

The following letters &c were read.

From the Local Government Board

No 167. M. 1919. This dated 2nd October 1919

Requesting return showing the amounts which have been paid as salaries to the Sanitary Officers of the Urban District for the year ended 20th September last.

Returns to be forwarded

No 188. M. 1919. This dated 4th October 1919.

Informing the Council that they have appointed Mr. James P. Butte, Local Government Auditor to Audit the Accounts of the Council for the period ended 31st March 1919, and until further notice.

No 50 490 1919 dated 14th October 1919. Returning list of arrears of Rate in the Urban District for the period ended 30th September 1919, with the Rulings of the Board duly stamped thereon

No 51 438. 1919. dated 15th October 1919

Stating that they do not supply forms for the purpose of experiments elections under the principle of Proportional Representation but they understand that sets of ballot papers for such elections have been prepared by the Proportional Representation of Ireland 65 Middle Abbey St Dublin

No 42. 933. 1919. dated 22 October 1919

Referring to previous correspondence relative to the appointment of Mr. Neil Jones, as Poor Rate Collector in Little Renny Urban District and again requesting that the Bond of this Office may be submitted to them in order that the approval of the Board may be stamped thereon.

The Town Clerk stated that he had forwarded the Bond on the 25th October last, same having been already approved on behalf of the Council by the Council's Solicitor.

Resolved unanimously that the Council refund the collector half the

amount of the annual Premium payable by him in respect of his fidelity Bond. The sanction of the Local Government Board to this Resolution is requested

Letter dated 27th October 1919 - Transmitting an order for payment of the sum of £4: 1: 0 being the third and final instalment payable to the Council as a Road Authority in respect of Estate Duty Grant for the year ended 31st March last

No 540 42 1919. dated 29th October 1919 Re. Appointment of Mr. Neil Jones as Poor Rate Collector and returning the Collector's Bond and stating that it is in satisfactory form and that the ruling of the Board is duly stamped thereon

No 50682. 1919. dated 29th October 1919 Stating that Mr. C.H. Humphreys will attend at the Guildhall, Sondonderry on Wednesday the 19th November 1919, at 10 O'clock a.m. to afford instruction to Returning and other Election Officers on the practical working of the Proportional Representation system of Election

From the Commissioners of Valuation dated the 10th October 1919. Notifying the Council that he has appointed Mr. G. Hall to make the Annual Revision of the Valuation of the Urban District

From the D.Y. R. 46 Letter Remy dated 13.th October 1919

Re complaint of James Gibbons Rossmount Terrace as to his window being broken and stating that the request of the Council is receiving attention

From Mr. A. J. Gailey The Arcade Letter Remy dated 29th October 1919 Requesting the permission of the Council to attach to the water service pipe at the arcade a half inch hose for the purpose of washing his shop front and stating that very little water would be used and that only occasionally

Request unanimously granted.

From the Coal Controller dated 3rd and 10th October 1919 Re fixing of Coal Prices for the Urban District

The Council decided not to take any action in the matter.

Read Correspondence with ^{Messrs} James McElvie & Co. Edinburgh re to cargo of Blakstone Gas coal. The Coal Controller as to supply of Wagons, and Wires sent Messrs McElvie & Co urging the necessity for immediate delivery

The Gas Manager reported that at last meeting he reported that he had at most 4 weeks supply of coal on hand. His estimate turned out accurate he had only now what would do him till the following day. There were 4 wagons at Oldtown Station to discharge this was all he was able to get out of the last steamer at Londonerry and will only tide over a couple of weeks. The treatment meted out to the Council by the Railway Companies was crude they seemingly do not want to meet the Council's requirements. The three Wagons referred to were on transit since the 26 inst. No fault attached to the coal merchants. Simply a case of wagons

The Town Clerk submitted an interim Balance Sheet showing the Receipts and Expenditure in connection with the Gas Works from the 1st April 1919 to the 30th September 1919, from which it appeared that there had been a loss on the six months trading of £350: 19: 11 171 tons 11 cwt 2 qrs. coal had been carbonized costing £486: 15: 1 Cr. £2: 17: 0 per ton other expenditure amounted to £399: 4: 3 Total Expenditure £885: 19: 4 Gas sold realized £400: 10 bats £3: 2: 11 Far £40: 5: 5 Burns 2: 11: 7 Other Receipts £10: 2: 6 Total £534: 19: 5 leaving a deficit of £350: 19: 11. The average yield of gas per ton of coal carbonized was only 3116 cubic feet. The Council having carefully considered the situation disclosed by the Balance Sheet, Councillor John Gallagher proposed and Councillor John Ward seconded, that as the only alternative to closing down the works that the price of gas be advanced to 25/- per 1000 cubic feet after Saturday 8th November 1919, and that the Gas Manager

have the indications of all meters taken by that date so as to charge consumers the increased rate after that date - Notice of the advance in price to be circulated among the gas consumers.

