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OF

BALBRIGGAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS

SEPTEMBER 1918 TO AUGUST 1922

MINUTE BOOK

~~Aug~~ Sept 4th 1918

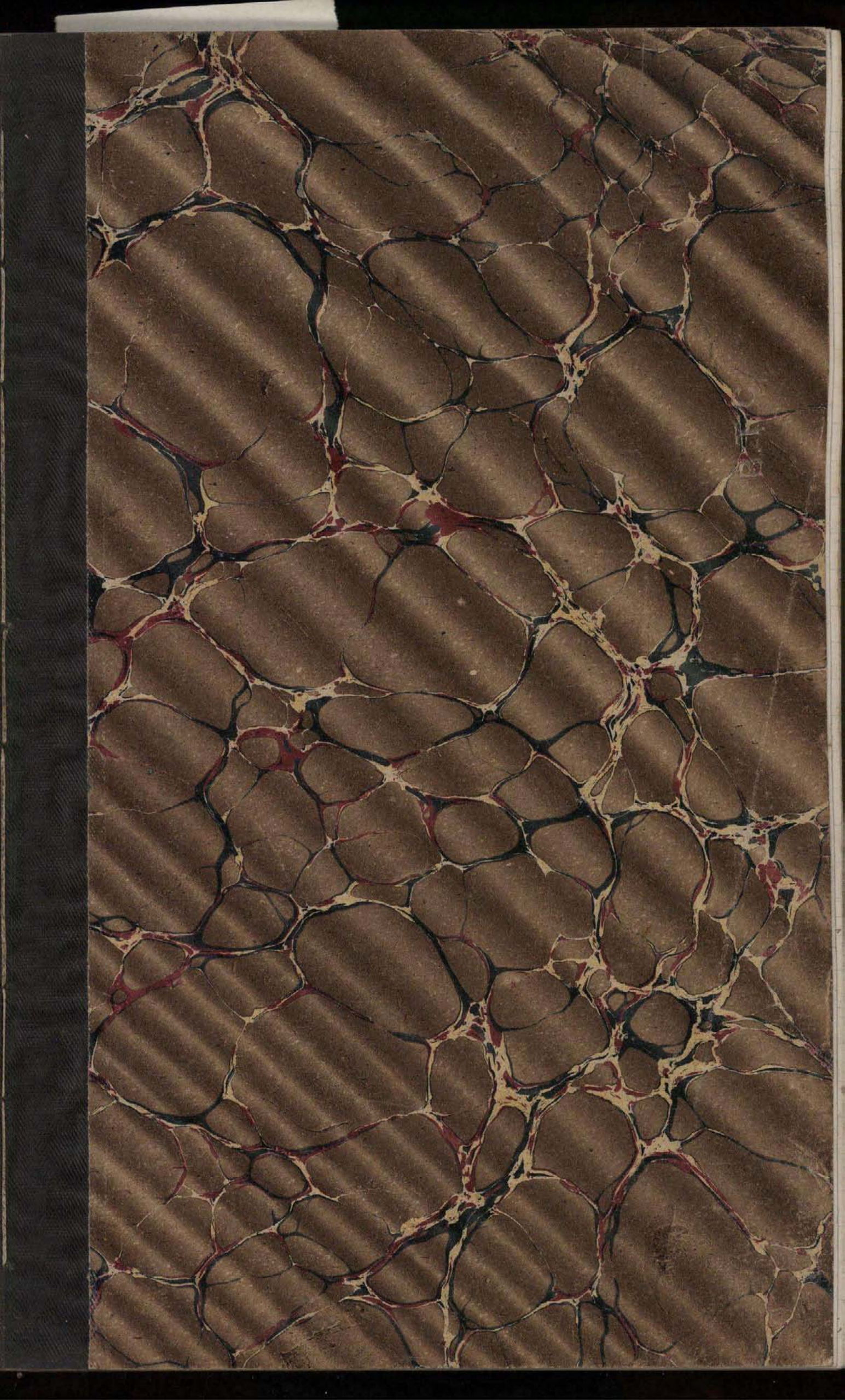
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Sept 14th 1918,

Minutes of Proceedings of the
Balbriggan Town Commissioners at
the Monthly Meeting held this eve
at 7-30 O'clock

Archdale Graham Esq J.P. Chairman
Presiding

Others Present, were,

Messrs. D.A. Ellis, R. S. Gorman
C. Graham John Larkin & John C. Reynolds

Minutes of last Monthly and Special Meetings
were read and confirmed

Thomas Early Esq Solicitor wrote dated
the 22nd August re- Income Tax 1917-18,
requesting to be furnished with certificate
of Bank Manager as to interest paid
on Loan for Housing Scheme for year
ending 5th April 1918, as he thought
the Commissioners would be entitled to an
allowance of Income Tax thereon

The Clerk stated he furnished Mr Early
with the information
Approved

Read Letter from the Local Government Board
dated 29th August acknowledging receipt
of the Commissioners Application for sanction
to a Supplemental Loan of £185 - in connection
with the acquisition of sites for the erection
of houses, and requesting to be furnished
with a statement showing the proportion
according to valuation of the indebtedness
of the Balbriggan Rural District chargeable

on the Town, The statement should take into account any unissued portion of loans sanctioned

Note:- The Clerk stated he supplied the necessary information

Read Letter from the Local Government Board dated 21st August acknowledging the receipt of the appeals to them from the persons aggrieved against various surcharges made by the Auditor at the audit of the Accounts of the Ballinagar Town Commissioners for the year ended 31st March 1918

Read

In Pursuance of Notice, copy of which was sent to each Member of the Commissioners

Mr A Graham, Moved, and Mr Gorman Seconded the following Resolution

"That the 'Meeting Hour' be changed from 7.30 to 6 O'clock P.M. to suit the convenience of Members and the representatives of the Press attending the Meetings, as the latter are debarred owing to the curtailment of the evening train service

Copy of this resolution to be forwarded for the Local Government Board's sanction if necessary

Passed Unanimously

re - Ballinagar Harbour

On the suggestion of the Chairman, The Clerk

The Clerk was instructed to enquire from the Port and Docks Board, and the Department of Agriculture, as to the reason why the Dredger was recalled before she had finished her work removing the clean sand from between the Piers at Ballinagin Harbour, and to request that every effort should be made for her return as soon as possible in order that the entrance to the Harbour may be cleaned before the Herring Fishing Season which would commence early next month.

Re-Evening Mail Delivery

Mr Gorman mentioned that the townspeople generally were constantly complaining about the inconvenience of having no night delivery of the Mails in the Town, and as this matter was brought to the Postmaster General's notice some time ago, without result, He now suggested that a Memorial be presented by the Commissioners and the Townspeople asking the Postmaster General to re-consider restoring the night delivery.

Mr Gorman's suggestion was unanimously agreed to. He undertook to have the Memorial the Clerk and himself to prepare same for signatures.

The Clerk produced the Receipt and Expenditure Books (Folio 125) which showed the following Receipts for month
toward

June, to 30 June (Per Mr Congrove. C.P.S. 7-6
 Rates Per Mr B. Henry (2nd instalment) 15-17-4
 £16-4-10

Down Hall

Messrs O'Brien & Ireland to one week £14-0-0
 Patrick Dolan Lames Meetings 7-6
 Total £20-12-4

Balance Per Bank Books (in favour) £84-14-2

Payment of Accounts were all postponed to next month.

Oct 2nd The Monthly Meeting was not held this evening for want of a quorum.

Messrs Abraham R S Gorman & Wm Ellis being the only Commissioners present at 8 o'clock, and the Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday evg next 9th inst at 7.30 oc

Oct 9th There was no quorum again present this and the Chairman adjourned the Meeting to 16th inst at 7.30 pm

Archdale Graham
 16/10/18

Oct 16th 1918 - The Monthly Adjourned Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evening at 7.30 P.M.

Andidale Graham Esq. J.P. Chairman Presided
Also Present.

Messrs. M. O'Rourke John Martin
Thomas M. Cashell and R. S. Gorman & Co

Minutes of last Monthly Meeting were read and confirmed

Re - Income Tax Arrears

Read Letter from Mr Early Solicitor dated 16th September, stating he had the claim for £7.9.9 reduced to £4-16-3, and to please send Mr Carliton Paying Order accordingly.

Letters from Surveyor of Taxes and Mr Carliton asking cheque to be forwarded immediately for £4-16-3 were also read

Ordered:- To Be Paid

re. Memorial from Commissioners and Townspeople re Evening Delivery

Read Letter from Post Master General No. 179.203/18 dated 20 Sept acknowledging receipt of above Memorial of 17 inst and stating same would receive attention

Ordered:- The Clerk to write again to the Postmaster General on the Subject, and at the same time to call his attention to the great inconvenience caused by

the 10 Oc morning mail being discontinued wherein towns a town of less Industrial Importance have all facilities with regard to the morning Mail Service and the evening delivery.

Re - Supplemental Loan for Housing Sites
 Read Letter from the L.G.B dated 17 Sept stating the Board will arrange for the holding of a local Inquiry into the application for Loan of £185 - which is rendered necessary by sec 238 (4) of the Public Health (Ireland) Act 1878, owing to the indebtedness of the Town

Read Letter from Mr Strahan Local Government Inspector dated 21st September stating he has arranged to hold the Local Inquiry at Balluggan on Friday 4th Oct at 3 o'clock

Read Letter from the Local Government Board No 43,498-18 dated 24 September with reference to the application from the Town Commissioners for sanction to a supplemental loan of £185 - in connection with the acquisition of sites for the erection of houses under the Housing of the Working Classes Act
 That the Board have directed their Inspector Mr Strahan to hold an Inquiry into the matter at the Town Hall Balluggan on Friday 4th prox at 3 pm
 Notice of the Enquiry will be published

Read Letter from Mr Early dated 25 September and stating he received a letter from Mr Strahan Local Government Inspector notifying him that he is holding an inquiry on Friday 4th October at 3 O'clock.

He presumed the Commissioners require his attendance on their behalf.

The Clerk stated he replied in the affirmative.

Read Letter from the L.G.B. dated 14th Oct stating with reference to the Local Inquiry that they had before them the Report of their Inspector Mr Strahan on the Inquiry held by him on 4th Oct into the Application of the Town Commissioners for a supplemental Loan under the Housing of the Working Classes Acts, and the Board have expressed their sanction to a loan of £186- in pursuance of Section 237 of the Public Health (Ireland) Act 1878, Repayment to be spread over a period of ten years and the loan to be obtained from The Northern Banking Company Ltd.

Approval is also given under Sec. 99, (4) of the Housing of the Working Classes Act 1890 as amended to any increase necessary to be made in the local Rate in order to provide for repayment of the loan and interest thereon.

The Clerk had a resolution drafted for to make application to the Bank for the loan but no action was taken thereon.

Postponed

Read Letter from the L.G.B. dated 24 Sept regarding the Commissioners proposal to change the hour of Meeting from 7 30 P.M. to 6 00 P.M., and pointing out that it does not appear that the monthly meetings of the Town Commissioners is held on the first Monday of each month at 12 O'clock noon as provided by Section 27 of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and requesting the Board to be informed on which authority the day and hour of Meeting have been altered and also to please state on what day it is proposed that the monthly meetings should be held in future, and whether the resolution of the Town Commissioners of the 4th inst was passed by two-thirds of the Commissioners voting thereon

The Clerk read a letter supplying all the information required to which was approved

The Parliament and Local Elections Act 1918
Election Order

Read Letter from the Local Government Board enclosing copy of an order made by them (dated 18th Sept) postponing the ordinary elections to be held on 15th January next for a further period of one year and stating that the term of office of the existing Town Commissioners is accordingly retained for one year
 - you

Ballinacorney Harbour

Read Letter from the Secretary Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction, Kildare St Dublin dated 19th September acknowledging the resolution adopted re-Ballinacorney Harbour, and stating that all arrangements in regard to dredging are made by the Dublin Port and Docks Board who are the local Harbour Authority

Read Letter from the Secretary Dublin Port and Docks Board dated 27th Sept, stating in reply to the resolutions forwarded on 11th inst that he had sent on a copy of same to the Department of Agriculture asking them to have the dredging completed before the coming fishing season commences early next month if possible

Correspondence Considered Satisfactory

P F Curran Manager Anima Co wrote stating he would be glad if the Commissioners could see their way to have the dislocated chairs repaired as the seating in the Hall at present is entirely inadequate especially on Sunday nights. The total number of chairs available including those in the Commissioners room is only 223.

Postponed

The Bowling Club wished to know if they could have the Commissioners Room for season at £1- for say 7 or 8 meetings as the new rates are prohibitive. The Farmers

Association also made similar Application
 Ordered:- To inform both parties that no
 alteration could be made in the new scale
 of fees arranged,

The Clerk in reply to the meeting stated that
 the Cinema paid £3.10.0 weekly as they claimed
 no gas was used only that arranged for
 They were using gas in starting the Engine
 which he believed was only an amount
 equal to the Hall light which they were
 not using, He gave them no leave to connect
 Ordered:-

The Clerk to write the Cinema requesting them
 to state on whose authority they connected
 the Hall gas with the Engine.

Fairs 1919

The Clerk submitted a list of fairs for 1919
 which were "Approved", and it was
 Ordered:- That 600 or 700 Bills be printed by the
 Drogheda Independent

Public Lighting

Mr Gorman Proposed

And Mr Larner Seconded

That the following Lamps be lighted
 R.C Church 1, Square 1, Railway Sq
 Corner 1, Protestant Church 1,

After discussion, It was decided to postpone
 this matter to next meeting

Mr Gorman Proposed, And Mr O'Rourke

Seconded - That a band of White Paint

18 inches deep be put on the pillars of
all Camps say $4\frac{1}{2}$ feet high
Mr Steency to have same done at once

On the Motion of the Chairman
Seconded by Mr Gorman
The following Resolution was passed in silence
"That we have just learned of the death
in action of Lieutenant Ernest Ellis
son of our respected Colleague Mr Dr Ellis
Jr, Holmsdale Balluggan, and we hereby tender
to Mr Ellis and the other Members of his family
our sincere sympathy in their bereavement

On the Motion of Mr Gorman
Seconded by Mr Larkin
The following Resolution was passed in Silence
"That, we tender to Mr C Smyth and family
our deepest sympathy in the loss sustained
by the death of his wife Mrs Smyth

On the Motion of the Chairman
Seconded by Mr Cahill
It was resolved:-

To Place on record our abhorrence of the
latest act of German brutality by the
sinking of the Royal Mail Steamers ^{Lusitania} ~~Titania~~
and sincerely sympathize with the
relatives of the Victims,

Read Letter from the Managers Northern Bank
Balluggan dated 30 Sept advising that an
instalment of £20 - will fall due on
to-morrow $1\frac{1}{2}$ October on the Housing Loan

ap with interest £9.1.7 and requesting
 Paying Order for £29.1.7 to cover the transaction
 Ordered: - To be Paid.

Read Letter from R Congrove C.P.S. Ballisgan
 enclosing £1 - one pound Receipt for
 quarter to 30th Sept
 Read

The following Monies were received and lodged
 since last Meeting:-

Rates, Per Mr Henry (Instalment)	£ 20.0.6
" Treasury Grants in Sew	4.1.0
Rents, Commercial Club	3.5.0
" Abellians	1.15.0
" Mrs Council	8.0

Town Hall Lettings

" Local Cinema Aug 30.31 Sept 2	1.10.0
" " " " 2, weeks 16	7.0.0
" Abellians all Night dance	2.10.0
" Local Cinema 6 days 23	3.0.0
" James Bertram, Committee Room	5.0

Total £ 47.4.6

Balance in favour per Bank Book £ 84.14.2

The following Accounts were submitted and
 Ordered to be paid:-

Abraham	J M Cuswell & M Mouse	£ 5.0
Guardian Assurance Co	Prum Clerk's Bond	7.6
- do -	Prum Employes	11.0
Daily Draft	Pathshay notice of audit	15.4
	Total	£ 1.11.10

16 Oct 1918

L.S.D

"	Amount Forward	1. 11. 10
L.G.B	Audit Fee	2. 2. 0
Dollaroid Ltd	Printing etc	4. 1. 3
W Bammer TC	Quarter Salary	13. 10. 0
Miss C M Donnell	Half year Salary	5. 4. 0
A M Dougall	Printing Forms etc	4. 4. 0
Droghda Inapt	Collectors Abstracts etc	4. 6. 10
J Harford	Poor Rate 1918-19	10. 8. 0
Welsbach Light Co	Manter Glass etc	1. 17. 2
Ventura Bank	Instalments & Interest Voban	29. 1. 7
O E Carleton	Income Tax	4. 16. 3

Total £ 81. 2. 11

Archdale Graham
6/11/18

Nov 1st The Special Meeting of the Town Commissioners summoned for this evening at 7.30 o'clock to consider the question of letting the Town Hall during the present Influenza Epidemic fell through owing to the absence of a Quorum.

Messrs A Graham (Chairman)
Thomas M Cashell R S Gosman and M. Rowe being the only Commissioners present at 8 o'clock, when the business to be dealt with was left over to the monthly Meeting, The Clerk was instructed not to let the Hall in the meantime

Archdale Graham
6/11/18

Nov 6th 1918, The Monthly Meeting Of the Town Commissioners
 was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock
 Archdale Graham Esq J.P. Chairman Presiding
 Also Present

Messrs John Larkin, DA Ellis J.M. Cashell
 R.S. Gorman C. Graham & M. O'Rourke

Minutes Of last Meeting were read & confirmed

The Clerk reported that the Cinema Closed
 down from Sunday 27th Oct owing to
 the Influenza Epidemic, they have not
 opened since,

Approved

On the Motion of Mr Gorman
 Seconded by Mr C. Graham

It was unanimously decided that the
 Hall be closed ~~down~~ ^{to} all Entertainments during
 the present Epidemic, until ^{over} ~~further~~ ^{next} notice
 Meeting on 4th December

As requested at last Meeting the Clerk
 stated he wrote to Mr Curran of the Cinema
 Co, re - Town Hall Gas being connected with
 Engine but received no reply from him
 Proposed by the Chairman

Seconded by Mr C. Graham

That the Cinema Company be requested
 to have the Gas disconnected, and that they
 apply for leave to have the connection made
 which will be considered at next meeting

DA Ellis Esq KC Holmesdale Balluffan
 wrote thanking the Chairman & Commissioners

for their very kind letter of sympathy to himself and family on the death of his son Ernest and assuring them the great comfort it is to him and his family for the many kind letters of sympathy they received from all kind friends in Balbriggan and neighbourhood, and will treasure them as a record of sympathy in his trouble

Read Letter from the L.G.B. No 47,341, dated 14th October 1918, stating they had before them the Report of their Inspector Mr Strahan on the Enquiry held by him into the application of the Balbriggan Town Commissioners for sanction to a loan in connection with the acquisition of sites for the erection of houses under the Housing of the Working Classes Act, and the Board have expressed their sanction to a loan of £186— in pursuance of Section 237 of the Public Health (Ireland) Act 1878, repayment to be spread over a period of ten years and the loan to be obtained from the Northern Banking Company Ltd

Approval also given under section 99 (4) of the Housing of the Working Classes Act 1890, as amended ~~to~~ any increase found necessary in the Local Rate in order to provide for the repayment of Principal and Interest Thereon

Proposed by Mr Casheell

Seconded by Mr C. Graham

Resolved:- That the Commissioners Treasurer the Northern Banking Company Ltd be asked for

a Supplemental loan of £186 - in pursuance of Section 237 of the Public Health (Irel) Act 1878, for a period of ten years under the Town of Ballinagan Order 1915, The said loan to be repaid by half yearly instalments with 5% interest on the outstanding balance until the loan is paid off,

And that the Bank be requested to have the mortgage deed prepared by their solicitor at their own expense

The Clerk to forward the L.G.B's Letter of approval of 14th October 1918

Read Letter from the L.G.B dated 26 October relative to the proposal of the Town Commissioners to change the day and hour of their meetings and stating that in order to enable them to make an order as desired it would be necessary to pass a resolution in accordance with the terms of Section 14 of the Local Government Act of 1902 requesting the Board to alter the day and hour on and at which the monthly meetings of the Commissioners may be held

The resolutions referred to were uttered in order to give effect to their wishes the request of the Town Commissioners as contained in their resolution should ~~be~~ in effect be to alter the day and hour of their meetings to the first Wednesday of the month at 6 o'clock pm.

In the resolution of the 4th September a copy of which has been furnished no reference is made to the day on which

the Commissioners wish their meetings to be held,

Ordered:- Consideration Postponed to next meeting

Read Letter from the Local Government Board requesting to be furnished with Plan and Specification and the Architects Certificates for payments also Reports in connection with the Surcharge of £2 in connection with the wall or fence in Waunton Street Ballinagar

The Clerk stated he furnished the L.G.B. with all particulars as requested

Read

Public Lighting

On the Motion of Mr Gorman

Seconded by Mr C Graham

It was decided to have the following Lamps lighted for the present,

Roman Catholic Church Lamp

The Square "

Morrisseys Corner "

Medical Hall "

Protestant Church "

and that the Gas Company be asked if they are prepared to supply gas to the other lamps or at least to 25 of them

The 5 Lamps above to be lighted tomorrow night and kept lighted all night until further notice, P Larkin to light and extinguish them at 6/- per week

Mr Cashell proposed, And Mr Larkin Seconded

Resolved:- That if the Gas Company are not in a position to light at least 20, in addition to the 5 lamps, that they be lighted with oil lamps

Mr Cashell gave notice, that at next Meeting he would move, that a New Lamp be erected at top of pump Lane on Market Green Balbriggan at the very earliest moment,

On the motion of the Chairman

Seconded by Mr Cashell

The Secretary was instructed to express the Commissioners sympathy to Mr B Henry Rate Collector and his family on the death of his son Mr Patrick Henry

Read notice of Assessment from the Surveyor of Taxes for Town Hall under Sch D, on £3 - Total Duty chargeable 18/-

Read

Mr Gorman enquired if there was any communication received from the Post Master General regarding the Memorial re- Evening delivery, The Clerk said there was not

Mr Gorman suggested that the Clerk should write again on the matter, and also about the 10. A.M. morning mail which has been discontinued

The Suggestion was Agreed to

Reference was made regarding £2 pounds being only charged Mr. H. Reynolds for concert and dance same night after discussion. No order was made.

The following amounts were received and lodged for month of October by Clerk
Per Folio 127 Receipt and Expenditure Books

Town Hall,	£ 21. 5. 0
Petty Sessions Fees to 30 Sept	1. 0. 0
Rents	1. 14. 0
Rates per Mr. Henry	21. 19. 11
Total	£ 45. 18. 11

The following Accounts were examined and found correct and payment authorised by,

Archdale Graham	} Chairman members present at meeting
Thos M. Cabell	
M. O'Rourke	

Folio Expenditure Books (127)

Gas Company	Public Lighting	£ 53. 3. 1
Gas Company	Town Hall	23. 16. 1
Gas Company	Repairs to meters	2. 9. 0
Wm. Currie	Rent of Site	2. 0. 0
Ed. & Rly Co	Rent of wayleave	1. 0
Hot Ins Co	Policy Burn Stalls	14. 0
	Total	£ 82. 3. 2

Archdale Graham
4/12/18

Nov 23rd 1918, A Special Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this day at 12.30 O'clock PM,

Messrs A Graham Chairman C Graham R Gorman M O'Rourke & D A Ellis were present

The Special business was to consider applications to hire Town Hall and to consider the question of rescinding the order made at last meeting closing same. The requisition calling the meeting was signed by five members

Applications was read from the following
 H Reynolds for dance on Nov 29th
 J J Clancy KC for Election meeting
 St Marys Dramatic Co Brogueada

Mr Gorman read a letter from Doctor Lullam in which he gave his opinion that it was not advisable to re-open the Hall at present as there was a few fresh cases of Influenza

On the motion of Mr Gorman
 seconded by Mr C Graham
 It was Resolved:-

That the Clerk be empowered to let the Hall to Candidates or their Agents for meetings to address their constituents at the usual fee, The order closing same for Entertainments, dances etc to remain in force until our next monthly meeting

Archdale Graham

4/12/18

Dec 4th 1918, The Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evening at 7.30 - O'clock

Archdale Graham Esq J.P. Chairman Presiding
Others Present were,

Messrs. R.S. Gorman David A Ellis
Charles Graham John Larkin & M. Kromke

- 1 Minutes of last Meeting were read & confirmed
- 2 Read letter from P & F Curran, Cinema Co dated 2nd instant addressed to the Clerk relative to his communications of 16th Oct and 8th Ultimo, stating the gas connection referred to was only a temporary arrangement with flexible tubing connecting the small gas jet in entrance Hall with Engine, as an experiment to find out if it could be driven with gas instead of paraffin, which proved satisfactory for starting the Engine only but with a larger service pipe he believed it could be gas driven entirely. He pointed out that the result of this experiment was mentioned to the Commissioners on 5th June last when they gave permission to have an independent service laid through the north gable of the Town Hall to connect with Engine but owing to war conditions the Gas Company could not undertake the work up to the present. He hoped the Commissioners would allow them to use the gas as they

are quite agreeable to pay for what was used with the experiment and for any they may use in future. He invited a small Committee be appointed by the Commissioners to go into the matter of inspecting the temporary arrangement and Meter Register.

He also wished to know when the Hall would be re-opened for Pictures. He would like to remove the impression which some Rate payers are under from the report of the Commissioners Meeting in the Local Press, from which it would appear the Engine was run on the Town Hall Gas while the fact is that it is totally ran on paraffin as the Company's books will show.

After discussion

On the motion of Mr Ellis

Seconded by Mr Gorman

It was resolved:- That permission be given to the Cinema to connect the stall Gas with Engine and yard light provided both are connected to an independent Meter, no Pictures to be commenced until the meter is affixed, The gas consumed to be deducted from the Commissioners Meter by the Gas Company, and charged to the Cinema.

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Proposed by Mr Gorman

Seconded by Mr Gorman

"That the Stall be re-opened for all Entertainments from this date, and

in the event of a recurrence of the Flu-Epidemic, the Commissioners to have a special meeting to re-consider the matter again.

was Passed Unanimously

- 4 Mr Murray's application for dance on 13th inst. was granted on usual terms as was also Mr Harry Reynolds, for 6th Dec, If dances follow:-

Concerts or Theatricals the usual charge for Cuidallas £2- must be paid in addition to the charge for Theatricals concerts or other entertainments

- 5 Read Letter from the Post Master General No 221-535, 118 and dated 30th Nov.

M. Ballinggan Esq delivery of letters, stating the circumstances have not changed materially since March 1916 to restore the evening delivery by postman in Ballinggan, and regrets that no action in the direction desired by the Comms can be taken at present

With regard to the despatch from Ballinggan at 10. am which it was necessary to suspend for a time owing to special difficulties was restored on the 28th ultimo.

The question of the evening delivery will be revisid when peace conditions are restored

- 6 Mr John Canning Gas Works Ballinggan

furnished his account for fitting and erecting 34 Public Lamps repairs etc at £12-1-0

The amount was ordered to be paid
He also reported for approval of the Commissioners that the W. I. services in columns of Town Lamps be all cleaned and treated with tar as there is many of them greatly worn
Ordered: Consideration Postponed

7 On the Motion of Mr C Graham
Seconded by Mr Gorman

It was resolved, to pay the Lamp lighter 18/- per week for lighting and extinguishing 34 lamps, and 10/- for lighting 5 lamps first week from 7th November
Total £3-4-0, And that a Paying Order for £1-16-0 be drawn for two weeks wages to pay to 19th December

8 Mr Thomas Cashell J.C. wrote to say that as he could not attend the meeting this evening, that Mr Gorman would move, the voice of Motion standing in his name re-Lamp at Hampton Street
Consideration Postponed to next meeting

9 Read Letter from the Secretary Gas Company dated 8th Nov stating in reply to Clerk's letter of 7th inst, that the Gas Company have no objection to the Town Commissioners lighting as many lamps as they like

10.

Read Circular from the L.G.B. No. 138/11/1918 and dated 2nd December 1918 relative to Housing Schemes which information should be compiled regarding the requirements of their district under the Housing of the Working Classes Acts, so as to be in a position to take in hand any works already sanctioned as soon as the restrictions on borrowing are removed and the necessary materials etc are available after the war.

With the view of expediting the carrying out of prospective buildings Schemes the Board will be prepared to render every assistance as to Plans Sites etc, in order that Schemes may be commenced with the least possible delay when the Authorities are made aware of the borrowing and other facilities.

Read

11

Mr M Brady Secretary St Patrick's Band Balbriggan Invents of Band Room wrote on behalf of his Committee requesting the Commissioners to do some repairs to the Band Room windows Gas Brackets etc, and pointing out that inspection was necessary.

Ordered: Referred to Mr Ellis & Clark to inspect and Report.

12

Mr Wm Collier County Surveyor wrote in reply to the Clerk, ^{letter} granting permission to open the Road at Murrin's Corner in Bridge Street Balbriggan to repair gas service provided the surface is restored to

to his satisfaction, Read,

- 13 Read Letter from the LGB dated 26th Nov No 39.385-1918, regarding the appeal lodged against the surcharges of 10/- and £1-4-0 made by the Auditor in respect of expenditure incurred in connection with the institution of a weekly market, and requesting that they may be furnished with a copy of the Bye-Laws adapted by the Commissioners with regard to markets

The Clerk stated he gave all particulars at his disposal. Approved

- 14 Read Letter from Mr Early dated 25 Nov drawing attention to his letters of 4th and 15th inst to which he was expecting a reply, re-supplemental loan. He expected now that the war is over that facilities will be afforded for the purpose of borrowing money to enable the Commissioners to proceed with the building operations.

The Clerk stated he informed Mr Early that he expected the mortgage deed for the Supplemental Loan of £186 - sanctioned by the LGB would be completed by the Bank's Solicitor by the 7th inst, and that Paying Orders for his and Messrs Horan & Deane's a/c would be issued at next Finance Meeting

15 Mr Arthur Williams Tenant of Shop No II wrote asking to have a new stove put in as the weather was very cold and damp.

No. Order was made

16 Read Letter from the Local Government Board Dated 2nd inst requesting to be furnished ~~informed~~ with particulars of the liabilities incurred by the Town Commissioners in respect of the repayment of Principal and interest on foot of moneys borrowed after 21st December 1918 under sanction of the Board for the purposes of the Housing of the Working Classes Act 1890- to 1908 in the financial year commencing 1st April last and ending on 31st March next.

Ordered:- Clerk to furnish full particulars as requested.

17 The Resolution to change the day and hour of Meeting from ^{1st} Monday to first Wednesday in each Month, and the hour from 7.30 P.M. to 6 O'clock P.M. was postponed pending the re-arrangement of the Train Service in the New Year

18 Correspondence was read from The L.G.B. and The Coal Controller regarding the fixing of Surf Maximum Prices, and requesting the Commissioners' observations thereon.

Ordered:- The Clerk to inform The

Controller, that as no Surf is used in this district the Commissioners consider it is not a matter for their interference

19

The Hon Secretaries National Union of Municipal Officers (Ireland) Messrs L & C London, B L & P J O'Hanlon, Town Hall Kingstown, wrote requesting to place before the Commissioners their circular on the subject of the greatly increased burden which their Officials in common with every section of the Community are compelled to bear owing to the abnormal economic conditions arising from the war

The points that the Union have had under consideration the various scales of war bonuses granted to Government Officials and to the Officers of other services within the last four years in order to adjust their rates of remuneration to the decreased value of money, and having regard to the Analagous character of the duties they are performing are of opinion, that a bonus equivalent to the awards made by the Committee on Production in the case of those persons engaged in employment should be granted to all municipal Officers, the award on bonus referred to is an advance of £1-3-6 per week on pre war Rates plus $12\frac{1}{2}\%$ calculated on their advance and on all present earnings

The Bonus to be in addition to all increases or service increments,

We therefore most respectfully request the Commissioners to apply the terms of this award to the members of the Official staff within its service or in the alternative to submit the matter to the Arbitration of the Commission on Production

We trust that the reasonableness of this application will be its best support as in advancing it we are merely asking that the employer should carry an equitable proportion of the burden of the war

Ordered:- The foregoing letter to be placed on Agenda for consideration at next Meeting.

The following letter was Read, and
Ordered:- To be inserted on Minutes

Hampton Street

Ballygar

16 Nov 18

Dear Sir

Kindly convey to the Ballygar Town Commissioners my heartfelt thanks and that of Mrs Henry and family for their kind vote of sympathy on the death of my beloved son and accept the same for your own personal expression

Yours Very Sincerely

B Henry

Wm Bannor Esq
Town Clerk

On the Motion of Mr Ellis
 Seconded by Mr Gorman
 The Clerk was granted the usual
 Annual War Bonus of £5.
 — five pounds

Finance

The following monies was collected and
 laid for month of November
 Receipt Book Folio (128)

Town Rates, Per B Henry £20. 0. 3

Balance in favour per Bank Books

The following Accounts were examined
 found correct and payment authorised
 Folio 129

Expenditure Book

235	Bank of Ireland	Instalment Town Hall Loan	£22-18-7
236	W Bannion IC	Quarters Salary	18-10-0
237	J Canning	Erecting 34 lamps & repairs	17-1-0
238	P Larkin	Lighting lamps to 5 Dec	2-6-0
239	P Larkin	" Do " 19 "	1-16-0
240	W Bannion	War Bonus	5-0-0
			<u>£54-11-7</u>

Jan 1st 1919, At the Monthly Meeting of the Town
Commissioners summoned for this eve
at 7-30 O'clock. ~~The~~ Chairman Mr. Addale
Graham JP was the only Commissioner
present and in the absence of a
quorum he adjourned the meeting
to Wednesday evening next 8th instant
at 7-30 O'clock P.M.

Addale Graham
8/1/19

January 8th 1919 - The Adjourned Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evening at 7:30 OC
Archdale Graham Esq J P Chairman Presided
Also Present

Messrs C Graham David A Ellis J M Cashell
John Larkin J C Reynolds Michael O'Rourke

Minutes of last Meeting were read and confirmed

Correspondence Read,

Letter from the Local Government Board dated 7th December No 55,135 requesting to be furnished with certified copies of all entries on the Minutes of Proceedings of the Commissioners since the 24th July last relating to the several matters mentioned in the Report of the Auditor on the Accounts of the Commissioners for the year ended 31st March last 1918

The Clerk stated he furnished all entries as requested to the L.G.B.

Read

Letter from same dated 9th Dec enclosing form for the purpose of furnishing the Board with particulars of the operations of the Commission under the Housing of the Working Classes Acts 1890 to 1908, up to the 31st March next

The Clerk stated he supplied the Board with the necessary information as requested

Read

Read Circular from the L.G.B No 61-878. Dated 23rd December 1918 relative to Housing Loans for Housing Public Health Acts etc, and

and stating they are now in conjunction with the Treasury prepared to consider Applications from Local Authorities for permission to raise Loans to enable them to put into operation Schemes of Public Utility such as Housing Water supply Sewerage Hospitals Gas and Electricity which are of urgent importance

It is necessary that particulars as to the Works proposed to be carried out, and to be paid for by loans, should be forwarded as early as possible

The Treasury wish however to point out the impossibility of providing any large sums for advance from Public Funds and that it will not be possible at present to consider Applications for loans from that source except in the case of smaller Authorities for very urgent services and then only to a very limited total amount, with this exception the loans should be raised locally by the Authorities concerned, except where the works ^{are} of pressing necessity the Board are required to refer the case for reason of Public Health to the Treasury before giving their sanction to the necessary loan

Ordered: Consideration Postponed

Read Letter from the Director of Crosschannel Transportation Dublin dated 17th Decembe with reference to The Surf Maximum Price (Ireland) Order 1918, re his letter of 25th ultimo requesting to be informed of the steps taken by the Commissioners to comply with the Order and to let him have particulars of any

standard prices arranged for his approval
 The Clerk stated he forwarded the Controller
 the decision arrived at by the Commissioners
 on the subject, namely:- That as no tax
 was used in the district, they considered
 it was not a question of the interference
 in the matter

Read Letter from the Local Government Board
 dated 6th January requesting to be furnished
 with particulars of the liabilities (Payments of
 Principal and Interest) incurred by the Town
 Commissioners for the current financial year
 for the Housing of the Working Classes Act 1908
 Information already forwarded by Clerk

Read Letter from Mr. Bayley Gaelic League,
 Organiser The Library Balbriggan, addressed
 to the Presiding Chairman with reference to a
 concert held in the Town Hall on Sunday
 5th January, pointing out that the seating
 accommodation at all times bad was rendered
 far worse on that night, by the loaning of
 40 chairs which was a gross injustice to
 the public, and a financial loss to them
 as they could not charge. the full tariff on
 one third of the audience were obliged to stand

He considered the management of the Hall
 was responsible, and that the interest of
 any individual be he rich or poor, should
 be catered for at the expense and discomfort
 of the public,

He asked the Commissioners to grant the League
 Compensation for the loss sustained which they

estimate at £4 - four pounds

The Clerk stated that Mr W^m Cumiskey JP hired 40 Chairs on Friday, and his man got instructions from the Cantaker to have them returned on the following day, but they were not returned. However Mr Gossan had the Chairs replaced by 30 from the Foresters and 4 from the Commercial Club.

On the motion of Mr Larkin's

Seconded by Mr Reynolds

Resolved:- That the Clerk write Mr Begley stating that from information at their disposal the Commissioners are satisfied the seating accommodation of the Hall with regard to the 40 Chairs referred to, was made good by the fact of a similar number of chairs etc being kindly lent by the Irish National Foresters and Commercial Club, and in the circumstances the Commissioners are of opinion they are not liable in the matter of compensation,

Ordered:- Mr Cumiskey to be charged 2/- per dozen for each day the chairs were away from the Hall,

Mr Bartle McCabe Secretary of the Commercial Club Ball wrote, complaining about the state of the Hall on the evening of their Ball on 1st Jan. The knob was off the ~~door~~ ^{front} door, and the 3 ceiling lights were showing very bad light.

The Floor particularly, the Communion and Dressing Rooms showed no signs of being washed for a considerable time, and his Committee felt pained at being obliged

to entertain their guests in rooms anything but clean, one quarter the floor space of the Hall was occupied by empty Ballot Boxes, which shortly before the dance were bundled into the entrance Hall with broken chairs which blocked all means of exit or entering at this point,

At the conclusion of the dance no representative of the Commissioners could be found to take over possession,

There were numerous other complaints but he hoped those brought to their notice would suffice to have all other defects removed

The Clerk stated the Polling accounted for a good deal of the matters complained of as there was not much time left between to have everything made right, However the door handle which was being repaired, and the Lamps and Boxes were all put in order two hours before any dancing started
Ordered:—

That in future all persons hiring the Hall shall be required to have it cleaned and handed over to the Caretaker in the same order as received, The whole Hall to be washed out immediately by the Caretaker, and Gallery Entrance cleared

It was also decided that the New Town Hall Committee should meet as soon as possible with the view of having the Hall coloured and other defects removed and as many as possible of the ^{broken} chairs repaired

Messrs John Larkin & Sons Auctioneers Ballinacorney
 have notified the Commissioners of the result
 of the letting of the Plots at Skerries Street Ballinacorney
 as per instructions, namely:-

Plot 1 & 2, Mrs Bannion @ £1-15-0 to 1st Dec 1919
 " No 3, Mr John Kangley @ 33-10-0 to - - -
 (according to conditions of sale)

Mr Cashell Moved:- The following Motion
 which was adjourned from last meeting
 " That a Gas Lamp be erected at top of
 Pump Lane on Market Green Ballinacorney
 at the very earliest moment.

Mr Larkin Seconded, Passed Unanimously
 The matter was left to Mr Cashell and the Lighting
 Committee re- Site.

The Clerk having read the Deed of Mortgage
 prepared by the Solicitor to the Northern Banking
 Co Ltd, for the Supplemental Loan of £186-
 to pay the outstanding liabilities in connection
 with the Town of Ballinacorney Over 1915

Mr Gormas Proposed

And Mr Larkin Seconded

Resolved:-

"That the Mortgage Deed as read be signed
 and the Seal of the Commissioners affixed
 thereto and that Messrs Earley & Moran
 & Devenis Taxed Costs, amounting to £142-9-2
 & £16-16-0 respectively be paid, also the £7-5-7
 advanced by the Town Commissioners out of
 revenue, and £2-7-0 Costs for Mortgage and

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Sites Committee
meeting to select
sites

On the Motion of the Chairman
 Seconded by Mr Gorman
 The following resolution was unanimously
 Passed in silence

Resolved:- "That we the Town Council
 of Balbriggan have learned with regret of
 the death (In France) of Lieutenant R.T. Quinn's
 only son of Mr & Mrs Quinn's Post Office
 Balbriggan and we hereby tender to
 them our sincere and deepest sympathy
 in their sorrow,

The Circular from the National Union of
 Municipal Officers (Ireland) relative to
 the granting of a war bonus to Officials of
 £1-3-6 per week on pre war rates plus $12\frac{1}{2}\%$
 per cent calculated on this advance and on
 all present earnings, the bonus to be in
 addition to all increases or service in-
 -crements, was again postponed to an adjourned
 meeting on 15th inst at 7.30 O'clock, at which
 The Finance Book would also be examined
 and signed,

The Chairman mentioned that he was
 of opinion none of their Officials came
 under the Committee on Production Award
 referred to in this application. The Clerk
 was not a whole time Officer, besides there
 was no money available for the advance named

The meeting accordingly adjourned to Wednesday
 evening 15th inst at 7.30 OC The Clerk to
 notify each member of the business to be
 transacted

Archdale Graham
 28/3/19

Jan 15th 1919 The adjourned Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock

Archdale Graham Esq JP Chairman President
Also Present

Messrs C Graham David A Ellis
Richard S Gorman Thomas M Cashell John Larkin
John C Reynolds & Michael O'Rourke

The Clerk produced and read from the Financial Book (Folio 129)

The following receipts from month of December

Town Rate, Per Mr B Hurry	£ 31. 2. 4
Rents, Town Estate	17. 9. 6
Town Hall, Lettings	15. 12. 6
Total	£ 64. 4. 4

Balance to credit per Bank Books £

The following Accounts were examined found correct and payment authorised by the following:

Archdale Graham John Larkin & Thomas Cashell	
241 Thomas Early Sol	Legal Expenses to Scheme £ 142. 9. 2
242 Horan & Keown Sol	Imp. do. to do 16. 16. 0
243 F & K W White Sol	Preparing supplemental mortgages 2. 7. 0
244 Town Commissioners	Refund advanced from Rev 7. 5. 7
245 Stephens & Co	Fire Policy Premium Town Hall 3. 12. 11
246 Patrick Larkin	Lighting Lamps to Jan 16 th 3. 12. 0
247 Patrick Larkin	- do - Feb 6 th 2. 14. 0
248 Wm Barron TC	Petty Cash of £2- in ad) 4. 6. 0
249 Welbeck Light Co	Monthly Public Lighting & J.H. 4. 8. 8
Total	£ 184. 11. 4

When the Circular, re-Officials War Bonus was being considered, The Clerk read a letter, taking exception to the Chairman's

remark at the monthly meeting, that he is not a whole time official, He pointed out that there is hardly a ^{day} in the year he is not required in the office letting the Hall etc, and the correspondence he has to deal with at times is anything but ordinary, not to mention responsibility.

He would like the question defined by the Commissioners in order that he might be at liberty to take on an additional Clerkship otherwise he would kindly ask them to take into consideration the Union Claim by allowing him fair remuneration for his work, or refer the matter to arbitration of the Committee on Production as suggested by the Union.

He also pointed out with regard to the Chairman's other remark, "That there was no money available from which to pay any increase to officials, which may or may not be true, that this was no fault of his (the Clerk) as when the Estimates for the past (2 years) were put forward, he had made provision for the repayments of the instalments & interest on mortgage loan to Bank for Building sites which would roughly be £4- in the £ — for each year (this was not done) only 2^d additional was put on last year, hence the depletion of funds, which would have been much worse were it not for his energy in pushing the Town Hall letting for which he receives the paltry sum of £5 — instead of 10% on all rents.

collected and lodged,

The Circular having then been considered and the Chairman having gone into the matter from a financial point of view
 Moved:— That ^{as} the Circular re-granting of this War Bonus did not apply to the Commissioners Officials, It be not further entertained,

This proposition found no recorder
 And,

Mr Martin Moved, and Mr Reynolds Seconded
 "That the full award mentioned £1.3.6 per week and 12½% per cent on all past and present earnings be granted to the Clerks,

The Chairman suggested that the motion be not pressed, and that the whole question be gone into and finally dealt with at next Monthly Meeting
 Carried

Archdale Graham

28/3/19

1919
January 23rd

The Annual Statutory Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evg at 7.30 O'c
Archdale Graham Esq J.P. Presiding

Also Present,

Messrs C Graham David A Ellis
R.S Gorman Thomas M Cashell & John Larkin

Election of Chairman

On the Motion of Mr Gorman
Seconded by Mr Larkin
Mr Archdale Graham Esq. the outgoing
Chairman was unanimously re-elected
for the 10th time.

Committees

On the Motion of Mr C Graham
Seconded by Mr Larkin
The whole Council were appointed on the
Housing - Town Hall - & Finance Committees
three to form a Quorum on each Committee
And Messrs Gorman and Ellis with the
Chairman were re-elected the Lighting
Committee, the Chairman to be Chairman of all
Committees.

Archdale Graham Esq

28/3/19

1919
 February 5th The Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners to be held this evg at 7.30 O'clock was adjourned to the 12th inst for want of a quorum
 Messrs Abraham J.P. John Larkin and R. S. Gorman being the only Commers present at 8 O'clock

February 12th At the Adjourned Monthly Meeting this evg the only Commissioner present was the Chairman Mr Archdale Graham J.P. and he instructed the Clerk to call no further meeting until the usual Monthly Meeting 5th March.

