

WEXFORD COUNTY COUNCIL

MONTHLY MEETING, 8th SEPTEMBER, 1947, at 2.0 p.m.

MINUTES

County Hall,
WEXFORD.

J. K. O'HARE,
Acting Co. Secretary.

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Monthly Meeting, Monday, 8th September, 1947, at 2.0 p.m.

The monthly meeting of the above Council will be held in County Council Chamber, County Hall, Wexford, on Monday, 8th September, 1947, at 2.0 p.m. for transaction of the following business:-

1. Confirmation of Minutes of Quarterly Meeting held on 11th August, 1947.
2. Correspondence.
3. Report on Rate Collection for Month of August, 1947.
4. Report of Mental Hospital Visiting Committee.
5. Appointment of Joint Committee re Application for Bridge Order.
6. Motion by Mr. T. Redmond, Enniscorthy, adjourned from last meeting "That a loan be raised for the purpose of repairing the road from Galbally to Donanore."
7. Consideration of increases, sanctioned by the Minister for Health, in the Maintenance Charges for patients in external hospitals.
8. Rural Improvements Scheme - Approval of contribution of £5.
9. Replies to Queries.
10. Such other business as may properly arise.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON
MONDAY, 8th SEPTEMBER, 1947, at 2.0 p.m.

The Monthly Meeting of Wexford County Council was held
in County Council Chambers, County Hall, Wexford, on Monday,
8th September, 1947, at 2.0 p.m.

Presided: Councillor D. Allen, Chairman, from Minute 138 to 144
" T. McCarthy " " 145 to 147

Attendance:-

Councillor D. Allen	From Minute 138 to 144
" P. Byrne	" " 138 to 147
" P. Colfer	" " 138 to 147.
" J. Doran	" " 138 to 147.
" E. Frayne	" " 138 to 147.
" J. Gaul	" " 138 to 147.
" J. Keating	" " 138 to 147.
" M. Kehoe	" " 138 to 147.
" J. Leary	" " 138 to 147.
" T. McCarthy	" " 138 to 147.
" S. O'Byrne	" " 138 to 147.
" E. O'Ryan	" " 138 to 147.
" M. Redmond	" " 138 to 147.
" T. Redmond, Enniscorthy	" " 138 to 147.
" T. Redmond, New Ross	" " 138 to 147.
" J. Sinnott	" " 138 to 147.

The County Manager, County Solicitor, County Engineer
and Acting County Secretary were also in attendance.

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(138) CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

Minutes of proceedings at the Quarterly Meeting held on the 11th August, 1947, having been circulated to all members, were confirmed on the motion of Mr. T. Redmond, New Ross, seconded by Mr. J. Doran.

(139) CORRESPONDENCE.

A letter from the Department of Agriculture in connection with proposed improvements at Carne Pier was read by the Secretary. The County Engineer explained to the members the improvements which had already been made and it was proposed by Mr. J. Gaul, seconded by Mr. J. Sinnott, that a detailed estimate, showing the main outlay which would meet the needs of the local people and giving an indication of the amount which it would be necessary for the County Council to grant towards this scheme, should be prepared for submission to the members at the next meeting.

A letter from the Federation of Rural Workers requesting that the following resolutions be placed before the Council for consideration was read by the Secretary:-

(a) That this Convention representing 90% of the Road and Quarry workers in the County calls on the Wexford County Council to insist on all their employees being trade unionists as in the case of the Wexford Corporation and other Councils".

(b) That this convention deploras the action of the County Council last year in sending Road workers to farmers while there where men idle in the rural areas and calls on the Council to make sure there is no unemployed men available before sending roadmen to farmers during the coming harvesting season.

It was proposed by Mr. J. Sinnott and seconded by Mr. J. Gaul that the resolution requesting the Council to insist on their employees being members of Trade Unions be adopted.

A very full discussion, to which most of the members contributed, took place on this motion and on a poll being taken, the result was as follows:-

For the resolution:- Messrs. P. Byrne, P. Colfer, J. Gaul, J. O'Leary and J. Sinnott (5).

Against the resolution:- Messrs. D. Allen, James Doran, M. Kehoe, T. McCarthy, S. O'Byrne, M. Redmond, T. Redmond, Enniscorthy, T. Redmond, New Ross and Miss E. O'Ryan (9)

Mr. J. Keating did not vote.

The Chairman then declared the motion lost.

Members discussed the resolution re employment of Road Workers By farmers to assist in harvest work and it was decided to take no action in this matter.

(140) REPORT ON RATE COLLECTION.

The following report on the Rate Collection for the month of August was read by the Secretary:-

Amount collected	£19,488.13.10d.
Amount uncollected	£140,610. 5. 5d.
Percentage collected	12.2.

(141) APPROVAL OF OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION.

It was proposed by Mr. J. Gaul, seconded by Mr. J. Sinnott and resolved, that the approval of the County Council be granted to an Overdraft Accommodation not exceeding £70,000 for the period ending 30th September, 1947.

(142) REPORT OF MENTAL HOSPITAL VISITING COMMITTEE.

The report of the Mental Hospital Visiting Committee as read to the Council was adopted.

(143) JOINT COMMITTEE RE APPLICATION FOR BRIDGE ORDER.

With reference to the appointment of a Joint Committee as above a letter was read by the Secretary from the Town Clerk, Wexford Corporation, to the effect that His Worship, The Mayor Councillor James Sinnott, Castlehill St., Wexford, and Councillor J. Gaul, Carrigeen St., Wexford, had been appointed to act on this Joint Committee.

No communication had so far been received from the Wexford Harbour Commissioners, but it was stated that a meeting of the Commissioners would be held on the following day, viz., 9th September, 1947, and it was thought that the members to be appointed on the Joint Committee would be elected thereat.

(144) REPAIR OF ROAD FROM TAGHMON TO DONANORE.

On the motion of Mr. T. Redmond, Enniscorthy, (adjourned from last meeting) seconded by Miss O'Ryan, it was resolved that a loan be raised for the purpose of repairing the road from Taghmon to Donanore.

(145) INCREASES IN MAINTENANCE CHARGES FOR PATIENTS IN EXTERNAL HOSPITALS.

A letter was read from the Department of Health authorising the payment by local authorities of a revised capitation charge of 10/6d. per day for adults and children sent for treatment by local authorities to voluntary hospitals and sanatoriums.

It was pointed out that this might entail an expenditure in excess of the Estimates amounting to £1,800 for Public Assistance and £1,500 for Public Health.

On the motion of Mr. J. Sinnott, seconded by Mr. J. Gaul, it was resolved that authority be given to exceed the Estimates of Expenditure for the amounts specified.

(146) RURAL IMPROVEMENTS SCHEME.

A letter from the Special Employment Schemes Office in connection with a proposed road work at Ballykerogue was read requesting a contribution of £5 towards this work.

It was proposed by Mr. J. Gaul and seconded by Mr. M. Redmond and resolved that this contribution be granted.

(147) REPLIES TO QUERIES.

The County Engineer replied to the questions raised by members at the previous meeting in connection with various roads which needed repair.

On the question of repairs to cottages, it was stated that a sum of £7,000 had been allotted towards this work and of that sum £3,850 was already spent.

..... J. K. Hare
Acting County Secretary.

CONFIRMED ON

13th October 1947.....

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Chairman.