The Town Clerk reported that there were 17 gas consumers supplied by pre payment meter set at a price less than that at present charged by the Council for gas. that he had prepared an agreement to be signed by each such consumer, agreeing in consideration of the Council continuing to supply gas through the prepayment meter to pay for same at the current rate charged by the Council. Five of such consumers had signed the agreement 2 however refused to sign by James McGroarty and Joseph Purvis

Ordered that if the agreements be not signed by Saturday the 8th inst the supply to these consumers be cut off.

The Record of Work performed by the Sanitary Sub Officer since date of last meeting was submitted and showed that 30 houses and yards had been inspected - No nuisances found to exist.

The Council had under consideration the application of M^r Patrick McGanagan Sanitary Sub Officer &c. for an increase of Salary

In the Motion of Councillor Robert McClure the consideration of the Application was unanimously adjourned for 3 Months.

The Town Surveyor Reported:

That he inspected Mortuary at Cemetery - Every pane of glass in the windows has been shattered - not a square inch left also the dashes of the large end window this window is 8 feet 3 inches by 3 feet 6 inches. Scarcely one slate of roof facing road has escaped. Some slight injury apparently caused by boys throwing stones. Some twelve new slates must be put on to keep roof watertight all of the above has been wilful damage. Some slight repairs are needed to the external and internal plaster of house. The door requires part new frame. Some slight repairs to floor and skirting, &c. recommended the building up of large end window as the remaining

two windows will give sufficient light and with slight outside protection can be reasonably secured from further injury. He also recommends white washing of inside of house, and the painting of all wood work and iron of house also the painting of entrance gate. He estimates the cost at £20.

Ordered that the Works recommended be carried out by contract. The Town Surveyor to prepare specification and tenders invited for the Works.

Ordered that the Town Surveyor have the following repair carried out:- Gate to yard of house occupied by John Bullion Ranelton Road and wall at Bere of Ballymacool Terrace.—

The Gas Managers Collection Account, was submitted examined and showed arrears of rates previous to 30th September 1919.
Amounting to £83 18s 0d. outstanding

Electricity Undertaking

The council had under consideration the River Liffey Scheme and Section Gas Engine Scheme - after discussion it was decided to proceed with the River Liffey Scheme.

Housing Minutes

The following letters were read.
From the Local Government Board.

No 184/M. 1919, dated 7th October 1919. Forwarding a copy of revised Instructions as to the requirements to be complied with and the procedure to be followed in the event of it becoming necessary for the Local Authority to lodge a petition for a Provisional Order conferring compulsory powers of acquiring lands for the purpose of the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Act 1890 to 1919.

No 170/M. 1919 dated 24th October 1919. Reminding the Local Authority

that the Forms of Survey must be completed and returned in duplicate to the Board before the 15th prox. to date fixed by Section (1) of the Housing (Ireland) Act 1919.

The Form of Survey referred to was completed adopted by the Council Signed by the Clerk of the Council and directed to be forwarded to the Local Government Board with the request that the Board regard Section IV thereof as the Scheme of the Council for the purpose of compliance with the first section of the Housing (Ireland) Act 1919.

The Council had under consideration the report of the Local Government Board's Inspector Mr. Stahan on the site suggested by the Council. It was unanimously decided to adjourn further action in connection with the Housing Scheme until after the forthcoming election in January 1920.

Next Monthly Meeting of the Council to be held on Monday the 1st day of December 1919.

James Gibbons Chairman.

S. D. Donkin
Town Clerk.

Literenny Urban District Council

No of Members on the Council 9.

No of Members present 5.

Special Meeting

Minutes of proceedings at Special Meeting of the Council held on Monday the 17th Day of November 1919

In the Chair James Gibbons Esq. JP.

Other Members present -

Messrs. Philip Barroll JP.

John Ward.

John Gallagher.

Robert McClure JP.