March 5th The Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners to be held this evening at 7.30. O'clock, had to be adjourned to 12th inst for want of a quorum,

Messrs M O'Rourke, C Graham John Larkin and John C Reynolds were the only Commissioners present at 8 O'clock
 The Chairman was also in attendance but left before the time above named

March 12th The only Commissioners in Attendance at the adjourned monthly meeting this evg were Messrs A Graham J.P. John Larkin and John C Reynolds, As a quorum was not present the meeting was adjourned to 19th inst,

March 19th Meeting had to be adjourned again to this evening week 26th inst for want of a quorum,

Messrs The Chairman, John Larkin John C Reynolds and Michael O'Rourke being the only Commissioners in attendance

March 26th The adjourned Monthly Meeting summoned for this evening at 7.30 oc was again postponed to Friday evg next 28th inst at 7.30 for want of a quorum

Messrs A Graham JP Chairman John Larkin & J C Reynolds being the only Commissioners present

And. Dale Graham
28/3/19

March 28th The Adjourned Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock.
 Archdale Graham Esq JP Chairman Presiding
 Also Present,

Messrs John Larkin Michael O'Rourke
 John C Reynolds Richard S Gorman Thos M Casbell
 and Charles Graham

Minutes of last Monthly and special Meetings were read and confirmed

Read Final application for 18/- Income Tax due under Sched. D, Town Hall to 1st Jan 1919
Ordered:- To be Paid

Read application from the Pro Manager Northern Bank Balbriggan requesting Paying Order on Housing Loan Account No 2, for £186— which will be lodged to credit of Housing Account.

Ordered:- To be Paid

Re- Town of Balbriggan Order 1915

Read Letter from Thomas Early Esq Solicitor dated 18th January acknowledging receipt of Paying Order in his favour for £142.9.2 being amount of his taxed costs in connection with above, also Paying Order for £16.16.0 in favour of Messrs Moran and Devine being amount of their costs as agreed in connection with the proof of title and execution of conveyance of Plots on Kernan Estate which he has forwarded to them Read

Read Letter from the Local Government Board No. 151.698, dated 22nd January 1919, stating the Board had under consideration the appeals to them from the persons aggrieved against the surcharges of 10/- £1-4-0 £2-16-0, and £1-13-6, and the charges of £1-10-0, and £2-10-0, made by the Auditor at the audit of the accounts of the Balbriggan Town Commissioners for the year ended the 31st March 1918

The Board have enquired into the lawfulness of the reasons stated by the Auditor for making the surcharges and charges in question and have found that the surcharges were lawfully made, but that the subject matters thereof were incurred in such circumstances as to make remission fair and equitable and they have made Orders accordingly, copies of which are enclosed for the information of the applicants and of the Town Commissioners.

The vouchers forwarded with the appeals regarding the charges of £1-10-0 and £2-10-0 and the surcharges £2-16-0 and £1-13-6 are returned herewith.

Read Letter from same with reference to the appeals lodged against the surcharges of £2- and £5- , made by the Auditor at the audit of the accounts for same period and enclosing for the information of the applicants and the Town Commissioners copies of the Order made by the Board sustaining the surcharges in both cases.

The documents forwarded with your letter of the 28th Oct last regarding the surcharge of

of £2 — are returned herewith

The Clerk also read correspondence from the Auditor enquiring if the Surcharges were lodged otherwise legal proceedings would be taken against the parties surcharged

The £2 — surcharge was lodged in February but as no meeting was held since he received the Orders made by the Board he kept back the lodgement of the £5 — till 26th March when he lodged it, and forwarded the Bank receipt to Messrs J & M Loughlin Solicitors 18719 College Green Dublin, from whom he also had a letter on the subject on 24th inst.

Read & noted

Re-ways And Communication Bill

In response to an invitation from the Hon Secretary Joint Councils of Industrial Development Association 9 Dawson Street Dublin dated 22nd March

Messrs C Graham & John C Reynolds were appointed to attend the all Ireland Meeting to be held in the Mansion House Dublin at 12 O'clock noon on Thursday 3rd April next for the purpose of taking National action with a view of safeguarding the economic interest of Ireland as affected by the Bill

An invitation from the Dublin Citizens Association was also read, inviting 3 Delegates to attend the proposed meeting at 9 Dawson St Dublin on Tuesday 8th April next at 12 O'clock noon for the purpose of exchanging views on the

questions involved in contemplation of
 conjoint action being taken to obtain
 amending legislation on such lines as
 may be deemed advisable regarding the
 contributing Bodies to Richmond Asylum
 and Dublin Union

No Action was Taken

The following was read and Ordered to be
 inserted in Minutes.

Post Office
 Balbriggan

11.1.19

Wm Shannon Esq
 Town Hall

Balbriggan

Dear Sir

In reply to your letter conveying the
 resolution of sympathy from the Balbriggan
 Town Commissioners on the death of my dear Son

will you kindly convey to them the sincere
 thanks of Mrs Dennis and myself for their
 very kind expression of sympathy with us
 in our great sorrow

Believe me

yours Faithfully

Richard Dennis

James Byrne 42 Westland Row Dublin wrote
 dated the 18th January 1919 with reference
 to the lighting of the Town by Electricity, stating
 that he would be glad to offer the Commissioners
 his services or in forming an independent
 Company to light the Town Read

Read Circular from the Local Government Board dated 27th January with regard to the Trades Board Act 1909-to-1918, enclosing copy of the New Order made in connection with the Tailoring Trade under Sec. 4, of the Trades Board Act 1918, which stated the new minimum rate became effective from 2nd Dec 1918.

Viz:— For Female Workers whether home workers or not, per hour 4^½
 " For Male workers — do per hour 8^d

Read

The National Union of Municipal Officers Circular asking to have the Commissioners Officers War Bonus increased to 23/6 per week, plus 12^½% on all earnings as passed by the Committee on Production which was discussed at last Meeting and Ordered to be placed on the Agenda for consideration at this Meeting was again discussed

As was also the Local Government Boards circular letter on same subject dated 20th Feb authorizing payment of a Bonus in accordance with the Civil Service Scale of Bonuses, to all full time Officers,

Notice of this Circular sent to each Commissioner Mr Larkin's. Moved:— That as each one of the Commissioners was duly notified of this matter being considered this evening, and as the Clerk is the only officer who comes within the terms of the Circulars referred to,

He moved:— That his war Bonus be increased from 2/6 to 23/6 per week as from the 1st Nov last in accordance with the Civil Service Scale of Bonuses authorised by the L.G.B's Circular letter

dated 20th February last,

The Chairman ruled against Mr Larkins Motion being discussed without due notice being given to each member, It was then accepted by the Chairman as a notice of Motion to be considered at next meeting on 2nd inst, Copy of same to be sent to each member with the agenda two clear days before the meeting

The Clerk read from the Receipt and Expenditure Book Folio 130, the following monies lodged since last meeting,

January,

" Town Hall	£ 31. 7. 6
" Rents	1. 0. 0
" Rates	16. 16. 10
" Refund from the loan	7. 5. 7
	<u>£ 56. 9. 11</u>

February. (Folio 131)

" Town Hall	19. 0. 0
" Rates	14. 17. 2
" Surcharge	2. 0. 0
	<u>£ 35. 17. 2</u>

Balance in favour per Bank Book £ 67. 3. 6

The following Accounts were examined found correct and Payment authorised by Messrs Graham & Graham & John Larkins (Folio 132)

Town Hall Coal	£ 1. 16. 0
Income Tax	18. 0
Salaries	22. 14. 0
Transfer of loan to Housing dep	186. 0. 0
Lamp lighters	6. 9. 6
	<u>£ 214. 17. 6</u>

Ardale Graham
2/4/19

April 2nd The Monthly Meeting of The Town Commissioners
was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock.

Archdale Graham Esq of Chairman Presiding
Also Present

Messrs Thomas M Cashell John Larkin
Michael O'Rourke John C Reynolds & Charles Graham

Minutes of last Meeting were read & confirmed

In pursuance of Notice handed in at last
Meeting.

Mr Larkin Moved:— That the Clerk's wage
Bonus be increased from 2/- to 23/- per week
as from the 1st November last in accordance
with the Civil Service Scale of Bonuses authorized
by the Local Government Board Circular letter
dated 20th February 1919

Mr Reynolds Seconded,

Mr Gorman Proposed 10/- per week as an
amendment; but on the suggestion of
Mr Charles Graham, Messrs Larkin
and Gorman withdrew their propositions

And on the Motion of Mr Charles Graham
Seconded by Mr Gorman

The following resolution was unanimously
passed.

Resolved:— That our Secretary Mr W Bannan
be granted an additional Wage Bonus
of 12/- twelve shillings per week as from
1st November 1918,

Proposed by Mr O'Rourke

Seconded by Mr Reynolds

(over)

That Mr Gorman and the Clerk be empowered to have the broken Hall Chairs examined by Mr John Dowling, and have as many of them repaired as possible by him

Proposed by Mr Gorman

Seconded by Mr O'Rourke

Resolved:—

"That the Public Lamps cease to be lighted from this date for the present season, and the Lamp Stands and Burners be taken down

An ac from Mr John Canning for repairs to Public Lamps etc at £3: 7: 0
and to Town Hall Lamps @ 1: 13: 0
£5: 0: 0

was postponed till next meeting for some information regarding the Town Hall Lamps which are still out of repair

Mr B Hurry Rate Collector wrote submitting his final account for year ended 31 March 1919. He applied for a war Bonus of £5— for same period

Proposed by Mr Gorman

Seconded by Mr O'Rourke

Resolved:—

"That having examined the Rate Collectors Account of Rate Struck on 1st May 1918

Amounting to

£212: 13: 3

Including 11/- arrears from previous year —
from which it appears the following has been accounted for. (Forward

Estimate of Receipts & Expenditure 1920
 The Clerk having submitted his Estimate of
 the Probable Receipts and Expenditure for the
 year ended 31st March 1920

The following Resolution was adopted
 on the Motion of Mr P S Gorman
 Seconded by Mr Charles Graham
 Resolved:—

'That the Clerk's Estimate for service of the
 year's Finances ending 31st March 1920
 be approved; And that the usual Notice
 be given of our intention at a Special
 Meeting to be held on the 16th day of
 April to make a Rate of One Shilling in
 the £— on Buildings and three pence
 in the £— on all Land within the limits
 of the Town of Ballygan in pursuance
 of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854

Finance

The Clerk read from the Receipt & Expenditure
 Book the following amounts received & paid
 since last Month (Folio 132)

Town Hall	£ 13. 14. 6
Rents, Stall Rooms	9. 17. 6
Fines, Petty Sessions Court	1. 3
Surcharge, Messrs Graham & Co. 5. 0. 0	
Rates, Final Payment	3. 2. 5

Total £ 31. 18. 8

To credit at 31st March per Bank Book £ 70. 8. 8

1919

April 2nd The following Accounts were examined found correct and Ordered To be Paid (Folio, 132.)

£ : S : D

The Northern Bank Ballinagar, Instalment
" and Interest Housing Loan ac No 1 £ 28 : 11 : 3

The Northern Bank Ballinagar, Instalment
" and Interest Housing Loan ac No 2 } 10 : 3 : 9

Bernard Hurry, Poundage Collection of Rates 21 : 4 : 7
- do - War Bonus 5 : 0 : 0

W^m Cannon R. Annual Bonus, Town Hall
- and other Lettings to 31 March 5 : 0 : 0

W^m Cannon R. War Bonus from 1st Nov 14 : 14 : 0

Total £ 84 : 13 : 7

April 16 The Special Meeting to be held this eve at 7.30 O'clock was adjourned to 16th inst at same hour for want of a Quorum Messrs The Chairman, Charles Graham and Thomas McCashell being the only Commissioners present at 8 o'clock

Archdale Graham

23/4/19

April 23rd, At the Adjourned Special Meeting of the
Town Commissioners held this evg at 7.30 OC
Mr Archdale Graham JP Chairman Presiding
Also Present
Messrs. R.S. Gorman M O'Rourke & Larkin
Thos M Cashell & J C Reynolds.

Minutes of last Meeting were read & confirmed

And on the Motion of Mr R.S. Gorman
Seconded by Mr M O'Rourke
It was resolved:-

To Make a Rate of One Shilling in the £
on Buildings, and Three pence in the £
on Land within the limits of the Town
of Ballinagar under the Towns Improvement
(Ireland) Act 1854, for service of the year ending
31st March 1920.

The said Rate to become due and payable
in one Month from this date 23 April 1919

The Rate Book and Collectors warrant amounting
to £211-6-4½ including 5/8½ arrears were then
duly sealed and signed in accordance with Statute

May 7th As there was no member of the Town Commrs
attended the Monthly meeting to be held this
evening at 7.30 O'clock, The Clerk adjourned
same to this evening week 14th inst at 7.30 O'clock

David A. Ellis
13th May 1919

May 14th The Adjourned Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evg at 7.30 O'clock

D A Ellis Esq, J C Prudling

Also Present

Messrs John Larkin Thos M Cashell
Richard S Gorman and Charles Graham

Minutes of last Meeting were read & confirmed

Read Letter from the Surveyor of Taxes dated 3rd May with reference to Schedule D, requesting to be furnished with a certified Copy of the Accounts of the Town Commissioners and reports for the last Financial year, with the view of facilitating the correct assessment by the special Commissioners of Rates of the profits for that period

Ordered:- To be forwarded

Read Circular from the L.G.B dated 4th April 1918 requesting to be furnished with a statement showing the number of Comm^{rs} for the Town of Ballinagar and if the Town is divided into wards the names of the wards and the number of Comm^{rs} elected for each ward

Note:- Already replied to by Clerk

Read Letter dated 4th April from J H McLaughlin Esq Solicitor College Green Dublin returning Northern Banking Co receipt for £5 - lodged by the Clerk in connection with Summons against Messrs A Graham J M Cashell & M O'Rourke

noted

Read Letter from Post Master General dated 11th April relative to letter of 3rd inst on the subject of the evg letter Post delivery in Ballinacorney which would have attention.

Read

Read Letter from the Local Government Board dated 11th April forwarding for the information of the Town Commissioners a Sealed Copy of the Boards Order made in pursuance of Sub Sections (2) and (3) of Section 5. of the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Act 1908 showing that the Town Commissioners was liable to pay or set apart a sum of £57.14.10 in the financial year ended 31st March in respect of an amount of £400 borrowed by them after the passing of the Act for the purposes of the Housing of the Working Classes Acts 1890 to 1908

Read

Read Letter from the L.G.B dated 5 May inclining for the information of the Commissioners a Memorandum for the guidance of Local Authorities with respect to the Selection of Sites and the accommodation to be provided in houses erected under State aided Schemes

Postponed

Read Letter from same dated 6th May stating with further reference to their letter of 11th inst informing the Commissioners that a sum of £6.275.12.3 standing to credit of Housing Funds on 31st March last is available for distribution

in respect of £56,058.13.9 The total liabilities of Local Authorities under the Section referred to the proportionate amount of the fund payable to the Balbriggan Town Commissioners in respect of the liabilities incurred by them is therefore £6.9.3 to be paid to the Treasurer of the Local Authority,

A Paying Order for the Amount was enclosed and was signed for lodgment.

Read

On the Motion of Mr Ellis

Seconded by Mr Cashell

A hearty vote of congratulation was accorded to Mr Charles Graham K. and Mrs Graham on their recent marriage, and wishing them many years of health and happiness

Read Circular from the L.G.B. dated 7th May with reference to Loans, stating that it will be no longer ^{be} necessary for Local Authorities to obtain the sanction of the Treasury for capital expenditure and that Loans sanctioned prior to 28 February 1915 do not now require any further sanction to enable them to raise the Loans,

Loans should only be advanced from the Local Loans Fund to authorities with a Rateable Value not exceeding £200,000 -

Read

Mr Gorman and the Clerk Reported that as requested they examined the Town Hall Chairs with John Dowling

May 14th Carpenter, There is 96 badly broken and about 41 partially damaged. They made a contract with Dowling to repair good and bad @ 1/6 each, and Ordered Spare Parts from Messrs Martin North Wall Dublin for 5 dozen chairs. They recommended that all the chairs be washed and then varnished or oiled, and that at least 100 be battened together in lots of say 4 or 5 each which in their opinion would prevent breakages at back end of Hall

Approved

The following Accounts were paid for Payment
 Folio Receipt & Expenditure Books. 133

Order no 204, Cashier Bank of Ireland Instalment Down Hall Loan	£22.12.0
" " 265 J Canning repairs to Down Hall & Public Lamps	5.0.0
	£27.12.0

June 4th The Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners to be held this evening was adjourned to Wednesday next 11th inst owing to the absence of a quorum

Messrs Abraham C Graham and Dr Ellis being the only Commissioners in attendance

Abraham Graham
 11/6/19

June 11th The Adjourned Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this Wednesday evening at 7.30 o'clock

Archdale Graham Esq JP In the Chair
Also Present,

Messrs. John Larkin R.S. Gorman
David & Ellis Thos M Cashell & Chas Graham

Minutes of last Meeting were read & confirmed

Read Letter from E.P. McCarron Esq B.L. dated 26th May requesting the Commissioners to have a Paying Order drawn for £1-1-4 in favour of Mr J.H. McLaughlin Solicitor and forwarded to him being for legal expenses incurred in connection with surcharges, self Graham Cashell & O'Rourke

Drawn: 90 1/4 Paid

An account for £10-11-2 from J.C. Martin North Wall Dublin being for chair legs etc, was, *Postponed*

J.B. Thornley Esq Surveyor of Taxes Dublin wrote dated 14th May enclosing Computation of Assessment of the liability for the year 1919-20, namely 5/- Five Shillings.

He wished to know if the Commissioners approved of same

Approved

Read letter from the L.G.B. dated 30th May enclosing forms to be filled up re. Local Taxation for presentation to Parliament for financial year ended 31st March last
Information already furnished by Clerk

Mr Thomas Churchill Secretary Sailors and Soldiers Federation Ballinacorney applied for use of the Band Room for the purpose of holding weekly Meetings at a nominal rent, at such time as would not clash with the other meetings held in the rooms at present, Thursdays preferred if possible

On the Motion of Mr Gorman

Seconded by Mr Larkin

The application was unanimously granted at 1/- one Shilling for meetings to be held on Thursday evenings each week,

Ordered:— The Clerk to notify Mr M Brady Secretary Transport Workers Union that he will require to make application for a tenancy of the Band Room to hold his Meetings in future, also the night he requires it for meetings in the week as it has been let to the Sailors and Soldiers Federation for Thursday evenings every week

On the Motion of Mr Gorman

Seconded by Mr Ellis, and

Resolved:— That we request our Chairman to interview Mr Early Solicitor for his advice regarding the Housing Scheme, and find out from him our position re the Down of Ballinacorney Order 1915, as houses are urgently needed in Ballinacorney at present.

On the Motion of Mr C Graham
 Seconded by Mr Thomas M Cashell
 Resolved:-

That the Chairman and Clerk be authorised to look into the question of having the Harbour dredged, and to make enquiry if the Department of Agriculture have any money available for improving small harbours in fishing centres in Ireland, or if it is possible to obtain a grant towards the improvement of Ballinacorney Harbour before the Spring Season commences.

Mr C Graham Proposed, and
 Mr Larkin Seconded, and it
 was Passed,

That the Clerk be instructed to convey the Commissioners best wishes to the Lamplighter Patrick Larkin on the occasion of his recent marriage, and to mark their appreciation of his long connection with the Commissioners, to send him a cheque for £2-7-6 subscribed by the following members.

Mr C Graham	10.0
" J C Reynolds	7-6
" J Larkin	5.0
" Thos M Cashell	5.0
" M O'Rourke	5.0
" W Barron	5.0
" A Graham	5.0
" R S Gorman	2.6
" D A Ellis	2.6

Total £ 2-7-6

The Clerk read from the Receipt and Expenditure Book Folio 124 the following monies collected and laid since last month.

Town Hall

Colin Shaw. work	£ 7. 0. 0
Balluffan Cinnisafu night	10. 0
Arthur Williams "	2. 0. 0
Nicholas Smyth 2 nights	3. 0. 0
W. H. Sobell work	7. 0. 0
	<hr/>
	£ 19. 10. 0
L.G.B. Grant Housing Loan	6. 9. 3
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	Total £ 25. 19. 3

Balance against per Bank Books £ 18. 11. 8

A discussion took place regarding the washing varnishing oiling etc of the Town Hall Chairs, and resulted in the matter being left to Messrs Gorman Ellis and Clark to have the work carried out to their own taste and as cheaply as possible,

Archdale Graham
2/7/19

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July 2nd

The Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evening at 7-30 O'Clock

Archdale Graham Esq J.P. In the Chair
Also Present.

Messrs - G. Graham David A. Ellis
Richard. S. Gorman and John Larkin

Minutes of last Meeting were read & Confirmed

Mr. M. Brady Secretary Irish Transport and General Workers Union Balbriggan, wrote making application for the use of Band as requested. He mentioned that the Band had granted him permission to use the room previously on Sundays Monday Wednesday and Friday evenings at a fixed rent to be paid quarterly.

These nights would not clash with the Band practice nights, Tuesdays & Thursdays

Should it be necessary to make further application to the Commissioners for use of the Room for same days as mentioned he will do so from this date 2nd July 1919

Ordered:- That Mr Brady's application for leave to use the Room be granted at 1/- one Shilling per night weekly, provided his meeting nights does not clash with the Band practice nights - Tuesdays and Thursdays, and the Sailors and Soldiers Federation now changed to Friday evenings, except by arrangement, further that Mr Brady inform the Clerk by letter how many evenings weekly he requires the Room

by next meeting.

Mr C. McCann Secretary of the Band who came before the meeting was informed the Band have no authority to sub-let this room, as they only have it for two nights weekly

Re-Letter Post Delivery

Read Letter from the Post-Master General acknowledging receipt of the Clerk's further letter of 17th June relative to the evening letter Post Delivery in Balbriggan, and stating that a reply to the Memorial will be sent as soon as the necessary enquiries are completed

Marked, Read & noted

Re-Balbriggan Harbour

Read Letter dated 23rd June from the Secretary Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction Ireland acknowledging receipt of the Clerk's letter of 19th inst relative to the carrying out of improvement works at Balbriggan Harbour out of money provided by the Re-Construction Committee, and stating for the information of the Town Commissioners that the Dublin Port and Docks Board are the Harbour Authority and that the Department have already been in communication with that body on the subject

Read

Read Circular from the Local Government Board dated 14th June No 28.729 undering 3 Copies of a Memorandum which the Board have prepared explaining the proposals of the Government for assisting Public Utility Societies which promote Housing Schemes in Urban Areas under the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Bill, and suggesting that facilities may be given at the Commissioners Offices for perusal of the documents by any one desiring to see them,

A further communication will be addressed to the Commissioners respecting their functions with regard to a Public Utility Society, when the Irish Housing Bill at present before Parliament passes into Law.

Read

Read Circular Letter from the L.G.B. No 101.17-1519 dated 12th June regarding the Local Govt (Ireland) Act 1919 which received the Royal Assent on 3rd inst, and drawing particular attention to Section 6, regarding postponement of elections etc, and stating that a further circular would be issued at a later date when the Act is printed.

Ordered

Mr Patrick Larkin's Bill for balance of his account £1 — one pound was
Ordered:— To Be Paid

Ordered:— That Patrick Larkin be employed to colour the stage walls at 10/- for his

labour the Commissioner to supply the Colouning, and that he be paid 2/6 to cement the Gate Pier of Site I & II The Clerk to have a lock put on the Gate.

The Clerk reported that John Dowling has finished repairing the Down Hall Chairs, the total number he has completed is 141. @ 1/6 each Total £ 12-16-6

Mr Ellis engaged him to do some repairs to the window sash and window board at entrance to Club and Band rooms this work is not finished,

I recommend that he be also engaged to repair the two Dressing Room Tables as he has some V Shuttering that will suit the purpose, The Tables are useless at present and cause great inconvenience to those for whom they were originally intended to serve

The Large Table in Communion Room requires Castors

Approved

Ordered: That Dowling be paid for repairing Chairs £ 12-16-6,

Total number of Chairs in Hall 314

Mr John Canning tendered to keep all Lamps in Down Hall in repair for one year at £ 6-10-0 six pounds ten Shillings

Accepted

Proposed New Lamp At Fair Green

Mr Gorman mentioned that he measured the distance from Hampton Street, Gas Main to where it was proposed to erect the New Lamp at Fair Green for the accommodation of the 6 Labourers Cottages and it will take about 150 yards of piping, He suggested that the Clerk be directed to write the Gas Company asking them what the piping and laying it would cost and what amount they would give toward the work.

He should also write to Baxendale for an estimate of the piping, and to the Weisbach Light Company for the cost of a Pillar

Approved

The Chairman Mr A Graham J.P. stated that he interviewed Mr Early regarding the Housing Scheme, and he ^{was} informed nothing could be done further until the Bill becomes Law.

Finance

The following Lodgments were made for Month Folio — Receipt Book.

Town Hall	Dance June 6 th	£ 5. 5. 0
Williams		2. 0. 0
Discharged Soldiers & Sailors, Committee Meeting		1. 5. 0
Walter McHally	3 nights	4. 0. 0
Eddie Mack	work to June 29 th	7. 0. 0
John Larkin	auction June 21 st	1. 0. 0
	Forward	£ 14. 5. 0

Receipts. Town Hall	£ 5 0
" Forward	14 5 0
Rents, Mrs Council	16 0
Dog Tax, Registrar Petty Session Clarks	4 13 1
Total	£ 19 14 1
Balance in favour per Bank Book	£ 1 2 5

The following Accounts were Submitted
examined and passed for payment

Pay order No 266	P. Hartin	Lighting Lamps etc	£ 1 0 0
267	Welsbach Light Co	Wanted Public Lighting & etc	4 0 8
268	Drogheda Indept	Printing & Advtg	2 6 0
269	Dollard's Lid	Stationery Ink etc	1 17 0
270	Wm Bamorn	Quarters Salary Bonus	22 12 0
271	J V C Martin	Chair Parts	10 9 2
272	John Dowling	Repairing Chairs	12 16 6
273	J H McLaughlin	Law Expenses Surcharges	1 1 4
274	Joseph Stoney	Glass Public Lamps	2 15 8
		Total	£ 58 18 4

Ardale Graham
10/9/19

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Aug 6th

The only Commissioner in attendance was Mr Graham J.P. Chairman, at the Monthly Meeting summoned for this evening at 7.30 o'clock, and for want of a quorum he declared the Meeting adjourned to Sept 3rd at same hour.

Aug 22nd

A Special Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock. The following Members being Present.

Messrs.

Archdale Graham J.P. (Chairman)
John Sarkis C. Graham David A. Ellis
and Richard S. Gorman

The Special business to be dealt with was the following letter drafted by Mr. Early Solicitor which he recommended the Commissioners should forward to the Local Government Board

(Copy)

To The Secretary

Local Government Board

Dublin

Re - Town of Ballyegan Order 1915

Sir,

I am directed by the Town Commissioners of Ballyegan to call your attention to the Town of Ballyegan Order 1915 which authorises the acquisition of three sites in the Town of Ballyegan, containing respectively:- 2 acres 2 rods 19 1/2 perches

Aug 22nd

~~Sept 2nd~~ 2 Rds $1\frac{1}{2}$ perches, and $18\frac{1}{2}$ perches

These Sites were duly acquired and are now in the possession of the Commrs

The building of the houses was not proceeded with owing to the war, and the Commissioners would be glad to know what steps they should now take with a view of building on these sites and of obtaining the benefits of the proposed state aid for Housing Schemes

Those present unannously approved of the letters being forwarded by the Clerk immediately to the local Government Board,

Sept 3rd The Monthly Meeting was not held this w^g for want of a quorum
The only Commissioners present were, - Messrs Abraham JP (Chairman), David A Ellis & R S Gorman, and the Meeting was adjourned to this w^g week at 7.30 O'clock

Abe de Graham
10/9/19

Sept 10th The adjourned Monthly Meeting of the Towns Commissioners was held this evg at 7.30 O'clock

Present In The Chair, Archdale Graham Esq JP
Other Members were,

Messrs. Richard S Gorman, Det Ellis
Thomas M. Cashell and John Larkin

Minutes of last Meeting were read and confirmed

Housing Scheme

The following correspondence was read.

Letter from Pembroke Urban Council, Dated 28th July, enclosing copy of a resolution passed by them on 21st July relative to the Government subsidy of 25/- and 24/6 in special cases for each 20/- of rent collected, which in their opinion is wholly inadequate, and recommending the Financial conditions laid down in the English and Scotch Bill, limiting the liability of local authorities to 10/- in the £ should be extended to Ireland, was unanimously

Adopted

Read, Letter from the Irish anti-partition, League 108, Grafton Street Dublin, dated 28th July enclosing copy of a resolution adopted on 10th July protesting against the extra burden the proposed Housing Bill, will inflict on the already overburdened ratepayers of the City, and demanding, The Irish Members attending Parliament to press on the Government for the application to Ireland the financial conditions laid down in the English and Scotch Bills, limiting the burden on the

the rates to \mathcal{P} in the £- otherwise the loss per house according to the Subjoined table enclosed, for a £630-house would mean a loss per house on the rates of $6\frac{2}{12}$ per week in addition to the subsidy of the grant proposed,

Harold Read

Read Circular Letter from the L.G.B., dated 28th August 1919 No 149/19/1919 enclosing six copies of the Draft Regulations, Approved, by the Treasury in relation to the financial assistance authorised under Section 5, of the Housing (Ireland) Act 1919

Read Circular Letter No 579/1919, Dated 20th Aug 1919, from same enclosing a further Memorandum of Instructions regarding the steps to be taken to ascertain the needs in the Commissioners area with respect to housing accommodation for the Working Classes, and to decide what number of houses the Local Authority are prepared to provide without delay as the first instalment of a comprehensive scheme,

Sites should then be selected mapped and submitted to the Board's Housing Committee for inspection in accordance with paragraph 23. of the Circular issued on the 5th May last 76/M/1919 Miscellaneous, Directly sites have been provisionally approved negotiations for purchasing them by agreement should be opened and if such negotiations prove fruitless the necessary procedure to acquire

lands compulsorily should be commenced, regard being had to the shortening of the procedure effected by Section 23 of the Act, In the meantime lay out plans of the approved sites should be prepared and submitted, and when these have been approved designs for the houses may be put in hand,

Read Circular from the L.G.B. dated 2nd Sept No 150/19/1919 relative to observations on Sec. 14, of the Housing Act 1919, in their Memo issued on the 20th August, and adverting to their Circular Letter of 14th June last No 28.729/1919 enclosing four copies of Draft Regulations which have been presented to Parliament, in relation to Financial assistance under Section 15, of the Act to be paid out of State Funds towards Public Utility Societies carrying out approved schemes

Read Letter from the L.G.B. dated 29 August No 42173/1919 regarding the Commissioner's letter of 22nd inst inquiring as to the steps to be taken for the erection of Houses on the sites acquired under the Town of Ballinacorney Order 1915 requesting that the Housing Committee of the L.G.B. may be furnished with lay out ~~plans~~ ^{and} contour plans of the sites, and enclosing a further copy of the Board's Circular letter of 5th May last No 76.M. 1919 in connection with the matter They also wished to be informed if the Commissioners have taken into account the whole circumstances of their area with a view to making adequate provision for the needs of the working classes in

the townships,

The clerk stated he forwarded this letter to Mr Early for his observations, at the Chairman's request. The Chairman also interviewed Mr Early regarding it, and other matters discussed at the Special Meeting.

Read Letter in reply from Mr Early dated 8th September enclosing list of questions put to him by the Chairman and his replies thereto, and returning the L.G.B's letter of 29th August. His opinion being that this matter must be determined in the first instance by the Commissioners taken into consideration the circumstances of the need of houses in the town, and by the information at their disposal, should have no difficulty in coming to a conclusion on the question.

The L.G.B will sanction whatever amount is proved after enquiry to be necessary for providing housing accommodation.

The Commissioners have power to extend the area of the town with the consent of the L.G.B, but as the proposal would involve considerable delay he would not recommend it at present.

Read Letter from same dated 9th Sept stating the Commissioners should ascertain what will be the estimated cost of building the house they propose to provide, and what is the best rent they can obtain for such house. He enclosed a rough calculation taking the cost of a house at say £500 - which will

lit at $7\frac{1}{2}$ per week.

Outgoings @ $7\frac{1}{2}$ including Sinking Fund	£ 35. 0. 0
Repairs Supervision Collection & Insurance	4. 0. 0
Rates	3. 0. 0
Total	£ 42. 0. 0

Income

Rent at say $7\frac{1}{2}$ per year	£ 18. 4. 0	} 40. 19. 0
State Subsidy 25%	22. 15. 0	
Annual loss on Rates	£ 1. 1. 0	
	£ 42. 0. 0	

Read Letter from the Secretary of T & G Workers Union Ballinagar dated 9th Sept enclosing a requisition signed by 75 members of the Union requiring houses under the New Housing Scheme, and requesting a supply of Representations Forms to be filled up by the applicants.

The requisition pointed out that all applicants are married men many with large families, all with rotten accommodation and many in lodgings, and trusted the Commissioners would give the matter earnest consideration.

Read Circular Letter dated 27th Aug 1919 from the Secretary National Development Company of Ireland Ltd, Commercial Building, Dublin stating that his Company has entered into a contract with a powerful Trust composed of Irish American, and Scottish Trustees, and have arranged for an advance of £150,000,000 for Irish Housing, to be advanced to Municipal, County, District or Urban Councils which may require its use - It

It will be repayable at 5% per Annum (which includes principal and Interest) in 50 years at which period the debt will be automatically extinguished.

It now only remains for these bodies to examine their position of the housing problem in their various districts, to put forward their plans together with an estimate of the amount they require, there need be no delay, the money is now available and will be forthcoming as required, and feeling assured the Commissioners will carefully consider the proposition.

Read Letter from the Secretary (H Albany Esq) Royal Institute of the Architects of Ireland dated 20 August, enclosing a list of Members of the Institute who would be prepared to assist Local Authorities even where they have already a properly qualified Engineer in the preparation of Housing Schemes.

After having carefully considered the foregoing correspondence, The following Resolution was passed unanimously,

On the Motion of Mr Gorman
Seconded by Mr Larkin

Resolved:-

That we proceed with the building of Artisan Dwellings on the Sites acquired under the Town of Balbriggan Order 1915, and that we are prepared with the sanction of the L.G.B. to promote a more comprehensive Scheme to meet the further needs of the Town as suggested in the

the Local Government Boards letter of 29th August 1919, The Scheme to run concurrently with the original Scheme,

And that our Architect be instructed to immediately prepare Plans etc in accordance with the L.G.B. memorandum of Instructions dated 5th May 1919, showing the approximate cost per house,

Copies to be sent the L.G.B. Mr Henney, Mr Early and the Press,

The Clerk was instructed to reply to the Secretary J. W. M. that the question of forwarding a Scheme for providing houses for the workers of the Town was having their most careful attention

The Circular from the National Development Company regarding the Loan, and other questions arising from the Correspondence was referred to the Housing Committee of the Commissioners who were to meet on Wednesday evening at 7.30 oc until further notice.

Read Letter from Mr M Brady dated 6th Aug 1919 with reference to tenancy of Band Room stating he has made the necessary arrangements with the Soldiers & Sailors Federation and St Patrick's Band who are joint tenants for the use of the Band Room on Friday evening and Sunday mornings as requested in letter of 31st July
Read

Sealy Jeffares wrote enclosing cheque for £1-15-0 for hire of Town Hall for Cine-motor lecture on 21st July
Read

Read Report from the R.I.C. dated 22nd 1919
relative to the taking of a house in Mill
Street occupied by John Murray and
owned by Mr Thomas Wade. The taking
referred to was done on the night of the
first or morning of 2nd July

Read

Mr J H M Laughlin Solicitor wrote on 15th July
enclosing receipt for his costs £1-1-4 in
surcharges against Messrs Graham Cashell
& O'Rourke

Read

Read Circular from the L.G.B. 17th July 1919
No 43896, enclosing copy of an Order made
entitled the Public Bodies Order 1919

Read

Read Letter from the L.G.B. dated 5th August
enclosing copy of the Local Government
(Ireland) Act 1919 for the information of the
Town Commissioners

Read - Letter from same enclosing copy
of Proportional Representation Order, under
the L.G. Act (Ireland Act) 1919 showing the method
to be adopted in regard to Counting of Votes
etc in Local Elections

Read

Read Correspondence from the Coal Controller
dated 14th, 16th & 21st July intimating that the Pit
price of coal would be raised by 6/- per
ton from 21 July, and that the price would
be automatically increased to consumers
by 6/- per ton or 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent for small quantities

and to amend Schedule of fixed prices
and advise Local Merchants accordingly
The Clerk stated he complied with the instructions
mentioned

Read

Read Letter from E. P. M. Carron Esq B.L. Auditor
L.G.B. giving notice that he would open the
audit of the Commissioners Accounts for
period ending 31st March 1919, on the 12th
September at 10.30 O.C. Am

Read

Re Hampton Street Lamp

The Secretary Gas Company wrote in reply
to the Clerk's letter regarding the main to
above lamp, stating that his directors
cannot give anything towards the work

An Estimate was also read from
Baxendale & Co as to the cost of piping,
Ordered:— That the erection of this lamp
be postponed for the present,

Proposed by Mr Caswell

Seconded by Mr Larkin

That the Town be lighted with the same
number of lamps as last year, from
the 1st October,

The Lighting Committee to arrange with Messrs
Larkin to have the lamps ready for lighting
by them, Larkin to be engaged at £1
one pound per week for the Season

Mr B. Hurry Rate Collector wrote dated 5th Aug
asking to be granted the War Bonus to which
he is entitled as a standing Officer in

accordance with the L.G.B's Circular letters of the 20th February & 13th June last, the same to be retrospective from 1st Nov last the period on which it was granted to your other Official

Consideration was postponed to next meeting pending a reply to the Clerks letter from the Municipal Officers Union

The following lodgements were made last Month
Town Hall, Folio 137

Sealy Joffares, Cinema Licence	£ 1-15-0
Harry O'Donovan 3 nights	, 4-0-0
Harry Ireland 7 "	, 7-0-0
J. H. Gormley 2 "	, 3-0-0
	<u>£ 15-15-0</u>
Mrs Connell Rent	£ 8-0
Mr B Henry Rates	, 28-12-5
	<u>£ 39-15-5</u>

Balance in Favour ^{the} Bank Book £ 62-6-11

The following A/c were examined found correct and Payment ordered:- (Folio 138) £ 5-18

Wm Woodhead	Repairs Town Hall	- 12-6
Wm. Bannon Jc	Petty Cash A/c	, 2-4-6
D & E Carliton	Income Tax	, 10-18-10
Joseph Inaeph	Printing etc	, 1-14-0
Joseph Harford	Poor Rate 1 st Monthy 1919-20	, 6-15-5
Ballygan Gas Co	Public Lighting 34 lamps	, 25-1-0
do	" Square "	, 5-2-0
do	Town Hall Gas	, 25-17-6
Guardian Assurance Co	Policy Prem Clerks Bond	, 7-6
do	Policy Prem Employes	, 11-0
	Total	<u>£ 79-4-3</u>

Archdale Graham 1/10/19

Oct 1st The Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock

Archdale Graham Esq JP Chairman Presided
Other Members Present, were,
Messrs. Thomas M. Caswell Richard S. Gorman
Charles Graham D. A. Ellis and John C. Reynolds

Minutes of last Meeting were read and confirmed

Housing Scheme

Read,

Letter from the Local Government Board, dated 11th September enclosing copy of a further Memorandum for the guidance of Architects in the preparation of lay out Plans and of house plans for Working Class Dwellings, which is Supplemental to the Memorandum of 5th May 1919/M/1919

The Clerk stated he handed Mr Steeny a copy

Read

Read Letter from the Local Government Board No. 170/M/1919, Miscellaneous, Re. Housing Act, with reference to their memorandum enclosed with their letter of 20 ultimo No. 40.579./19/M, and drawing attention to observations therein on Section I of the Act, from which it will be seen that it is now for the first time incumbent upon each Council and Body of Town Commissioners to ascertain the needs of their district, and to prepare and submit to the Board from time to time information which must specify certain Statutory particulars, and pointing out, that, the first Scheme is definitely required to be submitted by the 1st November 1919. Three Forms of Survey

Forms of Survey were enclosed two of which when completed should be returned to the Housing Department of the L.G.B., and one copy retained locally.

Before 15th November 1919 a comprehensive Scheme must be submitted in outline in Section VI of the Form of Survey.

Before 15th April 1920 the Scheme must be submitted in complete Form.

Before the 15th August 1920 reasonable progress must be made to the Board's satisfaction with the carrying out of the Scheme.

Before the 15th August 1922, or such later date that the Board may allow the Scheme must be carried out i.e., all the houses must be let or available for letting.

Read Circular from the L.G.B. dated 12th Sept No. 4,2154/1919.J.M., enclosing Forms of Returns to be filled up by the Clerk under the Public Health Acts.

Read, and Ordered:- To be furnished

Read Letter from the L.G.B. dated 17th September No. 45664, relative to the Resolution adopted at last Meeting, stating that in the first instance in addition to the Lay out and Counter Plans of the Sites already acquired, which were asked for in the Board's letter of the 28th August, Ordnance Sheets should be prepared in accordance with paragraph 23, of the circular letter of 5th May last to show the additional Sites selected by the Town Commissioners, their areas and the number of houses to be erected on each site, and should be forwarded to the Dept with the view of inspection. The preparation of

Designs for Houses should be deferred to a later stage as already intimated to the Commissioners.

After discussion, It was decided
On the Motion of Mr Cashell

Seconded by Mr A Graham

That a Deputation from this Board wait on the Local Government Board tomorrow regarding the proposed Housing Scheme especially with regard to a more comprehensive to meet the needs of the Town, and to enquire if the Commissioners Architect can be paid monthly or as for his work pending sanction of loan. Enquiry was also to be made regarding the extension of the Town Boundary

Messrs The Chairman Town Clerk and Mr Ellis were appointed on the Deputation

On the Motion of Mr A Graham

Seconded by Mr Ellis

The Clerk was instructed to write the Secretary National Development Company of Ireland Ltd, Commercial Buildings Dublin enquiring if the Commissioners arrange with them for a loan for housing, can they have it by instalments, as required, as mentioned in the second last paragraph of their Councils letter of 20th August last.

Read Letter from Mr M Brady Secretary I T & G W. U., Galbriggan dated 30th Sept, addressed to the Chairman stating that as the Sub-Committee appointed by his Branch in conjunction with other interested Bodies

have reason to believe the Town Commissioners are not taking proper advantage of the Housing Scheme Act, and requesting that the Commissioners meet a Deputation from his Committee to explain what action has been taken up to the present. The Deputation will await on the Commissioners on Wednesday evening 1st October.

It was unanimously agreed to hear the Deputation, consisting of Messrs M Brady James Durham and Patrick Curran.

Mr Durham having put forward the great need for housing that exists in the Town hoped the Commissioners would do everything possible to have houses built under the Housing Act to cope with the needs of the Town. He complained that no meetings were held by the Committee appointed by the Commissioners ^{with the view of} ~~to push it on~~ furthering the Scheme.

The Chairman explained the working out of the Scheme up to the present, and claimed that everything possible had been done by the Town Commissioners to push it on.

There was only one meeting of the Housing Committee fell through but there was really no business to be done on that night.

He also informed them of the Deputation going to the L.G.B. next day, and invited them to attend on next Wednesday evening the Housing Committee meeting, where he presumed they would be able to have some definite information regarding the Commis position, and power to deal with a larger

Scheme than the one already approved by the L.G.B.

The Deputation having thanked the Chairman for his information and stating they accepted his invitation to attend the Meeting on 8th inst withdrew from the Board,

Miss K A Barry Secretary of the Proportional Representation Society of Ireland wrote under date 20th Sept transmitting Copy of a Statement relative to the Coming Elections of Local Authorities, to be brought under the immediate notice of the Chairman of the Commissioners and suggesting that immediate application should be made to the Local Government Board for the expert assistance offered in their Circular letter dated 5th August. Her Committee will place themselves at the disposal of the Commissioners for any assistance they can render in the matter,

Read

The Secretary of the Gas Company wrote informing the Commissioners that from the 30th Sept 1919 the price of Gas will be increased by 10/- per 1,000 cubic feet to all consumers

Read

With regard to Mr Hurry's Application for war Bonus postponed from last Meeting, pending a reply to the Clerk's letter from the Municipal Officers Union on the subject.

The Clerk stated he received no communication from the Municipal Officers Union up to the present. *Ordered* - The matter be further postponed

The Housing Committee Minutes of Proceedings held on 25 Sept were read and
Approved

Mr Joseph Heaney wrote calling attention to the Public Lamp at entrance to, Backs Lane not being in working order and for some time, and as this light prevents nuisance being committed, he would feel obliged if the Commissioners would have it put in working order and have it lighted with the other lamps

Approved.

Larkin to have a look for an old head to be erected,

The Clerk reported that Mr Carty of the Gas Works informed him this day that the Public Lamps were not to be lighted for the present as owing to the Railway Strike his Directors were advised by the Controller there would in all probability be a shortage of Coal,

The Meter of Square Lamp requires to be repaired or replaced by a New Meter this lamp is not to be lighted by order of the Gas Company till the Meter is made right

Approved

Ordered:— That Patrick Larkin be paid £1 one pound to date for erecting and leaving the Public Lamps in order for lighting, and that he be informed that his services will not be required until further notice from the Gas Company

Mr Moorhead Manager Northern Bank
Ballinacorney wrote requesting to have paying
Orders issued to pay the Instalments on the
Housing Loan Account, No. 1 and 2 due 1st Oct.

No. 1.	Instalment	£ 20. 0. 0
"	Interest on do	£ 8. 3. 3
		£ 28. 3. 3
No. 2	Instalment	£ 9. 6. 0
"	Interest on do	£ 4. 3. 0
		£ 13. 9. 0

Granted: To be paid

The following Accounts were received and
Lodged during the Month of Sept (Folio 137)

Rents	£ 7. 17. 6
Rates	28. 6. 5
Town Hall	15. 15. 0
	£ 51. 18. 11

Balance in favour per Bank Book £

The following Accounts were examined found
Correct and Payment Granted:-

Northern Bank, Instalment & Interest Loan No. 1	£ 28. 3. 3
Northern Bank do do " No. 2	13. 9. 0
William Bammon Quarters Salary to 30 Sept	22. 12. 0
Hebridean Ins Co Policy Prem Band Room Stalls	14. 0
Patrick Larkin Erecting Public Lamp Head etc	1. 0. 0
	£ 65. 18. 3

Archdale Graham
5/11/19

Oct 11th The Town Commissioners held a special meeting on this day at 12:30 O'clock P.M.

Present in the Chair Abraham Eg JP
Other Members Present were

Messrs R.S. Gorman D.A. Ellis M O'Rourke
Thomas M. Cashell & John Larkin

Doctor Fullam & M.J. Haney C.E. were also present

The Clerk read the Notice ~~the~~ convening the Meeting as follows:-

Notice of Motion by Mr Cashell

1. To appoint a Sites Committee who are to immediately proceed to select sites required for proposed Housing Scheme.
2. To arrange Architects Fees for preparing Lay Out Plans and Maps of Sites for new Housing Scheme.

