Guard Lennon, Newbridge—Genuine.

Milk, 25th November, 1927, 4, received from Guard Lennon, Newbridge—Genuine.

Cheese, 14th December, 1927, 4, received from Guard McCarthy, Celbridge—Genuine.

New Milk, 14th December, 1927, 4, received from Guard McCarthy, Celbridge—Genuine.

Whiskey, 14th December, 1927, 3, received from Guard Ryan, Kilcock—2 genuine; 1 not genuine.

Tea, 14th December, 1927, 3, received from Guard Ryan, Kilcock—Genuine.

New Milk, 24th December, 1927, 4, received from Guard McCarthy, Celbridge—Genuine.

Drugs, 10th October, 1927, 3, received from Athy—Genuine.

Drugs, 29th October, 1927, 2, received from Kildare—Genuine.

Drugs, 11th November, 1927, 4, received County Hospital, Kildare—Genuine.

Drugs, 16th December, 1927, 3, received from Carbury—Genuine.

Drugs, 30th December, 1927, 3, received from Rathangan—2 Genuine; 1 not Genuine.

Drugs, 30th December, 1927, 3, received from County Home, Athy—Genuine.

Drugs, 30th December, 1927, 3, received from Maynooth—Genuine.

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Water, 10th October, 1927, 1, received from County Board of Health, Naas (Roeseberry Pump, Newbridge)—Passed.

Water, 5th November, 1927, 1, received from County Board of Health, Naas, (Ballysax Pump)—Condemned.

Total number of samples analysed during the quarter—Foods, 60; Drugs, 21; Waters, 2—Total, 83.

Number adulterated—Whiskey, 1; Drugs, 1; Waters, 1 Condemned.

27/1/1928.

Signed,

JOHN KEANE,
Public Analyst.

(9106.)

ADMISSION OF SHEEP TO THE CURRAGH.

Following the consideration of a letter dated 8th February, 1928, from Mr. J. S. McElveen, Superintendent Ballymannypiping Station, the following dates were fixed for the admission of sheep for grazing purposes to the Curragh Greenlands, viz., 2nd., 9th., 16th., 23rd., and 30th March, 6th., 13th., 20th., and 27th April, 1928."

(9107.)

SALE OF COTTAGES.

A letter dated 29th November, 1927, from the Local Government Department, on the subject of the sale of cottages provided under the Labourers (Ireland) Acts, and enclosing copy of draft scheme, was read, but no action was taken thereon.

(9108.)

COUNTY COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE.

Proposed by Mr. Patrick Phelan, seconded by Mr. Edward A. Coonan, and resolved:—"That the report of the County Committee of Agriculture on the working of the Agricultural, Live Stock and other schemes, for year ended 30th September, 1927, this day submitted, be approved.

(9109.)

RATE COLLECTION.

A return showing the condition of the collection of Poor Rate up to 17th February, was submitted, and the Secretary was directed to request the Collectors to expedite their collections.

(9110.)

FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE.

Orders dated 17th February, 1928, from the Department of Agriculture, relative to an outbreak of Foot and Mouth Disease in Wexford were submitted.

(9111.)

RATE COLLECTORS.

Following the consideration of a letter dated 15th February, 1928, from Rate Collector O'Connor, it was decided, subject to the concurrence of the Local Government Department, not to require Collectors to lodge uncollected rates under the following headings:

(a) Rates in respect of vacant premises for such period as may be irrecoverable under Section 9 of the Increase of Rent Act, 1926.

(b) Rates levied but temporarily uncollectable in cases of Bankruptcies, Probate, Lunacy, Chancery and all Court cases.

(c) Rates levied but temporarily uncollectable in cases of derelict buildings.

(d) Rates levied for the particular year in respect of which Nulla Bona Decrees have been produced.

(9112.)

CASTLEDERMOT WEIGHTS AND MEASURES OFFICE.

Arising on the reading of a letter dated 16th February, 1928, the Council approved of a rent of 12s per week for a temporary offices secured from Mr Hugh Byrne, Castledermot, for discharge of work under the Weights and Measures Acts.

(9113.)

PUBLIC BODIES' ORDER, 1927.

A letter dated 31st January, 1928, from the Local Government Department, enclosing copy of above Order, was read.