The notice convening the Special Meeting of the Council was read

Electricity Undertaking

The following Communications were read

Literenny Electric Lighting Re. Gartan Lough. Any proposal to control the level of the water in Gartan Lough interferes with the following rights -

- (1) The Rights of all the Owners and Occupiers adjoining the Lough itself.
- (2) The Rights of all Owners, Owners and Occupiers on both sides of the river between the Lough and the Sea.
- (3) The Rights of the proprietors of the Salmon Fishery.

All these parties must be served with Notices of intention to acquire the Lough. All are entitled to oppose and in particular the owners of the Fishery may be expected to oppose strenuously and probably successfully.

In view of the cost of serving all the persons indicated above and also in view of the serious interference with fishing rights which would be resisted to the uttermost it is necessary to point out to the Council the foregoing reasons against proceeding with the proposal

to acquire Lough Gartan

The omission of any party entitled to Notice would have the effect subsequently of placing that Party in a position to get an injunction prohibiting the Council from interfering with the natural flow of water in the river.

(Signed) R. P. Kelly 6th Nov. 1919.

I concur but I would like to emphasize that any attempt to erect a sluice would so increase the opposition to the Scheme that in all probability the scheme would thereby be defeated.

(Signed) A. W. Wood.

Literenny Nov. 15th 1919

The Chairman and Members of the Literenny Urban District Council Gentlemen I am in receipt of Mr. Sartori's letter stating that in Council's opinion the cost of procuring the right to use Lough Gartan as a reservoir will be prohibitive - I do not agree with this advice and am unable to see why it should be. but if you decide to adopt his suggestion of dropping Lough Gartan I have no hesitation in advising you that the water scheme without Lough Gartan as a reservoir is quite useless and should be dropped entirely and gas engines only installed

In the latter case the cost of the complete scheme consisting in power plant of two Gas Engines in place of one. would be about £1800 to day. and I would therefore advise you to install the above plant.

I wish however to state that I entirely disagree with Council's opinion as to the cost of the Lough Gartan Scheme.

Yours faithfully

(Signed) Alfred W. Brown.

The Council having carefully considered the opinion of their Surveyor and Engineers as above and the expert advice as above of their Engineer Mr. Alfred Brown it was on the motion of Councillor John Gallagher seconded by Councillor Philip Barroll unanimously decided to drop the Water Power Scheme. and that all proceedings in connection therewith cease. It was then proposed by Councillor Robert McClure and

Seconded by Councillor John Ward and unanimously agreed to - That an Electricity Undertaking Scheme by means of Suction Gas Engines be proceeded with that Mr Alfred W Brown M.T.C.E. be instructed to prepare all necessary Maps, Plans, and Specifications for the proposed works. That as soon as same are perfected that Advertisements inviting Tenders for carrying out the Works be inserted in Newspapers circulating in the District Acceptance of Tenders to be subject to the Council obtaining the Board of Trade Licence for the Scheme and also obtaining the sanction of the Local Government Board to the necessary loan.

Ordered that a special Meeting of the Council be convened for Monday the 22nd day of December 1919 at 12 O'clock noon to pass the Statutory Resolution applying to the Board of Trade for a licence to supply Electricity under the Electric Lighting Acts for Public and Private purposes within and without the Urban District of Letterkenny.

Resolved that application be made to the Local Government Board for their sanction to a sum of £10,000 to the Council for the purpose of providing an Electricity undertaking for the District by means of Suction Gas Engines. The Application form was duly filled up signed by the Chairman countersigned by the Clerk of the Council and ordered to be forwarded to the Local Government Board with Plans, Blue Print and Specification as soon as same are received from the Engineers.

It was unanimously decided that the Generating Station be erected on the Council's Property at the Market Square.

Mr Edward McFadden Solicitor with Council (Mr. Rykley and Mr A H. Wood) to have charge of all legal matters in connection with the scheme.

The Town Clerk reported that the stock of coal at Gasworks had run out and that unless an immediate supply could be obtained the Works would of necessity have to be closed down. There were Wagons of coal loaded for the Council at Londonderry a week ago that had not yet reached Letterkenny and it was found impossible to get the Railway Companies to supply Wagons to carry the coal or to forward Wagons when loaded from Derry to Letterkenny only for

a small supply of coal having been got locally, the lights would have been out on Saturday night last.