Mr Cashell Moved:- The adaptions of the Motion as above,

Mr Gorman Seconded. *Adopted*

Mr Ellis Proposed

And Mr Larkin Seconded

"That the whole Body of Commissioners be and are hereby appointed a Sites Committee three to form a quorum, The Chairman to be Chairman of same

Re: Architects Appointment

Read Letter from the L.G.B. dated 10th October relative to the employment of Mr M.J. Haney as Architect for the purposes of a Scheme

proposed by the Dullaghan Town Commissioners under the Housing of the Working Classes (Ire) Act 1890 to 1919, stating that the Board have recently appointed a joint Committee to examine ^{the} and qualifications of Architects who may be appointed for the purposes of Housing Schemes, and as the Town Commissioners apparently desire to obtain for their Housing proposals the benefit of the State aid provided under the 1919 Act they should forward to this Department full evidence of Mr Heeneys qualifications to perform the Architectural duties which will devolve upon him if entrusted with the full carriage of a scheme.

So far only Members of the Royal Institute of the Architects of Ireland or Royal Institute of British Architects have been recommended by the joint Committee to the Board for inclusion in the Panel of Architects which is being formed.

On the Motion of Mr O'Rourke

Seconded by Mr Ellis

It was Resolved:- That Mr Heeneys be paid a bulk sum of £21- Twenty Guineas for preparing the necessary Lay Out Plans and Maps of the Sites to be acquired for the proposed Housing Scheme, pending his sanction by the Local Government Board, and when approved this sum be reckoned as part payment of his Fees in connection with the total scheme.

The Clerk to forward his qualifications.

Archdall Graham

Carried Unanimously:-

5/11/19

Nov 5th 1919 The Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners
was held this evening at 7 30 O'clock

Archdale Graham Esq JP Chairman Presiding
Others Present were,

Messrs Thomas M Cashell Richard S Gorman
Michael O'Rourke John Larkin Charles
Graham & John Le Reynolds

Minutes of last Meeting and Housing
Committee Meetings were read and confirmed

Housing Scheme

Read,

Letter from W^m Cochrane Esq Solicitor
Ballinacorney dated 5th inst, stating he
would not consent to act as Solicitor unless
it was practically a unanimous appointment

He was not aware of the proposal to
appoint him till the proposal was made
at a meeting, and that the only intimation
he had was a few casual remarks made
to him by the Chairman Mr A Graham
some few weeks ago regarding the usefulness
to the Commissioners of a resident Solicitor
and to which he at the time paid little
or no attention, He also mentioned that he
was informed by a Commissioner about
the matter and asked would he accept
the position and replied that he would,

After discussion in connection with this
matter Mr Cashell's Motion to appoint
Cochrane & Co Solicitors was withdrawn by

by him in favour of an Amendment
Proposed by Mr Reynolds

Seconded by Mr C Graham

Resolved: That Mr Early be appointed Director
to carry out the legal work in connection
with Ballygarr Housing Scheme under
the Housing (Ireland) Act 1919, provided
he Mr Early agrees to attend the meetings
when required

Carried

Proposed By Mr R S Gorman

Seconded by Mr C Graham

Resolved: -

"That," Applications be made to the
Local Government Board to have the Town
Area extended provided it does not
interfere with the proposed Housing Scheme
and to inform the Commissioners of the
necessary procedure

It was decided to have a special Meeting
of the Town Commissioners this week
to make arrangements for having
all documents in connection with
the Housing Scheme finally approved
and forwarded the Local Government Board

Read Letter from the Local Government
Board dated 3rd Nov 1919, stating that
the joint Committee appointed by the
Board for the Consideration of the Qualification
of Architects under the Housing of the
Working Classes (Ireland) Act 1890 to 1919
have decided to recommend Mr Stoney

For inclusion in the Panel, Mr Henry's Indentures forwarded with your letter of the 14th ultimo is returned herewith. The Clerk stated he informed Mr Henry accordingly and handed him his Indentures.

Noted

Mr Henry's Application for Bonus Postponed was again before the Meeting, also a letter from the Municipal Officer therein pointing out the scale for whole time Officers as £60- per Annum and in addition 20% on all earnings, and stating that part time have been granted such proportion of these awards as their ordinary hours of work bear to the full time employment. The Bonus of Mr Henry should accordingly be adjusted in accordance with the scale having regard to the time he works as part time Officer, his total remuneration should in any event not to fall below a minimum of £1- per week.

As this scale has been adopted by a good many Local Authorities throughout the Country the Union trusts the Commissioners will take a generous view where the financial needs of their Officials are concerned.

Consideration was Postponed to next Monthly Meeting

Had Application from Mr Philip & Curran dated 5th Nov 1919 to instal a New and upto date Engine in the Town Hall yard where old Engine has been for some time, also Cinema Appliances in Hall

On The Motion of Mr O'Rourke

Seconded by Mr Reynolds

Resolved:-

"That," Mr Curran's Application to instal a new engine and Cinema Appliances be granted Mr Curran to sign an agreement to remove same at one months notice from the Town Commissioners
Carried

The following Resolution was unanimously adopted,

Proposed By Mr A Graham JP

Seconded by Mr Richard S Gorman PC

Resolved:-

"That; we tender to our worthy Pastor the very Reverend Canon Byrne PP the warm expression of our heartfelt congratulations on the high ecclesiastical honour recently conferred upon him by His Grace Archbishop Walsh, and we sincerely wish him many years of health to discharge with the same unremitting zeal and unaffected piety the onerous duties of his New Office as well as that of the beloved Pastor of the United Parishes of Talbagan and Balcaddan

Nov 5th

Mr Robert Cosgrove C.P.S. Ballygann
 wrote enclosing £1-5-0 being fines
 awarded in Petty Sessions during
 past Quarter to 30th September
 Read

A Letter from A Williams to put
 a new small stove in his shop
 was, marked Read

On the Motion of Mr Gorman
 Seconded By Mr C Graham

Resolved:-

That Patrick Larkin be employed
 to white wash Band Room,
 Clerk to procure lime putty & cement

Auditors Report

No. 49. 130/1919

Ballygann Town Commissioners
 (Babrochorry Rural District)

Surely Conifer Road
 Rathmines

29 Sept 1919

Gentlemen

I have the honour to report that I
 have audited the accounts of the Ballygann
 Town Commissioners for the year ended the
 31st March 1919

It has apparently been the practice
 to have repairs to Lamps carried out on
 instructions of Members of the Lighting
 Committee whose proceedings are not

recorded, Proper Official Orders should be issued to enable the accounts to be checked

Certified Copies of the Abstracts of the Accounts are forwarded herewith

I am Your Obedient Servant
Ed P. M. Carron, Auditor
The Local Government Board
Dublin

Read Letter from Darrell Figgis Esq enclosing Forms which he requested to be filled up with particulars for presentation to the Commission of Enquiry into the Resources and Industries of Ireland,

American Chambers 15 Lower O'Connell Street Dublin.

Ordered:- The Clerk to furnish as ^{soon} ~~much~~ ^{soon} convenient as much as he possibly can of the information to Mr Figgis

Messrs Kinnys Advertising Agency Abbey St Dublin wrote regarding the supplying of the necessary equipment required by Returning Officers at the forthcoming Elections in January
Read.

The following Fairs for 1920 were unanimously Adopted.

Month	Class	Day	Value
January	C S P	Monday	12 th / ₂
February	C S P	Monday	9 th / ₂
March	C S P	Monday	8 th / ₁₁
March	C S P	Thursday	30 th / ₂
April	C S P. H	Thursday	29 th / ₂
May	C S P	Tuesday	25 th / ₂

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Fairs Forward

June	Cattle Sheep Pigs	Tuesday	22 nd
July	C S P	Tuesday	13 th
August	C S P	Tuesday	10 th
September	C S P	Tuesday	7 th
September	Cattle Sheep Pigs Horses	Wednesday	29 th
October	C S P	Tuesday	12 th
October	C S P	Tuesday	26 th
November	C S P	Tuesday	9 th
November	C S P	Tuesday	23 rd
December	C S P	Tuesday	14 th

Orders:-

The usual number of Fair Bills to be printed by the Drogheda Independent

The following Monies were received and lodged by the Clerk and Rate Collector since last meeting,

Oct 5 th	Ballygan Cinema Co.	3 Nights to date	£ 1-10-0
" 10 th	Messrs J Moran & J Giblin	1 " Dance "	2-0-0
" 13 th	Ballygan Cinema Co.	1 " to date "	10-0
" 19 th	Eddie Mack	7 " " "	7-0-0
" 26 th	Eddie Mack	7 " " "	7-0-0
			£ 18-0-0
" 26 th	Mrs Connell Rent of Shop	£ 2-0-0	} 3-5-0
" "	R Crogrove Lins to 30 Sept	1-5-0	
" 31 st	B. Hurry	Town Rates	20-6-0
		Total	£ 41-11-0

Balance in favour per Bank Book £

The following accounts were examined found correct and payment authorised by Messrs A Graham C Graham & R S Gorman

Nov 5th 1919

Payments

280,	P Hardin	Lighting Lamps 5 weeks to date	£5 0 0
281,	Miss C. M. Donnell	1/2 years Salary Carntakes to 5054	5 4 0
282,	Ballypau Gas Co	New Meters for Square Camp	2 2 2
283,	Local Govt Board	Fee for Audit of Accounts	2 2 0
284,	Bank of Ireland	Instalment & Interest from Hall	22 8 11
285,	Bacurdale Co	4 Windows Catches Band Room	6 0
286,	Irish Indept	Notice of Audit (Conventions)	13 4
			Total £ 57 16 5

Archdale Graham

3/12/19

Nov 12th A Special Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock
Archdale Graham Esq JP Presiding
Also Present,

Messrs, J Larkin Thomas M Cashell
Richard S Gorman & D A Ellis,
Michael Steeny Architect was also in Attendance

The Clerk stated that the principal business for which the Meeting was called was to complete and sign all documents Maps etc in connection with the Commissioners Housing Scheme,

As far as the Architect and himself were concerned, they were of opinion the Scheme as prepared was up to the ^{to 5/13} require-
-ments

The Clerk read over the Form of Survey for the Meeting, which set out the number of New Houses required as 182, and the total acreage of land to be acquired as ^{A.R.P} 11.2.35 which includes the sites already acquired under the Town of Ballinacorney Order 1915. The new sites are those where it is proposed to demolish the old insanitary houses, and erect new houses thereon, with the exception of a maiden site on Mr Lumsden's field at new road,

He also read Letters in support of the Scheme from the following Manufacturers in the Town,

Messrs Smyth & Co - Deeds Implar & Co
John Speer & Co & Charles Gallen & Co

When the following Resolution was unanimously adopted,

Proposed By Mr David Ellis

Seconded By Mr Richard S Gorman

Resolved:-

"That," having carefully considered the Housing needs of the town and the report of the Medical Officer of Health, Doctor Fullam we are satisfied that the erection of 182 New Houses is absolutely necessary to meet the present requirements of Artizans and Labourers living in Ballinagan

We therefore recommend that the Form of Survey (2 Copies) giving particulars of the proposed scheme be forwarded to the Local Government Board before the 15th inst, together with the Site Maps, also the Lay out Plans of the Original Sites acquired under the Town of Ballinagan Order 1915 on which Sites it is proposed to erect 31 houses as a first instalment of the Total Scheme, The Medical Officers Report to be also forwarded, and we request that arrangements may be made by the Board for an early inspection of the Sites, marked and numbered on the enclosed Ordnance sheets by the Commissioners Architect, in order that the scheme proposed may be proceeded with as soon as possible by the Town Commissioners,

On the Motion Of Mr Gorman

Seconded by Mr Cashell, - Resolved:-

"That," The Clerk lodge all documents on Friday

Nov 12th Friday next with the Secretary of the Housing Committee of the Local Govt Board, and get a receipt for same and if everything is not in order to have them attended to by Mr. Early if possible and re-logged with the Local Government Board, before 15th inst.

Proportional Representation Order
The Local Government (Ireland) Act 1919
 Correspondence from the Proportional Representation Society of Ireland Middle Abbey St Dublin was read, stating they would be glad to arrange a Public Lecture to educate the townspeople as to voting under the new system to be introduced at the forthcoming elections in January, and for that purpose suggested the Chairman should take immediate action. The Society will send the Lecturer and furnish the necessary equipment to enable those present by means of Ballot Paper and otherwise to take part in an experimental operation of the system.

Ordered:- The matter to be postponed for further information as regards the expense that might be incurred by the Commissioners for the Lecture and Trial Election such as referred to

Archdale Graham

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Dec 3rd

The Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock

Archdale Graham Esq JP Chairman Presiding
Also Present

Messrs, DA Ellis Richard S Gorman
John Larkin & M. O'Rourke

Minutes of last Meeting were read & confirmed

Mr Henry's Application for War Bonus which was postponed for consideration from last Meeting, and which was ordered, to be placed on the agenda for this Meeting was read, also letter from the Municipal Officers Union in support of same, when the following Resolution was Proposed By Mr Gorman
Seconded by Mr Ellis

Resolved:-

"That Mr Henry be granted an additional War Bonus of Five Pounds in addition to his present earnings
Carried

Read,

Application from Town Clerk asking re-consideration of his War Bonus, with the view of granting him the terms of the New Scale laid down by the Local Govt Boards Circular of 13th June last,

Ordered:- The application to be placed on the agenda for consideration at next Monthly Meeting,

Read Letter from Mrs L Whyte Honorary Secretary Local Branch of the National Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children dated 8th Nov, to know if she could have the Town Hall for a Dance in aid of the Society on 5th January, also the two previous days to get the floor etc ready, and if the Commissioners would give it at the reduced rate for the most worthy charity named,

Letter from same dated 18th Nov changing date of Dance to 31st Dec

Ordered:—

That Mrs Whyte be granted the use of the Hall for the purpose named on 31st Dec and two previous days, at £2.10.0 Two pounds ten shillings, provided it is not already engaged for those dates

Proposed, By Mr ^{Ellis}Gorman

Seconded by Mr Gorman

"That the Carutaker have the Hall thoroughly cleaned including windows, the ceilings to be brushed down and doors wainscoting and floors washed, she to be paid extra for this work by the Commissioners

Mr Arthur Williams again wrote asking for a new stove for his shop as it is impossible to stand in the shop with cold and damp walls

Ordered:—

Granted cost not to exceed £3—Three Pounds

The following was Read, and Ordered to be inserted in Minutes

The Presbytery

Balbraggan, Co Dublin

29th Nov 1919

My Dear Mr Cannon

I duly received yours of 7th inst enclosing copy of the resolution unanimously passed by the Town Commissioners at their last Monthly Meeting on 5th instant

May I ask you to express my most sincere and cordial thanks for the warm congratulations and generous good wishes conveyed to me by said Resolution

Although the honour recently conferred on me was primarily personal still I am satisfied it also embraced recognition of the prominence and importance of the Township so efficiently managed by our present worthy Representatives

It is indeed a marked compliment which I fully appreciate to receive such generous kindness from a Body of gentlemen with whom I am pleased to testify the most friendly relations have been maintained since I came to Balbraggan

Believe me

My Dear Mr Cannon

Yours Very Sincerely
Eugene D Byrne

Re. Reduction in the Price of Coal

The Coal Controller wrote under date the 30th Nov 1919, with reference to the reduction in the price of Coal for Domestic and Household purposes, confirming his telegram of this day, notifying the Commissioners being the Local Authority responsible for the fixing of Coal retail prices of house coal, that the Board of Trade have made an order reducing by 10/- per ton the Pit-Head price of all Coal dispatched from Collieries in Great Britain on and after Monday 1st Dec 1919 to be used for Domestic or Household purposes in the United Kingdom.

This Order entails a reduction of 10/- per ton or 6^d per Cwt in the maximum Retail prices of the above mentioned Coal sold in England on and after 1st Dec 1919.

Please amend your schedule of Maximum Retail prices and advise the Local Coal Merchants accordingly.

P.S. Merchants will be compensated in respect of Coal sold at reduced out of stocks held at the end of Nov 1919 after taking into consideration the stocks they held on the 21st July 1919 being the date prices were increased by 6/- per ton.

Note:- The Clerk stated he complied with the instructions, by immediately communicating same to the Local Coal Merchants.

Noted

Housing Scheme

Read Letter, dated 12th Nov 1919 from Thomas Carey Esq Solicitor 16 Henry St Dublin, acknowledging receipt of his appointment by the Town Commissioners in connection with the Housing Scheme for which he is much obliged, and stating he would of course attend any meetings of the Commissioners when required

Read

Correspondence was read from the Local Government Board, enclosing Rules prescribing duties etc of Architects for Housing Schemes in connection with the Housing Act 1919, No of Order 50,089, Dated 5 Nov 1919
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No, 47,883, Miscellaneous Re. Employment of Quantity Surveyors (2 Copies)

Letter from same dated 26th Nov 1919 enclosing Copy of Specimen Plans for guidance of Local Authorities when considering the Lay-outs of Sites and what type of house they should erect for the purposes of the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Act 1890 to 1919, Copies of these Plans can be obtained at Messrs Ponsonby's Grafton St Dublin at 3/6 each

Noted

Read Letter from same 51,600/1919 dated 12th Nov, with reference to the employment of Architects enclosing Copy of an Order made by them in pursuance of their powers under Section 32, in respect of employment of same

Read

Read Letter from Mr Michael J Steeny & Co
Architect Ballinacorney dated 2nd December
stating that as the preliminary Plans
etc in connection with the proposed
Housing Scheme have now been lodged
with the Local Government Board, and
considering the amount of work done
by him since March 1914 in connection
with the scheme, he now made Application
for an instalment of Twenty Five Pounds

Ordered:—

That £16— Sixteen Pounds be paid to
Mr M J Steeny on Account

The Local Government Board forwarded
an Order under Seal dated 5th Sept 1919
prescribing and constituting the Town of
Ballinacorney a Town Electoral Area for
the Election of Town Commissioners under
Section 1, of the Local Government (Irel)
Act 1919, The number of members to
be elected for the area is Nine

Read

Read Letter from the Local Government Board
dated 27th Nov re-allocation of the Irish
Housing Fund requesting to be furnished
with a return showing the liabilities of
the Commissioners for payment of
Principal and interest on moneys
borrowed during past year to and
31st March next, on Loans sanctioned by
the Board

Note Particulars already furnished by Clerk

No Committee

Read Letter from the Secretary, Local Govt dated 18th Nov, No. H. 455, 19, acknowledging receipt of two Forms of Survey of Housing Needs in respect of the Town of Ballinggan together with the Map of the District required by Section V of the Form of Survey

Read,

Read correspondence from the Proportional Representation Society stating they would be glad to arrange for a Lecture and Model Election in Ballinggan early in December, say 19th

Ordered:—

The Clerk to arrange the matter same not to interfere with Hall Lettings

X
X

The Local Government Board wrote under date 25th Nov 1919, No, 57,103, 1919, with reference to resolution passed at last Meeting. Stating that if the Commissioners wish to have the Town area extended, they should make formal application to the Board under Section 5, of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 forwarding at the same time a Map showing the existing Boundaries and the alterations proposed,

So far as the Board are aware the proposed extension of the Town Boundaries need not interfere with the formulation of a Housing scheme, but if the Town Commissioners have any specific difficulty in their mind, the Board would be glad to receive a full statement thereof

On, The Motion of Mr Sorman
 Seconded By Mr Larkin
 It was Resolved:-

To Summon a Special Meeting for
 this evening week at 7.30 O'Clock, to Consider
 the question of extending the Area,
 and to pass any resolutions in relation
 thereto,

The following Accounts were received and
 Lodged with Treasurer since last Meeting
 Town Hall,

Ballinggan Band, Dance	£ 2.10.0
Eddie Mack 8 nights	8 0.0
Patrick Nolan, Farmers Meeting, C. Room	7.6
New Ireland Players 2 Nights & Dance	5.15.0
to McCabe 3 "	4 0.0
	<u>£ 20.12.6</u>

His Majesty's Treasury Grant in lieu of Rates	4.1.0
Mr B Henry Town Rates	38 17.10
Total	<u>£ 63.11.4</u>

Balance to credit Per Bank Book £ —

The following accounts were examined found
 correct and authorized to be paid, by

Messrs. A Graham M.S. O'Rourke & W.A. Ellis

Patrick Larkin, lighting charges etc to date	4.12.6
Wm Bamon Petty Cash A/c	£ 4.0.0
Wm Ennis Rent to Nov 1 st	2.0.0
Stodges Liggins Maps etc	3.4.6
M. J. Stoney & Co on A/c of Housing Scheme	16.0.0
Total	<u>£ 29.7.0</u>

1919

Dec 3rd

Re- Ballinacorney Harbour

Mr Larkin Proposed

"That we approve of Mr Field's action at the Port and Docks Board Meeting in connection with Ballinacorney Harbour and that we request, the Department of Agriculture, and the Port & Docks Board to take immediate action in having the entrance to the Harbour cleared otherwise the Fishing Industry will be paralysed, as there never was ~~such~~ a greater prospect of fishing or a larger flot of boats here,

Mr Gorman Seconded,

and the Resolution was passed unanimously

Deputy A. G. G. G.
4th June 1920

Dec 10th

A Special Meeting was held this evg
at 7.30 o'clock

Archdale Graham Esq JP Presiding
Also Present

Messrs, Thomas M Cashell DA Ellis
Richard S Gorman & J C Reynolds

The Clerk read the following notice sent
to each Town Commissioner

A Special Meeting of the Town Commrs
will be held on Wednesday evg next 10th inst
at 7.30 o'clock.

I To take into consideration the question
of extending the Town Area postponed from
last Meeting, and to pass whatever resolution
that maybe deemed necessary in relation
thereto

II To consider the question of Colouring
and cleaning the Entrance Hall and
Dressing Rooms of Town Hall

On the Motion of Mr Ellis

Seconded By Mr Reynolds

X It was unanimously Resolved:— That
the Town Area be extended, and that
our Law Adviser Mr Thomas Early
X Solicitor be instructed to have the necessary
Legal Steps taken to give effect to this
Resolution.

It was further Resolved:— On the
Motion of Mr Cashell

Seconded By Mr Gorman

"That our Clerk Mr Barron be
instructed to procure the necessary Ordnance

X
 X
 Ordinance Maps in connection with the proposed extension of the Town Area, for the purpose of having the extended areas marked thereon, and that a special Meeting be held this evening week, at 8.30 o'clock to have the proposed Boundaries marked on the maps, as required by Section 5, of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, as pointed out by the Local Government Boards letter of the 27th Nov last

Re - Town Hall

Proposed By Mr Gorman

Seconded By Mr Cashell

And Passed,

"That the entrance Hall and Dressing Rooms in the Town Hall be coloured ~~and~~ in two coats of light green Duresco

The Clerk to employ a Painter to carry out the work, and that leave be given to allow any temporary changes to be made in the lighting, in connection with the Dances on 26th and 31st December

D A Ellis's Chairman
 7th July 1940

Jan 7th 1930, The Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock
 David A Ellis Esq Presiding, and
 Subsequently Archdale Graham Esq JP Chairman
 Also Present

Messrs John Larkin Charles Graham
 John Le Reynolds Michael O'Rourke and
 Richard Stewart Gorman

Minutes of last Monthly and Special Meetings, were read and confirmed

Housing Scheme

Read Letter from the Secretary Housing Committee of the Local Government Board dated 24th December No 455/1/1919, stating they had before them the Commissioners letter of 14th ultimo, and enclosures in connection with their Housing Scheme; and that pending the inspection of the additional sites which will be made as soon as possible, the Lay Out Plans submitted for the two sites should be amended as follows:-

The building lines should be set back to a distance of 40 feet from the building line on the opposite of the road, The number of house on the Skerries Street Site should be reduced from nine to eight, and some means of access, (other than through the house) to the rear of the buildings provided

The Lay Out of the Hampton Street Site cannot be considered altogether satisfactory and is without an indication of the proposed division of the considerable area

can be done at the here; and is well worthy of Consideration whether a more suitable Lay Out than one of these long blocks on the road side should be prepared, some of the houses might with advantage be placed further from the road with a light road way giving access to them. Some of the Lay-Outs in the Board Manual recently published may be helpful in Consideration of the point.

It also suggested that Draft Designs of the houses should now be furnished

Ordered;— The matter be referred to Mr Steency to have the suggestions of the Local Government Board carried out

Re-Extension of Town Boundary

Read Letter dated 16th December 1919, from Mr Thomas Early Solicitor, stating the application to the Local Government Board should recite the Order under which the Commissioners were constituted, specify the boundaries of the town, and set out the area proposed to be taken in and the proposed New Boundaries,

It must be accompanied by two Ordnance Maps which should show in distinctive Colours the present areas and boundaries and the proposed extended areas and boundaries, when the Commissioners decide as to the latter and have the maps prepared, he would ~~advise~~^{be} in a position to settle the draft of the necessary Form of Application.

It will be necessary to let him have the

Jan 7th

Order made under the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and the Maps referred to, and a memorandum setting out briefly why the extension is sought.

The usual reason for extension is because of the extension or growth of a town since the old boundaries were fixed and he is not sure if this can be urged for Balbriggan.

He understands the main reason for the proposed extension is to increase the area of charge for the purpose of assisting the new housing proposal.

It is difficult to say what view the Local Government Board will adopt as to this, but it would appear reasonable that the adjoining district which enjoys the benefit and has increased value by reason of its close proximity to the Town should contribute to any liability incurred for the improvement of the Town.

He will deal with this when he receives the memorandum referred to

Proposed By Mr Charles Graham

Seconded By Mr Gorman

Resolved:—

"That with reference to the extension of the Town Boundary, that the L.G.B. be requested to sanction the taking into the Town Boundary, the Electoral Divisions of Balbriggan Rural and Balscadden and that Mr Steney & Co be instructed to have the Ordnance Sheets marked with the old, and the proposed new Boundaries

Jan 7 accordingly, The Clerk to forward same
 when completed to Mr Early, with the other
 particulars asked for in his letter of 16th Dec
 1919.

Carried:- unanimously

Application For Bonus Etc.

Read Letter from Clerk, postponed from
 last Meeting asking to have the terms
 of the New Scale laid down in the Local
 Government Boards Circular of 13th June
 last. Re-war, Bonus, applied to him

Proposed By Mr Abraham (Chairman)

Seconded By Mr Gorman

Resolved:- That Mr Bannor be granted
 a Bonus of 20% twenty per cent on all
 earnings, to date from 1st April 1919

Carried. unanimously

Read Letter from Mr Henry Rate Collector
 7th January with reference to £5-war Bonus
 granted to him at last Meeting stating
 he considered it inadequate, and hoped
 the Commissioners would re-consider the
 matter with the view of granting him
 the minimum asked for namely £1-
 one pound per week,

Read Letter from the Municipal Officers
 Union asking that the L.G.B. scale of 13th June
 last be granted to all the Commissioners
 Officials, as they considered the £5- granted
 to Mr Henry at last Meeting entirely too

Jan 7

small considering his long service of 24 years as collector to the Commissioners

On the Motion of Mr Le Graham
Seconded By Mr Larkin

It was Resolved:- "That Mr Henry be granted a further £10 - Ten Pounds Bonus in addition to the £5 - Five Pounds granted to him at last Meeting

Carried

The Caretaker of Town Hall Miss McDonnell wrote asking for an increase of Salary, as owing to the high cost of living, and the large number of Plays and Dances etc which sometimes takes up her whole time to clean up the Hall to the neglect of other work she considered her present salary of £10.8.0, per Annum much too small and hoped the Commissioners will grant her a reasonable salary for her work

She also stated she had the Hall specially cleaned as requested, and had to employ a man and woman to help her, cleaning the Ceilings and washing the Floors etc

On the Motion of Mr Le Graham

Seconded By Mr Gorman

Her salary was increased by £5.4.0 per Annum, and she was allowed £1.10.0 for the special cleaning of Town Hall

Read Estimate from Mr Studman, stating that Mr Whyte would leave the tubing erected in the Hall for £6.10.0, and the

Sain 7 12. Pendant Lamps with flexible tubing.
for an additional £6-18-0, Total £13-8-0
Consideration Postponed

Read Letter from W Proud Esq Secretary
Port and Docks Board dated 12th December,
1919 acknowledging receipt of the Resolution
adopted by the Town Commissioners on
3rd inst in reference to having the
entrance to Ballinagan Harbour cleared

Read

^{Minutes}
Read Letter from the L.G.B. dated 17th
December No 60/559/19 Miscellaneous forwarding
copy of a further Notice which has been
issued by the Lords Commissioners of
His Majesty's Treasury as to rates of
Interest chargeable on Loans made
out of the Local Loan Fund after
21st ultimo which are as follows:—

- | | | |
|----|--|-------------|
| I | Subsidised Housing Schemes | 6% per cent |
| " | Utility Societies, Housing do 50 years | do |
| II | Other Loans, not exceeding 30 years | 6% do |
| " | " " 50 | 6 1/4% do |

Read

Read Letter from Secretary Gas Company
10th December stating the Lamp in Drogheda
Street opposite Convent Lane was lighting
all last night, also Lamps in Hampton
Street and Chapel Street, on previous occasions
during moonlight nights whilst the Meter
Lamps were not lighted, and requesting in
future to have the stop cocks on the lamps
turned off when not in use Ordered:—

Jan 7th

Ordered:— Clerk to bring the matter to the Sanptlighters notice to have the matter complained of attended to by him in future,

Read Letter from the L.G.B. No 221, M. 1919, with reference to the Adaption Day of Annual and Quarterly Meetings, Order 1909, stating that the day of the Annual Meeting and ordinary day of Election of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council or Commissioners shall be the 30th day of January, and such Chairman or Vice-Chairman shall come into office as soon as he has made the Declaration accepting office,

The adaption day of coming into office retirement etc Order 1919 is hereby revoked.
Given under Seal 19th day of Dec 1919

Read Memo from the L.G.B. enclosing three further copies of the Board Order of 30th September 1919 with reference to the Electoral Areas of the Town under the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1919

Read

Mr O'Rourke Proposed,

and Mr Reynolds, Seconded

"That Mr John Larkin be instructed to let Hampton Street Field by Public Auction as soon as possible, on the usual terms

Carried

Jan 7thFinance

The Clerk reported from the Receipt and Expenditure Books Folio, 140, the following lodgements for Month.

Town Hall		
H O'wells Concert Party 4 nights to Dec 1 st		£ 5.0.0
Lucy Ward, Mary Connolly 3 "	14 th	4.0.0
E Campbell Com Room 1	"	5.0
M. Brady Dance 1	26,	2 10.0
Mark Wymre Dramatics 1	28,	2.10.0
		<u>£ 14.5.0</u>
Bernard Hurry, Rates		4.4.2
	Total £	<u>21.9.2</u>

Balance in favour Per Bank Books £

The following Accounts were examined, found correct and Payment Authorised by,

Messrs Archdale Graham	} Chairman	
R S Gorman		} Member Present
John C Reynolds		

Folio, 141,	John Canning	Repairing Lamps	£ 2.7.0
	Baxendale & Co	Coal Stove Pipe Band	3.6.8
	Gh Northern Ry	Rent of wayleave	1.0
	J Starford	Poor Rate (2 nd moiety)	6-15-5
	P. Larkin	Lighting Lamps to date	5.0.0
	Welback Light Co	Manilla glasses etc	7-8-5
	Wm Cannon	Quarters Salary	22-12-0
	J Haney	Supplying glass Pub Lamps	8.6.4
	At Insurance Co	Policy Premium Town Hall	4.0.0
	Ellams Dup Co	New Roller & Lute	- 11-6
	J Dowling	Repairs to Town Hall Premises	1.19.2
	Colt McDonnell	Special Cleaning Town Hall	1.10.0
	Wm Cannon	Percentage on Salary	18.15.0
			<u>£ 82.12.6</u>

January 30th 1920. The Annual Statutory Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evening at 7³⁰ O'clock

Auldale Graham Esq J.P. (outgoing Chairman) Presided

The following Newly Elected Members were Also Present.

Messrs Thomas M. Cashell, Michael Brady, Michael James Durham, John Durham, Patrick J. Curran, Stephen Barry, James McGlew, and Richard Stewart Gorman.

The Clerk having read the Notice convening the Meeting, and the result of the Election held on the 15th inst. It was found that the Nine, Members Elected, were Present, all of which made their Statutory Declarations of Acceptance of Office

Mr Cashell asked the Clerk to read over the names as written by each Member on the Declarations, Exception was then taken by Mr Cashell and other Members to Mr Michael James Durhams signature written in Irish which they considered was illegal

Election of Chairman

Mr Curran Proposed, and Mr McGlew, Seconded

Mr Michael James Durham

For the Office of Chairman for the ensuing year

Mr Gorman Proposed and Mr Barry Seconded.

The re-election of Mr Auldale Graham for the ensuing year.

Before taking a division the Chairman

questioned ~~the~~ Clerk as to the validity of Mr Derham's ^{Declaration}, as it was written in Irish. Answering, the Clerk ^{said he did not know but} gave as his opinion that there was nothing in the Enactments Order to show it was not valid by being signed in Irish.

Where upon the Meeting agreed eventually to proceed with the Election on the understanding that the objection should be placed before the Local Government Board for their opinion and decision on the point raised.

On the Motion being ^{then} put, Mr Derham was elected by 5. to. 4. votes cast for the retiring Chairman Mr Archdale Graham

Mr Derham having signed his Declaration of acceptance of the Office of Chairman he took the Chair accordingly, and Proposed a vote of Thanks to the outgoing Chairman. which was seconded by Mr McEwen and Passed unanimously.

On the Motion of Mr Graham

Seconded by Mr Gorman

"The whole Council were appointed Members of the Town Hall and Finance Committees Three to form a quorum, the Housing Committee to be the Town Commissioners Five to form a quorum

On the Motion of Mr Cashell, Seconded by Mr McEwen

Messrs Gorman and Curran with the Chairman were appointed the Lighting Committee all questions of Expenditure to be approved by the Town Commissioners, whose Chairman shall be Chairman of all Committees

W. J. Blackman
4/2/20

February 4th 1920, The Monthly Meeting of The Town Commrs was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock

Michael James Derham Esq. Chairman Presiding
Other Members Present were,

Messrs. Michael Brady. Thomas M. Cashell
Stephen Corry Patrick Curran John Derham
Richard, S. Gorman Archdale Graham and
James McGlew

Minutes of last Monthly & Special Meetings
were read and confirmed

R- Ballygigan Harbour

On the suggestion of Mr Graham, The Clerk was directed to write to the Port and Docks Board enquiring if any arrangement has been yet made by them with the Board of Agriculture regarding the removal of sand from between the Piers at Ballygigan Harbour, referred to Commrs in the Resolutions forwarded from the Town on the 3rd December last

Housing Scheme

Mr Steeny Architect who was present, stated the Plans referred to him for Amendment from last Meeting were not quite ready for, a few days longer

It was resolved:— That the Housing Committee meet this eve for night to consider the amendments of Site Plans as suggested that no alterations be made of Site 3 Plan except the gardens should be allotted to each house to be erected on this Site, with regard to

Sites 172, the Local Government suggestion was approved, to build 8, instead of 9 houses on this site, and to straighten the building line

Read Letter from the L.G.B. dated 3rd January 1920, enclosing copies of the last two numbers of "Housing" and directing the Commission's attention to the articles and diagrams relative to the cost of open development of sites on pages 116 to 148

Referred to Housing Committee

Read Letter from same dated 9th January No. H. 501/145/1919, stating the Board have been informed by the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, that they desire that repayment of loans to local authorities etc for subsidised schemes under the Housing of (Ireland) Act 1919 shall be the annuity system and not on the basis of equal instalments of Principal and Interest on the amounts outstanding

Referred to Housing Committee

Re-Town Boundary Extension

X Mr Steeny C.E. submitted an Account for £5.5.0 for preparing and marking the proposed New, as well as the Old Boundaries on the Ordnance Maps.

Resolved:—

That the Boundaries as Marked be approved, Mr Early to prepare an application to the Local Government Board for the extension of the Boundaries accordingly

The application to state that the reason why

X
 (the Extension is sought is primarily in connection with the Housing Scheme as well as other contemplated improvements which cannot be undertaken owing to the present confined area, and which may lead to an application for Urban powers in the near future

Mr Honey's Account was *Ordered: To be Paid*

Town Hall

In compliance with notice Mr H J Durham Chairman, Moved: - That in future dancing be permitted in the Town Hall on Sunday evenings, any Resolutions to the contrary be rescinded, Objectionable dances be not allowed in future, The charge to be £3-5-0, Three Pounds five shillings

Mr J Durham Seconded the Motion which was unanimously *Passed*

Read Correspondence from J Morrison Esq Coal Controller's Department, 30 Kildare St Dublin, dated 14th & 26th January regarding the increase in Railway Rates, Tolls & Charges in respect of the Carriage of Coal Coke and Patent Tull which will be increased from 15th in st as follows: - 25% and a flat rate addition of 3^d per ton irrespective of distance subject to a minimum addition to the existing Tolls Rate or charge of 6^d per ton.

It will therefore be necessary for the Commissioners to ascertain the effect of this increase upon the average cost of Coal at the Depots in their district and

to amend the present maximum retail prices accordingly,

The Coal Merchants will be able to furnish the necessary particulars

Ordered:— Chaviman and Clark to interview Coal Merchants and call a meeting to re-arrange prices if necessary

Read Letter, Re. Elections, from the L.G.B. dated 13th January 1920 requesting to be forwarded to them on the enclosed form the number of members to be elected for the Electoral Area the number of Candidates Nominated and No. of Ballot Papers received under ~~each~~ the several heads shown on the form and to forward same together with copy of the Result Sheet Form No. 1, 8th Schedule of the Local Election P.R. & Order 1919

Forwarded by Clark

Letter from same dated 22nd January 1920 acknowledging with thanks the receipt of the statement R.R. 33, 1920, furnishing the desired particulars in connection with the Municipal Election 1920, as requested in their letter of 13th inst, also the certified copy of the Form of Result Sheet.

Marked. Read.

The Clerk should be communicated with the Local Government Board as requested at the Statutory Meeting on 30th inst regarding the objection raised by certain members as to the validity of Mr Michael James Durban's declaration of acceptance of office as Town Commissioner

being written in Irish, and received the following reply from the Local Govt Board dated 3rd February, Stating they are of opinion that all official documents and signatures thereto in connection with the elections should be in the English Language which is the ^{official language} of the Country, and they returned the enclosures which was forwarded with letter of 31st January.

Marked Read

The Clerk Reported that a fire originated on Election day 15th January, in the Town Hall by the accidental upsetting of an oil heating stove in Booth No. 2, which he duly reported to the Hibernian Insurance Company

He considered the damaged was something like £5 for scenery £3 - for floor and £2 - for Booths, he also claimed £2 - for the stove which was rendered useless, and suggested those who assisted in putting out the fire should get some small remuneration for their work. The Company sent on the usual Claim Form which he filled up according to the wishes of Mr Abraham who was then Chairman, and as follows: -

Scenery	Burnt	£ 5	—
Floor	"	3	—
Booths	"	2	—
Stove	"	2	—
		£ 12	—

with an additional sum of 3 - to compensate the staff and for Fire Extinguishers

Approved

The Secretary Balbriggan Gas Company wrote on 19th January notifying the Commissioners, that owing to the shortage of Coal the Gas would be cut off each night at 9 o'clock P.M. from Thursday 22nd instant until further notice.

The Clerk stated he arranged with Larkin to start to put the Lamps out and turn them off from 8 o'clock each evening

Approved.

The Clerk stated that Arthur Williams held a dance in the Hall on 30th inst for which he had to make arrangements to light the hall himself as there was no gas.

It was decided to charge Mr Williams £1 - one Pound for the Dance, he to bear the lighting expenses.

The Treasurer Northern Bank wrote asking to be furnished with the Official List of the names of the Town Commissioners now for record in their Books

The Clerk stated he furnished him with list as requested.

Read

The Financial Business having been reached just as the Town Gas was being cut off for the night.

Mr Gorman Proposed, and Mr Cashell Seconded:- That the Meeting be adjourned to this evening week 11th inst at 7.30 o'clock to deal with the Financial Business including Election Expenses and all other business left over

Carried

February 11th 1920. The Adjourned Monthly Meeting of The Town Commissioners, was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock, also a Special Meeting to consider the re-arranging of the Schedule for the Retail Price of House Coal in Balbriggan

The following Members were Present
Messrs. Michael James Derham (Chairman)
John Derham Patrick J Curran James McElen
Thomas McEashell Richard S Gorman & Stephen Corry
Messrs. William J Cumiskey and Thomas Griffin representing the Local Coal Merchants were also in attendance,

The first Business dealt with was the fixing of the price of Coal.

The Clerk having read the Correspondence he received from the Coal Controller on the subject, copies of which he forwarded to Mr Cumiskey and Mr Griffin.

The Meeting after discussing the matter with the Representatives of the Coal Merchants present who submitted a detailed statement of their costs

The following Scale of Prices were unanimously Adopted, On the Motion of Mr
Seconded By Mr.

- 1, Sale of one ton or more in bulk or in bags
in yard per ton £ 2. 18. 0
- 2, Delivered in Bags per ton 2. 19. 0
- 3, Sale of quantities of less than
one ton from Road Vehicles per Bag 10 stone 3. 9
- 4, Sale of quantities in yard per Bag 10. 3. 8
- 5, Sale of quantities in yard of less than
ten stone at the same rate per stone, The foregoing

Scale of prices to come into operation on and after Saturday 14th inst. scale to be published in the Drogheda Advertiser one insertion

February 11th The adjourned Monthly Meeting was proceeded with immediately after the special Meeting concluded.

Michael James Durham Esq. Chairman Presiding, also the Members attending the special Meeting were present.

The Clerk read a letter from the Thibermian Fire Insurance Company dated 6th Febry enclosing cheque for £15— in settlement of loss under the Town Hall Fire Policy being £12— in settlement of claim, £2— for the parties who helped to put out the fire and £1— for the re-charging of the Fire Extinguishers,

The Clerk mentioned, that ~~£2~~ two Pounds of the £12— was for a stove burnt the property of Mr Burke Ballingran.

Ordered:— That the £15— be lodged to credit of the Commissioners and a Paying Order be drawn in favour of Mr Burke for £2— also one for £3— for the Clerk and his staff for helping to have the fire extinguished. The Booths to be repaired by the Town Commissioners.

Election Expenses

The Clerk having read over for the Meeting the list of Expenses incurred in connection with the recent Elections which included all fees etc, amounting to £94.14.5. and the Commissioners having gone carefully into all the items,

The Accounts was passed, on the Motion of Mr Corry, Seconded By Mr Curran

(February 11th cont'd)Town Boundary Extension

X
X
The Clerk submitted to the meeting a draft statement he prepared to forward with the Maps to Mr Early setting forth the reasons as to why the Commissioners are making application to the Local Government Board to have the Town Boundaries extended by taking into the present Boundary the Electoral Divisions of Balbriggan Rural & Balscadden

The Statement was Approved, and it was Ordered:— That before submitting it to Mr Early, the Clerk should write to him pointing out that the Commissioners anticipate opposition to the proposal from the Ratepayers of the Rural Districts, and that the scheme may also be opposed by the ^{County and} Rural Councils, and in view of the being Law Advisers to both the County and Rural Councils, the Commissioners are doubtful if he can act for them and they would be glad ^{to have his views} on the point to be considered at the Housing Committee Meeting on Wednesday evening next 18th inst.

An application from Mr Arthur Williams to have his Shop front painted was Postponed

Financial Minutes

The Clerk having read from the Receipt and Expenditure Books Folio 141 the following Lodgments for Month of January

February 11thReceipts

Town Hall.

Jan.	Mrs L Whyte.	Dance Dec 31 st	£ 2.10.0
"	E. Mack	Dramatics 4 Nights to 4 Jan	5.0.0
"	R. Lera	" 1 " 6 "	1.15.0
"	W McHaley	Operetta 2 " 8 "	3.0.0
"	Town Tenants Com Room	1 " 11 "	7.6
"	Dublin Council	" meetings 31 Dec	1.10.0
			<u>£ 14.2.6</u>

Rents.*

"	John Larkin, Letting of Field		
"	to 1 st Dec 1919	£31.19.6	
"	Thos Churchill, S & S. F	} 13.0	
"	Rent of Band Room		
"	Mrs Connell Shop I	14.0	
"	A Williams " II	2.12.6	
			<u>35.19.0</u>

Rates, Mr Hurry

14.18.10Total £ 65.0.4Balance in favour per Bank Book £ 31.11.8Expenditure

The following Accounts were examined found correct and payment authorised by the following

Michael James Dublin, P. J. Curran & S. Corry

William Cannon,	Election Expenses	£94.14.5
Patrick Larkin	Lighting Lamp etc	4.5.0
Stephen Corry	Colouring Dressing Rooms etc	6.15.0
Michael G Haney	Marking Boundaries 2 Maps	5.5.0
Dollards Ltd	Stationery etc	5.4.6
E. B. Burke	Fire claim for Oil Stove	2.0.0
Wm Cannon	Expenses Town Hall fire	3.0.0
A. McDonald	9 windows Blinds Town Hall	} 6.0.0
	and Band Room	
		<u>Total £ 127.3.11</u>

(February 11th Continued), Proposed By Mr Patrick Curran
 And Seconded By Mr Stephen Corry
 Resolved:- That the Treasurer be
 asked for an overdraft on working
 account of £100 - one hundred pounds
 for four months to pay accounts in
 connection with the recent Elections
 of Town Commissioners

February 18th A Special Meeting of the Town Commissioners
 was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to
 consider Mr Early's reply to the Commers
 letter of 12th inst regarding his position
 to act on their behalf in connection with
 the proposed Town Boundary extension

M. J. Durham Esq Chairman Presided
 Other Members Present were,

Messrs Thomas McCaslel Michael Brady
 Patrick Curran John Durham, Richard
 S Gorman & Stephen Corry

The following, is the letter referred to from
 Mr Early dated 17th February 1920

Dear Sir

Re - Town Boundary Extension
 with reference to your letter of 12th inst
 I could not act for the Commissioners
 should the County Council or the Catholic
 Rural Council decide to oppose the
 application for the extension of the Boundary
 of the Town, I doubt that the
 rights or powers of either of these Councils

would be prejudicially affected by such extension, and the Ratepayers in the proposed added area are obviously the persons interested in opposing the extension

X The County and Rural District Councils would of course be affected and interested if the Commissioners should decide to apply to apply for Urban powers, I am of opinion that the Local Government Board will approve of the Commissioners proposal to add to the present area of Balbriggan urban the Electoral Division of Balbriggan Rural & Balocadder, and I cannot see any valid reason could be urged for the inclusion in the town area of such an extensive area,

X Under the provisions of Section 5. of the Towns Improvement Act 1854 the Local Govt Board have powers to alter or extend the Boundary should they think ^{it} necessary, and I suggest that the Commissioners should consider whether it would not be wise to formulate a proposal for the extension of the boundary which could be urged as reasonable, and to consider the propriety of taking in adjoining townlands or portions thereof

yours faithfully
Thomas Carey

The Town Clerk Balbriggan,

After giving the matter full consideration Mr Curran Proposed, and Mr Gorman Seconded the following resolution which was unanimously adopted

Feb 18th

Resolved:- That in reply to Mr Early's letter of 17th instant, that the letter held over from last meeting 11th inst. setting forth the reasons why the Town Boundary extension is sought, (one of which is urbanisation) be now forwarded to Mr Early with instructions to prepare an application to the Local Government Board for an Order to have the Electoral Divisions of Ballinagan Rural and Balseadder annexed to the present Electoral area of Ballinagan Urban which form the Town of Ballinagan.