(9114.)

PETROL PUMPS.

A letter dated 5th January, 1928, from the Local Government (Roads) Department, suggesting that the County Surveyor should be asked to report of there are any unlicensed Petrol Pumps in the county, was read.

(9115.)

PUBLIC HEALTH CONGRESS.

A letter dated 6th February, 1928, from the Secretary, Royal Institute of Public Health, asking the Council to appoint Delegates to Congress to be held at Dublin in August, 1928, was read.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

OFFICIAL.

Cons. No.	Reg. No	SUBJECT.
1	11219	A letter dated 14th January, 1928, from the Department of Local Government and Public Health relative to application from Rate Collectors for an extension of time to enable them lodge one-fourth of their warrants, was read.
2	10741	A letter dated 23rd November, 1927, from Department of Local Government and Public Health relative to letting of lands attached to Celbridge Workhouse by Mr. Wardell was read.
3	10775	A letter dated 26th November, 1927, from Department of Local Government and Public Health relative to Collectors Confrey, Cunningham and Kearns, was read.
4	10803	A letter dated 26th November, 1927, from Department of Local Government and Public Health assenting to payment of poundage fees to Collectors Dowling, Malone, Gannon, Stapleton, Shinkins, Jos. O'Connor, Headon and James O'Connor on the collection of the 1st moiety of current year's rate, was read.
5	10832	A letter dated 5th December, 1927, from Department of Local Government and Public Health relative to Collector Bell, was read.
6	10833	A letter dated 5th December, 1927, from Department of Local Government and Public Health relative to the proposed letting of a field at Celbridge Workhouse to Mr. William Ellis, was read.
7	10834	A letter dated 5th December, 1927, from Department of Local Government and Public Health assenting to the proposal of the County Council to pay a sum of £15 to Dr. O'Neill as remuneration for his services as Deputy Coroner for North Kildare, was read.
8	10810	A letter dated 6th December, 1927, from Department of Local Government and Public Health sanctioning permanent appointment of Mr. J. C. Connolly as County Librarian, was read.
9	10863	A letter dated 10th December, 1927, from Department of Local Government and Public Health (Roads) relative to New Ford Motor Duty, was read.
10	10883	A letter dated 13th December, 1927, from Department of Local Government and Public Health relative to Fisheries Act, 1925, etc., was read.
11	10936	A letter dated 21st December, 1927, from Department of Local Government and Public Health assenting to payment of poundage fees at the rate of 8d in the £ to Collectors Cunningham, Confrey and Kearns, was read.
12	10950	A letter dated 24th December, 1927, from Department of Local Government and Public Health (Roads) relative to Petrol Pumps erected in the county, was read.
13	10988	A letter dated 31st December, 1927, from Department of Local Government and Public Health (Old Age Pensions Branch) relative to appointment of Mrs. Sarah K. Doyle, Hillsview, Athy, as Clerk to the Athy Rural Pension Sub-Committee in room of the late Mr. M. E. Doyle, was read.
14	11096	A letter dated 5th January, 1928, notifying payment of £7,870 5s 0d from Department of Local Government and Public Health in respect of a further instalment of the Agricultural Grant for the year ending 31st March, 1928 was read.

Cons. No.	Reg. No.	SUBJECT.
15	11187	A letter dated 11th January, 1928, from Department of Local Government and Public Health, re Dates of Local Government Elections Act, was read.
16	11213	A letter dated 14th January, 1928, from Department of Local Government and Public Health notifying change of address of the Local Government Departments (Trade Section excepted), was read.
17	11219	A letter dated 23rd January, 1928, from Department of Local Government and Public Health relative to Agricultural Grant, was read.
18	11426	A circular letter dated 31st January, 1928, relative to Public Bodies Order, 1927, was read.
19	11423	A letter dated 1st February, 1928, from Department of Local Government and Public Health (Roads) relative to Road Maintenance Grants, 1927-28, was read.
20	11429	A letter dated 1st February, 1928, from Department of Local Government and Public Health (Roads) acknowledging Returns relative to Motor Taxation for month of January, 1928, was read.

GENERAL.