The Council fully realized the great difficulty in getting the Railways to supply Wagons. The Town Clerk was instructed to make whatever arrangements he could with the view of keeping the Works going if unsuccessful, everything had been done that could be done in the circumstances.

On the motion of the Chairman permission was given the presentation Brothers to plant a number of trees at Bentley Hill on Arbor Day.

James Gibbons Chairman
L G Donkin
Town Clerk

Literenny Urban District Council

No of Members on the Council of
No of Members present 5

Minutes of Proceeding at Meeting held on the 1st day of December
1919.

In the Chair James Gibbons Esq.

Other Members present

Messrs. John Ward

Robert Mc Clark JP.

John Gallagher.

Philip Lavelle JP.

The Minutes of last Monthly and Special Meetings were read and signed

On the Report and recommendation of the Finance Committee the following Bills were ordered to be paid

Current account

No	Name	Debit	Amount
71	John Donkin	Public payts	40 0 3
72	Pall Mall Post	Bills	17 3
		Total	40 17 3

Gasworks Account

29	John Donkin	Public payts	18 1 3
30	London Gaslight Co.	Gas	19 14 2
31	Paul Morrison & Co	do	32 4
32	Alex Brown & Sons Ltd	Furnace do	22 5 0
		Total	92 4 5

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The following Sitter + were read
from the Social Government Board.

Memorandum dated November 1919. Forwarding copies of a pamphlet prepared and published by the Proportional Representation Society of Ireland. Explanatory of the proportional representative system of elections and of the Counting of Votes

No 208/ M/ 1919 dated 10th Nov. 1919. Referring to the terms of Section 22 of the Public Health (Ireland) Act. 1878 which lay down that every Urban Sanitary Authority shall provide a map exhibiting the system of sewerage if any in the District and with a view to facilitating housing operations the Board requested that immediate steps should be taken to provide or revise the prescribed map of the sewerage of the District

The council adjourned the consideration of this subject until their monthly meeting in February next.

From the Department of Agriculture &c. No A 3273S-19. dated 14th Nov. 1919. Acquainting the council that a limited sum has been made available in the Department's Note of Credit for the financial year 1919/20 for the payment of grants not exceeding £2. per Statute Acre towards the expense of fencing or adopting for cultivation lands acquired by Urban District Councils for cultivation in allotments, and used for this purpose during the current year - in accordance with the Scheme, approved by the Social Government Board.

From the Commission of Inquiry into the Resources and Industries of Ireland. dated 3rd November 1919. Asking that answers to the questions in the communication may be given and the form returned.

The Chairman Town Clerk and Town Surveyor were despatched to draw up replies to the questions and to forward the document when completed.

From the Coal Controller Representative Ireland. Telegram dated 1st Dec 1919. That the Board of Trade have made an Order reducing

by 10/- per ton the pit head price of all coal despatched from Collieries in St. Britain after Monday 1st December 1919, for household and domestic purposes. Maximum prices chargeable for house coal are to be regarded as automatically decreased by 10/- per ton or 6/- per ton as from 1st Dec. 1919.

Correspondence and telegrams with Messrs James McElvie & Co. Edinburgh as to parcel of gas coal ordered.

The Sanitary Sub Officer reported that Mr. L. A. Flattery Agent for Mrs. Finnegan had complied with the requirements of the Sanitary Notices served on him respecting premises at No. 2 & No. 43 Columbus Terrace.

The Sanitary Sub Officer reported that Mrs. L. Mulhern had not complied with the requirements of the Sanitary Notice served on her respecting premises in the occupation of Michael O'Hagan.

Ordered that Mrs. L. Mulhern be notified that unless the works required by the Notice are carried out before the date of next Monthly meeting of the Council legal proceedings will be instituted against her for non-compliance with the Notice.

The Record of Sanitary work performed by the Sanitary Sub Officer since date of last meeting was submitted and showed that 50 houses yards and premises had been visited and inspected. He reported a nuisance in the yard occupied by John Doherty Port Road caused by an accumulation of water and liquid manure. He also reported a nuisance at Castle St. caused by liquid manure going freely into James Williamson Garage from yard occupied by Joseph Thring.

Ordered that Notices be served requiring the abatement of the nuisances 14 days to be allowed in each case.