That is provided he considers he is legally entitled to act on behalf of the Town Commissioners in the matter.

Housing Scheme, Plans

Mr Heney C.E. who was present having submitted amended Site Plans

The following Resolution was Proposed By Mr Bashell, Seconded by Mr Gorman

"That the Gardens as outlined by Mr Heney on Block Plan of Site 3 be Approved,

Also Sketch Plan for Site 1 & 2 regarding the building line which has been altered to meet the Local Government's suggestion.

Carried

Note:- Mr Heney intimated to the meeting that he would have both the Site and House Plans ready for next monthly meeting on 3rd March

M. J. Derham Chairman

3/3/20

March 3rd The Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock

Michael James Gerbani Chairman Presiding
Also Present,

Messrs. Michael Brady Thomas M. Cashell
Patrick J. Curran Richard S. Gorman & Stephen Corry

Minutes of last Monthly and Special Meetings were read and confirmed

Re. Town Boundary Extension

Read Letter dated 25th February from Mr Thomas Early Solicitor acknowledging receipt of Communication of 19th inst. noting instructions

X He is preparing Draft Petition and when same is settled and approved by the Local Government Board he will send agreement for approval of and perfection by the Town Commissioners.

In reply to the Chairman, the Clerk stated he had also forwarded the map setting forth the old and the proposed extensions to Mr Early

X The Chairman and other members said he had no authority from the Meeting to send the map until Mr Early had definitely stated he could legally act as requested

Proposed By Mr Cashell

Seconded by Mr Curran

Resolved:- That Mr Early be requested to state definitely if he can legally act for the Town Commissioners before proceeding with the agreement of the application for the extension

Mar 3rd extension of the Town Boundary. His reply to be considered at a special Meeting at 7.30 this evening week

X
 Read Letter from S. J. Moorhead Esq Manager Northern Bank Balbriggan, dated 15th Feb stating he had pleasure in advising that his Board of Directors have duly authorised an overdraft of £100 - on behalf of the Town Commissioners for the next four months as requested

Read

On the Motion of the Chairman
 Seconded by Mr Curran

The following resolution was unanimously adopted:—

"That," the Local Government Board be requested to allow the Town Commissioners to increase the Town Rate leviable under Section 60. of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act, 1854, from one shilling to one shilling and sixpence in the £- for the financial year 1920-21, to enable them to repay their Treasurer £100 - overdraft advanced to pay the recent P.R. Election Expenses amounting to £94:14:5,

We would also point out that one shilling in the £- raised on the present small area of the Town produces only £212 - and apart from the cost of the Elections, this amount is totally inadequate to meet our liabilities in the present abnormal times, as compared with those prevailing in 1854 when this Act was passed

In the Circumstances we trust the Board will grant this reasonable request.

Balbrogan Harbour

Read Letter dated 27th February from the Port and Docks Board, stating the Commissioners letter of 5th inst has received due consideration the Board have been in communication with the Department of Agriculture on the Matter, who accepted the fact that the Harbour is in need of Dredging to the cost of which however they are unable at present to contribute but that the dredging is open to re-consideration at anytime should funds be forthcoming
"Ordered"—

The Clerk to reply suggesting the Port and Docks Board might consider the advisability of employing some 8 or 10 men locally to remove ^{some} ~~the~~ of the sand with the lighter and have it emptied on to the South Strand as was done heretofore with fairly satisfactory results, Provided this were done it might help to remedy the existing state of affairs for the present and until the Department's Dredger is available.

Housing Scheme

Read Letter from the Housing Committee of the Local Government Board dated 26 February No. 501/364/1920. M. with reference to their Circular letter of 22nd ultimo 501/1781 regarding grants to private persons who construct houses in Municipal areas, and revoking the Conditions that houses shall be set back not less than 30 feet from the

the centre of the Street, as laid down in paragraph (a) of Part I Planning of Schedule I to the Conditions, provided the Local Authority represent to the Board, that special circumstances such as the present alignment of existing buildings make it clearly desirable that the conditions in question should not be rigidly adhered to and obtain the Board's Consent in each case

Read

X *Ordered:*— That the Clerk write the L.G.B. enquiring when do they propose to have an inspection made of the additional Site provisionally sited for the Commissioner's Scheme under the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Acts 1890 to 1919

Mr M J Stoney Architect submitted amended Lay out Plans for Sites Nos 73, in Hampton St also sketch designs of the Houses to be erected thereon which were *Approved*.

Ordered:— Mr Stoney to prepare Original Plans for the Sites accordingly.

Read. Copy of Resolution from the Institution of Municipal Engineers 39 Victoria Street London dated 25 Febry "That County Councils and Local Authorities in Ireland be requested to pay the salaries of their Engineering officials in monthly instalments

Read

Miss May Durham wrote enclosing £1 — being for hire of Town Hall for Dance on 19th February. The Clerk stated that

as their Gas was cut off. Miss Durham had to make her own arrangements for lighting the Stall on this night, and he considered £1- was enough to charge her

Approved,

Mr A Williams reported that his shop was forced open on Saturday night or early on Sunday morning 29th February and goods to the value of £8- were taken.

She would be thankful if the Commers would have the back wall of the shop slated if possible

Read

Mrs Coumell wrote that she would be very thankful if she could have the Shuts for her shop windows as they were in the shop adjoining hers, if so they might be looked up

Ordered:- The Clerk to have this matter looked into and let Mrs Coumell have the Shuts as requested.

Mr Edward Campbell Secretary O'Dwyers Gaelic Football Club wrote applying for joint tenancy of Band Room to be used as a Club Room on the same nights as occupied by the Transport Workers Union. also after 10.30 am on Sundays

The Application was postponed to Wednesday evening next 10th inst. The Clerk to enquire from the Band and the Sailors and Soldiers Federation what nights they use it during the week in order that the different tenancies may be amicably arranged, the question of

Mar 3rd

The Storing of the Band Instruments to be also considered,

Mr Cashell Proposed,

And Mr Gorman Seconded

"That the yard on left hand side of Entrance Hall be left open during entertainments in future

Carried

With regard to the stoppage of the Main Sewer in High Street into which the Town Hall Closets discharge and which creates a Nuisance especially on Dance nights,

The Chairman undertook to see Messrs S.S.O about the matter,

An Estimate from Messrs Dollard for supplying one Receipt and Expenditure Book at £7-10-0 was considered excessive and the Clerk was instructed to ask Messrs Lid for a quotation.

The Chairman suggested that the Commissioner should arrange some proper hours for the Clerk's attendance in his office daily for the convenience of the Commissioner and the Public generally. The present system was not commendable. He did not mean to impose any undue hardship on the Clerk by the arrangement suggested

Consideration of the matter was postponed to 10th inst to enable the Clerk to consider in the meantime what hours would suit him best

It was also decided to invite the Coal Merchants to the Meeting on 10th inst to discuss the Coal Prices recently fixed with the view of having the scale amended

Financial Business Receipts

The following Monies were Collected and lodged since last Meeting Folio. 143. Receipt & Expenditure Book

Stornian Fire Insurance Company

Lower Hall Fire Policy Claim £ 15. 0. 0

Miss Durham Dance 19th Feby 1. 0. 0

Arthur Williams " 31 January 1. 0. 0

£ 14. 0. 0

Bernard Hurry Lower Rates 8. 1. 9

Total £ 25. 1. 9

Balance in favour per Bank Books £ 31. 11. 8

Expenditure

The following Accounts were Submitted and Payment Authorised by the following

Michael James Durham } Chairman

Stephen Corry } Members Present

Patrick J Curran } At Meeting

Patrick Larkin Lighting lamps to date £ 4. 0. 0

Miss M^cBonnell 1/2 years salary to 31st March 6. 10. 0

Wm Bannor 1/4 years " " " 24. 11. 5

Joseph Rooney Perfected zinc for window Screen 10. 0

Total £ 38. 11. 5

March 10th A Special Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock. The following Members were Present Messrs M. J. Durham (Chairman) Stephen Corry Michael Brady Thomas M. Cashell Patrick Curran and John Durham Messrs W^m Flumming & Thomas Griffin were also present. The Clerk having read the Notice convening the Meeting,

The Chairman having reviewed the Coal Prices recently fixed which he informed the Representatives present, were higher by $\frac{1}{2}$ per ton than the price fixed by Borough Council for the Rural District which seemed somewhat peculiar and the Commissioners would like to hear from the Coal Merchants as to how the difference in price was arrived at.

Mr Griffin stated they were giving an increase to their mens pay from today and instead of reducing the Coal prices. They expected the Commissioners would give an increase to them of $\frac{1}{2}$ per ton making the price 60/-.

Mr Curran Proposed, and, Mr. Cashell, seconded "That the price be fixed at 60/- per ton. The Chairman Proposed

And Mr Corry seconded, That the price remain as at present.

The voting being equal, The amendment was passed by the Chairman casting vote, which being again put, was Carried by the same majority, fixing the price as at present Namely 59/- per ton.

Namely 59/- per ton delivered, and 58/-
per ton in yards, per Bag 3/9 delivered
and 3/8 per Bag in yards

Re Town Boundary Extension

X Read Letter dated 2nd March from Mr Thomas
Early Solicitor, stating in reply to letter of
19th ultimo that the Local Government Board
have adopted the practice of requiring that the
Draft of the Petition should be submitted to them
before it is sealed by the Town Commissioners
and formally presented, and that he has
accordingly forwarded the Draft Petition with
Ordinance Maps to the Board and have requested
their approval to the form of the Petition

X Read Letter from same dated 5th March, stating
in reply to the Resolution adopted at last Meeting
that he can legally act for the Town Commis-
sioners in reference to application for the extension
of the Town Boundary

Read & Voted

Clerks Office Hours Of Attendance

Resolved:—

"That the following hours be fixed for the
Clerks attendance daily in the Office

From 10.30. O'clock. A.M. To, 1.30. O'clock P.M.

And, From 7. O'clock. To 8 O'clock P.M.

Except on Saturdays when the Office will
be closed from One O'clock P.M.

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An application from the Ordwegers Gaelic Football Club for joint tenancy of Band Room, for same rights as those occupied by the I.Y.G.W.U. who they are informed were giving it up, was,

Postponed for 3. Months

Town Hall Sewerage

On the Motion of Mr Cashell

Seconded By Mr J Durham

It was decided to open a portion of the road in High Street to find out the cause of the stoppage in the flow of Sewerage from the Town Hall Closets,

The Chairman & Clerk to have this work done at a cost not exceeding £25

The Consideration of Indenters for one Receipt and Expenditure Book was adjourned to monthly Meeting, as Messrs Kelly had not tendered up to the present as requested

Messrs John Larkin & Sons Auctioneers, reported they have let according to your instruction Plot No. 3 Skerries Street Ballroggan to John Kangley Dundalk for the sum of £11-15-0, for the lot under the usual conditions

It was mentioned by Mr Cashell, that the gate has been removed from the field and all the fences levelled

Ordered:- Referred to Mr Larkin to report as to the conditions this plot was let to Mr. Kangley, with regard to fencing

Mr Larkin wrote calling attention to the fence on Building Site in Skerries Street adjoining his field, that there is nothing to prevent trespass, and the fence is on the Commissioners property. The gate which was on the front is also removed.

He gave notice that he will hold the Commissioners responsible for any damage to his crop (a new meadow) after this date 10th March.

Ordered: - Gate to be erected

Housing Scheme

Read Letter from the Housing Committee L.G.B. No H. 455/4/1920, dated 5th March, stating in reply to the Commissioners request that the Committee hope to have an inspection made in about a weeks time of the Sites provisionally selected by the Ballinacorney Town Commissioners for their Scheme under the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Act 1890 to 1919

Read Letter of 9th March from the L.G.B. regarding the Resolutions adopted relative to the rating powers of the Town Commissioners and stating in reply, that the Board are advised the Commissioners have no power to strike a special rate for the purpose of defraying the cost of the next Elections

Read.

Ordered: - The Housing Committee Meeting which should be held on 17th inst. be postponed to 24th inst.

March 24th A Special Meeting was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock to consider a letter that Mr. Early Solicitor received from the L.G.B. in connection with the Commissioners proposal to extend the Boundaries of the Town, a copy of which was being sent by them for consideration by the District Council.

Michael James Derham, Chairman Presided and the other Commissioners Present were Messrs. Cashell Curran McEneaney & Johnson. Mr. Early Solicitor was also in attendance by arrangement.

The following is a copy of the letter referred to which was read

18th March 1920

No. 20,364. 1920

Ballynegan Town

Sir

The Local Government Board for Ireland have had before them your letter of the 3rd inst forwarding for approval a draft application for an order in pursuance of Section 5, of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, to alter and extend the Boundaries of the Town of Ballynegan, and with reference thereto stating the Board would require to have before them an application under Seal in pursuance of a resolution passed by the Town Commissioners after due notice together with a certified copy of the resolution.

It was also pointed out that from examination of the Dublin Gazette of the 8th May 1860, it would appear that the meeting referred to in the recital of the application was held on the 23 April 1860

and not the 24th as stated a reference to the Order of the 4th May 1860 should be made to complete this ~~total~~ ^{first} rental

It is not made clear in the application that the District Electoral Division of Balradder is to be included in the extension the description in the application should be to make this clear

The Board however desire to offer the following observations which the Town Commissioners would do well to consider carefully before forwarding the formal application under Seal

The Board observe that the proposal is to increase the area of the Township from 530 acres to 10,835 acres which would make it about 5½ miles long by 3 miles wide, and include about 40 miles of roads. The added area of 10,300 acres as shown on the map contains a population of 1234 persons or about 8½ persons to each acre

In considering such a proposal the Town Commissioners should have before them Estimates of the Cost of Maintenance of the roads and the necessary Lighting in the proposed additional area, and if it is intended eventually to constitute the Town an Urban Sanitary Authority District, Estimates should also be submitted of the cost of providing a supply of water and a system of Sewerage. A Copy of Mr Early's letter and draft application are being sent to the Rural District Council together with a copy of this reply.

A lengthy discussion ensued with Mr Early the latter considered the proposal was too sweeping and that it was not likely to meet with success. However he promised to carry out their instructions.

but recommended that the Commissioner
would do well to empower him to have
X some Councils opinion on the larger
proposal, to find if it would be
wise to proceed with it or a more
modified area

This Suggestion was agreed to. The
larger area being favoured by the meeting

Wm. J. Durham 7/4/20
7/4/20

April 7th The Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock

Michael James Derham Esq Presiding
Others Present were

Messrs Patrick & Simon Richard S Gorman
John Derham James McElyea & M. Brady
F. J. M. Caskell

Minutes of last Monthly and special Meetings were read and confirmed.

Finance

The Financial Business and payment of Accounts amounting to £99-19-8 was on the suggestion of the Chairman postponed, as was also consideration of the Estimate for ensuing year
Drawn:-

The Clerk to have Mr Earls opinion on the legality to strike a Housing Rate to cover repayments and interest on a loan of £586 - obtained from the Northern Bank, for which no Rate was struck during the past 3 years the instalments etc being paid from the 1/2 in the £-Town Rate, which now leaves that account overdrawn £100 - and another £100 - of outstanding liabilities total £200 -

There is a further instalment and interest of £80 - to be provided for this year

Read Letter from the Manager Northern Bank stating that the Instalments of Principal and interest on Housing Loans amounting to

No. 1. £ 27. 11. 4

No. 2. 13. 10. 3

are due on 1st April, and requested paying orders

April 7th Paying Orders for same
 Payment Postponed

Read Letter from Secretary Gas Company stating that they are reluctantly compelled to cancel all discounts heretofore allowed in future

Read

On the Motion of Mr Cassell. Seconded By Mr Gorman, The Tender of Messrs Lolland to supply one special Receipt & Expenditure Book was. Accepted

@ £ 10.0

Re- Balbriggan Harbour

Read letter from the Port and Docks Board dated 1st April stating they are advised that the proposal put forward by the Town Commissioners as to cleaning the mouth of the Harbour is impracticable and that the clearing of the harbour entrance can only be properly undertaken by the Dredger of the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction

The Harbour Master is instructed to have as much work as possible done when the river is in spate

Minute:- It was decided that the Chairman with Mr Curran and the Clerk interview the Harbour Master immediately with the view of having some labour employed locally to remove the sand as suggested in the communication

Re- Boundary Extension

Mr Early Solicitor wrote dated 30th March forwarding Draft of proposed case to Council, and suggested that should there be any further queries considered

April 7th necessary to please add on same, He would also like to go through the case with the Clerk if he could arrange to come to town.

Approved.

Housing Scheme

Read Letter dated 23 March from Thoms & Strahan Local Government Board Inspector, stating he proposed to inspect the Building Sites put forward by the Town Commissioners in connection with their Housing Scheme and would be glad if Mr Stoney would meet him at the Town Hall on Thursday next at 1 o'clock P.M.

The Chairman stated that Mr Stoney with himself and the Clerk met Mr Strahan and visited all the proposed sites, Mr Strahan recommended alternative sites, and selected the remaining portion of Miss Yarran's land in Hampton Street and other land lying between Chapel Street and Colvard Street on the west or top end, he has not however forwarded his report yet.

Postponed

Mr Stoney Architect who was present stated he would have the finished designs of the houses on Site 1 & 2, ready for starting this evening week.

Noted.

Read Report of Rate Collector on his Collections at close of year

Resolved:- That having examined this account of Rate struck 23rd April 1919 £ 211. 0. 8

Matth M^cEnaney arrears

5. 8 $\frac{1}{2}$

Total 211. 6. 4 $\frac{1}{2}$

Total accounted for and lodged 209. 16. 2 $\frac{1}{2}$

Total £ - 1. 10. 2 $\frac{1}{2}$

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Irrecoverable Arrears,	£ 1. 2. 3
Recoverable Arrears M ^r M ^r Bunnery	7. 11
Total	£ 1. 10. 2

We are satisfied of this total that £1. 2. 3 is irrecoverable and we order that same be struck off and 7/11 against M^r M^r Bunnery be brought forward as recoverable arrears

The question of his Pounding was considered high and payment was deferred, to this coming week

M. J. Derham

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April 14th The Adjourned Finance and Housing Meetings of the Town Commissioners held this evening at 7.30 o'clock

Michael J. Durham Esq Chairman Presiding
Also Present,

Messrs. Patrick J. Curran M. Brady James
McGlow Archdale Graham and John Durham

The following Resolution was Proposed By
The Chairman

Seconded By Mr Brady
And Passed Unanimously. Resolved:-

"That" this Council takes this opportunity of congratulating the Irish Republican Prisoners on their magnificent Victory the greatest in the history of this Country, and that we adjourn this meeting as a tribute to their splendid courage and self sacrifice in the fight for Irish Freedom, and as a protest against the callous brutality which has placed them at death door

That copies of this resolution be wired in the morning to the Lord Mayor, Thomas Hunter J.D. and Peadar Clancy and a copy sent to the Drogheda Independent

No further business being transacted the Meeting was adjourned to this evening week at usual hour

M. J. Durham 5/5/20

April 21st The Approved Monthly ~~Meeting~~ Finance Meeting
also Housing Committee Meeting was held
this evening at 7 30 O'clock

Michael J. Derham Esq Chairman Presiding
Also Present

Messrs Patrick J. Curran Michael Brady
Richard J. Gorman Thomas M. Cahill
and John Derham,

Mr Michael J. Haney and Mr Early Solicitor
were also in attendance

Re - Boundary Extension

X Read Letter from Thos Early Esq Solicitor
acknowledging receipt of correspondence re area
of charge for proposed Sewerage Scheme in 1908
and Counsel's Brief re-above which he is
handing to Mr McGrath K.C.

Letter from same dated 20th April stating
that he will arrange to attend Meeting on
Wednesday as requested, and that Mr McGrath
K.C. has promised to let him have case written
on tomorrow

X Mr Early having read for the Meeting
Mr McGrath's opinion as to the proposed area
to be included, which stated that while the
Local Government Board have full powers to
grant an extension he considered $\frac{1}{2}$ a mile
radius would be a reasonable proposal to ask
for he considered that the taking in of too
much land would be rather a draw back
as it would ^{only} be rated at $\frac{1}{4}$ for some purposes
After discussion,

It was decided to postpone further consideration
to next Monthly Meeting, the Clerk to find

April 21st out in the meantime the valuation of the various Townlands within say a mile radius of the present Boundary

Re Town of Dalbriggan Order 1915
Housing Rate

Read Letter from Mr Early dated 20th April stating the Commissioners can only make a Rate for the current year for the monies required to meet the repayment of the loan obtained in connection with the Housing scheme and interest thereon,

The L & B are authorised by Sec. 99 of the Housing of the Working Classes Act 1890 to approve of an increase in the local rate for the purposes of the Act

They have already sanctioned any increase which might be necessary for the repayment of the said loan and interest

He thought it would be advisable to apply for their sanction to any increase for any other purpose connected with the Act, and suggested making out and furnishing to the L & B an Estimate showing the proposed increase over the 1/2 in the £- local rate and to request their sanction thereto,

As the payments to the Bank have already been provided for out of the local rate, he does not think there is power to levy, or that the L & B. would approve of a rate being levied to raise the amount of these payments in the current year.

(Over)

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The following Report from the Finance Committee was Read,

Gentlemen the Finance Committee have met this day (21 April) and considered the Estimate of Expenditure for service of the ensuing year amounting to £662 - which includes the following liabilities at the close of last year Namely:-

Bank Overdraft	£97 -
Rate Collectors Pounds	41 -
Gas Company Public Lighting	45 -
Gas Company Town Hall	18 -
	<u>201 -</u>

These liabilities are the result of meeting expenses of Housing Loans (including this year £170 - and Election Expenses

	97
	<u>£267</u>

No Provision was made to meet these expenses particularly £170 - for which a small rate should have been struck for the past 3 years, and there will also be further expense incurred until the Building Loan is obtained, we estimate the total Receipts from Rent Grants etc will roughly be £211-5-0

leaving a balance to be raised by Rates £450-15-0

We therefore suggest that the Commrs should strike the following rates which we consider with economy will carry them through the year

Town Import Rate 1/- in £	£ 214 -	} £428-0-0
Housing Rate 1/- do	£ 214 -	
		<u>- 22-15-0</u>

This would still leave a deficit

£450-15-0

Signed Mr. J. W. G. Chairman 21/4/20

April 21 Ordered:- Consideration postponed. The Clerk to forward a copy of this Report and Estimate with an explanatory letter to the Local Govt Board and requesting their approval to the striking of the Rate of 2% in The £5—

The question of the Rate Collectors Poinage and Bonus postponed was re-considered and on being questioned, Mr Early who was present gave as his opinion that the Resolutions granting him £5— & £10— respectively on 3rd Dec & 7th Jan last were not binding on the Commissioners who could rescind the resolutions on notice he considered the combined amount of 20% was high and might be open to surcharge on those Commissioners signing the Advice Note for payment.

Mr A J Durham handed in Notice to rescind the Resolutions of 3 Dec & 7th Jan granting Mr Henry the additional Bonuses of £5— & £10— respectively.

All the other payments were postponed.

Housing Scheme

Read Letter from the LGB dated 6th April No H. 501/310/1920. M. enclosing copy of the Housing of the Working Classes Petition Order 1920 made by the Board superseding the corresponding Order made by them on 6th August 1909

Read Letter from same dated 12 April No H 501/193 forwarding said order made under subsection.

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(2) & (3) of Section 5, of the Housing Act 1908, showing the Commissioners were liable to pay ~~any~~ ^{or} set apart a sum of £80.7.3 in the financial year ended 31st March in respect of the amount of £586-borrowed by the Commissioners after the passing of the Act for the purposes of the Housing of the Working Classes Acts 1890 to 1908

Read letter from the Housing Department L 913 No H 455/5/1920 dated 16th April forwarding to be laid before the Commissioners the accompanying X Copy of the Report of their Inspector Mr Strahan on his inspection of the sites provisionally selected by the Town Commissioners for their Scheme under the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Act 1890 to 1919 and stating the Committee concur with the recommendations.

The Site Maps and an additional Map prepared by the Inspector is also forwarded and requesting that Lay-out-Plans of the sites recommended may be furnished without delay, and at the same time the Town Commissioners should forthwith enter into negotiations for the purchase of the Lands required and failing early agreement commence proceedings for their compulsory acquisition

Copy of Report Referred to
Dated 10th April 1920

Ballygann Town Commissioners
Proposed Housing Scheme

April 21st Gentlemen. — I have the honour to report that in accordance with your instructions I have made an inspection of the building sites proposed in connection with above scheme.

The population of the Town in 1911 was 2,273 persons and its area was 530 acres, the number of houses was 507. There were 36 tenements of one room. The population is now estimated by the Commissioners to be 2,234.

The Town Commissioners have already acquired under a Provisional Order of 1915 two sites for housing purposes but have not yet under the Housing of the Working Act provided any houses. 51 Labourers Cottages have been erected by the ^{Rural} District Council within the Town Boundary.

Letters received by the Town Commissioners from the local firms of Manufacturers state that the shortage of housing accommodation in the district is adversely affecting the growth of their Industries. The Industries which are in a prosperous condition and expanding include fishing hosiery factories, linen mill, fish curing Station and corn mill. The wages of women vary from £1- to £2-10-0 per week. Male workers in the factories earn up to £6- per week. The Labourers wage is 34/6 and an increase is being sought.

The water supply in the town is by street pumps only. Sewers exist in the main streets but owing to the absence of proper water service they are utilised almost solely for surface drainage. From the Form of Survey of Housing needs recently compiled it appears

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that 182 new houses are required of which 94 are to meet the unsatisfied demand for houses owing to growth of population etc, and 88 to replace obstructive or other buildings which it is proposed to demolish

There is no provision to meet new industrial development,

The number of houses in the district which are not and cannot be made fit for human habitation is 43 occupied by 292 persons, The proposed accommodation of the 182 houses to be provided is as follows:-

Houses with Living Room Scullery & 2 Bedroom	43
" " " Parbur scullery & 2 do	65
" " " " " three "	74
	<u>Total 182 -</u>

After referring to the sites proposed ten of which are represented by the Medical Officer of Health as unhealthy areas, The Report pointed out that of the 16 sites additional to those already acquired are all very limited in area, fifteen have existing houses thereon totalling 95 of which 46 are occupied,

Building operations therefore on these sites would result in the displacing of the families concerned where no alternative accommodation exists, A housing scheme spread over such a number of small sites must prove unamiable and disappointing in results in comparison with the development of say three or four large areas

I consider that site 3 Hampton Street already acquired should be enlarged to

April 21 include the field on the North and the two on the eastern side and thereby increasing its area by 9.612 acres. For the western side of the Town and Convent to its centre I have marked on the accompanying ^{circle} map a site lying between Clonard Street and Chapel Street of 4.864 acres as suitable and desirable for housing. Both thus having southern aspects, are well provided with existing good frontage and are convenient to sewers which would become available for use when a proper water supply to the Town is installed.

I was accompanied by the Chairman of the Town Commissioners, the Town Clerk and the Architect for the scheme all of whom expressed their agreement as to the merits of the sites proposed by me.

Lay out Plans should now be forwarded for sites 1 & 2, Sherries Street 3 Hampton St (enlarged) and Clonard Street & Chapel St.

I have the honour to be

Gentlemen

Your Obedient Servant

Thos J Strahan

Thos G. B. Aubin,

After discussion it was unanimously decided on the suggestion of Mr. Bashell to forego Clonard Street site for the present. The Clerk to write Mr. Strahan asking if he would recommend instead the remaining portion of all Miss Farraws land running along the Railway Embankment north to Georges Street, this in our opinion would meet the

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Circumstances at present, The small map to be marked in pencil with the proposed addition island, and forwarded to Mr Strahan

The following Monies were received & laid to credit with Treasurer to 31st March F^o No 143
Receipt and Expenditure Book,

Rents	Williams	£. 0. 8	
		- 12-6	
"	Winstomell	1-2-0	
"	Thos Churchill	13-0	
"	Michl Brady	2-0-0	
"	Patk Connolly	1-6-0	
"	Bartie McCabe	3-5-0	
			<hr/> £ 8. 18. 6

Town Hall		£ 0. 0	
"	Fred O'Donovan	5-0-0	
"	James Gosan	2-10-0	
"	Philip Curran	1-10-0	<hr/> £ 9. 0. 0
"	Bernard Hurry (Rat.)	12. 1. 7	
			<hr/> £ 2. 1. 9
Total			<hr/> £ 20. 0. 3

M. J. Donham
5/5/20

May 5th The Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock

Michael J. Dehan ^{Esq} Chairman Presiding
Other Members Present were,

Messrs Thomas M. Cashell R. S. Gorman
John Dehan & Patrick Curran M. Brady

Minutes of last Monthly and Special Meetings were read & Confirmed

Read Letter from Mr Henry dated 5th May with reference to his Report of 7th ultimo, requesting to be definitely informed in writing if he is to take legal proceedings against M. M. Eweeney for arrears and Rate due by him for the past 4 years.

Ordered:- Clerk to send Mr Henry. Copy of the Order made at last Meeting:- Namely. No Action to be taken, and that the amount 7/11 is to be brought forward as recoverable arrears

Read Letter from same Officer dated 5th instant requesting Payment of his Poundsage earned and Bonuses and Postage granted for the year ended 31st March 1920, amounting to £41.2.4 he complained that it was really too bad to keep him so long without it more especially at the present time when the cost of living is so high, and that he had a family to maintain he was amazed that one Official could be paid and that he should be treated differently.

In connection with this matter, Mr John Dehan Moved the following Resolution of which he had

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previously given Notice Namely:—

"That the Resolutions passed on 3rd December 1919, and 7th January 1920, granting Mr Henry additional War Bounties on his Collection, - of £5 - and £10 - respectively be recalled.

The Resolution was Seconded by Mrs Curran and passed unanimously.
The Clerk to send Mr Henry a Paying Order for £26.2.4, accordingly.

Re- Balbriggan Harbour

The Chairman mentioned with regard to the entry in the Minutes about clearing the Harbour entrance that he interviewed the Harbour Master with Mr Curran and the Clerk as suggested, and the Harbour Master promised he would have as much work done by local labour as the Harbour Fund would permit in accordance with the Port and Docks Board's approval.

The Chairman also promised to have him notified whenever an application was being made for improvements to the Port and Docks Board's interest as the Harbour Master complained that this had not been previously done by the Commissioners.

Approved

Re- Estimate

The Clerk stated he had not yet received any reply from the L.G.B. with regard to the Estimate sent them for approval on 22nd April.

Ordered:— Postponed, Clerk to summon a Special Meeting on receipt of reply from L.G.B.

May 5thYour Boundary Extension

The Clerk stated he communicated with the Commissioners of Valuation who sent him the the Valuations and area of Baerbrigga Rural He submitted the following list of townlands with their respective areas and Valuations for the Commissioners consideration for inclusion in the smaller or alternative area.

Ardfellan, Baerbrigga, Bantony, Blackhall, Binnore, Coallland, Blyphuca, Colnarda (or Melkotron Great) Humungrove, Melkotron Little, Gannuree Tree, Glete North, Glete South, Shaughtone Rowmore, Wick Melkotron, Kelough North, Kelough South, Knockmagin, Selvin Estuary, Rose Park Melkotron, Telegraph

AREA	VALUATION LAND	VALUATION BUILDINGS	TOTAL VALUATION
A - R - D	£ . 8 . D	£ . 5 . D	£ . 8 . D
3,470. 3. 29	4657. 15. 0	651. 15. 0	5,309. 10. 0

The inclusion of this area would yield the following Rates at $\frac{1}{2}$ in the £ - Total £90.15.4 $\frac{1}{2}$ Rural £58.4.4 $\frac{1}{2}$ Buildings £32.11.0

Granted:-

Mr Henry Archibald to prepare Map

Extension Scheme

Read Letter dated 27th April 1920 from the Valuation & S. B. Inspector stating he would inspect the additional land suggested on Friday next at 11.30 am

Read Letter from Secretary Housing Committee of the Local Government Board dated 4th May

May 5th with reference to letter of 23rd ultimo to the Inspector Mr Strahan relative to the additional land proposed to be included by the Balbriggan Town Commissioners in the site at Hampton Street for their Housing Scheme, and stating that after consideration of report on inspection they are of opinion the additional land to be acquired is suitable for building.

The 6 inch map forwarded by you is returned herewith. It is requested that the Committee may be furnished with a 25—inch ^{ordnance} map of the site with the necessary amendments due to the erection of some new fences on the site,

In connection with this matter Mr M J Heney Architect wrote complaining about the clerk furnishing figures to the Inspector regarding this area which were not correct, and requested that any correspondence or documents or copies of same received by him in future in connection with the scheme concerning him be sent to his office.

The Clerk explained that there must be some misunderstanding in the matter as he simply marked in pencil on the map the land proposed to be taken with the area both approximate giving the Inspector a rough idea of where the land was situated. Correct figures of the site area could not be given until Mr Strahan gave his opinion about acquiring the Orchard etc on this particular holding. ^{upon} Mr Heney would then be instructed to mark the ordnance sheet officially.

The following Resolution was proposed by Mr. Lashell
 seconded by Mr. Gorman and unanimously
 adopted:—

X
 That the necessary steps be taken to acquire
 the whole lot of Miss Farran's Land situated
 in Hampton Street & George's Street Ballinacorney
 which land has been recommended for
 the erection of Artizans Dwellings under the
 Housing Act 1919, by Mr. Strahan F.G. 13
 Inspector, and approved by the Local
 Government Board.

And that our Architect Mr. Steaney
 be instructed to prepare the necessary Maps
 and Drawings of the Lands in question
 in order to enable us to enter into
 negotiations with Miss Farran with the
 view of purchasing said lands by
 agreement through a Valuer from the
 Valuation Office, failing which, that
 Compulsory acquisition be resorted to in
 accordance with the Rules of Procedure
 required by the Housing Act 1919.

Ordered:— The Clerk to let Mr. Steaney have copies
 of all Housing Correspondence relating to his
 duties in future,

The Clerk stated at Mr. Steaney's request
 he ordered the following, from Messrs. Hodges
 Figgins & Co. Dublin,

3, Copies 11-13. Ordnance Survey Maps
 3, " do V-2 do
 3, " V-1 do

12 yards Tracing linen and 12 sheets Drawing
 Paper. He had not yet received same. **Approved**
 To Phone if They do not arrive to-morrow

~~Ordered~~:— The Clerk to write Miss Farran asking what she will sell the land for, as soon as Mr Stoney has the tracing of the site in question prepared

Read Circular Letter, dated 12th March from the Secretary Housing Committee L.G.B. No. H. 501/340/1920, M. with reference to the acquisition of lands for Building Schemes, and stating that the terms on which the necessary lands are acquired either by purchase or on lease should be kept as near as possible to the real value of the sites, by arrangement made with the Commissioners of Valuation, Official Valuers will give opinions on the value of approved sites and will enter into negotiations respecting the terms of acquisition of the lands provided the Local Authorities so desire and have notified the several parties interested of their intention to take the lands

Read Letter from the Secretary Housing Committee L.G.B. dated 30th April 1920 No. H. 501/173/1920, M. advising to the Copy of Order forwarded in the Boards Letter of 11th returns under the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Act 1908 stating that the proportionate amount of the Housing Fund payable to the Balbriggan Town Commissioners in respect of the liabilities incurred by them is £8.10.0 for which instructions have been given for the payment thereof to the Treasurer of the Local Authority

A Circular from the L.G.B. was read dated 7th April stating that loans will be made on the

Annuitiy System for Housing purposes
re-payable as follows: per £100

20 years	£9.3.4	50 years	6.7.6
30 "	7.8.7	60 "	6.4.0
40 "	6.14.4	80 "	6.1.4

Read and Voud

April 30th The Balance against at this date £

The following Accounts were examined and the
Advice Sheet for Authorising Payment was signed
by the following:

M J Berham, R. S. Gorman & P J Curran

Folio 1.

Patrick Larkin	Lighting Lamps to 31 st March	£4.0.0
Bernard Henry	Poundage Banns & Postage "	26.2.4
Northern Bank	Repayment & Interest Ho Loan No. 1,	27.11.4
Northern Bank	- do - - - No. 2,	13.10.3
Tom J. Lunnery	Coal Town Hall	3.12.11
Arthur Graham	Repairing " " Cloist	9.0
E. Ponsoby Ltd	Pamphlets Housing	1.3.10
Miss E. Keeney	Stationery Locks etc	2.6.4
		Total <u>£78.16.0</u>

May 19th The Housing Committee Meeting to be held this evening at 7.30 O'clock, full through for want of a Quorum

Messrs. The Chairman, Patrick J. Curran Richard J. Gorman and John Durham being the only Commissioners present

May 26th A Special Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock. To consider the making of Rates for service of the year ended 31st March 1921

Michael J. Durham (Chairman) Presided
Other Present were

Messrs Thomas McEachell Richard. S. Gorman Patrick J. Curran Michael Brady and John Durham

The following Letter from the Local Government Board dated 21st May, No 30637/1920, was read.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 22nd ult. and 10th inst, relative to the Rating Limit of the Balbriggan Town Commissioners

I am directed by the L.G.B. to ^{advise you} inform you that they have already approved of any increase necessary to be made in the Local Rate in order to provide for the repayment of the loan for housing and for the interest thereon. It would appear to be constant for the Town Commissioners to strike any Rate required for these purposes as well as the one allowing Rate authorized

by Section 60. of the Towns Improvement
(Ireland) Act 1864, without the Approval
of the Board

I am Sir

Your Obedient Servant

Edw. Leech Asst Secretary

The Town Clerk Ballinacorney

On the Motion of Mr M J Dorman (Chairman)
Seconded By Mr Thomas M. Cashell
It was unanimously Resolved:—

That, having before us the foregoing
letter from the Local Government Board
dated 21st inst regarding the Rates required
to be made to meet the Expenditure set
forth in the Finance Committee Report
and Estimate sent for the L.G.B.
Approval on 22nd ultimo, That the usual
Statutory Notices be given of our intention
at a Special Meeting on 9th June 1920
to make the following Rates.

Towns Improvmt Rate $\frac{1}{4}$ in the £	
Housing	Rate $\frac{1}{4}$ in the £
One quarter on hand,	Total $\frac{2}{4}$ - 50.

On the Motion of Mr J Dorman

Seconded By Mr R. S. Gorman

A Committee was appointed, consisting of
Messrs The Chairman Cashell & Curran
to review the Salaries of the Officers and
Report to next meeting.

M. J. Dorman

2/6/20

June 2nd 1920. The Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock

M J Derham Esq Chairman Presided
Also Present

Messrs. Michael Brady Thomas M Cashell
Richard J Gorman Patrick J Curran and
John Derham

Minutes of last meeting were read & confirmed

Re-Appointment of Salaries Committee
The Chairman stated he was of opinion that the Resolution passed at the special meeting on 19th May appointing Messrs Cashell Curran and himself a Committee to review the Salaries of Officials and report to this meeting, was not in Order and should be re-moved at this meeting

Mr John Derham, again Moved: and Mr Gorman seconded the Resolution re-appointing the Committee which was unanimously **Adopted**

The Clerk applied for the following Annual Allowances for work done.

Lettings Town Hall etc to 31 st March	£	5.0.0
Attending Petty sessions	50	2.0.0
Writing two Rate Books	50	2.0.0
	Total	£ 9.0.0

The Chairman objected to these amounts being paid without having before him the terms of the Clerks Appointment. A heated discussion ensued between the Clerk and Chairman which resulted in the latter

June 2nd adjourning the Meeting to 9th inst.

June 9th The adjourned Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this eve at 7.30 O'clock

M J Derham Esq Chairman Presiding
Also Present,

Messrs M Brady Thomas M Cashell
Patrick Curran. Richard J Gorman and
John Derham

The Chairman having referred to the circumstances which resulted in the Meeting being adjourned from 2nd inst He considered an apology was due from the Clerk for the manner in which he acted on that occasion.

The Clerk stated he regretted very much that in the discussion regarding payment of his fees, that he lost temper for the moment but thought he had not, nor was it his desire to offer offence to the Chairman or any of the Commissioners present and he felt the Commissioners would overlook what had occurred on the occasion for which he was very sorry

The explanation was considered Satisfactory

The Local Government Board wrote 27th May enclosing Forms in connection with the

Annual Returns of Local Taxation in
Ireland, for presentation to Parliament
and with the view to their completion
requested that the several particulars
be furnished on said form relating
to the Town Commissioners for the year
ended 31st March last

The Clerk stated he had already furnished
the L.G.B. with the particulars

Approved

Re. Town Boundary Extension

Read Letter dated 8th inst from Mr Early Esq
Solicitor stating he had written the L.G.B.
for the Map and will forward same in
a day or two

Read Letter from same dated 10th inst
stating he was forwarding by rail this day
Map of Balbriggan Town Boundary Extension

Read Letter from Mr Henney dated 17th inst
returning the map received from Mr Early
showing alternative Extension of Town Boundary
which is outlined in blue also copy of same

In addition to the existing Town Boundary
the following Town lands are included:—

Ardgillan, Balbriggan, Balrothery, Blackhall,
Brunore, Castland, Cloghedeer, Clonard, or
Folkstown Great, Hamington, Folkstown Little,
Gardeners Hill, Glebe North, Glebe South,
Hampton Demesne, Inch, Kilnambran,
Kilsough, North, Kilsough South, Knuocknagin
Silvin Estuary, Rose Park, and Stiphinstown

The Population and areas and Valuations

are as follows:

Electoral Division	Population	Valuation	Area
E.D. Balbriggan Urban	2273	£5326.5.0	530.0.15
" Rural	526	5309.10.0	3491.0.19
Totals	2799	£10635.15.0	4021.0.34

There is a difference in the acreage shown on Ordnance Map and that given in the Rate Books of ^{A. R. P.} 25.2.1 but this is accounted for by a difference in the areas of Hampton Demesne and the inclusion in the Rate Books of ^{a. r. p.} 11.2.1 of Balbriggan which is not shown on the map, His figures are taken from the Rate Books.

The Clerk stated he forwarded these particulars with the map to Mr Early on 19th ult by Order of the Commissioners

Read Letter from Mr Early dated 25th May acknowledging receipt of same, and enclosing copy of Resolution for adoption by the Commission "That the Commissioners hereby decide to make application to the Local Government Board for Ireland to extend the present Boundaries of the Town of Balbriggan, under the provisions of the Town Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 by including in the Town of Balbriggan the following Townlands in the Electoral Division of Balbriggan Rural viz:—

Ardgillan, Balbriggan, Balrothery, Blackhall, Brunore, Castleland, Cloghader, Cloward or Folkstown Great, Flemington, Folkstown Little, Gardeners Hill, Glebe North, Glebe South, Hampton Demesne, Inch, Kilmamham, Kilsough North, Kilsough South, Knockragin Down Estuary,

Rose Park, Stephenstown,

And that the Boundary delineated by a green line on the Ordnance Map marked by Mr Heenev Architect be substituted for the present Boundary delineated by a green line of said Ordnance Sheet, and that the application to the Local Government Board for said extension be prepared by the Law Agent to the Commissioners to be Sealed.

On The Motion of Mr Curran
Seconded By Mr Cashell, The foregoing
Resolution was, Passed unanimously

Read Account from Mr Heenev for preparing
maps showing alternative Boundary etc
amounting to £5:5:0. Five guineas
Ordered:- To be Paid

Yours Rates Made

On The Motion of Mr M J Derham (Chairman)
Seconded By Mr Thomas M Cashell

It was Resolved:- To make the following
Rates for service of the Financial year
ended 31st March 1921, Family:—

Town's Improv. Rate,	1/-	in the £
Housing Rate	1/-	in the £
Total	2/-	- 50 -

The said Rate to be collected in one moiety
by the Rate collector on and from June
9th 1920. Total warrant sealed & signed £423:0:5½
including 4/11 arrears from last year

Proposed By Mr Gorman, Seconded by Mr Brady

"That the Town Tenants have the use of the Hall free for their meeting on 9th instant
Carried

Housing Scheme

Read Letter from Mr Honey enclosing two tracings of Site 3 Hampton Street showing land already acquired and additional land proposed to be taken over from the Messrs Farran with areas marked thereon

Read Letter from Miss Farran dated 22nd May acknowledging receipt of Letter of 19th May re-purchase price of land with tracing of same, which she has forwarded to her Agent

X Read Letter from S. R. & C. Walker & Son Solicitors 86 Merrion Square Dublin, agent to Mrs Farran stating she has sent them the Commissioners letter of 19th May last, they are looking into the matter and hope to send a reply shortly

Re-Site 1 & 2 Skerries Street

Read Letter from Mr Steeney Architect dated 2nd June as to why the Plans were not furnished as arranged, that the preparation of same took up more time than he at first anticipated and in the preparation of such particularly original Drawings many unforeseen problems present themselves which require careful consideration and therefore time,

As the Commissioners are now in possession of all Plans etc, he will have

much pleasure in carrying on with the Scheme in full on receipt of their further instructions

Read, and considered Satisfactory

The Clerk Reported that the Architect has furnished the Designs for the Eight New Houses, His approximate Estimate for same is £4,000, including cost of site etc or £875 - each house,

The annual charge on this loan for repayment and interest for 50 years would be £444:6:5, or per house

£ 55:15:7½
which if let at a weekly rent of 9/- is 23:8:0

leaving a deficit of £ 32:7:7½

The Govt subsidy @ 25/- for 20/- of rent collected 29:5:0

Annual loss to Rates per house £ 3:2:7½

not mentioning up Keep Rates Rent Collection or Insurance,

Please say if I may forward Plans and the application to the Local Government Board for the Loan named £4,000.