21	10909	A letter from the Secretary, Donegal County Council, Lifford, transmitting copy of resolution relative to speed of lorries and buses, etc., was read.
22	10932	A letter dated 21st December, 1927, from Mr. M. Smyth, V.S., Mullingar, reporting that he had attended Johnstown Bridge December Fair and found no symptoms on contagious disease among the animals exposed for sale, was read.
23	11360	A letter dated 24th January, 1928, from the Liverpool and London and Globe Insurance Company, Limited, relative to insurance of property on behalf of the County Council was read.
24	11478	letter dated 8th February, 1928, from the Secretary, Roscommon County Council, transmitting copy of resolution relative to minimum age of Old Age Pensioners, was read

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COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE DARA.

Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee held on the 2nd March, 1928.

Present:- Mr. Michael Fitzsimons, (Chairman, Presiding), Messrs R. Gannon, E. A. Coonan, G. W. Henderson, Andrew McNally, Wm. Ronaldson, J. N. Greene, W. E. H. Fawcett, N. Travers, Patk. Dunne, Peter Keenan, J. Foley, David Weld, Patk. Phelan, and Jas. Bergin.

(8919)
PAYMENTS.

Applications for payment for Works in charge of the County Surveyor amounting to £2645- 12- 11 were approved and payment ordered.

M. Fitzsimons
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Adjourned.

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE-DARA.

(c):
Minutes of Meeting of County Council, held on the 2nd March, 1928.

Present—Messrs. Ml. Fitzsimons (Chairman), presiding; R. Gannon, E. A. Coonan, G. W. Henderson, A. McNally, W. R. Ronaldson, J. N. Greene, W. E. H. Fawcett, Nls Travers, Patrick Dunne, Peter Keenan, Jas. Foley, David Weld, Patrick Phelan, James Bergin and Ml. Smyth.

(9117.)

RATE FOR TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION.

Mr. Henderson withdrew resolution of which he had given notice:—"That 1d in the £ be raised for Technical Instruction over and above the amount raised for the year ending 31st March, 1928."

(9118.)

ESTIMATE.

Proposed by Mr. Henderson, seconded by Mr. Fawcett, and resolved:—"That the General Rate including 1d in the £ off the County at Large (Urban Districts inclusive under the Technical Instruction Act, 1889-91), 1d in the £ off the County at Large (Urban Districts excluded under the Agricultural and Technical Instruction Act, 1899), and a sum of £523 under the Local Government Act, 1924 (Form 42) and the Rate for Separate Charges (Form 43) for the year ending 31st March, 1929, chargeable to the under-mentioned areas be as follows:—

	Pence.
Roads	21.47
County Services	30.57
Poor Relief	33.89
Board of Health Charges88
Total General Poor Rate	86.81
	7s. 3d.

And Whereas the separate charges specified in Column II. of the table below are respectively chargeable on the areas or contributory places specified therefor in Column I. of the said table, the special rate in the Pound specified in Column III. of the said table has been made on the appropriate one or contributory place for the payment of every such separate charge, and the same forms part of and will be collected with the above general Poor Rate in such area or contributory place.

Name of Special Area or Contributory Place, (Col. I.).	Purpose or Name of Charge. (Col. II.).	Rate in the Pound (Col. III.).
		Pence.
County at Large	Pensions	2
Ballybracken Electoral Division	Criminal Injury	19
Nurney Electoral Division	do.	7
Rathernan Electoral Division	do.	4
A. 1 Athy No. 1 Rural District	Special Sanitary Expenses	2
A. 2 Townlands of Monasterevan and Moore Abbey Demesne	Monasterevan Lighting	11
N. 1 Naas Rural Electoral Division	Naas Waterworks	6
N. 2 Newbridge Dispensary District	Newbridge Cemetery and Sewerage	14
N. 6 Newbridge Urban Electoral Division	Newbridge Waterworks	18
N. 9 Clane and Naas Dispensary Districts	Sallins Water & Sewerage	3
N. 10 Kilcullen Dispensary District	Kilcullen Sewerage	2
N. 12 Ballymore-Eustace and Newtown Electoral Divisions	Sanitary Expenses	3
N. 13 Clane Dispensary District	Clane District Pumps	1
N. 14 Kildare Dispensary District	Kildare Waterworks	14
Athy No. 1 Rural District	Expenses Labourers' Acts	2
Celbridge No. 1 Rural District	do.	12
Edenderry No. 2 Rural District	do.	8

The total sum payable by the occupier of any agricultural land in respect of the above poor rates will be reduced owing to the division of the agricultural grant by a sum equal to thirty pence in the pound on the valuation of such agricultural land.