The Gas Manager reported that since last meeting a cargo of coal in two portions had arrived the first contained a large

percentage of slacks. The last was considerably better in appearance but was nothing like the class that used to be supplied. He required a 1-20. light meter for church. also a 30-3 light & 2-5 light meters - (meters ordered)

The Gas Managers collection account was submitted examined and showed arrears of quarters previous to 30th September 1919 amounting to £ 86.11.8 outstanding

The Gas Manager submitted an account claiming £1.1.0 for expenses of 3 days at Derry securing Wagons for Coal.
Payment unanimously Ordered

There was only one tender received for carrying out the Repairs to the Mortuary at the Cemetery that of James McNamee. for the sum of £16. which was accepted in terms of advertisement.

The Council considered Proposals for the privilege of grazing the Quarry Field at Glenar up to the 1st day of November 1920. The highest offer was that of John McGrath at £2.10.0 which was accepted on the condition that a Promissory Note with Sureties to be approved of by the Town Clerk be given to the Council for the sum payable the 1st Nov. 1920.

The Council granted permission to the College Authorities to remove without limitation rubbish &c along the New Lane

The Council agreed to let to Mr. James Gibbons at the yearly Rent of £2. the upper portion of the Store they hold from Mr. Edward McFadden. provided Mr. McFadden does not object to the sub letting. The Town Clerk to obtain Mr. McFaddens permission if possible and if same is granted Mr. Gibbons to be allowed at once to enter into occupation of the portion of the store referred to as same has not been used by the Council for any purpose.

Housing Minute

The following letters etc were read.

From the Social Government Board.

No 51600/1919. Mis dated 12th November 1919 Forwarding a copy of an Order made by them in pursuance of their powers under Section No. 32. of the Housing (Ireland) Act 1919. with respect to the employment of Architects by local Authorities for the purposes of Housing Schemes. under the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Acts 1890 to 1919.

No 47 883 : 1919. Mis dated 14th November 1919 Housing (Ireland) Act 1919 Circular Re Employment of Quantity Surveyors

No. 1E 362/1/1919 dated 14th November 1919 acknowledging receipt of two Forms of Survey of Housing Needs. in respect of the Dublin Urban District.

No. M. 501:61: 1919 Mis dated 27th November 1919.

Requesting particulars of the liabilities (if any) of the Council as at the 1st April last in respect of repayments of the Principal and interest in the course of the financial year ending 31st March next on foot of moneys borrowed after 21st December, 1908. under the sanction of the Board for the purposes of the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Acts 1890 to 1908
Particulars to be supplied.

No 175 M 1919 dated 26th November 1919 inclosing a book of Specimen plans which they have caused to be prepared for the guidance of Local Authorities when considering the lay outs of sites and what types of house they should erect for the purpose of the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Acts 1890 to 1919

No 3621 : 1919. dated 29th November 1919

Referring to a resolution of the Council on the 3rd November deciding to postpone further action in connection with their Scheme under the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Acts 1890 to 1919 until after elections in January next. and reminding the Council of the strict limitation in time laid down by the Housing (Ireland) Act 1919 and the Draft Regulations thereunder and stating that the Council should proceed without delay with the preliminary steps for a sufficient Scheme under the acts.

The Council decided not to depart from the terms of their resolution of the 3rd November last.

Next monthly meeting of the Council to be held on Monday the 8th day of January 1920.

James Gibbons Chairman

Town Clerk

Letterkenny Urban District Council.

No. of Members on the Council 9.

No. of Members present 4

Special Meeting.

Minutes of proceedings at Special meeting of the Council held on Monday the 22nd day of December 1919.

In the Chair James Gibbons Esq. JP.

Other Members present:-

Messrs John Gallagher

John Ward

Robert O'Brien JP

Electricity Undertaking

The Notice dated 19th November 1919 concerning the special meeting of the Council was read, the business being to consider the making of an application to the Board of Trade under section 3 of the Electric Lighting Act 1887 for a licence to authorise the Council to install a suction gas or other mechanical plant on the Council's premises in order to generate Electricity and to take the necessary steps to supply Electric light to the Urban District, the Letterkenny District Domestic Asylum, and to certain areas adjoining the Urban District.

Read letter from Mr E. J. Kelly, M.P. D.L. stating that the Electricity Bill is now almost through the House of Lords - that at present the situation is, as follows, The Board of Trade will give no further licence, but bodies like the Urban District Council will apply under section 28 of the Bill when passed to the Electricity Commissioners for sanction to their scheme. Application can be made at any time and the necessary rules will be published as soon as the Act is passed. The old procedure of applying for a Provisional Order will be swept away also, so the Council did well in not proceeding with that scheme. That as soon as

the Act is passed he will write and indicate what procedure should be adopted. He expected the Act would be passed before Christmas.