William Bamron J.C

The Meeting having examined the Plans and application expressed their Approval to same And on the Motion of

The Chairman

Seconded By Mr. Bashell

It was unanimously decided to forward them with the Application for Loan of £4,000 to the Local Government Board,

The Chairman And Clerk then signed the Loan Application Accordingly

Several Circulars were forwarded by the LGB relative to increased Housing Grants to utility Societies and Rules governing same which were all referred to the Housing Committee,

Re. Town Hall Income Tax A/c

The ^{clerk} read correspondence dated 11th & 13th May & 2nd June from the Inspector of Income Tax relative to above, and in the latter stated the following was a copy of his Computations of the Commissioners liability for the year ending on 5th April 1921, and to kindly inform him if they agree to same

Balance less £18 -

Nett A. 21 -

Debit Balance £39 -

Rent	£2	}	18
Income Tax	6		
Interest Bd of works	10		
Income Tax loss 1920-21			£21 -

No Assessment Schedule D

Read

Read Letter from the Coal Controller, 38 Kildare Street Dublin dated 5th June confirming his wire of yesterday's date, withdrawing the Wholesale Coal prices Order 1917 and ~~and~~ Retail Coal prices Order 1917, and sale of Coal Order 1919 suspended from 7th June

And stating the price of Coal will still be controlled at the Pithead, the price will be the maximum and not a fixed price on and from Monday 7th June, therefore Wholesale Factors and Dealers will be at liberty to arrange their own prices —

The following are the monies received and
 Lodged by the Clerks since last Finance
 Meeting April 1920. Folio I Receipt Book
 Town Hall

Miss Derham Drama & Dance	£3.5.0
J. Gaynor & J. Canton All Night Dance	2.10.0
P. Glurran & Co Drama & Dance	3.5.0
Dan Byrne Variety Ent 2 Nights	3.0.0
Ralf Silvester Pantomime 6 Nights	6.0.0
	£18.0.0
Housing Grant L.G.B.	8.10.0
	Total £26.10.0

Payments Authorized by M. Derham; Chairman
 & Michael Brady & Patrick Glurran Folio 2
 Cashiers Bank of Ireland. Town Hall Loan Instant £22.2.6
 Michael & Henry Co. Marking Boundary on maps 5.5.0
 William Barron & Co. Preparing Rate Books Town Hall Committee 9.0.0
 Patrick Larkin. Taking down lamps etc 1.8.0
 Total £37.15.6

Resolved:- That we request our Treasurer the
 Northern Bank Ballyquinn to renew the
 overdraft of £100 - due 13th inst until the
 1st August next

June 16th 1920. The Commissioners held their adjourned meeting from this eve week on this day to consider the Salaries Committee Report

Michael J. DeBane Esq Chairman Presided
Also Present

Messrs. Michael Brady - Thomas M. Cashell
Patrick J. Curran Richard S. Gorman, and
John DeBane

The following is the Report which was Read
June 11th 1920

The Salaries Committee beg. to Report that they thoroughly investigated the terms of appointment of each official and paid especial interest to the various increases from the date of their appointment

Caretaker Miss M^cDonnell

Has never been permanently appointed she took up duties temporarily in February 1916 at a salary of £10-8-0 which was increased by 5% in January 1920

We now suggest that in future the Clerk keep a Caretakers Register and the Commission define more definitely her duties

That she be retained on present terms and be paid quarterly the sum of £3-18-0

On the Motion of Mr The Chairman

seconded by Mr Gorman,

This portion of the Report was *Adopted*. M

Rate Collector Mr Henry

Was appointed in 1895 at £4- per Annum
Various Increases afforded
1907-8 Amount of Collection £160. Salary £6 - Bonus £1 -

1910-11,		Salary £4 - Bonus £4 -
1912-13	(£162 Collections)	Com 5% to cover all £8:3/4
1913-14		Com 6% " "
1915-16		7 1/2% " "
1916-17	(£175 Collections)	7 1/2% " £17:10/6
1917-18	(£175 50)	10% " 17:10:0
1918-19	(£210 00)	10% + Bonus £5. 26:0:0
1919-20	(£210 00)	10% (incrd 41) 26:0:0

The items 5th Dec & 10th January £5 & £10 - was rescinded by Resolution of New Council

As will be seen from above list

Mr Hurry collected in 1912-13 £162, poundage was in that year £8-2-10, 1919-20 he collected £210 - for which he claimed £41-odd, this involved an increase of £33 - on an increased collection of £48 -

We now advise the Council to appoint the Rate Collector for coming year with a Poundage of 8% upon his collections.

This Poundage to cover all expenses and that the Council entertain no other application for an increase during that period

That the Commissioners Room be used as Rate Office in future

The Collector to be paid 8% upon all monies lodged to the credit of the Council on 30 Sept 1920, and that the Collection fee completed on or before 31st Jan 1921

On the Motion of the Chairman

Rescinded By Mr Cashell

The Report as read was unannouncedly Adopted

Mr Hurry came before the meeting and complained that there was no money to meet his Pay Order

When he presented it at the Bank, he accordingly returned it to the Bank.

The Chairman having explained how this occurred was that the Bank could not allow the Commissioners to overdraw their account as arranged which fact the Commissioners were not aware of at the time, and he was very sorry that Mr Henry had been kept out of his money so long under the circumstances.

He would arrange to have the Pay Order cashed by the Bank now if Mr Henry wished to cash it,

Mr Henry explained that the Order should be £41 - not £26.2.4, and wished to know could he cash it on account

The Chairman stated he could do so if he wished

The question of Mr Henry accepting the New Town 840 for the Collection for current year were left over for his consideration to meeting on 7th prox, when the Commrs wished to have the Collection proceeded with

Town Clerk, Mr Cannon

was appointed in Jan 1903, with a Salary of £18 - and £2 - for Rate Books his first increase was 1904 when he was allowed £2 - ~~for~~ for attendance at P.S. Court

1910	Salary was increased by	£ 5.0.0
1912	Do	5.0.0
1915	Granted £5 Bonus for Town Hall Lettings	5.0.0
1917	- £5 - War Bonus	5.0.0
Jan 1918	Salary £26 increase of salary	<u>26.0.0</u>

Apr 1919. Granted	£ 31. 8. 0	War Bonus	£ 31. 8. 0
Jan 1920, "		20% on all earnings	20. 0. 0
			<u>£ 119. 8. 0</u>

This brings his salary to just £120-per annum
 we now recommend that all Bonuses
 and Emoluments due to the Clerk be
 converted into salary, that ^{he} in ~~the~~ future be
 paid £120 - i.e. £30 - per Quarter

That his salary cover all duties
 writing Rate Collector Books Tour Hall
 Lettering Reading Notices and Housing books
 we think we have really treated our
 Officials fairly and that the scale is the
 highest the Commissioners can entertain
 in view of the finances of the Council

The principal function of the Council is
 to light the Town, and during the past
 year our income was £209. of which
 £206 - went to pay salaries thus leaving
 £3 - with which to light the Town, without
 counting office expenses, as well we
 consider the work of our Officials did not
 increase proportionally with the salaries
 and we are still more thankful that
 the cost of living did not jump at the
 same rate,

The Clerk read a statement showing that his
 salary from all sources in 1917-18, was £63. 0. 0

War Bonus	5. 0. 0
Total	<u>£ 68. 0. 0</u>

1918-19. Granted an additional war Bonus	31. 8. 0
Total Salary & War Bonus	<u>£ 99. 8. 0</u>

He was granted 20% on all earnings on above 20. 0. 0
 which brought his salary & bonus to 31 mar 1920 £ 119. 8. 0

This amount according to the Local Govt Scale		
Should be	Salary etc.	£63.0.0
"	Bonus	60 0.0
		£123.0.0
"	Percentage 24% on £123	24.12.0
		£147.12.0
Amount actually received		119.8.0
"	due for 1919-20	£28.4.0
The L.G.B. Circular of 11 th March 1920, gave		
leave for a further 10% on earnings	Bonus	12.6.0
added to		147.12.0
Total amount he should receive 1920-21		£159.18.0

He also stated the amount arrived at above is quite distinct from the Housing Scheme and he strongly objected to the proposal in the last paragraph of the Report, which if adopted would mean that he would get nothing whatever for Housing work.

The Report was adopted,

on the motion of the Chairman

Seconded by Mr Gorman

June 30th A Housing Committee Meeting was held
this evening at 7.30 O'clock

Mr Richard Spoman Presided

Messrs John Derham Patrick Curran
Michael Brady & Thomas M. Cahill
were the other Commissioners present

Mr Stoney Architect was also in attendance

Correspondence Read

Letter from L.G.B. (Housing Dept) acknowledging
receipt of application for sanction to a loan
of £7000 for the erection of Houses on Plots
1 & 2 and of the designs of the Proposed Houses

Letter from same dated 17th June No. 96 19
making application for £12.4 expenses
incurred in connection with proceedings
for above loan under the Housing of the
Working Classes Act

Referred to Monthly Meeting

Read

Letter from Mr Strahan L.G.B. Inspector
dated 22nd June stating he has been instructed
to hold a Local Enquiry into the application
for loan of £7000 under the Housing Act and
wished to know if Thursday the 8th July
would be convenient to hold same

The Clerk stated he interviewed the Chairman
and it was agreed to wire Mr Strahan
that it would provided it could be arranged
for 11 o'clock.

Read,

Letter from L.G.B. (Housing Department)

dated 25th June stating they have fixed Thursday 8th July at 11 O'clock to hold the Enquiry into the Commissioners application for loan of £4,000 for the purposes of carrying out a scheme for the provision of Houses under Part I of the Housing Act 1919 & Part III of the Housing of the Working Classes Act 1900 and have instructed their Inspector Mr Strahan accordingly, Notice of the Enquiry will be published

The Clerk stated he notified Mr Early of the date and informed him that the Commissioners required his personal attendance at the Enquiry, and asked for his instructions regarding same.

Read

Letter from Mr Early dated 24th June stating, the Clerk and Mr Stoney will be required to give evidence, The Clerk to prove the Financial Condition of the Commrs and to prepare and have the statement ready giving particulars as to Rates and all outstanding Loans, and how the amount of the Loan has been arrived at also the further if any that would be placed on the Rates by the Scheme.

Mr Stoney will be required to give evidence regarding the Plans and Estimates prepared in full detail and in such manner that they could be embodied in a contract.

The Chairman and one or two Commissioners should be present to give formal evidence on the necessity for the Houses if required, He wished to be

Furnished with a copy of the Clerk's financial statement and if he is in Town before the 5th prox to please give him a call

On the motion of Mr Durham
 Seconded by Mr Brady
 Messrs R S Gorman J M Cahill and
 P Hurran were deputed to attend the
 Enquiry to give evidence if necessary

The Clerk to prepare and furnish
 Mr Early with a copy of his financial
 statement as requested, and to see him
 if possible this week end, and have a
 statement prepared for the Enquiry on
 the 5th inst, The Clerk to be allowed
 10/- expenses

Carried

Read Letter from the Secretary Housing
 Committee L & B dated 24 June returning
 Lay out Plans and House Designs forwarded
 with letter on 10th inst and stating the Lay-
 -Out Plan is suitable,

- As regards the House Designs,
1. The Scullery is too small and working
 space cramped - no larder or space for one
 or space for future Bath is provided
 2. The height of the Rooms could be reduced
 from 8 feet 6 inches to 8 feet, This change
 would also lessen the projection of the
 stair below the ceiling at the entrance to
 Kitchen door
 3. The glass area in bedrooms 1 & 2 is less than

1/10th of the floor area, The small bedroom has no fireplace

4. The height of the top of glass in the bedroom windows is only 5 feet 6 inches from the floor and should be 6 feet 6 inches
5. The 6 feet wide Concrete path to front door should be omitted a ^{simple} ~~single~~ foot path will be sufficient
6. Specifications and Estimates should be furnished along with details of the proposed Closet in connection with which is forwarded the enclosed typed memorandum

Minute:— Referred to Mr Steeny to have the Plans altered accordingly, and if possible to have them ready for the Enquiry

Mr Steeny who was present promised he would do his best to have them ready for the Enquiry

The Clerk was instructed to write to Mr Walker Solicitor regarding the Commissioner's proposal re Miss Farrars Land

J. J. Bhairam
7/7/1920

July 7th The Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners
was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock

Patrick J Curran Esq Presiding
Also Present

Messrs Michael Brady, Thomas M. Cashell
John Durham Richard S. Gorman
Auldale Graham & James McEwan

Minutes of last Monthly and other Meetings
were read and confirmed

Read Letter from Mr Henry Rate Collector
dated 7th inst with reference to his percentage
being reduced, which he is legally informed
the Commissioners have no power to interfere
with his original appointment, and pointing
out that the difference between 10% and
8% on double the amount collected last
year would mean a loss to him of £880
without any Bonus or allowance

The Commissioners have also withheld
£15— granted to him within the financial
year ended 31st March last without
legal authority, which should have been
paid when his collection was lodged

He asked was this fair treatment to
a man in their service for 25 years

If they adhered to the percentage hitherto
granted 10% would only be equitable con-
sidering extra exertions and responsibility
and a total loss of £28.8.0

The letter was Marked Read

The Rate Collectors warrant amounting to £ _____ was then duly signed and sealed, and the Clerk was instructed to notify Mr Henry to have the Collection proceeded with as soon as possible

Town Boundary Extension

X
Read Letter from Mr Early Solicitor dated 29th June, enclosing Application to the Local Government Board for an order altering and extending the Town Boundary which he has prepared in pursuance of the Resolution adopted by the Commissioners at their Meeting on 9th inst. same to be signed and sealed at next Meeting

The Clerk having read the Application setting forth the respective Townlands proposed to be included which were Approved

X.
On the Motion of Mr Durham seconded by Mr Caswell

The application was then duly signed by the Commissioners, and countersigned by the Clerk, same to be forwarded to Mr Early

Read Letter from the Manager Northern Bank Balbriggan dated 12 June stating as requested that his Board of Directors have renewed until the 1st August the overdraft of £100- on behalf of the Town Commissioners

Read Circular from the Irish Banks standing Committee stating the Irish Banks have

found it necessary to make small charge for work and expense in keeping current Accounts namely 10/6 per half year from 1st Jan 1920

Approved

The Registrar of Petty Sessions Clerks Dublin Castle forwarded £1-6-3 amount of Surplus monies arising from the sale of Dog Licenses for the year 1919

The Clerk stated he communicated with the Registrar pointing out that last year the amount was £5-10-0, and as the Tax was 4/- double the amount per Dog this year would like to have an explanation of the reduced amount,

Read reply stating the reduction was brought about by decreased receipts for Fines and Fees for Petty Sessions Courts and increased payment to Petty Session Clerks of a Bonus on their Salaries,

The increased License duty of 4/- did not come into force until after the 31st Dec 1919 which was the year in respect of which the surplus was recently distributed

Read

The Secretary Ballinacorney ^{Gas Co} wrote stating that owing to the increase in the price of coal etc they are reluctantly compelled to increase the price of Gas to 10/- per 1,000 cubic feet to all consumers from 30th June 1920

Read

The Kinnif Press 65 Middle Abbey Street Dublin wrote for particulars for their Publication

"The Irish Book" as they are anxious to publish completed Returns of the recent elections as well as the names of Chairman Secretaries and other Officials

Ordered: - Clerk to give the Information

The Accountant Office of Public Works Dublin wrote on 1st July pointing out that the time has elapsed for payment of the Town Hall half yearly instalment of £22-2-6 and that if same is not paid within one week from this date with Penal Interest ²/₁₁ the case must be referred to the Treasury Solicitor for recovery.

The Clerk stated the payment was Ordered at last Meeting but they have no money to meet this A/c in the Bank

It was decided to let it remain over until the Commissioners have money to credit, it would then be the first A/c paid

The Larkin Release Committee 10 Langrishe Place Dublin, wrote drawing attention to the conviction of Sir Larkin General Secretary J. J. W. U. on a charge of what is called Criminal Anarchy, and to the vindictive sentence of ~~five~~ ^{five} years to 10 years imprisonment with hard labour which he is now serving in Sing-Sing Prison.

The Committee suggest that a Resolution be carried at next meeting and forwarded to The American Consul U.S.A. 15. Lower O'Connell Street Dublin and to The Press

The Committee would also be obliged for a copy of the Resolution.

On The Motion Of the Chairman
Seconded By Mr Brady

It was unannouncedly Resolved:-

"That the Minister for Foreign Affairs to Mr. Deil be asked to communicate with the American Consul on the matter with the object of bringing all possible influence to secure the release of our fellow Countryman James Larkin whom we believe has been the victim of British Intrigue

Copy to be sent to the Larkin release Committee

Housing Scheme

X Read Letter from S & R C Walker & Son Solicitors 86 Merrion Square Dublin, dated 6th July with reference to purchase of Miss Farran's Estate stating they are sorry for the delay in answering letter to Miss Farran of 19th May but they have been taking advice about the matter and have not yet received it

Read

Read Communication from the L & B N^o H. 501, 1106. M. Housing Department, with reference to the question of the remuneration to be allowed to be lords of Local Authorities for any services rendered by them in connection with Schemes provided under the Housing of the Working Classes Act 1890 to 1919, and in particular the feasibility of dealing with the matter by means of Rules

under Section 32 of the Act of 1919 fixing the duties to be performed by clerks and the fees to be paid therefor.

The character and circumstances of the several Schemes vary so greatly that the Board are satisfied it is not practicable to frame a scale of fees for Town Clerks to be applied generally which would be equitable. They are accordingly of opinion that each Municipal Authority should make such allowance to its clerks as appears reasonable having regard to the amount and complexity of the work actually performed by him in relation to each Housing Scheme

Read

Ordered:- That the Clerks instruct Paddy Martin to have all the lamps taken down, for which work he has been granted £1- as he has only taken down 6 lamps up to the present.

On the Motion of Mr. Deane

Seconded by Mr. Brady

Resolved:- That Messrs. Cashell, Gorman & Curran, interview Mr. Duval re-painting Procurement for Town Hall Stage the work and material not to exceed £5- five pounds

The following monies has been received and loaned by the Clerk since last meeting
Folio 2. Receipt & Expenditure Books

(over)

July 7th

Receipts		£. s. d.
Town Hall		
James Maeks,	Election of Co. V.R.O.C. 7 June	1. 10. 0
Harry Duland	2 Nights	3. 0. 0
J. C. Hoops	2 Nights	3. 0. 0
		<u>£ 7. 10. 0</u>

Rents

Richard Smyth,	Band Room - 13. 0	}	3. 11. 6
Arthur Williams	Sloop No 2, 1-12-6		
Mrs Council	Sloop No 1 1. 6. 0		
Registrar Petty Sessions Clerks,	Surplus Dog Licenses	1. 6. 3	
Total.			<u>£ 12. 7. 9</u>

The Payment of Accounts was postponed pending the Collection of Lower Rates, The Clerk to call a special Meeting should the Rate Collection not be proceeded with immediately.

August 4th The Monthly Meeting to be held this evg at 7.30 O'clock had to be adjourned to 11th inst at same hour, for want of a quorum

Mr P J Curran being the only Commissioner present,

Aug 11th The only Commissioners who attended this evening were Messrs John Berham P J Curran & James McEwen, The Clerk was also absent through temporary illness so that the meeting was further adjourned to 18th inst.

August 18th 1920BALBRIGGAN TOWN COM-
MISSIONERS.

A further postponement of the monthly meeting of the Town Commissioners was necessitated on Wednesday night by the absence of a quorum. The members in attendance were—Messrs P Curran, M Brady, J McGlew, M J Derham. The meeting will be held on Wednesday next if a quorum can be got together, and in addition to the ordinary business, the following motions will be taken up:—“That we, the Balbriggan Town Commissioners, hereby pledge our allegiance to Dail Eireann, as the legitimately constituted and elected Government of the Irish people; and we bind ourselves to carry out any decrees issued by the Republican Local Government Department.”

“That we, the Balbriggan Town Commissioners, as representatives of the citizens of Balbriggan, in common with other Irish towns, most emphatically condemn the tyranny of the British Government in their refusal to allow Dr. Mannix, Archbishop of Melbourne, to visit his native country, and we tender to Dr. Mannix—one of Ireland's most illustrious sons—our most heartfelt greetings.”

The motions were handed in by Mr P. J. Curran.

Aug 25th As only four members attended this evening
Namely: Messrs James McGlew M Brady
John Derham & P J Curran
No Meeting was held

Sept 1st The Monthly Meeting was adjourned
to Monday evening next the 6th inst
for want of a quorum.

Messrs J Derham & McGlew
P Brady & P J Curran being the only
Commissioners present this evening

The following Motion was handed
in by Mr. Derham for consideration

“That owing to the absence of a quorum
for the last five meetings of the Town
Commissioners, it will move at the
adjourned Meeting on 6th inst, that
in future three members form a quorum
Notice of same to be sent to each Member

Sept 5th

The meeting gave full thought for weeks
 of a question, the same four weeks
 being in attendance Virg. Moore
 Brady, Norman Kenlan & Meigs
 The book was mentioned that
 those present would notify him of
 the date to call the appropriate meeting
 M. S. Kenlan
 20/10/20

Oct 20th The Monthly Meeting of the Town Council
was held this evening at 4.30 O'clock

Michael J Derham Chairman Presiding
Others Present were

Messrs M Brady, Thos M Cashell
P J Curran and R A Gorman

Minutes of last Meeting were taken as
read and were confirmed

Finance

The following monies were received and
brought since last Meeting 7th July

Receipt Book Folio No

Town Hall	£55-12-0
Rates	239 5-8
Rents	

Total £294-17-8

Balance in favour per Bank Books £105-16-4

Collected By Clerk but not lodged 15-0-0

Total £120-16-4

The following Accounts were examined found
correct and Treasurers Advice Note for
Payments was signed by the following:-

Michael J Derham } Chairman
Thos M Cashell } Members Present
P J Curran } At Meeting

Order No.	William Cannon 1/2 years salary to 30 Sept	£60-0-0
339	C M'Donnell barretts do	7-16-0
340	J Lanning one year for Town Hall lamps	
341	to 30 June 1920	6-10-0
342	J Lanning, Repairs to Public lamps etc	6-1-9
343	Hodges Luggis Maps tracing linen etc	6-12-6
	Forward	£87-0-3

1920	Amount	Forwards	£	s	d
			87	0	3
344	Ellans Duplicate Co,	Table Roll & Paper	1	9	0
345	Dollard Ltd,	Rate Receipt & Expenditure Book etc	9	14	8
346	Welshbachs Light Co,	Mounting Glasses & Burners	9	14	8
347	Gas Company Ltd,	Public Lighting Gas	36	9	5
348	Do	Town Hall Gas & Balce	36	4	8
349	Drogheda Indpt	Printing & Advertising	8	15	1
350	William Bammond C. Petty	Cash	9	14	0
351	B Steury	Pourrage to 30 th Sept 1920	19	3	6
352	W J Steaney	Instalment on acct of Housing Fee	30	0	0
353	P Larkin	Lighting Lamps 2 weeks to date	2	0	0
354	W J Steaney		20	0	0
355	Guardian Assurance Co	Policy Premium Employee	17	6	
356	do - do	" Clerks Bond	7	6	
		Total	271	5	3

Proposed By Mr Gorman

Seconded By Mr Cashell

"That we request our Treasurer the Northern Bank to allow us an over draft of £90-
Twenty Pounds, for three months to meet
our liabilities

Carried

Mr W J Steaney C. E. Balbriggan wrote transmitting
his account in connection with the Housing
Scheme amounting to £320-10-6, and wished
to now make application for an instalment
of £50 - on account of said fee

On the Motion of Mr Cashell

Seconded By Mr Gorman

It was decided to pay Mr Steaney £50 - on acct
of his Bill furnished in two Paying Orders
of £30 and £20 - respectively £30 - was the
other to be held over for the present.

Ordered:- That John Cummings Account of £6-10-0 for keeping Town Hall Lamps in Order to 1st July last be paid, the other Bill for £6-1-9 to be held over for the present

Read application from Mr Henry Rate Collector for his War Bonus £15- Granted 7th Jan last, and his Commission for Collection of Rates to 30th Sept last,

The Clerk stated the Rates collected to 30th September were £239-5-8

The Chairman Moved: That Mr Henry be paid his Commission due namely: £19-3-6 being 8% on the amount collected
Mr Cashell seconded.

Carried unanimously

With regard to the Bonus claimed

The Chairman explained that this matter was already settled and could not be discussed without Notice of Motion

Mr Brady then handed in notice to have the matter re-considered at next meeting

Lamp/light
The Lamp/lighter was called before the meeting to explain why he had not lighted the lamps for the last few nights, and gave as his reason that the moon was almost full and considered it would only be wasting Gas to light the lamps

He was ordered to light the lamps every night moon or no moon in future

Amended

until notified to the contrary,
failing to do so the Chairman told
him he would be dismissed

Audit

Read Letter from the L.G.B Auditor
Mr McCarron B.L. stating he would
attend for the purpose of auditing
the Accounts on Monday 20th Sept
at 10 o'clock Am

The Clerk stated in the absence of
a Meeting that he duly published the
Statutory Notices, Mr McCarron attended
and opened the audit on the aforesaid date
He would have finished the following day
but for the unfortunate occurrence in
the town. He therefore adjourned the audit
to a date to be named

Read & approved

X Read Letter from Mr Early Re Town
Boundary Extension acknowledging Application
duly perfected by the Town Commissioners
which he has forwarded to the Local
Government Board.

Read

Read Letter from Archdale Graham Esq J.C.
tendering his resignation as Town Commissioner

On The Motion of Mr Dehman

Seconded by Mr Bashell

The Clerk was instructed to write Mr Graham
stating the Commissioners regret to learn
of his decision to resign, and request
him to re-consider the matter as his

Services would be a loss to the Board particularly in regard to the Housing Scheme.

Read Circular Letter from the L.G.B. No 122/Mc. 1920 dated 29th July stating that the Government have given the Board explicit instructions, that no loans or Grants from public funds for any purpose shall be made by the L.G.B. to any Local Authority without a definite assurance that they will submit their Accounts to audit and be prepared to conform to the Rules and Orders of the L.G.B. as heretofore.

Read Letter from the Housing Department acknowledging the receipt of altered Plans in connection with Sites 1 & 2.

Read Letter from same No H. 455/15/1920 dated 17th September returning the Plan Specification and Estimate for the erection of the 8 Houses in Skerries Street, and stating that by the adoption of the sketch Plans prepared by them attached to the Commissioners Plan a reduction in the Cube from 13,200 to 12,360 cubic feet may be obtained, Desirable amendments to the specification will be found marked thereon.

Having regard to the increase in the estimated cost of the scheme since the application for sanction to a loan of £7,000 in June last, the full amount of the loan now required should be stated on the enclosed Form and the other Particulars

particulars furnished thereon

The Report of their Inspector re- Local Enquiry has now been received, and it will facilitate the consideration of the Report if the assurance required by His Majesty's Government indicated in the Board's Circular letter of the 29th July No 122/16, is given by the Town Commissioners, as the Board are not empowered to recommend the issue of loans from the Local Loans Fund in the absence of the assurance referred to

Mr Steeny who was present stated that all the amendments to Plans etc referred to in the letter, were now completed by him.

Resolved:— That before proceeding further the Clerk be instructed to write and ask the L.G.B. for a copy of the Assurance required in connection with the loan for the Housing Scheme, and to point out that the Commissioners have always submitted their Books for audit to the L.G.B. Officials

Fairs for 1921

On The Motion Of Mr Durham Chairman
Seconded By Mr R S Gorman

The following committee was appointed to assist the Clerk in the preparation of the List of Fairs for 1921,

Messrs P Curran T.C. Patrick Nolan
James Farrell M Branagan P. McCormack
Thomas Griffin James Stand

The Clerk stated he wrote to The
following

following Towns for list,

Drogheda, Navan Kells Ardu Slane
Duluck Lusk and Swords

Ordered:- Committee Meeting to be called
on receipt of replies

Proposed By Mr Durham (Chairman)

Seconded By Mr Cashell

That a vote of sympathy be forwarded
by the Clerks to the relatives of Messrs
John Gibbons and James Lawless who
lost their lives on the 21st Sept in the
town during a reprisal by armed
forces of the Crown, and that the meeting
be adjourned as a mark of respect without
transacting any other business

The Motion was unanimously passed in
Silence.

In answer to the Chairman, the Clerks
stated that Mr Corry had not attended
any of the Commissioners Meetings for the
past six months and he was therefore
disqualified.

It was ordered to inform Mr Corry
accordingly, and that a member be
Co-opted to fill the vacancy at next
meeting

M. J. Durham Chairman

3/11/20

Nov 3rd, 1920. The Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evening at 7.30, O'clock

Mr J. Serham Esq Chairman Presiding
Others Present were:-

Messrs. Michael Brady, Thos McCashell
Patrick Curran and Richard S. Gorman

The Minutes were taken as read and signed

The Notice of Motion handed in by Mr Brady at last Meeting, to consider Mr Henry's application for a War Bonus of £15 - which he stated was granted by the Commissioners on 7th January last but which was not paid to him, was on the suggestion of the Chairman

Postponed.

Read Letter from Mr McCarroll Local Government Board Auditor stating he has fixed Wednesday 10th Nov to complete the Audit of Accounts, and to let him know if this date will suit

The Clerk's stated he replied in the affirmative
Approved.

Read Letter from the Managers Northern Bank Balbriggan intimating that the Housing Loan Instalments of Principal and Interest of £27.11.3 and £13.10.3 fell due on 1st Oct

Ordered:-

Payment Postponed till funds are available

Mr Henry submitted the amended Plans Specification and Estimate of the 8. House

and the Clerk having read the reply from the L.G.B. relative to the assurances to be given by the Commissioners in connection with Loans for Housing etc.

Mr Curran Proposed

And Mr Brady Seconded

"That the Plans Specification and Estimate of the 8 Houses proposed to be built on Sites 1 + 2 in Skerries Street having been amended by our Architect in accordance with the suggestions in the Local Government Boards letter of the 17th Sept last,

we hereby instruct our Clerk to forward same to the L.G.B. together with the application for Loan which has also been amended from £7,000 to £8,400 the total amount of estimated by Mr Stoney for carrying out the Scheme, and that we will conform to their Orders Rules and Audit

The Resolution having been put to the Meeting was declared - Carried

The Chairman being the only dissentient

The Clerk stated he wrote to Messrs Graham and Corry as requested at last Meeting

Mr Graham replied, that he had decided not to re-consider his resignation,

Mr Corry did not reply

It was Resolved:- To declare both Seats Vacant and that the Vacancies be filled by Co-option at next Meeting 1st December

Resolved:- That the Lampfighters be paid three shillings per night for fighting the Lamps in future.

Read Letter from the Local Government Board dated Nov drawing attention to the Sheriff's Act 1920 stating, an under Sheriff is disqualified to be elected or chosen to be a Member of the Local Commissioners.

The Chairman mentioned that while in Prison he received an invitation to proceed to Washington U.S.A. to give evidence regarding the burning of houses etc. recently in Calverton.

He considered that in the circumstances his father would be a suitable person to act instead as he was one of the victims and an eyewitness of what took place.

No Passports were issued so far, but he expected they will shortly be issued by the Government, and it was now for the Commissioners to approve of his application or otherwise.

It was unanimously resolved:- That the Chairman's Action be Approved, and that the Clerk and Chairman give Mr John Derham an authority in writing from the Commissioners, The Seal to be appended thereto.

The following Accounts were ordered to be paid

Patrick Martin Fighting Lamps 2 bouts to date £ 2 00
 Hebrman Locomotive Co Fire Policy Bank Room 14.0

£ 2.14.0

R. A. Gorman

11/2/20

Nov 24th A Special Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock, to consider Correspondence from the Local Government Board, and the Commissioners of Public Works regarding the application of Loan of £8,400 for Housing purposes.

The following Commissioners were Present

Messrs. Michael Brady, Thos W. Cashell, Patrick J. Curran, Richard J. Gorman, and James McEneaney.

Mr Curran having been Moved to the Chair,

The Clerk read the following Correspondence Letter.

From the Secretary Housing Committee L.G.B. Nov H. 453.17. dated 17th instant referring to the application of the Town Commissioners for sanction to a Loan of £8,400. to erect eight houses under the Housing of the working Classes (Ireland) Act, stating that the Board have sanctioned a loan of £8,200, under Section 237, of the Public Health Act 1878, for a period of 60 years the loan to be issued in instalments. The loan sanctioned is £200 less than the amount applied for, as the Board cannot sanction the proposal to borrow £200 from the Treasury to pay the balance of a loan raised from the Northern Bank. The Treasury will not entertain any application for a loan from the Local Loans Fund for the purpose of paying off a loan made to a local Authority by

by private parties

Application should be made to the Commissioners of Public Works for the Loan if the Town Commissioners desire that it should be recommended under section 246 of the Public Health Act, but no expenditure should be incurred until its issue has been authorised by the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury

The Clerk stated he made the necessary application to the Board of Works and sent a copy of the Local Government Board Letter

Read

Letter from same dated 12th Nov. re-Plans etc pointing out that if a ^{reconstruction} ~~reconstruction~~ were made in the pitch of the roof and in the height of collars over floor economy and greater stability in the houses might be secured, a saving in the slating and in the lengths of rafters would result and better bracing given to the roof. If the suggestions are adopted amended plans should be forwarded for formal approval.

The Clerk stated he gave Mr. Stewey a copy of this letter.

It was decided to leave over the suggestions referred to for the present

Read

Letter from the Board of Works dated 20th Nov regarding the application for a loan of £8200 for the purpose

of erecting eight houses, and stating that the instructions of the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury render it necessary before the case can proceed that the Town Commissioners should give an undertaking that the instalments in repayment of the proposed loan as well as of any outstanding or existing loans will be paid at the dates at which they become due. He enclosed a form of the undertaking required.

On the Motion of Mr Thomas M Cashell
Seconded By Mr Richard S Gorman

It was unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Balbriggan Town Commissioners hereby undertake that the instalments in repayment of the Loan of £8,200, now proposed for the erection of eight houses from the Board of Works as well as any existing loans will be punctually remitted at the dates at which they become due, viz: 1st May and 1st Nov in each year

Co-opton of two Members

On the Motion of Mr Gorman

Seconded By Mr Cashell

Mr Richard Smyth, was unanimously Co-opted in room of Mr Stephen Corry, disqualified

And, on the Motion of Mr Curran

Seconded By Mr Gorman Mr Michael O'Rourke was unanimously in room of Mr & Graham Keegan

A Paying Order for Instalment to Board of Works for £22-1-6 was Ordered to be issued R. S. Gorman
11/12/20

Dec 1st 1920. The Monthly Meeting of the Lower Commissioners was held this evening at 7.30. O'clock. Those Present were Messrs. Michael Brady Thomas McCashell Richard S Gorman, Richard Smythe T. M O'Rourke, P J Curran. Mr McCashell Moved, and Mr Brady seconded, That Mr Gorman Take the Chair

Minutes of last Meeting were read & confirmed

Arising out of a question by Mr Curran Messrs Henry & Henry Rate Collector and Architect respectively who were in attendance retired from the Room

With regard to Mr Henrys application for £5 - Bourses which he stated is due since last January, and Mr Bradys Notice of Motion on the subject which was handed in on 20th October to have the matter re-considered and which was postponed at last Meeting, was Moved:- by the latter

Mr Curran Proposed and Mr McCashell seconded:- That the matter be not considered as the Motion was out of order, the question being finally dealt with by Mr Surbrans Motion of the 7th May last regarding payment of the Bourses.

A lengthy discussion ensued. Minutes dealing with the question having been read Mr Henry again entered the room and endeavoured to join in the discussion at this stage of the proceedings. Messrs

Messrs Curran & Caspell left the room
And on the Motion of the Chairman
Seconded by Mr Brady,

The Meeting was adjourned to the
following evening at 7.30 O'clock

R. S. Gorman Chairman

5/1/21

Dec 2nd The Adjourned Monthly Meeting was held
this evening at 7.30 O'clock,

Those Present were

Messrs M Brady Thos M Caspell
Richd S Gorman Patk Curran R Smyth
and M J O'Rourke

Mr Curran Presided

Mr Brady's Motion Postponed from last evg
Re- Mr Smyth's Bourses of £15- was again
considered, and it was eventually decided
to refer the matter to Mr Early for his
advice as to the legality of the Motion

The Clerk to send full particulars regarding
the granting of and the recinding of the
Bourses.

Ordered:- All Public Lamps to be left lighting
all night on Christmas eve and Christmas Night

Housing Scheme

Read Letter from the Secretary Housing Committee
Local Government Board dated 25th inst
requesting to be furnished with the
following particulars, Namely:-

(over)

(a) Amount required by the Commissioners immediately

(b) Estimated by them to be required within the next three or four months and details showing how these amounts are arrived at should be furnished as far as is conveniently possible,

The Clerk stated he communicated with Mr Heaney and Mr Early who furnished the following particulars,

Mr Heaney £ 250.0.0
of Contract

Mr Early Solicitor Fees (May) 25.0.0
William Bannion Clerk preparation of Scheme to date 60.0.0

Maps, and Provision for advertising for Contractors

20.0.0

Local Govt Board Expenses Claimed

(a) Total Amt first instalment £ 356.2.4

(b) Mr Heaney estimates that the probable instalment to Builders 4 months from commencement of work when the houses are up to the wall plates and work satisfactory will be (say) £ 2500.0.0

Total £ 2856.2.4

It was resolved: That the estimated as read of the instalments required by the Commissioners of the loan of £8,200 sanctioned, Namely:-

(a) Immediately £ 356.2.4

(b) within 4 months 2500.0.0

Total £ 2856.2.4

Be approved, and forwarded to the Local Govt

with Mr Heney's Account since his appointment, also the Clerk and Mr Barly's claim in connection with the preparations of the Scheme

Allocation of the Irish Housing Fund
Read,

Circular Letter from the Local Government Board dated 23rd Nov H.501/17/20. It requesting to be furnished with particulars of the liabilities of the Town Commissioners as at the 1st April last in respect of re-payments of Principal and Interest for the year ending 31st March next on foot of moneys borrowed after the 21st Dec 1908 under sanction of the Board for the purposes of the Housing (Irel) Acts 1890 to 1908

The Clerk stated he supplied the information to the Local Government Board as requested

Approved

Read,

Circular Letter from same No. H.501/15344/1920, dated 7th September 1920, Re-Increase of Rent and Mortgage Interest, Restriction Act 1920, which affects the Rent & Valuation of Houses erected or to be erected under the Housing of the Working Classes (Irel) Acts

Read,

Read Letter from the Local Government Board dated 18th November 1920, forwarding copy of the Auditor's Report on his Audit of the

Town Commissioners Accounts for the year ended 31st March 1920 which is certified as correct, Certified Copies of the Abstract of the Accounts were also enclosed for the Town Comm^{rs} information.

Read

Read

Letter from Mr Henry Rate Collector stating his object in attending the meeting last evening was principally in regard to directions for recovery of Rates where houses were burned and where the Landlord refused to pay for Tenants as heretofore.

Read

Read Letter from the L. G. B. No. 60616, dated 8th Nov, Re- The Gas and Coal (Emergency) Order 1920, And the Lighting Heating and Power Emergency Order 1920, Stating that an Order has been made by the Secretary for Mines declaring that as from the 4th inst, the above named Orders made by the Board of Trade on the 16th ultimo cease to have effect.

Read

Read

Letter from the Board of Works No 15739 acknowledging the receipt of the Comm^{rs} communication of the 24th inst re- guarantee for loan of £8,200 which will be laid before the Board

Read

The following was read,

Ballyragan

Nov 5th 1920

Mrs Lawless and Family desire to thank the Town Commissioners for their kind sympathy and help in their great trouble, and also Mr. Dannon for his kind words of consolation.

Yours sincerely

M A Lawless (Mrs)

Read,

Circular Letter from the L.G.B. dated 30th August last referring to their Circular Letter of the 4th March 1920, and previous Circulars on the subject of Bonuses enclosing a New Scale of Civil Servant Bonuses, and drawing attention to the Board's Circular Letter of the 3rd June 1919 the terms of which should be carefully borne in mind by Local Authorities when granting Bonuses to their Officers or reversing Bonuses already granted, and in cases where additions to Salaries have already been given in view of the increased cost of living such additions should be taken into account in fixing the amount of any additional Bonus.

The Clerk to

each Body of Town Commissioners

Marked:- Adjourned.

The Clerk stated that Paying Order was required to be issued at this meeting amounting to £47.6.6

Forward:	£47. 6. 6
Pay orders issued last Meeting not cashed	103. 7. 6
Total	£150. 8. 0
To Credit per Bank Books	4 17. 8
Leaving a balance due Bank (including £90 overdraft)	£145. 10. 4

(Noted.)

It was decided to issue a Paying Order for Larkin for three guineas being for three weeks wages to pay him to Dec 22nd for lighting lamps to that date.

The Clerk Reported the Sailors & Soliers' Federation gave up possession of the Band Room on 30th Sept paying the rent due up to that date,

The Band have paid no rent for same period £1-6-0

Ordered:- The Clerk to make an application to the President for the Rent due

A number of Malicious Injury Claims in connection with property burned and the shooting of two policemen in Ballinagan on the 20 & 21st September, last were served on the Clerk which he mentioned to the Meeting but there was

No Order made thereon

The following Resolutions for 1921, were Adopted
The Clerk to order the usual supply of hand Bills (500) from The Drogheda Independent.

Fairs for 1921

January	C S P	Tuesday	11 th
February	C S P	Do	8 th
March	C S P	Do	5 th
March	C S P	Do	29 th
April	C S P H	Friday	29 th
May	C S P	Tuesday	24 th
June	C S P	Do	21 th
July	C S P	Do	12 th
August	C S P	Do	9 th
September	C S P	Do	6 th
September	C S P H	Thursday	29 th
October	C S P	Tuesday	11 th
October	C S P	Do	25 th
November	C S P	Do	8 th
November	C S P	Do	22 nd
December	C S P	Do	13 th

The Clerk stated he had already sent the lists to the following Almanacs,
Purdows The Railway Guide Bards
& Thoms.

The following Monies were received and
Lodgd to 30th Nov, Folio No

Bernard Hurry	Town Rates	£62-9-5
W Bannor	Town Hall etc	23-2-6
		<u>£85-11-11</u>

Balance in favour Per Bank Books £ 14-17-8

The following Monies were ordered to be paid and
the advice notes signed by Messrs Pluman R S Gorman

<u>W M O'Rourke</u>		
Patrick Larkin	lighting lamps to date	£4-4-0
Northern Bank Ltd	instalment & interest Housing loan	24-4-3
Northern Bank Ltd	do do	13-10-3
Patrick Larkin	lighting lamps to Dec 22 nd	3-3-0
Great Northern Railway	Reimb of wayleave to Nov 1 st	1-0
R. S. Gorman Chairman		Total £48-9-6
		5/1/21

1921

January 5th The Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evg at 7.30 O.C.
Thos Present Were.

Messrs, Michael Brady Thos W. Carshell
Patrick J. Curran Michael J. O'Rourke & Richard Smyth
(Mr Gorman was Moved to the Chair)
Minutes of last Meeting were read & Confirmed
Housing Scheme

Read

Circular Letter dated 10th December 1920 from the Local Government Board forwarding a copy of a further Notice which has been issued by the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury with reference to the Rates of Interest chargeable on loans made out of the Local Loans Fund after the 1st proximo which will be 6½% in respect of subsidised Housing Schemes for any Period.

Noted

Read

Letter dated 10th Dec No. H. 455/20/1920, from the Secretary Housing Committee, Local Govt Board, stating They have recommended to the Commissioners of Public Works the loan of £8,500 sanctioned to the Town Commissioners for the erection of eight houses, The first instalment has been fixed at £1,000 -

As regards the amount specified by the Town Commissioners as being required immediately in respect of the Fees claimed by Mr Keeney the Commissioners' Architect, that in accordance with the usual practice, when an Architect's inclusive Fees

are fixed on a percentage basis. Mr Honey will be entitled having regard to the terms of his appointment at $3\frac{1}{2}\%$ on the total cost of the works to not more than 1.34% on the cost of the works when the contract for building the houses is signed.

Pending the signing of the contract a further reasonable payment on account might be made to him.

Full particulars should be furnished as to the services already rendered in relation to the Scheme by the Town Clerk and any future services intended to be covered by the proposed payment to him.

Mr Curran explained that as he was acting Chairman of the Local Board he answered the letter, which was addressed to the Chairman, and asked if the Commissioners were now in a position to invite Tenders, and with regard to the Clerk's remuneration he also informed them the amount claimed in the Estimate was for his services to date.

Read— Letter from the Local Government Board dated 22nd December No H. 455 p1/1920 addressed to Mr Curran in reply to his letter of 13th inst stating that Tenders for building the Houses might now be invited by the Commissioners, but no Contract should be entered into in anticipation of the sanction of His Majesty's Treasury to the Loan.

Regarding the remuneration to be allowed

to the Town Clerk for his services in connection with the Scheme, that having regard to £20 - already paid to him as notified in his letter of the 21st Aug 1918 in relation to the Loan of £400 -

The Board consider that a further payment to him of £30 - will now be sufficient in respect of his services under the Scheme to date, when the Scheme has been completed the matter of his remuneration can again be considered.

Read & voted

It was Resolved:-

That the question of advertising for Tenders be postponed to a Housing Committee Meeting on this evening week at 7.30 O'clock when in the meantime further information may be received from the Board of Works about the lodgement of the statement of £1,000. Mr Steeny who was present stated he would do all he could to have Duplicate Plans Specifications and Bills of Quantities for the Meeting.

Re. Mr Steeny's Application for £15 - Bonus
Read, Opinion of Mr Early Law Advisor to the Commissioners dated 1st January 1921 stating the Commissioners had power to rescind the Resolutions granting Mr Steeny the Bonuses of £5 - and £10 - as the necessary resolution appears to have adapted after compliance with the provisions of section 47 of the Municipal Clauses Act 1847 which is incorporated

with the the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act of 1854, with regard to the Meeting in April, he understood from the Commissioners that they considered the granting of the Bonus of £5-7-10 was not justifiable, and advised if they decided not to pay, that the Resolution granting the Bonus should be rescinded, and that if notwithstanding such rescission Mr Henry sued for the amount and obtained a Decree the Commissioners would not incur any liability to surcharge by payment of the amount of the Decree.