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DEMANDS ON URBAN DISTRICTS.

It was proposed by Mr. Phelan, seconded by Mr. Foley, and resolved:—"That the sum of £1,740 15s 8d be demanded from the Urban District Council of Athy in respect of County-at-Large and Separate Charges for the year ending 31st March, 1929."

Mr. Keenan proposed and Mr. Travers seconded, and it was resolved:—"That the sum of £3,101 2s 1d be demanded from the Urban District of Naas in respect of County-at-Large and Separate Charges for year ending 31st March, 1929."

(9119.)

GRANTS.

A letter dated 29th February, 1928, from Minister of Local Government and Public Health stating that no useful purpose would be served by the proposed Deputation meeting the Minister as the amount of Road Grant was fixed at £5,460 for the coming year.

The Secretary was directed to request the Minister to reconsider his decision and meet the Deputation, as there were many points which the Deputation were anxious to bring under the Minister's notice.

(9120.)

RATE ON DRAINAGE DISTRICTS.

It was decided to raise no rate on the Drainage Districts of Baltracey, Connell, Foranwell, Gorteen, or Kildare for the year ending 31st March, 1929.

On Rathangan Drainage District the Council decided to raise a rate of £400 for the same period.

(9121.)

MAINTENANCE OF DRAINAGE DISTRICTS.

The County Surveyor recommended the following sums to be spent on the maintenance of the several Drainage Districts during the coming year:—Baltracey, £100; Foranwell, £100; Connell, £50; Gorteen, £100; Kildare, £100, and Rathangan, £400.

The Council considered that the Districts of Baltracey, Foranwell, and Gorteen would not require any cleaning during the period, and allowed a sum of £25 on each for sudden damage, repairs to bridges, and emergencies. £50 was authorised to be spent on Connell, £100 on Kildare and £300 on Rathangan.

(9122.)

BALLYCOWAN DRAINAGE.

Mr. L. J. Fullan was directed to examine the Ballycowan Drainage Rivers and report to the Council as to their condition, and what amount (if any) would be required to maintain them for the year ending March, 1929.

The Secretary having reported that the people assessed for repayment of loan in the Ballycowan Drainage Area had not paid their portion, the Council directed that a list of defaulters be given to the Solicitor to take proceedings in all cases which are not paid by the 31st instant.

(9123.)

BOYNE DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

An order dated 12th December, 1927, from the Minister of Local Government and Public Health transferring the business of the Boyne Drainage District to a Joint Committee of the County Councils of Kildare, Meath, Onaly and Westmeath.

The Council appointed Messrs. Coonan, Fawcett, and Phelan, to represent the Council on the Joint Committee.

(9124.)

LIST OF POLLING PLACES.

A Provisional List of Polling Places was considered and adopted by the Council as follows:—(See next Page)

(9125.)

SALARY OF MR. COSGROVE, V.S.

On reading of a letter dated 6th January, 1928, from the Department of Agriculture re the salary of Mr Cosgrove, V.S., under the Bovine Tuberculosis Order, it was proposed by Mr. Henderson, seconded by Mr. Fawcett, and resolved:—"That the salary of Mr Cosgrove, V.S., be £150 per annum under the Tuberculosis Order, from 1st January, 1928."

(9126.)

KILDARE COURTHOUSE.

Application was received from International Bible Students Association requesting use of Kildare Courthouse on a date to be arranged, from 8 to 9.30 p.m. Mr. Bergin objected to the use of the Courthouse for the purpose, but after discussion it was proposed by Mr. Henderson, seconded by Mr. Fawcett and carried, Mr Bergin dissenting—"That the application be granted subject to the sanction of the Sheriff."

(9127.)

COW KILLED AT BALLYMANNY.

A letter dated 29th February, 1928, was read from the County Surveyor, stating that a cow, the property of Mr. William Murphy, was killed by falling into a Gravel Pit at Ballymanny which the Council had leased from Mr. Murphy. No order was made on the matter.