Mr Brady's Notice of Motion for the Meeting on the 5th January is in Order but is in a form to bring it under Section 44, of the Act of 1847 and will therefore require a majority of two thirds of those present.

He thought it right to add that he could not advise that the payment of the £15 - extra Bonus can be made without some risk of surcharge if questioned by the Auditor they would have to satisfy him that the payment is reasonable as it may be safely assumed that the Auditor before coming to this conclusion that the payment of £41 - for the collection of £210 - was reasonable would require to be satisfied that there were special circumstances justifying the payment.

Of course if the payment is authorized subject to the approval of the Local

Government Board no risk of surcharge will be undertaken by the Commissioners

Mr Brady Proposed the following Resolution of which a copy was sent to each Member

"That Mr Henrys Application for £15- Bonus which he states is due since last January be considered and if necessary that any Resolutions adopted relating thereto be rescinded, and that the £15- Bounses be paid to Mr Henry

Mr Smyth Seconded

Mr Curran Proposed and Mr Bashell Seconded a direct negative to the Motion which was negatived by four voting + against, and two in favour of the Motion

The Amendment having being put was declared Carried by the prev. majority

Read statement from Mr Larkin Auctioneer regarding the letting of Plot 3 in Hampton Street Ballygann for season 1921, to John Kaughey for the sum of £11-15-0 less expenses, Advtg 13/-

Posters & Posting 17/6 } 1 10 6

He enclosed cheque for Balance £10 4 6

Ordered:- That Mr Larkin be instructed to advertise for letting this Plot by Public Auction to Dec 1st 1921. The Licence to be subject to the same terms, as to surrendering possession as heretofore. The Tenant to look after the paving at his own expense.

Read an application from Patrick Larkin
Lampfights for £2 00 for erecting and
repairing Lamps per Order of 21st Oct
Ordered: To Be Paid

The following Moneys were Collected and
Loaned since last Meeting

Town Hall,

John Deane R.P.C.A. Dance 15 Dec	£1-15-0
Harry Lynton Dance 26 "	2-0-0
Harry Lynton Pictures 4 nights to 31	2-16-0
	<u>£ 6-11-0</u>

Town Rates

XX	Bernard Hurry Rate Collector	16-10-7
	John Larkin Auctioneer, letting of land	10-4-6
	Total	<u>£ 33-5-1</u>

Balance Against per Bank Books £ 73-12-10

The following Accounts were examined
found correct and Payment authorised
The Advice Note for making Payments
was signed by the following:—

R S Gorman } Chairman
Thos M. Caswell } Members, Present
Richard Smyth } At Meeting

Albion Fire Insurance Co Fire Policy Premium Yearly	£4-0-0
William Cannon Quarters Salary to Dec 31 st	30-0-0
Patrick Larkin Lighting Lamps to date	2-2-0
To G Board Audit Fee 1920-21	2-2-0
Patrick Larkin Erecting & Repairing Lamps	2-0-0
Commission Public Works Expenses Mortgage Paid to Loan	14-0-6
	<u>Total £ 54-4-6</u>

M. R. M. M.

January 31st 1921

The Annual Statutory Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evg at 7 30 O'clock

The Members Present Were,

Messrs, Michael Brady Richard S Gorman
Patrick J Curran Michael J O'Rourke and
Richard Smyth James McGlew

On The Motion Of Mr O'Rourke
Seconded By Mr McGlew

Mr Richard S Gorman Presided

Election Of Chairman

On The Motion Of Mr O'Rourke

Seconded By Mr Gorman

Mr Michael James Terham, was unanimously
Re-Elected Chairman for the ensuing year

Vice-Chairman

On The Motion Of Mr Curran

Seconded By Mr Brady

Mr Michael J O'Rourke was unanimously
Elected Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year

Committees

On The Motion Of Mr McGlew

Seconded By Mr O'Rourke

Resolved:—

That the Housing Finance and
Town Hall Committees be the whole Council
Three Members to form the Quorum, and
that the Chairman Vice-Chairman, with
Messrs R.S. Gorman & P.J. Curran be and are
hereby appointed the Lighting Committee

M. O'Rourke.

21/1/21

February 2nd The Monthly Meeting of the
Town Commissioners to be held this
evening at 7.30 O'clock had to be
adjourned to 9th instant for want
of a Quorum

Messrs M. S. O'Rourke P. J. Curran
and Richard Smyth were the
only Commissioners present.

M. S. O'Rourke.

21. II. 21

February 9th The adjourned Meeting was not
held this evening owing to the
Commissioner's absence through illness

M. S. O'Rourke

21. II. 21

February 27th 1931. The Adjourned Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock

Michael O'Rourke Esq Vice Chairman Presiding
Other Members Present were,
Messrs. Michael Brady Thomas M. Cashell
and Richard J. Gorman P. J. Curran
Minutes of last Meeting were read and confirmed

Housing Scheme

Read Letter dated 6th January No. 209/31 from the Secretary Public Works Office Dublin with reference to the Town Commissioners application for a Loan of £8,200- for the erection of eight houses. He enclosed a Receivable Order for £14-0-6 to be lodged to their credit, to meet the expenses of the Mortgage Deed on lodgment of this amount the Board's Solicitor will forward the Draft Deed

The Clerk stated that a Paying Order for the amount with the Receivable Order was sent by return, and the only thing he received or heard about the matter since was a receipt for the money

Ordered:— The Clerk to write again asking the Secretary to kindly give the matter his immediate attention as the Commissioners are very anxious to proceed with the building of the houses which are most urgently needed

Read Circular letter from the Local Government Board stating that after the 12th instant the address of the Housing Committee Department will be 30 Lower Fitzwilliam Street Dublin.

Telegraphic Address will be Housing Dublin
and Telephone Dublin 2,637

Read

Read, Letter from the Housing Department
Local Government Board dated 25th January
enclosing for the information of the Council
and the assistance of their Surveyor or Architect
copies of standard Specification for Cement
Concrete Construction which will have been
prepared by the Board.

Read

Read, Three Circular Letters from the Unemployment
Grants Committee 20 Carlton House Terrace
London S.W.1, dated 4th and 25th January
and 1st February 1921, which were not con-
sidered, and intailed.

The Secretary Anagh Chamber of Commerce
Seven Houses Anagh forwarded copy of
a Resolution passed at a special Meeting
on 31st January 1921

Re. Proposed Increased Telephone Charges
which was not considered and intailed.

Surf Maximum Prices Order 1918

The Local Government Board wrote dated 11th Jan
1921, stating that the above Order was revoked
on the 3rd Instant, and that the Local
Authorities Surf Order of the 4th Nov 1918
has ceased to have effect from that date

Read

Read Letter from the Commissioners of Valuation
dated 24th January 1921 acknowledging the receipt
of the Valuation Lists relating to the Electoral Division

of Balbriggan Urban, for revision which shall receive attention.

Read

Read Letter from Mr Bernard Henry Rate Collector dated 2nd February requesting to be informed as to what the Comurers are going to do about the houses that were burned on the 21st Sept last, and which were occupied to that date, and also in cases where the Landlords who formerly paid these Rates declined paying for the tenants, and where the Tenants have also refused. He understands the Tenants in occupation are liable.

He requested a definite answer as soon as possible in order that he may complete his collection.

Ordered,

Consideration Postponed to Meeting on 2nd March Mr Henry to be requested to furnish full particulars with a list of persons who have refused to pay their Rates on the 31st January on which date the collection should have closed.

The Manager Northern Bank Balbriggan wrote advising that the advance to the Town Commissioners fell due on the 22nd January. The debit balance now due is £73:3:8.

On The Motion of Mr Curran

Seconded By Mr Gorman, It was Resolved To request the Bank to renew our overdraft of £90- till the 31st March next.

Re- Public Lamps

It having been mentioned that the glass in the Public Lamps has been repeatedly broken lately in Staunton Street, Church St Convent Lane and Clouard Street

It was decided to communicate with the Head Constable R.I.C. and ask him to have an eye kept to them in future

Re- Finances

It was Resolved:- To review the Finances of the Commissioners at next Meeting of the Court to have a list prepared of all outstanding accounts including the Gas Company's Bill for Public Lighting to the end of February.

The Chairman mentioned to the Meeting that the Relief Delegates from America visited and inspected the burned houses in the Town on the 14th inst. They expressed their willingness to consider the question of building some 30 houses to house those people who have been left homeless.

Subsequently the Delegates visited the Town Hall, and after inspecting the plans of the eight houses proposed to be erected they took them away for examination, and arranged to meet a Deputation at the Mansion House Dublin on the 17th inst at 2.30 P.M. to go further into the matter

A Meeting ~~was~~ representing Members of the Town Commissioners with the Chairman and Secretaries of the Local Relief Committee

was held in the Town Hall same evening at 8 O'clock, Mr Lewis Whyte JP Presiding, when a Report was drawn up relating to the number of houses destroyed the number of people left homeless the number of ~~people~~^{workers} unemployed through the burning of Sudds Tempelars Factory and the amount of relief distributed to each affected person weekly from the Local Relief Fund, etc

The Committee then adjourned to next evg. when the following Deputation was appointed to interview the American Delegates on the 17th inst at the Mansions House and present the Report as requested, which mentioned that 30 houses was wanted immediately in addition to the 8 houses to be built by the Commissioners,

Messrs Lewis Whyte Charles Gallen Michael O'Rourke R S Gorman P J Curran and W Bamon.

The foregoing Deputation proceeded to Dublin on the 17th inst when the Report referred to with Plans Specification and Detailed Estimate of the class of houses and map of site was laid before the Delegates, who promised to look carefully into the building of 30 houses,

The Chairman Mr Lance further mentioned about constructing a New Factory to be managed by the Commissioners with interest and requested the Commissioners to carefully consider what class of factory would best suit the needs of the Town, The Delegates

he said were remaining in Ireland for a month and their headquarters would be at the Shelbourne Hotel Dublin, so that by arrangement they would be glad to go further into the Factory question with the Commissioners in the course of a week or so, and he promised them his wholehearted support for the construction of an independent Factory in Balbriggan.

After discussion it was unanimously Resolved:— to appoint the following Commrs to meet the Delegates, (Mr O'Rourke to arrange the date)
Messrs M O'Rourke R S Gorman P J Baran Thomas M Cahill & Lowells

It was further decided, "That the Commissioners approve of the erection of an Independent Factory in the event of the Scheme incurring Finance

The following Monies were received this Month
Town Hall.

Jan 7 th Harry Lynton, four nights to Jan 7 th	£2-16-0
" 14 Dublin Co Council, Rent of School Committee to 14 th	1-10-0
" " Harry Lynton, four nights to 14 th	2-16-0
" 17 Harry Lynton one " same 17 th	2-0-0
" " Wm Cochrane Sol one day Auction 11 th	1-0-0
" 21 Harry Lynton 4 nights to 21 st	2-16-0
" 28 Harry Lynton 4 " " 28 th	2-16-0
	<u>£15-14-0</u>
" 31 B Harry Town Rate	35-18-4
	Total <u>£51-12-4</u>

Balance per Bank Book Dr £73-3-8

" In Clerks Hands 15-14-9 £57-9-8

" Paying Orders outstanding 48-9-9

" Against this date £105-19-5

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The following accounts were examined found correct and the Treasurers Advice Note for payment was signed by the following

Michael O'Rourke Patrick J Curran and Thomas M. Goshell, Commissioners present

at Meeting: ———

W.P. Joseph Stoney New Glass in Public Lamps \$9.6.4
Patrick Larkin Lighting Lamps to this date 7.7.0

Total £ 16.13.4

W.P. Rowse. 2. 11. '21

March 9th 1921 - The Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evg at 7.30 O'clock

Michael S O'Rourke V.C. Presiding

Other Members Present were,

Messrs Thomas McCashell Patrick J Curran
Richard J Gorman and Richard Smyth

Minutes of last Meeting were read & confirmed

Rate. Arrears

As requested at last Meeting Mr Henry attended and submitted a list of ^{occupiers of} worksheds and other tenancies who have not paid their Rates up to the present amounting to £33-7-9 which includes burned premises £4-11-6

The Landlords he stated formerly paid the Rates of those premises but absolutely refused to pay on this occasion and referred him to the tenants who have also refused to pay on the grounds that they never paid nor were they ever asked to pay before by either the Landlord or Collector. He believed the occupier was liable and requested their instructions to proceed for recovery of the Rates

After discussion it was Resolved:- To postpone further consideration to an adjourned Meeting to this evening week. Mr Henry in the meantime to call on all those who are in arrears with the view of collecting from them all the Rates he can and to report further particulars to meeting on 9th inst at 7.30 P.M.

Finance

As directed at last Meeting the Clerk submitted to the Meeting an approximate statement as to how the Finance would be at the close of the year 31st March inst.

March 2 nd	Dr. Northern Bank	£ 79. 19. 0
"	" Paying Orders outstanding	18. 9. 9
		£ 98. 8. 9
"	" Accounts due to date	£ 30. 13. 1
		£ 129. 1. 10

March 31 st	" Accounts falling due	
"	Gas Co Public Lighting (to 2 nd made)	£ 78. 18. 0
"	" Town Hall	25. 16. 0
"	Salaries & Collectors Pounds	50. 16. 0
"	Housing Loan Instalments	40. 0. 0
		£ 190. 10. 0

Total £ 319. 11. 10

" Probable Receipts	
" Rates	£ 40. 0. 0
" Government Grant in lieu	8. 2. 0
" Town Hall Lettings	12. 14. 0
" Rents Shops etc	9. 2. 0
" Refund from Housing Loan	71. 16. 10
	£ 141. 14. 10

Total against £ 177. 17. 0

Read & Noted

A Claim for Income Tax amounting to £ 11-4-10 was referred to Mr Early to have it adjusted with the Surveyor in order to ascertain the correct amount of our liability before paying this account

The Chairman mentioned that as arranged at last meeting he communicated by Phone with the Shelbourne Hotel about having an interview with the American Relief Committee and he was informed they were at present away in the south of Ireland and could not say when they would return

Ordered:- The Clerk to write a letter to the Chairman requesting him to arrange for an interview with representatives from the Town Commissioners as soon as convenient

The Clerk in answer to the Chairman informed the meeting that he heard nothing further from the Board of Works in connection with the Draft Mortgage Deed of the Housing Loan

The following statement of the Monies received and lodged since last meeting was read from Folio

Receipt Books

Town Hall

January 31 st	In Clerk's hands lodged	£ 15.14.0
Febry 28 th	St Lynton Pictures 4 Nights to 4 th	2-16.0
" "	do do 11 th	2-16.0
" "	do do 18 th	2-16.0
" "	Mrs O'Neill Boxing 1 19 th	1-15.0
" "	St Lynton Pictures 4 26	2-16.0
" "	Fines Quarter ended 31 st Dec	7.6
		<u>£29.0.6</u>
" "	Rates per Battery	10.17.6
		<u>£39.18.0</u>

March 2^o: The following accounts were examined found correct and the Treasurers Advice Note for Payment was signed by Michael O'Rourke (Chm) P J Curran and Thomas M. Cashell Commissioners present at Meeting:-

Statenford Poor Rate 1st & 2nd Quarters 1920/21 £17-2-9
 P Leachin Lighting Lamps to date 1.1.0
£18:3:9

W. H. O'Rourke.

6. H. 21

March 9th: An adjourned Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock

Michael A O'Rourke Esq V.C. Presiding Messrs Thomas M. Cashell Michael Brady Patrick J Curran and Richard S Gorman were also present.

Mr Henry Rate Collector attended and submitted a further Report with regard to outstanding Rates stating he had again called on all Ratepayers in arrears, and wrote again to John Carroll Agent for the Mills Estate but received no reply.

He collected the following amounts Namely:-

Hugh R Scanton £4.3.0 J McGowan £1-10.0

Reps of Ellen McGarry 14/6 & Ed Kennard 4/6

Total £6-1-0

He received no Rates for burned houses

Regarding arrears or Ratepayers still in arrears he recommended that Legal Proceedings be taken against them for the Rates due

Resolved:-

Clerk to notify Mr Henry that the Collection of Town Rates is absolutely in his hands

Re - Housing Loan

Read,

Letter from the Treasury Solicitor in Ireland
31 St Stephens Green Dublin, enclosing
Draft Deed of Mortgage for £8,200 for
Approval of the Town Commissioners

The Approval to be effected by an
endorsement on the Draft Deed

The Clerk having read over the Draft
Deed to the Meeting, It was unanimously
Resolved:— That same be and is hereby
Approved, The Clerk to return the Deed
for engrossment as requested, and on
receipt of the engrossed Deed a Special
Meeting be called to have it perfected
and to consider the question of advertising
for Lenders

W. F. R. M. M.

6-4-21

March 22nd A Special Meeting of the Town Commissioners
was held this evening at 7 O'clock

Michael S O'Rourke Esq V.C. Presiding

Also Present

Messrs M Brady R.S Gorman J.M Casbell
and Patrick J Curran.

Mr George Mungy Ratepayer was also present.

The Clerk having read the Notice convening the
Meeting which was called for the purpose of
having the Mortgage deed duly ~~con~~ executed in
connection with the Loan of £8,200 from the
Board of Works for the erection of eight houses
in Skerries Street, and to consider the question
of advertising for Contractors to build the
houses,

The Mortgage deed having been read
over to the Meeting, It was

Proposed By Mr Patrick J Curran

Seconded By Mr Thomas M Casbell

And Resolved:—

That the Deed of Mortgage of this date
22nd March whereby security is given to the
Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for
the repayment of the sum of Eight Thousand
Two Hundred Pounds, proposed to be advanced
by them to us under the Housing of the
Working Classes Act 1890 to 1919 and the
incorporated amending or extending Acts be
duly executed.

Passed Unanimously

Proposed By Mr Richard S Gorman

Seconded By Mr Michael Brady

And Resolved:— That inasmuch

inasmuch as the Town Commissioners do not immediately require from the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland the total amount of the sum mentioned in the Deed of Mortgage to them this day executed by the Town Commissioners but prefer to receive the same by instalments as occasion may require.

It is further Resolved:—

That the requisition for each advance shall be intimated to said Commissioners of Public Works by the Chairman of the Town Commissioners for the time being countersigned by the Town Clerk, and that each such requisition shall be forwarded to the Accountant of the Commissioners of Public Works and that all such advances shall be lodged to our Account, as the Housing Loan Account in the Balbriggan Branch of the Northern Bank.

The Deed having been sealed and signed by the said Commissioners in presence of Mr George Monney George Square Balbriggan and the Town Clerk, It was Ordered that it be returned to the Treasury Solicitor together with certified copies of the Resolutions as requested in his letter of the 19th instant.

The Clerk having read the Form of Advertisement for Tenders as prepared by Mr Early Solicitor,

Mr Cashell Proposed, and

Mr Gorman Seconded

Resolved:— That the Draft as read be approved:— and that Notice to Contractors be

be inserted in the Drogheda Independent
Drogheda Advertiser, Irish Independent
and Irish Times for Saturday 26th inst
and again on Saturday week,
(24th April) in the two Drogheda Papers

Ordered:- The Chairman and Clerk to
make application for an instalment of
£1000 to the Accountant to the Commission
of Public Works, being the amount mentioned
in the L.G.B. Letter of the 10th Dec last

W. R. R. R.

6. 4. 21

April 6th 1921. The Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock
 Michael O'Rourke Esq V.C. Presiding

Others Present were

Messrs M Brady Tho M Cahill Patk Glunan
 James McGlew and M J Steney Esq Architect

Minutes of last Meeting were read & confirmed

Housing Scheme

Read Letter from the Accountant to the Commissioners of Public Works dated 2nd April forwarding Draft Order in favour of the Town Commissioners for £1,000 being first instalment of Loan for erection of 8 houses

The Clerk the Order was signed by the Vice Chairman and himself and Lodged to credit of Housing Loan A/c No. 3, in the Northern Bank Balbriggan

Approved

The Manager Northern Bank Balbriggan wrote dated 29th March advising that the instalments on the Loan Accounts of the Town Commissioners will fall due on the 1st prox and should be obliged for Cheques as follows:-

For No. 1	Account	£26.14.3
"	No. 2	" 13. 2. 3
<u>Ordered:-</u>	To be paid	£ 39. 16. 6

Read Letter from the Secretary Housing Department Local Govt Board dated 1st April No. H. 455/22/1921 enclosing copy of a letter dated 30th ultimo received from Mr M J Steney Architect for the Town Commissioners Housing Scheme on the

subject of his scale of fees together with a copy of the Committee's reply thereto, enclosing an extract from the Town Clerk's letter of the 3rd December last No. H. 455/20/20 from which it was understood that he and the Commissioners agreed that the arrangement made in 1914 still held good and stating that if he had any doubt as to his position and fees he should bring the matter ~~before~~ ^{in the first} instance before the Town Commissioners

(Copy)

Extract from the Town Clerk's letter of 3rd December 1920

I am enclosing Copy of Minutes relating to Mr Heney's Appointment in 1914, under which he still acts, as it would appear that he has not been re-appointed under the New Scale of Fees authorised by the Local Government Board under the Act of 1919

Copy of Mr Heney's letter referred to
Drogheda Street

Balbrogan 30th March 1921

Arthur D Godding Esq

Secretary to the Housing Committee

Local Government Board Dublin

Re - Balbrogan Housing Scheme

Dear Sir

With reference to my fees in connection with the building of Terrace of eight houses in Skerries Street Balbrogan, and which are now advertised for tenders from Contractors I have before me your letter H. 455/20/1920

dated 10th December 1920 to the Chairman of the Town Commissioners, and from which I extract the following:- As regards the Amount specified by the Town Commissioners as being required immediately in respect of Fees claimed by Mr W. Stacey the Commissioners Architect I am to state that in accordance with the usual practice when an Architects inclusive Fees are fixed on a percentage basis, Mr Stacey will be entitled having regard to the terms of his Appointment at 3½% on the total cost of the works to not more than 1¼% on the Cost of the works when the Contract for building is signed. With regard to my Fees at 3½% on the total cost of the works kindly permit me to point out that I accepted that percentage on a Scheme of 30 houses which the Town Commissioners proposed to build at that time and which subsequently fell through. In 1919 the Commissioners again took up housing which they did on a larger scale, their intention being to build some 182 houses of which the Terrace now about to be built is the first lot, and it was found necessary to re-appoint me as Architect for the Scheme and again obtain the sanction of the L.G.B. to the appointment. Since the New Scheme was launched a scale of Fees has been fixed for Architects by your Department, and under these circumstances I don't see why I should not be entitled to payment in accordance with that scale and not on an old agreement on an abandonment pre-war Scheme. In addition to the Plans

preparation of the Plans Specification etc and the usual Copies necessary for the carrying out of the work and included in the 5% remuneration a considerable amount of my time has been taken up in preparing numerous Maps extra Copies of Plans Specification etc as instructed by the Commissioners from time to time also Bills of Quantities and travelling ^{rates} expenses for which I am entitled to payment.

In Order to be clear on the matter of fees I would be glad to have a reply from you at an early date as to whether I am entitled to 2½% on the signing of the Contract and remuneration at the completion of the work for extra work involved, so that the Architect shall not be the victim of any individual members dread of surcharge

Dr J Henney

Mr Casull handed in Notice that Mr Henney's scale of fees be re-adjusted with the sanction of the Local Government Board, This Resolution to be considered at an adjourned Meeting to be held on 13th inst

Tenders for Building 8 Houses

In Skerries Street were received from the following:-

Joseph Rooney, Balthory Ballinagan	for £	7,184.00
Richard Gough 112 Rutland Place Dublin		8,730.00
James Duff Skerries Co Dublin		8,984.00
P Shuttall 18 Temple St Dublin		9,650.00

On The Motion of Mr Gorman Seconded by Mr Curran Mr Rooney's Tender at £7,184. was unanimously **Accepted**

Ordered:— The Clerk to interview Mr Early regarding the Contractors Bond and arrange for Mr Early to come down on Wednesday evening next to have it perfected by the Contractor and Sureties in the Town Hall at 7.30 O'clock

Proposed By Mr Gorman Secouded By Mr Curran " That the lighting of the Street Lamps be discontinued as from Sunday night next 10th inst, and that the Lamps be taken down and stored in Town Hall by the Lamp Lighters for the sum of £1— Passed

The Clerk Reported that the total amounts to be paid this Meeting is

	£118.0.1
Balance due Bank	56.9.5
" Orders outstanding	18.9.9
leaving a debit balance of	£192.19.3
Less transfer from Housing Loan to Ordinary Account of	71.16.10
This would leave your A/c overdrawn	£121.2.5

Proposed By Mr O'Rourke

Secouded By Mr Bashell

It was Resolved:— That we request our Treasurer to allow us to overdraw our A/c £121-2-5 till the 1st August 1921

Carried

A letter was read dated 10 March from the Secretary American Relief Commission ^{Stamg} in reply to the Town Clerk's Letter of 4th March that the Commission do desire to confer further with the Commissioners and Committee and

will communicate with them in regard to this at their earliest opportunity

Read

Mr Michael Brady J.C. Secretary Local Branch J. 279 will made application for the use of the Band Room for Meetings on Fridays and Saturdays weekly

Minutes: The Application was granted on same terms as before 2/- per week

Read Correspondence from the Treasury vicer Rating Department London dated 24 March relative to an application from the Town Clerk for £8.2-0 Grant in lieu of Rates, stating that the name of the Town Commissioners has not been forwarded on the list of local Authorities by the L.G.B. who have by resolution agreed to conform with the requirements of the L.G.B. in regard to Audit and the fulfilment of financial obligations entered into with the Government

The Clerk stated he sent a copy of that Letter to the L.G.B. pointing out that the Comms had complied with all requirements in a resolution sent them on the 5th Nov last

Read,

Letter from the Local Govt Board No 8049 1st April in reply stating they are recommending the Treasury to make payment of the Grant in lieu of Rates on Govt property for current year as requested

Read

Letter dated 4th April from the Treasury

stating they received the L.G.B. letter relative to the grant as above and now requested to be furnished with a certificate signed by the Town Clerk showing a list of the properties occupied by the Crown with a view of their making an early payment of the amount claimed Read & Moved

Mr. Shury forwarded a receipt for lodgment of £24.8.4 Rates

Read Letter from same Officer dated 6th inst. submitting Account of his Collection of Rates for Current year 1920-21, and stating that he is taking proceeding for Arrears against the occupiers who were assessed, The Landlords are not liable. He pointed out that he refused to collect last year's Rates but was told to do so, and promised that he would not be at any loss having considered it unfair and unjust to have his poundage reduced and deprived of all Bonus even the £15 - Bonus granted to him for year ended 31st March 1920, He also stated that the £15 - Bonus which it appears was excessive was granted to him in recognition of his past service, together with the high cost of living, and referred to the L.G.B. Circulars of 20th Feb and 13 June 1919 and 4th March and 30 Nov 1920 regarding Bonus and Salaries for Officials, He trusted this Application will receive kind and favourable Consideration

Proposed By Mr. Caswell

Seconded By Mr. Curran, Resolved:—

Resolved:- That having examined this Account of Rate Street on the 9 June 1920 Amt £422-8-0½ Including 7/11 arrears, there appears to be accounted for and lodged £409-14-9 Leaving a Balance outstanding Total £ 12-13-3½ as follows:- (per list)

Recoverable £ 4-17-10	}	£ 12-13-3½
Irrecoverable £ 7-15-6		
The latter £7-15-6 includes Burned Houses		£ 4-11-6
and Ruinous and unoccupied houses		3-4-0
		£ 7-15-6

We are satisfied that £7-15-6 is irrecoverable and order that it be struck off, the £4-17-10 to be brought forward as recoverable arrears and that he be paid the balance of his percentage amounting to £13-13-6 being 8% on the total Collection of £409-14-9 (Total £32-17-0)

The following are the monies received & lodged last Month

Rates Per Mr Bstury	£24-8-4
Rents per Town Clerk	9-2-0
Town Hall Lettings do	11-8-0
	Total £44-18-4

Balance against this date per Bank Book £56-9-5

The following Accounts were examined found correct and Payment authorised by Mr O'Rourke
Thos M Cahill and Michael Brady

Patrick Larkin	Lighting lamps to date	£ 4-8-8
Wm Bamon	Quarters Salary to 31 March	30-0-0
Bstury	Poundage, Rate Collection	13-13-6
Le McDonnell	Half years Salary contingent	7-12-0
	Forward	£ 55-14-2

1921.

£. S. D.

April 6 th	<u>Payments Forward</u>	55. 14. 2
	Northern Bank Instalment & Interest Loan No. 26	14. 3
	Northern Bank do do " 2. - 13. 2. 3	
	Commons Public Works do Town Hall,	21. 13. 1
	Wm Bammer Insurance Stamps Larkin	16. 4
	Town of Commons, Refund to Ordinary Acc	71. 16. 10
	Wm Bammer Clerical Work Housing Scheme	30. 0. 0
	Total	<u>£ 219. 16. 11</u>

The following Business was adjourned to this evening week 13th instant at 7.30 o'clock

To. Consider Clerks Estimate of Receipts and Expenditure for 1921-1922

.. Consider Mr Cashe's Motion to acquit Mr Staveys Fees for Housing Scheme

Subject to the Sanction of the L.G.B., &

.. Signing of Contractors Bond for building eight houses in Skerries Street.

W. J. Quirk E. " V. 21.

April 14th 1921, An adjourned Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evening at 7.30. O'Clock

Michael O'Rourke Esq V.C. Presiding

Others Present were

Messrs: Michael Brady Thomas M. Cashell
Patrick J. Curran & Richard S. Gorman

Estimate 1921-1922

The Clerk submitted the Estimate of the Probable Receipts and Expenditure for Service of the Financial year ending on the 31 March 1922 a copy of which was previously transmitted by Post to each Member.

The Estimate showed a total Expenditure amounting to (including Housing) £799.11.2 And, Receipts from Rents Grants and

Town Hall Lettings etc amounted to 305.12.10
Leaving to be met by Rates £493.18.4

A Rate of 2½ in the £. Produces (with arrears) 426.17.10

This Estimate shows a deficit of £67.0.6

On the Motion of Mr Gorman

Seconded By Mr Cashell

Resolved:—

That the foregoing Estimate of the Probable Receipts and Expenditure ending the 31st March next be approved, and that the usual Notice be given by Statute of our intention at a Special Meeting on May 4th 1921 to make the following Rates in the Pound.

In Respect of Town Rates 12 Pence

In Respect of Housing Rate 12 Pence

Passed unanimously Total 24 Pence

Mr Bernard Henry Rate Collector wrote requesting Permission to have an interview with the Comms regarding a Bonus of £15- for the year ending 31st March 1920, Leave having be granted Mr Henry came before the Meeting, and having explained the circumstances regarding the granting of the Bonus withdrew,

The Meeting then proceeded to consider the matter, and decided to adhere to their previous decisions, disallowing the Bonus referred to by Mr Henry, The Clerk to again notify him accordingly

Re. Mr Henry's Fees

With reference to the Correspondence received from the Housing Department of the Local Government Board and read at last Meeting Relative to Mr Henry's Fees in connection with the Housing Scheme, when Mr Cashell handed in Notice to move at this Meeting,

That Mr Henry's Scale of Fees be re-adjusted with the sanction of the Local Government Board when this matter came forward for discussion

The Chairman suggested that this was a question in his opinion that should first be considered by the Salaries Committee

Mr Cashell having agreed to this course the matter was. *Referred to next Meeting of Salaries Committee,*

Resolution of Sympathy

Proposed By Mr Michael O'Rourke

Seconded By Mr Richard S Gorman

Resolved:—

• That we the Commissioners of the Town of

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Continued

Ballygann in Special Meeting assembled desire to place on record our sincere regret on the death of His Grace The Most Reverend, William Walsh D.D. Archbishop of Dublin, and the loss which it entails to the Church and Country especially to this Town and Parish where his name shall for ever be revered for his many kind gifts in connection with its Church and people.

Copy to be sent to the Most Revd Dr Byrne Bishop of Spigaz Dublin

W. J. Quirk 11. V. 21

May 4th

The Monthly Meeting to be held this evening had to be adjourned to this evening week 11th inst at 7.30 O'clock as a quorum was not present

The Members in attendance were Messrs.

Thos Mc Cashell Richard S Gorman
Michael Brady & Patrick J Curran

W. J. Quirk

May 11th 1921, The Adjourned Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock

Michael J O'Rourke Esq V.C. Presiding
Messrs, Michael Brady Thomas McLeashell
Patrick J Curran Richard J Gorman, James
McClellan, and Mr M J Kenny Architect were also
Present

Minutes of last Monthly & special Meeting were read and confirmed

Town Rates Made

On the Motion of Mr Curran

Seconded By Mr Gorman

It was Resolved:— To make the following Rates for Service of the Financial year ending on the 31st March 1922, Namely:—

Towns Improvement Rate	12 pence in £	210.9.10½
Housing	" Rate 12	00 £ 210 9 10½
Total	24	£ 420.19.9

The said Rates to become due and collectable in one moiety from this date 11th May 1921

The total amount of the Collectors warrant being £425.17.7 including £4.17.10 arrears from previous year, and that the Rate Book and warrant be duly signed and sealed in accordance with Statute.

Passed unanimously

Housing Scheme

Read Letters from Mr Early dated 15th 20th & 27th April relative to Mr Rooney's Contract Bond in the latter which was stated that he had the Draft Contract and General Conditions approved by the Contractor and made an appointment

for Monday evening next to have same executed, He had written to Mr Steeny and the Contractor to meet him at the Lower Hall at 6 o'clock.

The Clerk stated that this arrangement was carried out by Mr Rooney and his sureties who attended, when the Bond was duly perfected, He now submitted same for ratification by the Commissioners

Proposed by Mr Caswell

Seconded by Mr Gorman

That the Seal of the Town Commissioners be affixed to the Contract Bond for building eight houses by Mr Rooney in Skerries Street Balbriggan per his accepted Tender £7,184 —

Carried

Read Letter dated 4th May from Mr Steeny Esq Architect stating that as the Contract for the eight houses in course of erection on Sites 1, 7 & 2 Skerries Street is now signed he wished to make application for instalment of fees now due viz: — £120 —

Ordered: —

That Mr Steeny be granted a Paying Order for £60. — on Ac of Fees.

Read Letter from Mr Michael Clarke Secretary Irish National Foresters Balbriggan dated 29th Apl stating he was instructed by his Committee to say that the Contractor is encroaching on their ground at back of their Hall in Skerries Street where the new houses are in course of erection and would be glad if you bring the matter before the Commissioners at next meeting and

appoint the Building Committee to meet them
 Read Letter from Mr Steaney Architect dated
 4th May addressed to the Clerk, stating his
 attention has been drawn to an alleged en-
 -croachment on the Irish National Foresters
 Plot by the Contractor in excavating for the
 foundations of the eight houses at Skerrin Street
 and that he has gone carefully into the matter
 and is thoroughly satisfied that there is no
 encroachment whatever.

The Clerk stated that as there was no
 meeting of the Commissioners last Wednesday
 for want of a quorum, he sent a copy of
 Mr Steaney's letter to Mr Clarke for his inform-
 -ation pending the meeting this evening

Approved

Read Letter from the Surveyor of Taxes asking
 to be furnished with a statement of the
 Town Hall Receipts and Expenditure for year
 ending on the 5th April last.

The Clerk read copy of a statement he
 furnished to him showing that the Expenditure
 was £7.1.1 in excess of Receipts during the
 period, which meant that no excess Profit
 Tax was payable

Read & approved

Read Letter from the L.G.B. Housing Department
 dated 8th April No. H. 501/1920/1921, Miscellaneous
 forwarding for the information of the Town
 Commissioners sealed copy of the Boards
 Order made under ^{sub} section (2) & (3) of Section
 5 of the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland)
 Act 1908, showing that the Town Commissioners
 were liable to pay or set apart a sum of

£82.3.1 in the Financial Year ended on the 31st ultimo in respect of an amount of £586 — borrowed by them after the passing of the Acts 1890 to 1905

Read

Read Circular from Housing Department (Local Government Board) dated 7th May 1921 relative to Grants to private builders extending the time during which houses may be completed up to the 23rd June 1922.

Read

Minutes
Read Circular from the Local Government Board No. 6868, 1921, dated 12th April drawing attention of Local Authorities to the terms of the Pensions (Increase) Act 1920 which received the Royal Assent on the 16th August last

Read

Read Letter from the Rating of Government Property Department London dated 20th April relative to the properties on which the Gork contribution in lieu of Rates was based year 1919-1920 were.

Constabulary Barracks, Coast Guard Station Boat House Land, & Chief Officer House
On receipt of the Valuations a Form of claim for 1920-21 will be sent,

The Clerk stated he replied to that and now produced the Application Form received for the following amounts, Valuation £81 -

Housing Rate	Valuation £81 - @ 1/- in £ -	£4-1-0
Town Rate	do do do £ -	4-1-0
Amount Claimed		Total £8-2-0

The Application Form was signed by the Chairman & Clerk and *Ordered*: - To be forwarded to Treasury

Mr Patrick Larkin applied for payment of
 £2-10-0 for taking down and stowing lamps
 cleaning under Stage & Lime washing same £2-2-0
 Posting Rate Notices 8-0
 £2-10-0

Ordered:— That he be paid £2— for this work
 which is to include lime washing entrance to
 Club Room yard under Stairs

Proposed By Mr O'Rourke,

Seconded By Mr Gorman & Passed
 That window at entrance to Club & Band
 Rooms be repaired with timber across the
 four bottom panes, Mr Rooney to be asked to
 do the work

Read Letter from Mr Henry O'Connell 4th May
 regarding a promise made to him before
 he started to collect last years Rate that
 he would not be at any loss of his Bonus
 and also claiming £1— for attending
 Petty sessions to recover Rates on two occasions
 was marked. *Read*

The Clerk submitted to the meeting copies of
 the Abstracts of the Accounts and Clerk's Statements
 to the 31st March last which were forwarded
 to the Local Government Board on 20th April
Approved & Signed

Mr Darrel Figgis Secretary Commission of
 Enquiry into the Resources ^{and production} of
 Ireland, American Chambers 15 St Annell St
 Dublin, wrote dated 23rd April enclosing list

of Reports completed and about to be completed and projected relative to above and asking to have this matter brought forward at next meeting of the Commissioners in Order that they might give a standing Order for these publications as they are issued from time to time in this way the matter contained in them will come before them without special Commemoration and will take its place on your permanent files,

The enclosed Order Form for that purpose I was directed, to Order one Copy of the Book of Publications as issued from time to time, the Form to be filled up accordingly

The following Monies were received for Month Town Hall

	H Lynton	4 weeks	£ 11. 4. 0
	W McVally	2 nights	3. 0. 0
Funis	R Cosgrove	quarters to 31 Mar	7. 6
"			£ 14. 11. 6

Housing Loan Instalment	1000. 0. 0
" Refund Town Councils	71. 16. 10
	£ 1086. 9. 4

X Balance against this date per Bank Book £ 121. 2. 5

The following A/c were Ordered to be Paid.

Housing Loan No. 3.

L & B. Expenses of Inquiry	£ 1. 2. 4
Dish Draft Tendons for Binding (2 A/c's)	4. 11. 0
Dish Lunis	00
M J Stacey Architect, Ins on A/c	60. 0. 0
	£ 69. 16. 4

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£. S. D

: Forward.

69.16.4

" Patrick Larkin's taking down lamp etc

2.0.0

" William Dannon. Petty Cash etc

5.0.0

76.16.4

M. S. O'Rourke.

8. June 1921

June 1st The Monthly Meeting to be held this day was adjourned to 8th instant as a quorum was not in attendance

Messrs Michael S O'Rourke V.C Patrick J Curran Richard S Gorman and Michael Brady, were the only Commissioners present.

M. S. O'Rourke

8 June 1921.

June 8th

The Adjourned Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evg at 7.30 O'clock
 Michael S O'Rourke Esq, T.C. Presiding
 Also Present

Messrs Michael Brady Thomas M. Cashell
 Richard S Gorman & Patrick J Curran

Minutes of last Meeting were read & Confirmed

Housing Scheme

Read Letter from Mr M J Stoney C.E. dated 8th June informing the Commissioners that he has this day issued a Certificate to Mr Joseph Rooney Contractor for the eight Eight Houses, for £2,500, to which he is entitled. The work so far being carried out satisfactorily and expeditiously

Read - Certificate referred to which Mr Rooney handed in to the Clerk

Resolved
 That an application for an instalment of £2,000 - be made to the Commissioners of Public Works the remaining £500 - certified for be met out of the balance to credit in the Northern Bank

Read. Letter from the Housing Department Local Government Board dated 1st June requesting to be furnished with the name and address of the Treasurer of the Commissioners with the view of payment of their share of the Irish Housing Fund under Section 3 of the Housing of the Working Classes Act 1908

The Clerk stated he furnished the information as requested
Read & Approved

Re- Building Contract & Bond

Read Letter from Mr Early dated 13th May
returning Contract & Bond duly stamped
Read

Read Circular from the Local Government
Board dated 2nd June stating they have
transferred until further notice their Head
Office business to Nos. 6, 7, & 8, College Green
Dublin

Read

Read Letter dated 30th May from Mr Early
Re- Income Tax Schedule A & B 1919-20-1920-21
enclosing Demand Notes adjusted by the
Surveyor of Taxes

The claim for 1919-20 of £11-4-10
has been reduced to £5-15-0 by allowances
in respect of interest, and the claim
for first instalment of 1920-1921 Tax has
been reduced from £7-19-9 to £3-2-11

He returned all papers forwarded by the
Town Clerk on 12th inst, and pointed
out that the amounts as adjusted should
be submitted to the Collector S. E. Carliton Esq

Ordered: Payments deferred to next meeting
Messrs Dollards A/c for £10-3-10, W. Cumiskey
for Coal £2-11-7, Wilsbach Light Co £7-4-3 &
£24-2-3. Poor Rates, were also postponed

Mr James Canty Secretary Ballynagan Gas Co
wrote asking permission to have the 6
Meters on the Public Lamps taken down and
sent to Dublin for repairs etc.

Ordered: The Clerk to write Mr Canty to know
what ^{would be} the charge for the work referred to.

Read Circular Letter from Trade Dept
 of Gael Eireann dated 5th May re-
 importation and sale of British Goods
 Prohibition Order No 3, stating that the
 sale of British made Margarine is pro-
 hibited on and after 26th May 1921

Read

Ordered:— That Mr Rooney be requested
 to have the Boarding up of window done
 at once and that Mr Gorman & Mr Curran
 have something also done to the pay window
 to prevent draughts in the Commissioners Room

It was mentioned that P Martin had not
 carried out his work of lime washing the
 passage leading to Club Room and yard
 satisfactory for which he had been paid
 and the Clerk was instructed to ask
 him to have it re-done

The Chairman mentioned the question of
 starting a Local White Cross Committee on
 the lines indicated in the recent Circular
 from the White Cross.

It was decided to put the matter on the
 agenda for consideration at next Monthly
 Meeting.

Read Letter from Mr Hurry dated 8th June
 stating that before taking up the Collection for
 the current year he hoped the Commissioners
 will settle his Bonus £15- due since 7th Jan
 1920 on the lines indicated by Mr Early in
 his letter of the 1st January 1921. Viz:—

If payment is authorised subject to the approval of the Local Govt Board, no risk of surcharge will be undertaken by the Commissioners. He also stated that he is prepared to indemnify or refund the amount in question should there be any surcharge.

After discussion the matter was eventually referred to the Salaries Committee.

The following monies were received and lodged Town Hall,

H Lynton	4 nights (finished)	£2-16-0
Ira Allen	5 "	5-0-0
		<u>£7-16-0</u>

The Chairman stated he authorised the Clerk to accept £5— from Mr Allen in settlement of Hall rent for work as Mr Allen informed him that he had to close down two nights by Order of the R.I.C.

The Chairman's Motion was Approved

M O'Rourke 22/July/21

July 6th The Monthly Meeting to be held this eve was adjourned pending the receipt of the 2nd instalment of £2000 from the Commissioners of Public Works for Housing Scheme. None of the Town Commissioners were present.

M O'Rourke 22 July '21

July 20 The Meeting this eve was adjourned to Friday eve next 22nd with owing to the absence of a quorum Messrs M O'Rourke, P J Curran & James McEwen were present.

M O'Rourke 22 July '21

July 22nd

The Adjourned Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evg at 6.30 O'clock

Present in the Chair M. S. O'Rourke Esq
Also Messrs John Durham James McGlew
Richard S Gorman Thomas M. Cashell and
Michael Brady & Patrick J. Curran

Minutes of previous Meeting were read and confirmed,

Re Housing Scheme

Read Letter from the L.G.B dated 13th June relative to the application for the second instalment of the Loan of £8,200 sanctioned, and requesting that they may be furnished in the enclosed forms with a statement of the work done and liabilities incurred under the Loan up to date

The Clerk stated he supplied the L.G.B with the information as requested

Read Letter from the Secretary Housing Department L.G.B 30 St. Fitzwilliam Street Dublin dated 14th July 1921 No. H455/p6, stating that the Board have recommended the Commissioners of Public Works to issue a sum of £2000 being the second instalment of the Loan of £8,200 sanctioned for the purpose of providing houses under the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Act 1890-19

Extracts from the Inspector's Report of his inspection of the works are enclosed for the information of the Town Commissioners.

Complete duplicate certified copies of the Contract Documents Plans etc should be furnished one set of which will be returned with the

Boards Approval marked thereon. The following is an extract from notes referred to on inspection of works made on 9th July 1921

- A. In the 2 houses in which such work is in progress the broken stone scabbings 6" thick specified as a foundation for the breeze floors of parlour and hall has been omitted and the breeze concrete in use is not according to specification. This work should be re-done
- B. The concrete path at rear of houses might with advantage be increased from 4" to 6" in width
- C. Owing to the position of the top light over stairs provision should be made for proper opening and gear to facilitate ventilation
- D. The Architect expressed his intention of having the partitions on ground floors executed in breeze concrete and on upper floors of expanded metal lathing plastered, in place of the material specified. The proposed alteration should be specified and the necessary arrangement made with the Contractor, "Orion" Blocks were originally specified but the Architect is not now in favour of them
- E. A Plan should be prepared to show the exact alignment of the fencing to the boundary along the footpath and side passage
- The Clerk stated he furnished Mr Stoney with copies of the Correspondence

Read moved

Read Letter from Mr Stoney enclosing copy of Plans etc with alterations marked thereon as

as requested by the Secretary of the Housing Committee L.G.B. and stating he has also notified the Contractor in writing of such changes as have been agreed on

Approved

Mr Early also wrote forwarding copy of Contract and Bond for the L.G.B. as requested in their letter of 19th inst.

Ordered:- Clerk to furnish the L.G.B. with the Plans etc as requested

Read Letter from Mr Stoney L.C. asking for an instalment of his fees now due viz: £87.10.0

Postponed:- to next meeting Mr Stoney to be asked for particulars of his fees meantime

Read Letter from the Accountant to the Commissioners of Public Works dated 18th July 1931 enclosing Draft in favour of the Commrs for £2,000 being second instalment of Loan for erecting eight houses

The Clerk stated this had been lodged to the Housing Account No. 3 with the Northern Bank Balbriggan

On The Motion of Mr Gorman
Seconded By Mr Curran

It was decided to issue a Paying Order for £2500 Two thousand five hundred Pounds in favour of Mr Rooney the Contractor as a first instalment on the building contract, in accordance with the amount in the Architects Certificate read at last Meeting

Read Circular from the Housing Committee

Local Government Board dated 6th July 1921
 No. 501/2035/26 with reference to the extension
 of Grants to private builders which alters the
 procedure in regard to houses not already
 commenced until further notice

Read

Read Letter from Secretary Ballinacorney Gas Co
 dated 6th July re- Public Lamp Meters stating
 in reply that he is not in a position to give
 the cost of this work as the testing etc of same
 would have to be done by a Gas Meter Manufacturer.

Ordered:-

Mr Cauley be informed that the Commissioners
 are of opinion that the Meters are quite in order
 and should the Gas Company desire they
 can have them tested and repaired at
 their own expense.

An Account was received from The Bank
 of Ireland for £4-19-9 Interest claimed
 on Housing Loan by the Commissioners
 of Public Works to 26th July 1921

Ordered:- Payment Postponed. Clerk to have
 further particulars regarding this matter
 from the Board of Works for next meeting

On The Motion of Mr O'Rourke VC Chairman

Seconded By Mr J. Doolan

It was Resolved:- That our Clerk be instructed to
 communicate with the Irish White Cross and the
 American Delegation Acting in Association with them
 with a view of receiving a deputation from the Ballinacorney
 Town Commissioners to consider the various positions
 of the skilled and other workers of Leeds Lamp Co
 out of employment since the destruction of this firm

July 27th

Housing Factory, and the following be appointed as a deputation,
 Michael O'Rourke, James McGlew &
 P. J. Curran

M. S. O'Rourke.

3 Aug 1921

Aug 3rd

The Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock

Michael O'Rourke Esq V.C. Presided

Also Present,

Messrs. Michael Brady Thomas W. Marshall

P. J. Curran

Minutes of last Meeting were read & confirmed

Housing.

Mr M. J. Stoney Architect wrote as requested enclosing a statement of his A/c in connection with the building of eight houses on Sites 1 & 2 in Skerries Street. to date.

He pointed out that as the question of his percentage is in abeyance, the instalment due £80 - which he applied for at last meeting of the Commissioners is at the rate of 3½ per cent on instalment of £2,500 paid to Contractor

The Total of Account to date, furnished £457. 9. 3

" received on a/c

110. 0. 0

Leaving a balance due of

£347. 9. 3

* In reply to Mr Curran the Clerk stated that received in all £126 - being ½ fees at 3½ on signing

of the Contract, beyond this he was unable to say what fees Mr Heney was entitled to receive on A/c at $3\frac{1}{2}$ op on the Contract £7,154.

On The Motion of Mr Curran

Seconded By Mr. Caswell

It was decided to pay Mr Heney £30 - on A/c

The Clerk have a written statement regarding this Account for next meeting

Read Letter from the Accountant of the Commissioners of Public Works dated 30th July stating in reply that the sum of £4.19.9 for which he forwarded a Receivable Order was due on 1st May 1921 in respect of Interest at $6\frac{1}{2}$ per cent per Annum to 30th April 1921 on the sum of £1,000, advanced on 2nd April 1921. He pointed out that under Section 1. (2) of the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Act 1908 the repayment of Principal is suspended for two years from the date of the Mortgage deed.

This provision does not however apply to interest which is payable 1st May and 1st November in each year on the Principal outstanding from time to time

He enclosed a specimen Copy of the Mortgage Deed executed by the Town Commissioners and directed their attention to the portion underlined in red ink on pages 2 & 3 thereof

Mr Curran Curran stated that he was led to believe according to the Clerks opinion at the signing of the Mortgage Deed which was read for the Meeting, that there would be no repayments of the Loan for two years

The Chairman stated they had no alternative but to pay this claim Ordered:- To be paid

Read Circular dated 29th July from the Housing Committee L. G. B. stating with reference to Circular of 6th inst relative to grants to private Builders, under Housing (Additional Powers) Act 1919-21 that it has been decided by His Majesty's Government that the grants can only be paid in cases in which the construction of houses has already been commenced or in which commitments had been entered into by prospective builders on or before the 14th July 1921

Read

Read Letter from the Acting Secretary Sir White Cross Mason House Dublin dated 27th & 29th July. Stating that the Resolution of the 25th inst re. The Workers of Messrs. Sedco Semples & Co. was before the Standing Executive Committee who have selected a Sub-Committee to receive the Deputation from the Town Commissioners, and requesting to be informed what date would suit so that he may have the matter arranged. The Meeting should not be held before 5. P.M.

The Clerk stated by instructions from Mr. O'Rourke V.C. he wrote asking to have the Meeting arranged for Thursday 4th inst at 5.30 P.M. in the Mansion House Dublin.
Read wire stating in reply. Better postpone Deputation Members of American Committee

are away shall write, (Secretary White Cross)

Postponed:- Clerk to notify Deputations on receipt of further letters fixing date

Mr Curran remarked that the window leading to Club Room, for which an order was made to have it boarded up has not been done. The Clerk stated that Mr Rooney was promising to do it very day

Ordered:-

Mr Bashell to see Mr Rooney about having this work done, and also the Ticket Holes in Commissioners Room repaired to prevent draughts etc.

Attention was called to the dirty state of the Town Hall yard and also to the lime washing of the Entrance Hall and passage to Club Room yard, for which Larkin was already paid for the latter work

Ordered:-

That the Cartaker be notified about the yard, and cleaning of the Hall, and Larkin to have the lime washing done immediately

Read Letter from Mr Robert Borgrove Agent for the Sarty Estate Dalrymple writing that the owner will not be responsible for the payment of the Town Rates now leviable or becoming due in future, and that the tenants have been so informed

The Clerk stated he furnished Mr Henry with a copy of this letter

Read

Mr Henry came before the Meeting for instructions regarding the collection and service of Notices on Tenants etc in connection with Town Rates, and the matter was left in his own hands.

Finance

The following Monies were received and lodged since last Meeting:

Town Hall	per Clerk	£5.19.0
Town Rates	per Mr Henry	54.1.8
Fines	per Mr Cosgrove	7.6
Grant in Lieu of Rates 1919-20		8.2.0
		£68.10.2

To Credit per Bank Book £51.12.6

" In Clerk's hands 3.0.0 £54.12.6

" Housing Loan No.3 £328.6.10
882.19.4

The following Accounts were submitted and examined found correct and payment authorised by Messrs M O'Rourke - Chairman Richard S Gormican and Thomas M. Cashell

S.E. Carleton	Income Tax on A/c	£5.15.0
W J Lunnisly	Coal Town Hall	2.11.7
Wm Bannon	Quarters Salary	30.0.0
Walsback's Light Co	Mounts & Glasses	7.4.10
Dallard's Ltd	Stationery etc	10.3.10
Guardian Ass Co	Policy Premium Clerk's Bond	7.6
A. Mc Dougall & Co	Printing etc	3.19.6
Commonwealth Pub Works	Interest Housing Loan 1 st May	4.19.9
		£65.2.0

Mr J. Henry & Co. Fees on A/c Housing 30.0.0

M. O'Rourke. 16 Sep 21 £95.2.0

Sept 7th The Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners was not held this evening in the absence of a Quorum. The only Members in attendance were,

Messrs Patrick J Curran Thomas M. Cashell Michael Brady and Richard Smyth, who adjourned the Meeting to 14th inst at usual hour

W. Rourke 16 Sep 21

Sept 14th Owing to the absence of a quorum this evg the Meeting was further adjourned to Friday evg next 16th inst at 8. O'clock

Richard Smyth & Patrick J Curran Esqrs were the only Commissioners in attendance

W. Rourke

16. Sep. 21.

Sept 16th 1921. The Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evg at 7.30 O'c

M. J. O'Rourke Esq. v. l. c. Presiding
and subsequently M. J. Durham Esq. Chairman
The Other Members Present were

Messrs P. J. Curran, Thos M. Cashell
Richard S. Gorman M. Brady & R. Smyth

Minutes of last Meeting were read & confirmed

Housing Scheme

The Clerk stated that on receipt from Mr. Rooney of a Certificate signed by the Architect Mr. Heaney L. E. dated 24th August the Vice-Chairman and himself applied to the Commissioners of Public Works for £3,250 being the third instalment of the Loan for the erection of the eight houses

Read Letter from the Commissioners of Public Works dated 26th August acknowledging receipt of same and stating that the application has been forwarded for the recommendation of the Local Govt Board

Read Letter from the Secretary Housing Committee Local Government Board dated 30th August 1921, No. H. 455/28/1921 with reference to the application for the third instalment of the Loan of £8,200, enclosing forms which they requested should be furnished with particulars of work done and liabilities incurred under the Loan up to date

The Clerk stated he furnished the

necessary particulars by return, and that Mr King the Boards Inspector visited the building on the 8th Sept and inspected the works

Read Letter from the Deputy Accountant Commissioners of Public Works, dated 14th September enclosing Draft in favour of the Town Commissioners for £3,250. Third instalment of the loan for the erection of eight houses

Read Letter from Mr Heneey Architect dated 7th Sept stating he had issued a Certificate to Mr Joseph Rooney Contractor for £3,250 as second instalment on foot of Contract which is now due to him. He also reported that the work is progressing satisfactorily and will probably be completed well inside the time allowed in the Contract

On the Motion of Mr Cashell

Seconded By Mr Gorman

It was Resolved:- To issue a Paying Order in favour of Mr Rooney for £3,250

Read Letter from Mr Heneey B & E dated 7th September relative to his Fees in connection with the 8 houses which was adjourned to Monday evg for consideration

Read Letter from Housing Department Local Government Board dated 16th August 1921 No. H/501/2106/1921, advising to copy of the Order forwarded in their letter of the 8th April last in pursuance of the provisions of Section 5. of the Housing of the Working

Release (ibid) 1st 1908, stating that the proportionate amount payable to the Town Commissioners out of the money fund in respect of the bathhouse incurred by them is £8.2.10

The Clerk paid the above sum as received and lodged to credit of the General Fund

Read letter from the Secretary General Post Office Dublin stating in reply to the Commissioners request in their letter of 6th August, that arrangements were made to receive the morning deposit from Bathryan on 16th Decm.

Mr W Bracy, the Secretary Bathryan Branch 1st 1908, wrote stating that as the Band has been taken over by the Mansfield Union Committee, he was instructed to apply for money for the Room at 3/- per week from 3rd Sept On the Motion of Mr Stewart

seconded by Mr Spiman
The Application was unanimously granted

The Clerk reported that on Thursday evening 11th the ulster about 6 o'clock the Lamp Pillar at corner of Shortagee in Ryplade Street was broken in two by a motor Lorry belonging to the Abbey Motor Service Ryplade, The Gas Company's workmen had the broken parts removed by instructions from your Vice Chairman

and a barrel put on top to prevent accident,

He notified the Abbey Motor Service Co holding them liable for the damage but received no reply up to the present.

He estimated the work and Pillar will cost approximately £12-

It was decided to erect a new Pillar and Lamp and to furnish the Abbey Motor Service with the Account, It was also agreed to put up a similar Lamp to that in the Square

The Webster Light Company's Estimate for supplying a Pillar only was £4.17.6 delivered Ballygan,

A discussion took place with regard to the Lighting of the Town,

And on the Motion of the Chairman seconded By Mr Gorman,

The remaining business was adjourned to Monday evening next at 8 O'clock to enable the Clerk to have the Lighting Records for past season produced, when the lighting question could be gone into for the coming season, also the Commrs Finance and Housing including Mr Heaney's Fee etc.

It was agreed to give Mrs Whyte possession of the shop held by Mr A Williams, who has intimated his intention to give up possession at the end of the month at the weekly rent of 2/6 from that date,

Sept 19th The adjourned Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evg at 7.30 O'clock

M J Durham Esq Our Presiding
Others Present were

Messrs. Thos W Bashell M S O'Rourke
P. J Curran R Smyth W Brady
R J Gorman & James McEwen

Housing Scheme

Read Letter from Mr Keeney dated 7th Sept adjourned from Friday evg last relative to his fee for eight houses in Skerries Street which were claimed by him in previous statements furnished to the Commissioners in accordance with the scale of fees laid down by the L.G.B for Housing Schemes. This matter being in abeyance he is now willing to accept 3½ per Cent on the Contract as agreed by him. He enclosed statement of Account to date made out in accordance with that percentage, together with other items for other services in connection with the houses, and pointed out that the fees charged are most moderate several ^{items} ~~fees~~ carrying fees are omitted from the account altogether.

The work has now entered upon the last stage of construction. The present certificate to the Contractor is his principal instalment and will leave the balance to be paid in two instalments one on the completion of the work, and the final or retention money four months after completion.

The Architect should receive half his fee

on the signing of the Contract and the remainder in instalments as will be seen by the enclosed statement,

He received to date £140 - in four instalments leaving a balance due of £209.15.5 and trusts the Council will see their way to pass a cheque in full at this stage for £100 -

The Clerk stated in his Report that the total of Mr Steney's Fees @ 3½% on the Building Contract £7,184 were (excluding extras) £251.10.0 Of this sum he received the following,

Instalments -

1919 Dec 3rd £16 -

1920 Oct 20th 30 -

1920 Oct 20th 20 -

1921 May, 11th 60. £ 126. 0. 0

Leaving a balance due this date £125. 10. 0

" Aug 3rd He was entitled to £43.15.0

" 4th Sept 16th to a further 56.17.6

£100. 12. 6

" Aug 3rd He received on A/c 30. 0. 0

" " Leaving a balance due £70. 12. 6

Ordered:- That Mr Steney be paid on A/c 70. 0. 0

Balance due this date ~~12. 6~~

The question of Fees to be referred to Finance Committee 5th Oct 70 closed,

An application from the Clerk asking to be allowed something on A/c of his work in connection with the Housing Scheme was also referred to Finance Committee

The Clerk Reported that the number of Lamps lighting last season was 47 including the Square, and the cost of the Gas Consumed was @ 10/- per 1000 feet, £93.8.0

After discussion, It was resolved:-
on the Motion of the Chairman

Seconded By Mr Mr Gorman

That the Lighting Committee inspect all the Lamps tomorrow at 2 o'clock with the view of effecting some economy by knocking off some of the Lamps and erecting some better ones instead and that the Lamps recommended be lighted on first Sunday in October.
2nd prox.

It was also Resolved:- To appoint P. Perkins to light the lamps at 3/- per night on each night the lamps are lighting

This appointment to be for one month only and that he be paid £2- for erecting the Lamps

Resolved:- That the Great Northern Railway Co. be written to asking them to leave the Lamps at the Level Crossing in Goffs Street Lighting till after the last train 10.20 pm so that those who may travel by this train can use the Level Crossing referred to with safety.

The Clerk reported that two new gratings were required to be laid down in Cement on the waste water traps in connection with

the Town Hall Lavatories in High St and one in George Square, as when these cess-pools get choked they cause a nuisance in the Hall and Street.

Ordered:— work to be done by Mr Rooney

Read Letter dated 19th Sept 1921 from the Balbriggan Branch of the Irish Federation of D + D.S. & S. Stating that at a special Meeting it was Resolved:—
 "That Mr R Smyth no longer represents their Branch on the Town Commissioners and that he was Co-opted to take the place of Mr J Barry who was ousted by the Ratepayers, and wished to know if the Branch can put forward a man to represent them on the Board

The Chairman thought this was a matter in which the Commissioners could not interfere owing to Mr Smyth being duly Co-opted, and the Clerk was directed to reply accordingly, and to point out that it was a question between Mr Smyth and the Federation. Should Mr Smyth however be agreeable to resign they can rest assured that the vacancy will be filled by their nominee as on the last occasion

The Clerk Reported that the following Aps were on the Advice Sheet for payment on this day

(over)

£ s. d.

Balbriggan Gas Co Public Lighting Season 1920-21,	93. 8. 0
do Town Hall Lighting to 30 June	28. 16. 0
Dublin Co Council Poor Rates 1921-22	24. 2. 3
Guardian Ass Co Employees to 5 Sept 1922	12. 0
- do - Clerks Bond	7. 6
Drawn, To be Paid	<u>£147. 5. 9</u>

The following will fall due 1st Oct

Town Clerk qtrs Salary	£ 30. 0. 0
Contractor 1/2 year "	8. 0. 0
Collectors Poundage (say)	20. 0. 0
Northern Bank Site Loan	39. 0. 0
Sto Loan Interest (say)	20. 0. 0
	<u>117. 0. 0</u>

£ 264. 5. 9

Cr Per Bank Book	£ 48. 2. 9
" In Clerks hands	3. 0. 0
	<u>51. 2. 9</u>

£ 213 3. 0

Cr Probable Receipts

Sept 30 Town Hall (Say)	20. 0. 0
Rates	30. 0. 0
Rents	13. 4. 0
	<u>63. 4. 0</u>

63. 4. 0

Bal against £149 19. 0

Proposed By Mr Cahill

Seconded By Mr Gorman

Resolved:- That our Treasurer be asked to allow us an overdraft on £150 on our Ordinary A/c to 31st March 1922, The A/c's submitted £147-5-9 were ordered to be paid.

m. J. Berkam Chairman

5/10/21.

Oct 5th 1921. The Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock

Michael J. Verham Esq Chairman Presiding
Also Present

Messrs Thomas M. Bashell Michael Brady
Richard S. Gorman Patrick J. Curran Thos. Smyth

Minutes of last Meeting were read and confirmed

The Chairman stated that the Finance Committee went through the Commissioners' finances up to the 30th Sept ult, on this day, and find that their Expenditure to date was including £71.18.10 from previous year 31st March last,

	£409-6-8
and Receipts amounted to	<u>394-15-0</u>
leaving a deficit to date of	£ 14-11-8

The Balance in Bank Book is £16-1-6

Paying Order outstanding	19-6
	<u>£ 17-1-0</u>

In Clerks hands	2-9-4
	<u>£ 14-11-8</u>

We have recommended Payments for this month amounting to,

	104-8-7
	<u>£ 119-0-3</u>

This sum could not be met were it not that your Treasurer has agreed to allow an overdraft of £150- to the 31st March next

The Committee have considered Mr Steury's application for a Bonus of £15- which was granted him in January 1920, but was rescinded by the Commissioners at their Meeting on 5th May 1920. In these circumstances

we have no power to deal with this matter which could only be re-considered by the Commissioners on notice of Motion

With regard to Mr Stoney's Fees in connection with the Housing Scheme these would also appear to have been paid under an old agreement, we consider this matter can only be settled by the Town Commissioners

With reference to the Clerk's application for some remuneration on A/c for services in connection with the Housing Scheme we consider it will be necessary to give notice of Motion for the expenditure of the money

Signed M J Durham Chairman

5/11/21

The Report was unanimously adopted

Mr Brady then handed in the following Notice of Motion for next Meeting on 2nd Nov

1. That the previous resolution adopted on 5th May 1920, remanding Mr Stoney's Bonus of £15 - granted on 7th January 1920, be cancelled, and that Mr Stoney be paid the £15 - further
2. That the Clerk be granted reasonable remuneration in connection with the Housing Scheme.

On the Chairman's suggestion it was decided to put Mr Stoney's claim for extra fees on the agenda for next Meeting

The Lighting Committee Report.
To The Town Commissioners

We have gone round all the Public Lamps with the view of finding out what ~~Lamps~~ ^{economy} could reasonably be effected by knocking off some, and putting up better lamps in their stead. We decided to light 26 ordinary lamps and erect two additional high pressure lamps similar to the one in George's Square, 29 in all.

One of the New Lamps to be erected at Morrissey's and one at corner of Church St this reduces the original number from 50 to 29 lamps or 21 knocked off.

We are of opinion, the change will effect a saving and produce sufficient light.

We have instructed our Clerk to order the New Lamps and fittings, and arranged with Mr Canty Secretary of the Gas Company to have the Pillars changed as directed the Commissioners to pay for the work.

Larkin the Lampfitter was also engaged to cut the tree at Miss Warrens for 5/-

Signed, M. J. Durham 20/9/20

The Report was unanimously Adopted

Ordered:- The Clerk to put up written notices inviting applications from competent gas fitters to keep the Town Hall and Public Lamps in repair to 30th Aug 1922, to be considered at next meeting

R J Moore Esq G.N.R wrote dated 4th Oct relative to the Commissioners request re-Lamp

at George's Street Level Crossing, stating they have given instructions to the Kent at Balbriggan to keep this lamp lighting in future until after the passing of the 9.30 P.M. from Dublin Road.

Letter from Welsbachs Light Company stating they regret their stock of accessories is exhausted, and are therefore reluctantly compelled to return the Arc Lamp as received.

The Clerk said he would try his best to have the lamp repaired locally, agreed.

The Circular Letter from Dail Eire Ann re-Superannation of Officers was held over as was also circular from Local Govt Board.

On the suggestion of the Chairman it was decided to go into the fixing of the Keub of the eight houses in course of erection at next meeting of the Commissioners.

Mr Curran mentioned that the catches were broken off the Town Hall windows in High Street, and there was no key for the front door of the Town Hall.

The Clerk stated he had no report about the windows which were all right on Friday evg last. The key of the front door was taken out of it some time ago, and was not returned since. There however is a bolt on the door which is more accommodating.

The Chairman remarked that those

matters should have been reported to have them put in Order at once

On the Motion of the Chairman
Seconded by Mr Gorman

It was unanmously agreed to present Archbishop Byrne with an Address of welcome on his first official visit to Balbriggan on Wednesday next 12th inst and that Messrs O'Rourke Curran and Gorman, attend at the Town Hall tomorrow Thursday at 12 O'clock for the purpose of drafting same, and that the same gentlemen present the address to His Grace

The Clerk submitted a list of the Fair for 1922 and on the suggestion of the Chairman It was decided to send the list to the Proctor Secretary Farmers Association to have same revised as to the number and dates, for publication in the Almanacs and that 250 Bills be printed with 500 Stand Bills, by the Drogheda Independents when the dates are arranged

Mr Curran gave notice for next meeting to consider the question of reducing the letting price of the Hall for Local Entertainments, Dances etc to £1- and for Public Meetings 5/-

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The following Monies were received and
 Loaned for this Month

Town Hall,	Hire of 22 doz chairs	
Serjt Mackey ↑	Dance	£ 2. 2. 0
Const McCrick ↑	Variety Entertainment	2. 0. 0
J Colman ↑	Dance	1. 10. 0
Const McCrick ↑	Hire of 20 doz chairs	1. 15. 0
Const Mackey ↑	R.	2. 0. 0
E Kennefick	Pictures 4 Nights	3. 1. 0
William Wood	Excursion Party	1. 0. 0
Mrs McCrick	Dance	2. 0. 0
E Kennefick	Pictures 3 Nights	2. 3. 6
William Wood	Excursion Party	1. 0. 0
J McGahan	Hire of 30 chairs	5. 0. 0
Serjt Mackey	" 96 "	16. 0. 0
E Kennefick	Pictures 3 Nights	2. 3. 6
Rent		£ 21. 16. 0
M Brady	Rent of J J W U	3. 4. 0
Stollmans	Rent of Shop	3. 5. 0
Mrs Connell	00	2. 12. 0
		£ 30. 17. 0

Bernard Hurry Town Rates 50. 14. 0

Comms Pub Works 3rd Lusk Housing Loan 3250. 0. 0

Total £ 3331 11. 0

Balances, Ordinary Acc against pub bank book 16. 1. 6

Balances Capital Acc Nos. 2, 3 In favour " 228. 9. 1

The following accounts were examined and recommended
 by the Finance Committee to be paid, £ 30. 0. 0

to Bannion Quarters Salary to 30 sept - 30. 0. 0

Mrs McDonnell Half year 00 00 - 8. 0. 0

Northern Bank Principal & Interest Housing Loan 39. 1. 0

Hebrewian Ins Co Fire Policy Prem Guard Room & Stalls 14. 0. 0

Gas Company Erecting Lamps - 5. 7. 8

Gas Company Erecting Lamps - 2. 12. 11

Patrick Carkins Erecting Public Lamps 26 2. 5. 0

Bernard Hurry Poundage on Rates Collected 18. 8. 0

M. J. Berham 2/11/21 £ 104. 8. 7
 Chairman

Nov 24th The Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock

M J Derham Esq. Chairman Presiding
Also Present.

Messrs P. J Curran Mr Brady J M Cashell
and R S Gorman

Minutes of last Meeting were read & Confirmed

Mr Brady. Moved the following Resolution of which he had given notice at last Meeting
Viz: To rescind the Resolution of the 5th May regarding Mr Sturys Bonus of £15 - granted on 7th January 1920, and to pay him the £15 —

Mr. Secured the Motion which was passed unanimously

Mr Brady also Moved that the Clerk be granted £30 - in connection with his services with the Housing Scheme

Mr Curran Secured the Motion which was passed unanimously

The question of Mr Heney's Fees in connection with the Housing Scheme was further postponed

Mr Curran to have the Town Hall Charges reduced for Local Entertainments to £1- and for Public Meetings to 5/- was withdrawn on the suggestion of the Chairman, who stated that any deserving case locally for a reduction from the ordinary rates would be decided by the Commissioners on its merits

Read Letter from Mr James Cony Secretary Gas Company dated 10th October with reference to the two 600 C.P. lamps stating that his Directors have agreed to have the consumption on these lamps based by the reading of George Square Lamp Meter as requested.

Re-Lamp at Morrissey's

The Clerk stated the cost of replacing this lamp & fittings which was broken last Aug by a Motor Lorry was £9-16-6

Ordered: Clerk to forward the accounts to them in full £14-0-5

Read Letter from the Treasury Valuer London dated 18th October, stating in reply to the Commissioners application for contribution in lieu of Rates for current year. That in view of the financial adjustments which will be necessary in consequence of the transfer of various Irish Services on the settlement of a plan for the future administration of those services it is desired to reduce the work of the adjustments as far as possible and to make a single payment to cover them, and requested that the application be deferred to a period later in the year

Read noted

Read application dated 20th Oct from the Local Government Board for £14-3-8 being for expenses incurred by the Board in connection with the Commissioners application for a loan

and the Housing Act,

Ordered:- To Be Paid

Fairs 1922

Read Letter from Mr. Hoade returning List of Fairs for 1922, which he placed before the Farmers Meeting as requested, and same was unanimously approved of and passed for publication namely:-

1 January	6 S.P	Tuesday	10 th
2 February	6 S.P	Tuesday	7 th
3 March	6 S.P	Tuesday	7 th
4 April	6 S.P	Tuesday	4 th
5 May	6 S.P.H	Monday	1 st
6 June	6 S.P	Tuesday	6 th
7 July	6 S.P	Tuesday	11 th
8 August	6 S.P	Tuesday	8 th
9 September	6 S.P	Tuesday	5 th
10 September	6 S.P.H	Friday	29 th
11 October	6 S.P	Tuesday	10 th
12 October	6 S.P	Tuesday	24 th
13 November	6 S.P	Tuesday	7 th
14 November	6 S.P	Tuesday	21 st
15 December	6 S.P	Tuesday	12 th

Adopted.

The Clerk stated with reference to the suggested address to His Grace the Archbishop of Dublin that the Committee Messrs O'Rourke Gorman & Curran, met in the Town Hall as arranged to draft the Address, and decided to wire for His Grace's approval first, who replied

That the Gallegain Town Commissioners had already sent their good wishes which apply sufficed, and the Address was cancelled

Read Letter dated 2nd Nov. from Mr. M O'Rourke
 I.B. stating that now as the Town Commrs
 are in a position to have a quorum at
 any time without his attendance
 he wished to place his resignation
 before the meeting to night, at the
 same time he wished to express his
 thanks to the Commissioners for the
 courteous and official manner in which
 business was executed during his term
 of office and trusted the same conditions
 would prevail in future,

It was unanimously decided to
 postpone consideration of the letter for one
 month, Mr O'Rourke to be asked in the
 meantime to reconsider withdrawing his
 resignation

Town Hall Improvements

It was unanimously resolved:- on the suggestion
 of the Chairman, to consider a scheme for
 having some necessary improvements to the
 Town Hall carried out, and with that
 view he proposed, that Messrs Brady
 Gorman & himself be appointed a Committee
 to go into the matter, and that they be
 empowered to add some others to the Committee
 who may have an interest in the requirements
 of the Hall

Mr Gorman seconded the motion
 which was passed unanimously

It was suggested that the Committee meet
 next Monday night, after which a Housing
 Committee Meeting be also held to fix the Rent's

of the New Houses in Skerries Street

The following Monies were received and lodged since last Meeting Viz:-

Town Hall	(Folio 15.)	£ 26.9.0
Town Rates	do	35.1.2
		<u>£ 61 10.2</u>
Balance against per Bank Books		<u>£ 59.11.11</u>

Payments (Folio 15)

Public Lighting		£ 7.4.0
Loans, Account Interest Housing Loan		70.3.3
" " Town Hall Instalment		21.9.6
Rate Collector, Bonus		<u>15.0.0</u>
		£ 113.16.9
Housing Loan Account No. 3		<u>44.3.8</u>
		Total £ 158.0.5

M. D. Verham

Chairman

7/12/12.

Nov 22nd

A Special Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock To consider a report of the Special Committee re. Town Hall Improvements

Michael J Derham Esq Chairman Presided
Other Members Present Were

Messrs M Brady Thomas M Casbell
P J Curran R S Gorman & R Smyth

The following is the Report which was Read
To the Town Commissioners

Gentlemen

The Special Committee appointed by you on 2nd instant, with Mr L Whyte and Mr P Daly, who have both kindly consented to act on the Committee, met and considered the improvements suggested to be carried out to the Town Hall most carefully with Mr Studman Architect, whose invaluable services he has kindly placed at our disposal without any fee or reward to see the Scheme carried through, and for which Mr Studman deserves The Town Commrs best Thanks

We now submit for your consideration Sketch Plans and Estimate prepared by Mr Studman for the proposed improvements which provides for a. Gallery, 2. Service Rooms, Proscenium and General improvements, such as ventilation, Painting of Hall, Commissioners Room etc, at an approximate cost of £700 -

We recommend the adoption of the Plans and that Mr Studman be asked to prepare the Original Drawings Specification Estimate

and copies of same accordingly, and that the Commissioners make the necessary application to the Local Government Board for sanction of a loan of £700 - from the Commissioners of Public Works, for a period of 30 years to be repaid by half yearly instalments of Principal and interest

We are further of opinion the repayment of the loan will not be any burthen on the Rates, as when the Improvements are made the Hall will be more frequently let for Entertainments than at present,

We also recommend that the Town Hall Account in future be a separate Account.

Proposed By Mr R. S. Gorman

Seconded By Mr P. J. Curran

Resolved:- That the Report as read be adopted and that on receipt of the Plans etc from Mr Studman The Chairman and Clerk have them forwarded to the Local Government Board, with an application for the loan of £700 - for the purpose named,

The Fire Places to be eliminated from the Plans and provision ^{for} ~~made~~ Gas Cookers in the Service Rooms made instead.

M. S. Derham.

7/12/12.

Chairman

Dec 7th 1921, The Monthly Meeting of the Town Commission
was held this evening at 9.30 O'clock

M. J. Serhan Esq J. D. Chairman Presiding
Also Present

Messrs. M. Brady, Thos M. Barkell, R. S. Gorman
Patk. J. Curran and Richard Smyth

Minutes of last Monthly & Special Meetings
were read and confirmed.

Public Lighting

Read Letter dated 3rd November from Robert Cagron Esq
asking to have the Lamp in the Laneway
leading to his and Miss Savages Premises
put up for which he will pay for the
Gas consumed by this Lamp proportionately
with that of the other Lamps of the Town

Large numbers of people frequent the Laneway
on business in connection with the Labour
Exchange and a Victualling Establishment
recently set up and much inconvenience
is caused to the Public not to speak of
miscellaneous etc

The Chairman stated he gave orders to
have this Lamp put up pending the decision
of this Meeting.

Approved

Re. Damage to Lamp Post Etc

The Ocean and Accident Corporation Some Street
Dublin. wrote on behalf of their clients The
Motor Service Company Drogheda, stating
They cannot see that there was any liability
attaching to their Assured in this matter, but

they were willing to halve the claim £14-0-5.
and on hearing that the Commissioners agree
to this will send a cheque for £7-0-3

The Chairman stated on receipt of this
letter he advised the Clerk to reply stating
they would accept £10-10-0 in full settlement
before sending the case on to their Law Advisers,
as he was of opinion the Commissioners would
have difficulty to recover the full claim

The Clerk would now read the reply
from the Ocean & Accident Company

We have received your letter of 24th inst
and accordingly have pleasure to enclose
your cheque value £10-10-0 in settlement of the matter

The Clerk stated on the Chairman's instructions
he lodged this cheque.

Approved and Accepted

P. Larkin furnished his A/c for fighting lamps to 6 th inst (38 nights) at 3/-	£5-14-0
Cutting Dress & Lvy in Hampton Street	6-0
	£6-0-0

Ordered: To be paid, Also that a Paying Order
for £2-2-0 be issued in favour of him on A/c
the Clerk to hand same to him on Thurs. Eve

It was decided not to affix stamps to
his Insurance Cards as he is only a spare
time worker for the Commissioners

Motioning

On the Motion of Mr. Cashell

Seconded By Mr. R. S. Gorman

It was resolved:-

That all Commissioners who attended

the Local Government Board or our Solicitor on business in connection with Housing be allowed Travelling Expenses, 2nd Class Railway Fare, and Maintenance of 15/- per diem.

That the Clerk attending on same Deputations or any future Deputation be allowed 2nd Class Railway Fare and 7/6 maintenance per diem.

Carried

Ordered:- That Mr Furran be paid £10-10-0 for attendances in connection with this matter, and the Clerk £3- balance in accordance with the foregoing resolutions

Read Letter from Mr McGloney to C 22nd Nov Re. New Houses. Skerries Street Ballygans relative to increasing the height of wall across Ope next Forsters Hall, and also the proposed repairs to the old wall on west end of Terrace, as he would be glad to know if the Commissioners have decided to have same carried out, The work is now entering its final stage and he would like to be able to instruct the Contractor to have these improvements carried out as soon as possible

Ordered:- Ope at Forsters Hall to be carried out Repairs to old wall left over pending interview with Mr Percival and if interview with Mr Percival be satisfactory repairs to be carried out.

Proposed By Mr Sorham. Chairman
Seconded By Mr Cashell

Resolved:- That Mr Steaney be requested to instruct the Contractor to erect Bonding Ret walls to New Houses in Skerries Street, and that the Larder proposed be struck out of the Plans, The Architect to arrange these matters with the Contractor.

The Clerk stated that Mr Rooney's Policy for £5,000 on the Building Contract expired on 2nd inst of which he received notice from the Hebronian Insurance Company, Mr Rooney has however re-insured the Building for £7,200 for a further three months, for which he produced cover note pending issue of the new Policy

Read & Approved.

The following Report from the Housing Committee was Read.

The Housing Committee Met this evening at 7.30 O'clock (7 PM) Present Messrs. Durham Gorman Luman Brady & Bashell,

The duty considered the outgoings and Income in connection with the Housing Scheme of Eight Houses in Skerries Street which will cost £1,000 each. approximately

Viz:- Outgoings

Repayment of Loan per house yearly	£66.13.4
Taxes Rates Insurance Rent Collection etc	9.1.0
	£75.14.4

Income

Rent 12/- per week. yearly	£31.4.0	}	70.4.0
Subsidy 15/- " " "	£39.0.0		

Annual loss per house £5.10.4

which for the eight houses represents a loss

loss of £44. 2. 8. to be met by the Ratepayers
 we recommend that the weekly Rent
 be provisionally fixed at 12/- We instructed
 the Clerk to circularize each applicant
 enquiring if they still desire to have
 their applications ^{at this rent} considered, pointing
 out that the allotment of the Houses
 will take place on or after the 7th Dec
 next.

M. J. Durham Chairman

The Report was unanimously adopted
 The Clerk stated he circularised 21
 Applicants approved by the Committee
 and received replies in the affirmative
 from thirteen and two withdrawing
 their applications

On the Motion of Mr Caswell
 seconded by Mr Smyth

It was decided to postpone consideration
 of the applications to a special meeting
 to be called by the Clerk to allow the Houses

Read Letter from the Registrar of Petty Sessions
 Clerks dated 7th Nov stating in reply to
 the Clerks letter of 24th ult, that owing to
 the falling off in the Revenue from
 Tunes and Fees it has been found necessary
 to secure the Petty Sessions Clerks Fund
 from variations to transfer the surplus
 from Dog License Duty in '920 to that fund
 and that an order by the Lord Justices
 has been made accordingly, except in
 the metropolitan area

Read & noted

Read Reply from Mr O'Rourke J.C regretting that he is unable to fall in with the wishes of the Commissioners to remain further in Office. Before asking them to accept his resignation he had of course fully considered the matter leaving further considerations unnecessary. He again tendered them his best thanks for the honour they have paid him in asking him to continue in Office, and to the Clerk for the magnificent eulogy furnished him in the hope of persuading him to alter his decision.

Accepted & Referred to next meeting

The Golden Key Ironmongery Store 154 & 155 Capel Street Dublin, quoted to supply 1 Yale Latch with 50 Keys to fit same at £4-8-6. *Accepted*

Ordered:- Paying Order to be issued to Clerk to pay this account

Mr Thomas Early Solicitor wrote furnishing his Account for Housing and other Miscellaneous Expenses amounting to £73-1-8.

Postponed:- to next Meeting

Read Letter from Local Government Board dated 17th Nov appointing J Meley Esq B.L. to audit the Town Commissioners Accounts to 31st March 1921.

The Clerk stated he received Notice of Audit from J Meley Esq on 24th Nov that he would open the audit on 29th ult at 12 o'clock noon on which date he attended and adjourned

the Audit till this day which he completed and that everything appeared to be satisfactory.

The Clerk stated that Mr James Canning called on him this day with reference to an Ac in connection with the keeping in order of the Town Hall lamps ending on the 1st July last £6.10.0 He informed Canning that he had not attended but once since 20th Sept 1920 consequently there was only £1-12-6, due to that date

Ordered:- To pay Canning this amount at next Meeting, and to dispense with his services

Finance

The Clerk Reported that The following Monies were received and lodged since last Meeting

Town Hall (Folio 16) £22-6-0

Rents, Commercial Club 3-5-0

Public Lighting, . . .

Ocean & Accident Corporation, cost of Broken Lamp Post etc, By Agreement £10-10-0

Rates per Mr Henry 59-4-3

£95-5-3

Balance Spanish per Bank Books 68-14-3

" In Clerk's Hands 2-14-0

Total £66-0-3

Expenditure

The following Accounts were Ordered to be Paid

No OF ORDER

425	P Larkin, Lighting Lamps & cutting Trees	£ 6.0.0
426	Gt Northern Ry, Rick of way leave to 1 st Nov	1.0
427	Commsrs Pub Wks, Interest Housing Loan "	25.2.2
428	W Bannor, Yale Hatch & 50 Keys Club House	4.8.6
429	Patk Larkin, 2 weeks Lighting Lamps to 21 Dec	2.2.0
430	Welsbach Light Co, 2 High Pressure Lamps & 5 wicks etc	13.2.5
431	Droghda Adaph, Printing & Advertising	12.10.9
432	Miss M ^{rs} Dowell, Quarters Salary to 31 Dec	3.18.0
433	W Bannor & Co, Petty Cash A/c	5.0.0
434	P J Curran, Railway Fares & Expenses Housing	10.0.0
435	W Bannor, do. Balance of do	3.0.0

Total £ 85-4-10

January 4th The Monthly Meeting had to be adjourned to this evening week 11th inst as a quorum was not present this evening

Those attending were Messrs Caswell Gorman Brady & Smyth

January 11th The Adjourned Monthly Meeting to be held this evening had to be further adjourned to the 18th inst as a quorum was not present

Messrs (The Chairman) M J Delaney
Thos Mc Caswell, Richard J Gorman & R Smyth
were the only Commissioners in attendance

Jan 15th Owing to the absence of a Quorum
 the Monthly Meeting to be held this
 evg had to be adjourned to 30th with
 Messrs M. J. Durham, Richard Gorman
 Richard Smyth and Michael Brady
 being the only Commissioners present

Jan 30th The Annual Statutory Meeting of the Town
 Commissioners was held this evening at
 6 o'clock, for the purpose of electing a
 Chairman Vice-Chairman and Committee
 for ensuing year

Michael James Durham Esq Presided
 Others Present were:

Messrs James McGlus, Patk J Curran
 Richard Smyth, Richard Gorman, and
 Thomas McCashill

Election of Chairman

On the Motion of Mr Gorman
 Seconded By Mr Cashill

The Retiring Chairman Michael James
 Durham Esq & Co. was unanimously Re-Elected
 Chairman for the ensuing year

Election of Vice-Chairman

On the Motion of Mr Curran

Seconded By Mr M. J. Durham
 Mr James McGlus was Elected Vice-Chairman
 for ensuing year

Jan 30th 1922 Election of Committees

On the Motion of Mr Gorman
 Seconded By Mr McGlew
 The whole Council were appointed ^{on the Housing}
 Town Hall and Finance Committees
 Three Members to form a Quorum on each
 Committee, and Messrs Curran
 Gorman, with the Chairman and Vice-
 Chairman to be the Legistive Committee

Jan 30th The adjourned Monthly Meeting of the
 Town Commissioners was held this evg
 at 7.30 O'clock

M. J. Durham Esq J. D. Chairman President
 Also Present.

Messrs, Thomas M. Cashell Patrick Curran
 Richard Smyth Richard J. Gorman, and
 James McGlew.

Reading of Minutes of Previous Meetings
 were Postponed to Monthly Meeting on Feb 1st
 The only business taken up was in connection
 with the Housing Scheme

The following Report was Read dated 4/1/22
 The Housing Committee met this evening
 at 8 o'clock,

Thomas M. Cashell Esq Presiding
 Also Present

Messrs
 Richard J. Gorman, Richard Smyth
 and Michael Brady.

Jan 4th (Continued) Having examined the various applications and replies from the Applicants for the Tenants of the New Houses in Skerries Street, The following were unanimously selected as Tenants

House No. 1	J. C. Campbell
" " 2	Peter McHale
" " 3	Patrick Kennedy
" " 4	William McMahon
" " 5	Thomas Heaney
" " 6	Sarah H. Braulford
" " 7	Thomas Cunningham
" " 8	George Thos. Davery

The Clerk was authorised to hand over possession of No. 1 House as soon as possible

The Rent to commence on the Saturday following receipt of possession, The weekly rent to be 12/6 for each house, and to be paid weekly in advance to the Town Clerk on every Saturday on or before 12 O'clock noon, pending the appointment of a Collector, Each Tenant to sign the usual Letting Agreement of Tenancy, which is to be determined by one week's notice on either side, The Clerk to notify the Tenants as each house becomes ready for occupation

This Report as Read was unanimously "Adopted."

The Clerk Reported that the following Houses were occupied,

✓ No. 1	J. C. Campbell	from January 7 th
✓ " 4	Wm. McMahon	" " 21 st
✓ " 5	Thos. Heaney	" " 21 st

- ✓ No. 6 Sarah A Brailsford January 31st
 ✓ No. 8 George Two Davey " 31st

It notified P Kennedy, Peter, Mc Aless, and Thomas Cunningham, that their houses would be ready on 28th January,

Mr Cunningham withdrew his application in writing, and Mc Aless, asked for one week extension to 4th February owing to his wife being unwell,

It was agreed to accede to Mc Aless request, Cunningham and Kennedy's applications were marked withdrawn & cancelled.

Applications were read from Mr John Lennon, and Mr Joseph Sinnott,

On the Motion of Mr Cashell
 Seconded By Mr Gorman
 Joseph Sinnott was given the Licence of House No. 7.
 And.

On the Motion of Mr Curran
 Seconded By Mr Mc Aless
 John Lennon was given the Licence of House No. 3.

The Rent in each case to Commence from Saturday 11th February

The Clerk stated he collected and lodged £7-10-0 Rent up to 28th inst.

It was decided to have Mr Haney C.E notified to attend the next meeting on 1st Feb

The Chairman brought to the Notice of the meeting that owing to the absence of a quorum on the 11th and 18th inst. He had

the Advice Sheet for the following accounts
over due, passed and signed by the Finance
Committee on the 18th inst, and wrote
the Treasurer to pay same pending
their being sanctioned at the meeting

Viz:- to Cannon Garter Salary to 31 Dec. £30 00
Local Govt Board Audit of Apts to 31 March 2 20
John Canning Erecting 3 lamps etc 3 10
John Canning Keeping Town Hall lamps in order } 1 12 6
(to 30 Sept 1920, Caud)
Patrick Hartline Lighting lamps to 4th Jan 2 20
McBourne's Irish Policy Press Town Hall 4 0 0
£42 17 6

Approved.

On the Motion of Mr Chairman
Seconded By Mr Gorman,

The following Resolution was unanimously
Passed in Silence

That we the Ballygan Young Commission
convey our sincere sympathy to his
Grace the Archbishop of Dublin on the death
of His Holiness Pope Benedict XV and
the great loss the Catholic Church has
sustained by his untimely end

The remaining business to be left over
till our next meeting on 1st February as a
mark of respect.

Seamus McDermott

1/2/22

1st Feb 1922. The Monthly Meeting of the Town Council was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock
 Michael James Durham Esq. J.D. in the Chair
 Others Present were.

Messrs, Thos M. Caswell, Richard J. Gorman
 Patrick J. Curran and Richard Smyth.

On the Motion of the Chairman Seconded
 By Mr Gorman The Minutes of last
 Meetings were Taken as Read.

Housing Scheme

Read Letter dated 15th December from Mr Percival
 relative to the old bearing wall between Mr Buge's
 property and the New Houses in Skerries Street
 Stating he would be in Balbriggan on Saturday
 next 17th inst and would see the Clerk
 in reference to this matter.

The Clerk reported that Mr Stoney with
 Mr Caswell and himself interviewed Mr Percival
 on the site, and he agreed to the proposed
 repairs to the old bearing wall, being done
 by the Town Commissioners at their own expense.

The Chairman stated as no meetings
 were held since the interview, referred to he
 authorised the Clerk to give Mr Stoney an order
 to have the work carried out.

Approved.

The question of providing Ashpits was discussed
 also weatherboards on Back Doors.

And on the Motion of Mr Gorman
 Seconded By Mr Caswell

Mr Stoney was instructed to have the
 Ashpits erected and weatherboards put on

Back Doors, These matters to be attended to as soon as possible, The Ashpits to be in cement.

A Report of the Housing Committee held on 11th January 1922 was read. Those Present were Messrs M J Derham, J. S. Chaurian Thomas Mc Keshell Richard Smyth and Richard S Gorman, The Clerk Reported that he Lodged £15- received from Messrs John Larkin & Sons Auctioneers for rent of Field let to Mr John Kaugley for season ending 31st December 1921 @ £17.0.0
 Less Expenses Advtg & Posters 2.0.0
 £15.0.0

We gave instructions to the Clerk to request Messrs Larkin to re-let this field by auction for eleven months to 31st December 1922 on the usual terms.

Mr Earlys miscellaneous costs amounting to £73.1.8 were examined, and items amounting to £2.18.4 were noted as being excessive.

The appointment of a Solicitor to attend Taxation of this Bill on behalf of the Town Commissioners should be made at the May Monthly Meeting.

Approved

On The Motion of Mr Curran

Seconded By Mr Gorman

Mr Cochrane Solicitor was appointed to have Mr Earlys costs taxed

The Clerk stated that Messrs Larkin had the Field put up for Auction, but the

Sale was abortive.

It was decided to inform Messrs Larkin not to proceed further with the letting of the field, that the Commissioners would see if they could let it by private treaty themselves.

Read Letter from Patrick Bissett regarding his application for one of the new houses stating he would be glad if the Commissioners would give it their consideration again in the event of any of the houses becoming vacant, as he needs a house very badly.
Noted

The Local Government Board wrote forwarding a copy of the Auditors Report, and the audited Abstracts of the Town Commissioners Accounts for the period ended 31st March, 1921.

Read & Noted.

Rate Collectors Account

Mr Henry Rate Collector submitted Account of Town Rates for current year 1921-1922

Resolved:-

That having examined the Rate Collectors Account for Current year ✓
amounting to

Total £ 425. 17. 7

that he have collected 380. 17. 1

leaving a balance uncollected of £ 45. 0. 6

less Credit Town Commissioners property 3. 16. 3

£ 41. 4. 3

Arrears Forward	Total	£ 41. 4. 3
Per List, Recoverable Arrears		14. 5. 3
" Irrecoverable do		£ 26. 19. 0

We are satisfied that £14.5.3 is recoverable, and that £26.19.0 is irrecoverable being ruinous and unoccupied property, we therefore ~~Order~~ ^{that,} the former be brought forward as recoverable arrears and the £26.19.0 be struck off as irrecoverable arrears.

Mr Henry to serve a ten days notice on those in arrears, and that he be paid the balance of his Commission to date amounting to £12-7-6 @ 8%

In reply to Mr Henry the Chairman promised to give him legal assistance if necessary to recover the arrears; The question of his remuneration would receive consideration in due course, Mr Curran dissenting

Co-options

The Chairman gave Notice that at next Monthly Meeting he would move to have a Member Co-opted to fill the vacancy on the Board caused by the resignation of Mr O'Rourke

The following Monies were received and lodged during the month of January

Town Hall Fc No.	Receipt Books,	£ 12. 0. 0
Town Rates	" "	23. 11. 7
Rent of Field	" "	15. 0. 0
		£ 50. 11. 7

Balances Per Bank Books

Ordinary A/c	Dr	£ 96. 14. 11
Arising " No. 102	Cr	£ 1. 2. 3
do " No. 3	Cr	171. 3. 2
do " Rent	Dr	7. 10. 0

The following Accounts were examined
found correct and Advice Note for
Payments required as under,

Gas Company Ltd. 1/2 Cost of Service to Lamps		
" Dublin Stab-		£ 3-5-0
Wm Currie	years rent of Library Site	2 0 0
Patrick Larkin	Lighting Lamps 28 nights to date	4 4 0
Joseph Stacey	Glass in Public Lamps	18 0
Bernard Henry	Poundage Fee balance	12 7 6
	Total £	<u>22 14 6</u>

Thomas McAshell Chairman
March 4th 1922

March 4th

The Adjourned Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evening at 7.30 O'Clock

Thomas W. Keshell Esq. J.C. Presiding
Others Present were

Messrs. Michael Brady Richard S. Gorman
Richard Smyth & Patrick J. Curran C.C.

Minutes of last Meeting were read & confirmed

Read Letter from Commissioners of Valuation dated 13th February acknowledging receipt of Valuation lists relating to Balbriggan Urban for revision which would have immediate attention

Read.

Read Letter from the Secretary North Wickford Employers and Traders Association 25 Slaney Street Ennisceorthy dated 31st January forwarding copy of a resolution with reference to petitioning the newly constituted Government to enact a Statute establishing by law the weekly half Holiday upon a stated day for each week

Read

Read Circular from Dail Eire-ann L.G.B. Department dated 20th February enclosing Form with list of goods for combined purchase same to be filled up and returned, No Contracts for these goods to be made at present

Read

Report Re- Public Lamps Etc

Gentlemen,

I have to report that P. Larkin your Lamplighter is ill since 1st February and has not lighted any Lamps since that date

as there was a good Moon the Lamps were not lighted until the 14th when I employed Joseph Morrisson to light them at 3/- per night, He also became ill on 23rd of January and I had to employ Dan Canning to light them at 5/- that night; the two following nights the Lamps were not lighting until Morrisson resumed, He has been lighting them ever since.

The total paid by me up to last night for lighting was £2-10-0

I would therefore require a Paying Order for this amount, and if Morrisson continues a further £3-3-0 would be necessary to pay him to end of month Total £5-13-0

The new Lamp at Morrissey's Corner got out of repair and by order of the Chairman I had it put in order by Jas Canning

The Glass in Lamps at George's Hill Sea Lane and Church Street was broken, the two former on 15th & George's Hill on 8th January Two of them was temporarily repaired by Larkin and Haney is putting glass in the other as it was completely broken, I had also to employ Jas Canning to light the Town Hall Lamps on a few occasions as they are out of repair, I have ordered New Burners for them a month since and they are come this day, Robert Davis will have them repaired immediately

W. Bammer Town Clerk

Approved

The Chairman drew attention to an account of £3-5-0 in the payments for last ^{monthly} meeting

to the Gas Company, for a New Service to a Lamp in Dublin Street, pointing out that it represented half the total cost of the work and that the Commissioners were only liable for half cost over 30 feet which the Gas Company should lay and maintain free of charge.

In reply the Clerk stated he had not paid over this amount.

Ordered:- The Clerk to write the Gas Company for further particulars regarding the Bill as to point out to them their liability for 30 feet of service to each Lamp as heretofore

Housing Scheme

A Report from the Housing Committee dated 13/2/22 was read.

The Housing Committee met this day and recommend that 8 Concrete Footpaths be laid to the New Houses from entrance gates. Dinding walls or buttresses will suffice instead of proposed railings, so that the latter may be dispensed with. Mr Heaney to have the gardens marked out immediately, and instruct Mr Rooney to have the front Gate put up at once, also weather Boards put on Back Doors. The Roadway to ashpit to be arranged so that Mr Davey's may know his Boundary. These matters to be left to the Chairman, Messrs Curran and Smyth J.C. to arrange. The Clerk to have Architect on Site at 12 O'clock to-morrow to meet members.

Signed W J. Warham Chairman

13/2/22

The following further report in reference to these matters was read.

Messrs Durham Curran & Clarke interviewed Mr Haney Architect, and Mr Rooney contractor on site and arranged to have all matters referred to in the foregoing report carried out, we also instructed Mr Rooney to have hedge cut, and make pathway along same from back of Davey's house to top of garden, and to return same along ash-pits at end of garden over to No. 1.

Signed M J Durham. 14/2/22

Approved,

Mr Davey Tenant No. 1 reported that his rain water tank is leaking, No weather board on Back Door, Clearance required under front door to allow linoleum to be laid in Entrance Hall, 3 Panes of glass broken No key for rain water tank, Kitchen range out of order requires some contrivance to prevent dirt and dust flying about overhead

The entrance is also dirty, Gate requires to be erected to prevent trespassers, warning notice required, No Path front door, Gardens to be laid out, no ashpits or dumping place for refuse,

The Clerk stated that all these matters were brought to the notice of Mr Haney and Mr Rooney repeatedly, A good many of the defects referred to have been carried out since that report was made, and others are in progress & Paths ashpits etc are in hands.

On The Motion Of Mr Gorman, Seconded

Seconded - By Mr Brady, It was Ordered that all defects referred to be sent to Mr Heaney with instructions to have them carried out by the contractor immediately, and at Mr Gorman's suggestion it was also decided to have the broken man hole cover at Mr Davey's house put in order and shifted further over to wall keys to be supplied for all water closets and the front doors eased so that linoleum can be laid on Entrance Halls, Gardens to be laid out at once

Re-Aspits

Mr Heaney wrote enclosing a Tender from the Contractor to erect 8 aspits in pairs according to specification for the sum of £7 - seven pounds per Aspit

Read.

Mr Heaney Reported 1st March, that he has issued a Certificate to Mr Rooney Contractor for payment of £1,000 one thousand Pounds which is the Third Instalment on foot of his Contract, The Certificate explains the amounts already certified for balance due.

The work is now practically completed and has been carried out in a satisfactory manner, and he had nothing of any note to a complaint on, In issuing the Certificate for the above amount he considered the remaining £434 - is a sufficient amount to hold as retention money for the period of four months, All extra work Ordered by the Comtee from time to time is also completed, with the exception of the Aspits, and enclose for your

information a Copy of the Tender received from Mr Rooney for same at £7- per pit which he accepted as reasonable,

He also wished to make application at this juncture for an instalment of £70—

Masted Road Road

Read Certificate for £1,000 referred to which stated amount of contract £7184

Amount already paid Contractor £5750
 " now recommended 1000 } 6750

Balance held over as retention money for pavement £434

Read

The Clerk stated as previously arranged on receipt of the Certificate, The Chairman and himself made application for the instalment of £1,000 to Commissioners of Public Works

Read acknowledgement from the Comms of Public Works, dated 3rd March stating that same has been forwarded to the Local Government Board for their recommendations

Ordered:

That a Paying Order for £1,000 in favour of Mr Rooney be issued, but that it be withheld until matters complained of are made right, Consideration of Mr Heney's application for instalment of £70 was

Postponed

The Clerk Reported the amounts received by Instalments from Board of Works were £6750.0.0

Paid to Contractor £5750.0.0

" Architect 210.0.0

" Other Expenses 118.16.10

6078.16.10

Balance per Bank Books —

£ 171.3.2

Re. Mr Early's Costs

Read Letter from Mr Early dated 28th February asking the Clerk to furnish him with the Original Contract & Bond as a Voucher in Connection with his Costs which are being taxed on Friday

Read

Letter from same dated 3rd March returning Contract & Bond and stating the Costs were taxed to-day

Read

The following Resolution was Proposed by Mr Curran and Seconded by Mr Brady Resolved:-

That while fully recognising the vast amount of important work the Provisional Government are dealing with, The Balbriggan Town Commissioners respectfully request the Minister of Finance to receive a Deputation with the object of placing before them the dire ^{urgency} necessity of the restoration of Industries Homes & Trading Establishments in the Town,

The Deputation to be M. J. Durham T.D. J. Hawless T.D. P. J. Curran M.C. (Labour) and W. B. Cochrane Solicitor representative of the Trades Unions. The Clerk to communicate with Mr Collins and each Member immediately

Re. Outstanding Rates £14.5.3

The Clerk stated that of the above amount Mr Henry had collected & lodged £2.11.11 & that he wished to know if he could have legal assistance as he is taking legal proceedings to

recover the balance due by others £11.13.4

Ordered:- That the Collection of & recovery of Rates rested entirely with Mr Hurry himself.

The following Accounts were collected and lodged for February

Town Hall (Folio 19) £9.5.0

Town Rate " 2.11.11

£11.16.11

Balance Against per Bank Books £105.9.6

The following accounts were examined found correct & Payment authorised per Advice Note signed by Messrs Thomas McEashell, P. J. Curran & Richard S. Gorman £. s. d.

Joseph Rooney	3rd Instalment Building Loan	1000.0.0
John Bannon	1/4 years Salary	30.0.0
C. M. Donnell	1/4 years Salary	3.18.0
Northern Bank	Instalment & Interest Loan No. 1.	28.11.3
Northern Bank	Instalment & Interest " No. 2.	13.11.6
Wm Burns	years rent of Library site to 1 st Nov	2.0.0
Dollard Ltd	Stationery	13.3
Welsbach Light Co	Manilla Glases & Burners	5.0.11
D. S. Carliton	Income Tax	3.2.11
Wm Bannon	To pay Temporary Lamps	5.13.0
Gas Company	Town Hall Gas to 31 st Dec	9.7.0
		£1097.17.10

The Chairman's Motion to Co-opt a Member in room of Mr O'Rourke was postponed for his attendance

Thomas McEashell Chairman

April 12th 1922

April 5th There was only three Members attended for the Monthly Meeting to be held this evening viz:—

Messrs Richard S Gorman Patrick Curran and Richard Smyth, and it was decided to adjourn same to this evening week at usual hour.

April 12 The Adjourned Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evening at 7.30 o'clock

Mr J Serhan Esq J D Chairman Presiding
Others Present were

Messrs, Thomas Mc Cashell Patrick J Curran John Serhan Richard S Gorman Michel Brady and Richard Smyth. Mr Mc Henry Architect was also in attendance

Minutes of last Meeting were read & confirmed
The Clerk Reported.

That on Saturday evng 12th March A Motor Car No 115. S.D collided with and broke the Lamp post and Lamp in Georges Square. The Driver gave his name as Michael Mc Grath Ballybay I believe he gave his correct name and address

I heard nothing from him since, I had the broken Column removed to Town Hall yard at a cost of 2/-

I communicated with the Secretary Cavan Cavan County Council to find out if the name and address given by the Driver was correct, as the Car would appear to be registered with his Council

Read Letter from Secretary Baron Coburnil dated 23rd March stating in reply to Clerk's letter, that he was unable to give the information required as the records connected with Motors have not as yet been returned by the Royal Irish Constabulary
Ordered:-

the Clerk to have further enquiries made and to write again to Mr McGrath.

with reference to the Gas Company Ac^{ts} 350
The Secretary of the Gas Company wrote dated 5th April, stating the Ac^{ts} furnished represents half the total cost of laying the New Service to the Lamp at Miss Landys in Dublin St
The work was done by the instructions of the Chairman of the Town Commissioners and Town Clerk, when both agreed to half the total cost of the work.

The Chairman and Clerk having explained the terms, Namely, that the Gas Company should supply 30 feet of service to each lamp which was not exceeded in this case, and that Miss Landys Shop light is off this service payments was refused.

Housing Scheme

Read Circular Letter dated 16th March from the Irish Provisional Government no H. 501/2355/ relative to Housing of the Working Classes Act 1890, to 1921. stating the Provisional Government are prepared at present to give state aid for Housing Schemes on the following basis. Viz:- In each case where a Special

Housing Rate of at least $\frac{1}{2}$ in the £ is struck for the purpose of New Construction subject to the sanction of the Minister to obtain from Local Banks or other source a short period loan equal to three times the produce of the aforesaid rate, the Govt will be prepared to make a grant in the proportion of 2 to 1, to the total amount raised by Housing Rate and Loan, provision for meeting the loan charges must be made in addition to the Special Housing Rate of $\frac{1}{2}$ in the £ and such charges will not rank for the Government Subsidy

Example Assessable Valuation £ 15,000

Produce of $\frac{1}{2}$ Rate £ 750

Borrowed locally 2250

Makes local contribution £3,000

Then the Government will contribute 6,000

£3,000 x 2, i.e., making available £9,000.

which is sufficient to provide 12 New Houses at £750 each as the result of one years operations

The Minister of L.C. ~~and~~ ^{therefore} recommends that the Commissioners should at once proceed if they intend to avail of this offer to include in their Estimate of Expenditure for this Year the produce of at least $\frac{1}{2}$ as a Special Rate for new construction, and find out from their Treasurer or other source particulars of the terms upon which a loan equal to 3 times the produce of the Special Rate may be obtained

Considerations Postponed

The Clerk sealed the New Houses in course of erection were inspected by Mr Strahan

from the L.G.B on the 10th March he had not yet received his report.

Read Letter from Housing Dept. Local Government Board 30 St. Fitzwilliam St. Dublin 20th March No #456/31/1922 stating the Board have recommended the Commissioner of Public Works to issue a sum of £1,000 being a further instalment of the loan of £8,200 sanctioned for Housing

Read Letter from Commissioners of Public Works dated 23rd March sending Draft in favour of the Town Commissioners for £1,000 - being further instalment of loan for erection of 8 Houses,

Mr Honey Architect wrote enclosing Estimate from Mr Rooney for New Ashpits in accordance with Bye Laws sent him by the L.G.B Inspector. The total for the New way would be £132-8-0 and £56 - for the other. He wished to be informed of which Plan the Commissioners Approve.

After discussion It was decided, on the Motion of the Chairman

Seconded By Mr Curran, That the Original Plan for the Ashpits at a cost of £56 - be carried out, The Suggestion of the General Ashpit was unanimously refused

Mr Honey forwarded a detailed Report dated 4th April relative to the defects referred to in connection with the Contract for 8 New Houses in Skerries Street at last Meeting which he

stated were now all attended to, with the exception of gates for front paling & wire fence at rear, which is not according to specifications, the external woodwork requires another coat of paint and in some cases two coats.

The internal walls is not yet fit for distemper, on the whole the work has been carried out satisfactorily.

He accompanied the L.G.B. Inspector on his inspection of the works on the 10th March and with the Town Clerk each tenant was questioned and there was no complaints except of a minor nature. Read.

The Clerk stated that pending this report he was instructed to withhold Mr Rooney's Paying Order of £1000.

It was decided to pay Mr Rooney as the Report was fairly satisfactory.

Mr Heaney's application for instalment of fees £70- was postponed.

The question of providing division Paling for Plots at rear was postponed for Mr Heaney to send in an estimate of the cost.

Mr Early wrote on 8th March enclosing Certificate of Taxation of Miscellaneous costs which have been certified at £76.9.10 including Mr Cochrane's fee, and requested payment of same.

Read Letter from Mr Cochrane Solicitor dated 3rd April stating that Mr Early's costs

is certified by Taxing Officer amounted to £76.9.10. He pointed out that the Bill was fairly drawn which accounts for the fact that only £2.19.4 was deducted to which was added three items amounting to £3- on page 11 of the Bill for which Mr. Early undischarged.

Read Payment Ordered & Postponed

Read Letter from Irish Provisional Government dated 10th March L.G. /544, asking to be furnished with a statement of the amount which the Town Commissioners were as at the first of April last liable to pay or set apart during the financial year in respect of monies borrowed since 31st December, 1908 for the purposes of the Housing of the Working Classes Act, from sources other than from the Commissioners of Public Works.

The Clerk stated he supplied the information showing the amount as £116.19.10 including £38.2.9 falling due on 1st April

Read.

Read Letter from the Treasury Valuers 21 Abingdon Street London S.W. dated 7th March enclosing statement of claim for rates due the Town Commissioners, and requesting that same may be filled up and returned to this Department accompanied with a Notice of Rates having been made for current year 1921-22,

The Clerk stated that the amount involved is £8.2.0 which was certified by the Chairman and himself and forwarded by return as requested

The Clerk stated on 4th inst the Chairman instructed him to send a wire to the Minister of Defence Beggars Bush stating Galbriggan without protection, and requesting to know what steps if any have been taken to provide protection which is urgently required here owing to proximity to Gormacstown Aerodrome. Copies were also sent to Ministry Home Affairs and Commandant Gen Boylan Dunboyne.

Read acknowledgement dated 10th inst stating the matter would receive attention.

Deputation Re-Building Galbriggan

The Chairman stated that arising out of the Resolution ^{adopted} at last Meeting, asking the Minister of Finance to the Provisional Government to receive a Deputation from the Town Commission relative to the rebuilding of the Town. - That it was only after several wires from him to the Minister for Economic Affairs that a reply was received on 7th inst, stating the Deputation referred to would be received by him on Tuesday 11th inst, which date was agreed to and wired to the Provisional Government.

The following comprised the Deputation Messrs P.J. Curran C.C. Doctor Fullam W.J. Cumisky W.B. Cochrane Solicitor J. Russell Architect and himself (Mr. Durham). Mr. Lawless J.D. was unavoidably absent through illness.

The Chairman of the Provisional Government Mr. Collins received the Deputation, in the absence of the Minister of Economic Affairs.

(through illness) and gave the deputation a definite assurance, that any Scheme agreed to between the Minister of Economic Affairs and the Town Commissioners for rebuilding Dalbruggan would have his sanction and the sanction of the Provisional Government. The Scheme suggested would be similar to that adopted for the rebuilding of Cork, namely three fifths of the total building award. The Recorder's decision was three fifths in bulk of claims.

There is some difficulty to find out what is the actual amount in the Decree set aside for building.

A Committee is to be set up by the Town Commissioners probably the whole Town Commissioners and others.

The Provisional Government gave the deputation to understand that no Grant would be given to Decree holders unless there is a structure erected equal at least to the structure that was burned otherwise on this the Chairman said he got a definite assurance that we must build or no claims would be paid.

The Chairman said he would now read for the meeting a copy of the Scheme of organization approved by the Provisional Government for the re-construction of ~~Cork~~ destroyed areas in Cork City which was sent him by the Provisional Government who suggested that it might be helpful to the Town Commissioners in submitting to the Provisional Government a Scheme of

Organisation for rebuilding destroyed properties
in Balbriggan District

There were eight Provisions in the Scheme
Viz:-

1. That a Committee be set up in Balbriggan
by the Irish Provisional Government Con-
-sisting of .1 (one) Representative of the Provisional
Government, and .9 (nine) persons appointed
by the Town Commissioners,

These latter to include 1 (one) person
representative of the owners of destroyed property
in Balbriggan and .1 (one) representative
of the Balbriggan District Trade and Labour
Council. The Persons appointed need not necessarily
be members of the Town Commissioners

The Committee to have the assistance of
the following Officers Viz:-

Town Clerk, Director & Treasurer of the Town
Commissioners, together with the assistance
of an Architect and Engineer appointed ^{& remunerated} by the
Provisional Government. The Clerk or person
appointed to be paid an honorarium by the
Provisional Government for services rendered
as Secretary to the Committee

A sum to be named would be placed
immediately at the disposal of the Committee
to be set up, and lodged to credit of the
Committee in a Bank to be designated by
the Provisional Government.

The Committee to estimate to the Provisional
Government the amount required from
time to time, all expenditure upon building
works by Direct Holders, that has been
vouched by the Engineer appointed for the

purpose by the Provisional Government
 These sums will be lodged with the
 Town Commissioners Treasurer, and
 would be continuous until instructions
 to the contrary was issued by the Provisional
 Government or their legal successors

The Committee to certify only in respect
 of expenditure of Buildings of which the
 Plans Elevation Line of Frontage and
 material proposed to be used have been
 previously approved by the Town Commissioners
 and which have been carried out in
 accordance with the requirements of the
 Engineer, In order to become entitled
 to the money under this Scheme any
 person intending to build must give notice
 to the Committee of his intention so to do
 and an Estimate of the amount to be
 expended by him from month to month
 until the completion of the buildings,
 and shall not commence the said work
 until the assent of the Committee has
 been received by him

5. Pending the revision of decrees the
 Committee shall not certify for any
 decree holder in respect of any building
 any greater sum than Three Fifths
 the amount of the building decree held
 by him in respect of the particular building
 being replaced

7 The Certificate of the Committee shall
 be conclusive,

8, The Committee shall not under any
 circumstances incur any liability in

respect of any money money bona-fide certified by them for payment,

After some discussion the Scheme as read was formerly Approved

It was also Resolved:-

That all the Town Commissioners be placed on the Committee

The Clerk to summon a Special Meeting of the Committee for Friday ~~evening~~ next 14th inst at 11.30 A.M., and invite all owners of destroyed property to attend, to hear the Scheme read and explained, when the Re-Construction Committee will be definitely formed, on which the Deere Holders can Nominate a Representative.

The Financial Business & Estimates of Rates for Ensuing year were adjourned to 19th inst at 7.30 P.M.

The Amount Laid for Month was

Town Hall £19. 15. 0

Rents of Stalls & Club Rooms 12. 8. 0

Total £ 32. 3. 0

April 19th At the Agonized Finance and Finance Meeting this evening at 7 30 o'clock the following members were Present
Moore

W J Graham J. D. (Chairman)
 Thos W. Loebbe Robert S. Spornan
 P. J. Barran R. Dmy the John Graham
 & James McElders,

The Chairman said that before proceeding with the business for which this meeting has been called, he thought the first and most necessary business has to pass a vote of sympathy with the relatives of our representative and his colleague Mr. Frank Lawrence J. D., & was with regard he now, moved:—

That we the Baobingain Young Commissioners, tender to Mrs Lawrence and family our sincere and deepest sympathy on the tragic death of her husband Mr. Frank Lawrence J. D. for this country, and that we agitate the matter as a token of the respect and esteem in which the deceased was held by the people of this town and district.

Mr Barran seconded the Resolution which was unanimously passed in substance, Members standing,

April 26th The adjourned Meetings were held this evening at 7.30 O'clock

The Members Present were
Messrs James McGlow V. Co P. Glavin & Co
Michael Brady Richard S Gorman
John Durham & Richard Smyth

Mr Curran was Moved to the Chair
Finance, Housing

The Meeting considered the following A/c
Application from Doctor Sullivan Ballygan
for £25 - Fees for duties performed in preparing
Reports on Housing Scheme and attending
and giving evidence at Commission

On the Motion of Mr Gorman
Seconded By the Chairman ✓

The amount named was Passed £25. 0. 0

Mr Honey's application for £70 - on
A/c of his Fees was considered, and
on the Motion of Mr Durham
Seconded By Mr.

It was resolved:- To pay him on A/c 25. 0. 0

Mr Earley's Paid Cost amounting to
£76. 9. 10. was also passed for payment. 76. 9. 10
£126. 9. 10

The Clerk stated there was to Credit in Bank
on foot of this A/c. £171. 3. 2

General A/c

The following A/c were also passed for payment
P. Larshin, Lighting lamps 14 nights to 2 apr £2. 2. 0
Commissioners Public Works, Town Hall Loan 21 3. 6
Wm. Cummins Coal. Town Hall 2. 7. 6
£26. 13. 0

The Clerk stated that there was due the
 Bank on Ordinary A/c £110. 4. 6
 and on outstanding Pay orders not cashed 67. 9. 10
 £177. 14. 4

The Chairman and himself called with Mr. Eric
 Pro Manager, that Morning and arranged
 for an overdraft of £150 - for a further six
 months; It would be necessary to pass
 a resolution asking the Bank's permission
 to this being done,

On the Motion of Mr Curran
 Seconded By Mr Gorman
 It was Resolved: -

That our Treasurer the Northern Bank
 be asked for an extension of six months
 to meet our overdraft of £150. one hundred
 and fifty pounds

Carried

The Minister for Local Government forwarded
 for consideration a report from Inspector
 Thomas F Strahan Esq on his recent
 inspection of the New Houses in Skerries St
 (12th Bands)

The Omission of the Larder referred to in
 Specification and Shown on Plan is not
 in my opinion advisable. The Commission
 might reconsider this point bearing in
 mind that the position shown on Plan
 appears the most suitable having regard to
 aspect, aspects and opportunity for Ventilation

In the absence of a regular System of house
 hold refuse Collection a number of receptacles
 are proposed, one would suffice and it should

be fitted with cover and ventilated, the floor laid above ground level and the whole generally in accord with the requirements of modern Bye Laws

While the desirion to do away with fences between front gardens may in practice be respected by the occupiers I am inclined to think that cheap but strong fences between the plots at rear are advisable

The drain at rear carrying sink waste and surface water should be disconnected by trap at its junction with the Town Sewer

The Letting Agreement in force a copy of which I attach defines little more than the amount of rent when and where payable. A proper Agreement setting out the usual clauses as to subletting removal of fixtures repairs etc should be prepared. For comparison I attach a copy of the Conditions of occupation in use under the Dublin Corporation Housing Scheme

The attention of the Contractor should be drawn to the following matters

The fencing to south and East boundaries of site is not according to specification. The distance between the Posts is considerably greater than 7, 0" specified, and the fence is not 4, 0" high, one line of wire and stays are omitted while the whole requires straining

The cleansing doors of offices should be

made to open easily being at present immovable

Gas Meters are not yet installed. The painting work of 3 oil coats to external timber work has not been completed.

The date for completion of this Contract was 2nd of December last since when a fine of £5- per week for delay may be imposed on the Contractor provided that the causes of such delay are found to be within his control. The Contractor should be urged to complete the works without further delay.

The Clerk stated he sent Mr Steiner a copy of that Report on 20 April
Consideration was Postponed

The Clerk stated he received a copy of Mr Rooney's Estimate from Mr Steiner to erect a Paling between Plots at rear of houses for £56 —

Consideration Postponed

The Clerk stated at the request of the Chairman & Mr Curran he asked the Foreman by letter to have a hoarding erected at the Munster & Limerick Bank.

Read Reply thereto stating the hoarding will be put up as requested, It would have been done before but thought it was unnecessary
Read

The Clerk submitted an Estimate of the Receipts and Expenditure required for service of the year ending on 31st March 1923, (over)

Estimate

Expenditure, Probable,	£ 774.3.4
Receipts Do	244.12.0
	£ 529.11.4

A Rate of 2/- in the £ with arrears }
will produce, } 410.0.0

Leaving a deficit of £ 119.11.4
This includes interest on Housing Loan
to 1st Nov last for which no provision
was made in previous year Estimate 105.5.10

On the Motion of Mr Curran
Seconded By Mr Smyth, It was
Resolved:-

That the Estimate as submitted be
Approved, and that the usual Notice be
given by statute of our intention at
a Special Meeting on 17th May 1922
at 7.30 P.M. to make the following Rates
in the Pound,

In respect of Town Rate,	Twelve Pence
In respect of Housing Rate	Twelve Pence
Total	Twenty four Pence 24

The Clerk stated that on instructions
from the Chairman he served Notice
to quit on Mrs Connell Tenant of shop
No.1. The Chairman gave as his reason
that the shop is closed for a considerable
time and it was reported to him that
she was arranging to sublet the
premises, Approved.

May 3rd The Monthly Meeting to be held this evg
was adjourned until such date as
the Chairman, who was unavoidably
absent could attend

Those present were.

Messrs R S Gorman R Smyth
P J Curran M Brady Thos M Caswell
& J Durham

May 17 The only Members attending this evg
were Messrs John Durham M Brady
& R S Gorman, when no meeting
was held for want of a quorum

Seumas MacEoin

7/6/22

June 7th 1922, The Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this day at 7.30 O'clock P.M., the following Members being present.

Messrs M. J. Durham J. D. Chairman
Patrick J. Curran M. Brady R. S. Gorman
Richard Iny the

Minutes of last Meeting were read & confirmed.

Housing Schemes

Read correspondence from the Housing Department (Irish Provisional Government) relative to Circular dated 16 March last No. H/501/2335/1922, pointing out the advantage offered by the Irish Provisional Govt to Local Authorities who agree to avail of their offer to strike a Special Rate of at least 1% in the £- for Housing Purposes, and requesting to be informed immediately what action has been taken by the Town Commissioners in the matter.

After a lengthy discussion on this subject,

Mr Bashell Proposed,

And Mr Gorman Seconded

"That the question of striking a Special Housing Rate, in accordance with the Provisional Government's Circular of 16 March and other correspondence re this matter, be not availed of for this year, The Clerk to reply accordingly.

Carried

Read Letter from the Minister Irish Provisional Government dated 9th May enclosing for the information of the Balbriggan Town Commissioners a copy of Mr Strahans Report on his recent inspection of the houses which the Commissioners are constructing in Sterris Street Balbriggan under the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Act 1890 to 1919

The Report was dated 3rd May 1922 and stated that when he called at the site of the 8 houses yesterday and now nearing completion he found that ~~the~~ work had been started the previous day on the installation of eight Asliffs in blocks of two.

The pits are sunk under the level of the ground and each will measure 6'0" x 6'0" x 3'0" internally. Their size viz:- 108 C. feet each will allow of the accumulation of large quantities of refuse

This arrangement is contrary to the recommendation made to the Architect on 12 April last i.e. that one single pit with the floor overground level and constructed to the dimensions then given him would be the least undesirable arrangement in the absence of a proper system of refuse collection. He was informed that the Architect brought the above recommendation before the Commissioners at their meeting on 12 April last but it was not favourably received and the Builders Tender for 8 Pits at £56 - was accepted - The

The Chairman informed him that the issue was not made clear to him at the meeting as to whether there should be one Pit or eight. He is in favour of one Pit only, but at the time voted for 8 sunk Pits at £56 - as against 8 with raised floors at £132 -

The extracts of his Report of inspection did not reach the Commissioners in time for the meeting referred to, although, 4 of the Pits are in course of construction he considered the Comms should be informed as to the inadvisability of constructing Ashpits in a manner so contrary to good practice, and that they should now reconsider their decision not to provide one General Ashpit

The Size of the Single Pit suggested to the Architect was 6'0" x 3'6" 3'0" deep

This would be ample for the needs of all Tenants if regular removal of refuse at reasonable periods were instituted, and much less in cost than the 8 Pits in course of construction

It was unanimously Resolved:- To adhere to their previous decision to have 8 ashpits instead of one General Ashpit as suggested by the Inspector in his Report as Read.

Mr Honey, C.E. submitted a Tender from Mr Rooney, for dividing fences between Plots at rear of houses with wooden Posts and Gates for the sum of £56.0.0

The Commissioners did not approve of the Specifications for wooden Posts and gates, and it was decided to refer it back to Mr Stevery to have it amended by substituting Iron Posts and gates with 5 Strand galvanized wire instead, and to ask Mr Rooney to tender accordingly.

Read Letter from Ministry for Local Govt Irish Provisional Government dated 27th April NR 1625 notifying that a Paying Order for £8.2.0 received from the British Government in respect of Bounty in lieu of Rates for year ending 31st March 1922 viz: £4.1.0 for Town Rate and a similar amount for Housing, has been forwarded to the Northern Bank Balbriggan to be lodged to credit of the Town Commissioners

Read

Mr Early Solicitor wrote acknowledging receipt of letter dated 27 April enclosing Paying Order for £76.9.10 being amount of his taxed and certified costs as per certificate forwarded

Read

Read letter from Ministry Home Affairs Upper Merrion Street Dublin dated 10th May re-Telegram of 4th ultimo inquiring what steps have been taken to afford protection in Balbriggan Town, and stating that the Ministry for Home Affairs has now arranged that the necessary force will be sent Balbriggan immediately

noted with Satisfaction

Read Circular Public Notice 10.

Re. Advances in respect of Injury to Property
(from Irish Provisional Government, dated
8th May 1922).

The Circular pointed out that it has been agreed between the (Provisional Govt and the British Government, that an Inter Governmental Commission should be constituted for the purpose of considering claims arising in the period from 21st January 1919 to 11 July 1921 and making or revising award as respects injuries to property sustained by orders of the Military Authority under Martial Law and whereas the Provisional Government are prepared to make preliminary payments by way of loan in anticipation of such Awards in a limited number of cases where the Provisional Government are satisfied that such a course is especially desirable in the interest of Industry Trade or employment or where re-building is involved.

Applications falling within the aforesaid cases may now be submitted by persons concerned, to the Office of Public Works Stephens Green Dublin who will in due course communicate with those applicants whose applications shall be approved the terms upon which loans may be made in the particular cases.

The notice further sets forth the following particulars should accompany the application Name. Address, Place of Abode and date

of damage done, and by whom, Amount and date of Award, under the Criminal Injuries Act, and what County was declared liable, Nature of work now proposed to be done. Amount of Loan now required,

Noti:- This notice does not apply to cases arising in Cork City for which special arrangements are being made

The Chairman stated that on receipt of this notice he instructed the Clerk to write the Minister Mr Fawcett, pointing out that the footnote to this document was somewhat misleading as Ballinacorney had already prepared a reconstruction Scheme with his approval and the Committee appointed were awaiting its sanction.

Read Letter from Ministry for Local Government dated 16th May relative to the terms set forth in Public Notice, 10 in the case of the rebuilding of destroyed property in Ballinacorney referred to in letter of 13th inst that same has been referred to the Ministry of Finance for consideration.

The Chairman further explained that on receipt of this letter he also arranged an interview with Mr Fawcett, and himself with Mr. Healey and Town Clerk waited on Mr Fawcett on Tuesday 6th June when the matter was thoroughly gone into and Mr Fawcett recommended the Scheme

set forth in Notice No. 10 as the better Scheme
The Provisional guaranteed $\frac{3}{5}$ three fifths
of the Total Award for Building Works
and Fixtures, whereas, the Cork Scheme
only covered 3 fifths on building.

A loan could be applied for immediately
to the Board of Works on these terms
provided particulars of the amount
required was furnished with the Deed
given accompanied by Plans & Specifications
of the re-construction work to be carried
out by the Deed Holder.

Read Form of Application furnished to
the Clerk by the Commissioners of Public
Works, of which a sufficient number was
now available for those wishing to make
Applications for Loans

Read.

Read Notice from the Thiburnian Insurance
Company dated 1st June stating that the
Policy for Fire Insurance by Mr Rooney
& others (New Houses) will expire on the date
and to know if it is to be renewed

It was decided to ask Mr Rooney to
renew the Policy for another three months
on Skerries St Houses.

The Clerk reported that Mrs Council
Inant of Shop 170.1 had handed over
the Key of Shop this morning.

The rent due by her to date was £1-12-0
It was decided not to take any action for
recovery of the rent, The Clerk was

instructed to allow the shop to be used for Election purposes if required, during that time locally.

The Clerk stated he had received a number of applications for this shop
Ordered:- The matter be left over till next monthly meeting for consideration.

The Clerk Reported that Mr Joseph Smith Tenant of No. 7 Cottage in Skerries Street was surrendering possession on Saturday next, his rent was cleared up to that date. He had received some applications for the house.

Ordered:-

That the appointing of a Tenant for this house be postponed to a Special Advertising Meeting on Saturday next 10th inst at 1 o'clock, in the meantime the Clerk to notify the applicants and to have a notice put up in Town Hall Window inviting applications, Rate Meeting to be held on 14th inst at 7.30 o'clock P.M.

Ordered:- Clerk to write the Secretary G.P.O. Dublin asking to have the evening letter post delivery restored, and also the morning delivery of Parcels restored, Mr Durham promised to see to this matter personally.

Ordered:- Clerk to write the Secretary Great Northern Railway Co. to have the Pathway along the foot of the Railway Embankment on the East side between the Viaduct and Leeds Junction Entrance gate repaired, and

and covered with a light coating of asphalt or tarred gravel, Mr Cashell promised he would see Mr Bailey about the matter,

Mr Curran drew attention of the meeting to a Report appearing in the Drogheda Independent recently which was to the effect that he was available and also Mr Smyth on the last occasion when the Commissioners meeting had to be adjourned for want of a quorum, whereas he was away in Dublin on important business in connection with the I.S.T.S. workers Union, Mr Smyth stated that he was away in England on the same occasion

Ordered:-

That the Clerk write the Editor of the Drogheda Independent asking him to correct this statement referred to which was most unfair to Mr Curran as since he was elected a member was missed a meeting of the Board

Seamus MacDonn

5/7/22

June 10th A Special Housing Meeting was held this day at one o'clock P.M. to consider applications for Inmaney of Cottage No 7 Skerris Street, rendered vacant by Mr Joseph Smitt on this day

Mr Curran C.C. J.B. Puseard, and Mr Gorman Mr Caswell and Mr Smyth were also present.

The Clerk read copy of notice which he posted in Town Hall window as follows.

Applications for Inmaney of Vacant Cottage No 7 Skerris Street Ballygan, will be considered by the Town Commissioners at their Meeting on Saturday next 10th inst at 1 o'clock P.M.

Applications may be lodged with the Town Clerk in the Town Hall up to 12.30 O'clock on the date above named

He circularised some and notified others verbally.

The applications having been read on the Motion of Mr Caswell seconded by Mr Gorman Mr Robert E. McCourt, Drogheda St Ballygan was unanimously selected from amongst the applicants as tenant

The Rent to be 12/6 per week to be paid weekly in advance, commencing from this day

Seumas MacDonn

5/7/22

July 5th The Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this evening at 7.30 O'clock
 Mr J Derham Esq J D Chairman Presiding
 Messrs M Brady P J Curran John Derham
 and Richard Smyth were also present

Minutes of last Meeting were read & confirmed

Rate. 1921-22

Read letter from Mr Henry Rate Collector dated 5th July, reporting that since 1st Feb last he served 16 Ten Days Notices on Ratepayers and on 10th February summoned 11 defaulters who were decreed for amount due in each case with costs. The warrants were not issued.

He lodged £2-11-11 on 28th February making a £387.5.3 collected. he has not been paid the full amount of commission. He claimed he is not adequately paid for a years onerous duties and very responsible duties which has increased owing to owners of property refusing to pay rates for their tenants. His loss on last years poundage was something like £13- and suggested the Commissioners under the circumstances might consider the question of restoring him his former poundage for the last years collection.

Resolved:-

That the Commissioners unanimously decline to restore poundage as requested

Rates Made 1922-23

On the Motion of Mr M J Derham,
 Seconded By Mr P J Curran - It was

It was unanimously resolved: To make the following Rates for Service of the financial year ending on 31st March 1923. Namely:-

Towns Improvement Rate	1/-	in £ one Shilling
Housing	1/-	do one Shilling
Total	2/-	Two Shillings

The said Rates to become due and payable in one month from this date 5th July 1922

The total amount of Collectors warrant including arrears from previous year is £4. We further resolve that the Rate Books and warrant be now duly signed and sealed in accordance with Statute by the Town Commissioners and that the Collection be proceeded with forthwith by the Collector within one week on the usual terms Namely:- 8% on all monies collected and lodged on 30th Sept and 31st January next on which latter date the Collection should close

Read Letter from Bank Manager (Mr Cox) stating his Directors have approved of an overdraft of £150 - for six months on Ordinary A/c as requested

Re - Public Lighting

Read Estimate from Wetsbach Light Co Ltd to supply one Street Lamp Column 12 feet above ground with cross bars and Meter Box at base complete, delivered Ballygarran for £8.8-6

Accepted

It was decided to adjourn the lighting question for the present and also the cost & erection of Square Lamp

Ordered:— That the Lamplighters Insurance Card be stamped for post lighting seasons ending on 1st April last, and that a Paying Order for £2— Two Pounds be issued to the Clerk for cost of stamps.

Read application for Town Hall from Messrs P Sherry and J Boland Dublin, for Pictures and park variety for which they would pay £4— weekly for one year from July 9th. They were prepared to give way to local or big travelling shows any time the Hall was wanted on consideration that the amount obtained from them be deducted from their rent.

Minute. The Commissioners decided they could not accede to the terms of the application which were contrary to the letting terms arranged by resolutions but Messrs Boland and Sherry could have the Hall on the usual terms from week to week if not required for local or other entertainments (Pictures Excepted), for which 6 clear days notice would be given the Company.

A letting agreement these lines signed by Messrs Sherry and Boland was read by the Clerk and

Approved

Re - Footpaths Railway Embankment

Read Letter from Chief Engineer Great Northern Railway dated 15th June stating the Commission's letter of 12th inst addressed to the Secretary has been handed to him and that he would

look into the matter and write further in due course,

Read Letter from same dated 3rd July re-
lives of 15th June, that he has looked into
this matter and has given instructions for
the Footpaths to be amended to
noted.

Read Letter from Secretary G.N.Rly Co dated
22nd June asking to be furnished with a
printed copy of the Notice of Rates made
for the current year

Read:-

Re - Evening Post delivery & Parcel Post

Read Letter dated 14 June from P.S. O'Harty
Secretary G.P.O. Dublin acknowledging the
receipt of the Clerk's letter re- restoration of
Morning Parcel Post delivery and evening
letter Post delivery which shall receive attention

Read

Read Letter from Mr M J Heaney & Co
dated 14 June enclosing copy of amended
Estimate received from Mr Joseph Rooney,
Contractor for Skerrin Street Houses
Namely:- To erect Iron and wire
Paling at rear of Hampton St houses
according to amended Specification for
the sum of sixty three Pounds £63-
was *accepted.* On the motion of Mr Curran
seconded by Mr Brady.

X
Under
for work
paid
£63-

Read Letter from Mr Heaney & Co dated
4th July stating the internal painting
of the walls of the 8 houses in Skerrin
Street

Sheet which is now on hand will complete the Contract, and requesting to be informed after tonight's meeting if the Rooney's Tender for fencing is accepted so that the work may be carried out at once

Read

Re-Vacant Shop

Consideration of applications for Tenancy of Shop No. 1 was postponed to next Meeting. In the meantime the Clerk to have notices put in the Town Hall window inviting applications.

Receipts

The following amounts were received & lodged since last Finance Meeting, Folio 21 Receipt Book

Town Hall £ 14. 3. 6

His Majesty's Treasury Grant in Aid

for 1/2 Rents 1921.22 8. 2. 0

Total £ 22. 5. 6

Payments ^{Bank} Balance against £ 154. 6. 8

The following Accounts were examined found correct and Payment Ordered.

William Bamon. 1/4 years Salary to 30 June £ 30. 0. 0

Miss McDonald do do 3. 18. 0

Wm Bamon for Parkins Insurance Stamp 2. 0. 0

Total £ 35. 18. 0

Aug 2nd For want of a quorum the Monthly Meeting of the Lower Commissioners was not held this evening.

Messrs. Thos M Cashell, Richard Smyth & P. J. Curran were the only members present

P. J. Curran
6/9/22