On the motion of Councillor Robert O'Brien seconded by Councillor John Halligan the following Resolution was unanimously agreed to:-

Resolved; That application be made to the Electricity Commissioners when appointed for sanction to the Council's suction gas Scheme for the Electric Lighting of Letterkenny, and that the Town Clerk take all necessary preliminary steps to obtain such sanction.

James Gibbons Chairman.

J. O'Brien

Town Clerk

Letterkenny Urban District Council.

No of Members on the Council 9
No of Members present 4

Minutes of proceedings at Meeting held on Monday the 5th
day of January 1920

In the Chair James Gibbons JP.

Other Members present—

Messrs John Gallagher.

John Ward.

Robert McClure JP.

The Minutes of last Monthly and Special Meetings were read and
Signed.

On the Report and Recommendation of the Finance Committee
the following Bills were ordered to be paid.

No	Name	Service	Amount	Rls
73	John J. Parker	Town Clerk &c	17 10 .	
74	D. P. McQuillen	Medical Officer Health	2 ..	
75	Patrick Dawson	Town Surveyor	6 10 .	
76	Patrick McGranahan	Post Office &c	4 ..	
77	James Gallagher	Rate Master	5 ..	
78	John Daffey	Custodian Post Office	1 10 .	
79	Mark Nelson	Office keeper	1 10 .	
80	William Doyle	Town Clerk Post Office	1 ..	
81	John J. Parker	Post Office	30 13 3	
82	The Collector of Customs & Excise	Income Tax	6	

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No	Name	Service	Amount	Rls
83	Patrope Assurance Co	Forward	69 19 3	
84	Neil Torn	Insurance	1 1 .	
85	Patrick Doherty Jas	Half Fidelity Bond premium	1 11 3	
86	Stevenson & Turner	Car Hire	4 10 6	
		Gas Mandles	12 .	
		Total	77 14	

Gasworks Account

33	Andrew A. McGuire	Rate Master	25 .
34	John J. Parker	Town Clerk	3 15 .
35	John J. Parker	Post Office	34 12 9
36	James McKeon & Co	Gas	508 2 9
37	Charles Kelly	do	9 6 .
38	Patrope Assurance Co	Insurance	3 15 .
39	John J. Parker	do	6 6 6
40	Andrew A. McGuire	Expenses Local	1 1 .
		Total	591 19

The following Letters are were read.

From the Local Government Board.

Forwarding Copy of an Order in Council dated 26th November
1919. Fixing scale for the calculation of the Expenses of Trunting
and the remuneration of clerks of the Crown and Peal. "Existing"
clerks of Unions Secretaries of County Councils Town Clerk of
Boroughs, Clerks of Councils of Urban County Districts and Collector
of Poor Rate in carrying into execution the several purposes
of the various Ireland Acts.

No 1961 m. 1919. Miss dated 11th December 1919. Forwarding Copy
of an Order made by them under the Provisions of the Rivers
navigation Improvement (Ireland) Act 1914 Prescribing the

Procedure to be followed by the Council in connection with works to which the Act applies.

No 59491: 1919. dated 12th December 1919 Relative to Minute of the Council at their Meeting on the 3rd November last and stating that they will raise no objection to the proposal to refund the Poor Rate Collector half the amount of the Annual Premium payable by him in respect of his fidelity Bond.

No 60559/1919 Mis dated 17th December 1919 forwarding copy of a further notice which has been issued by the Lord Commissioner of His Majesty's Treasury, with reference to the Rate of Interest chargeable on loans made out of the Local Loans Fund after the 21st December.

No 221/11. 1919. The Adaptation (Day of Annual and Quarterly Meeting) Order. 1919.

From the Coal Controller No T W. 455 dated 30th November 1919 confirming wire by same date that the Board of Trade have made an Order reducing by 10/- per ton the pit head price of all coal despatched from Collieries in Great Britain on and after Monday the 1st December 1919 for domestic or household purposes in the United Kingdom.

From Messrs Wilson and Simms Solicitors Donegal County Council dated 30th December 1919 re. Main Road Agreement stating that with regard to the question as to the cost of maintenance of Main Roads in the Urban District for the financial year ending 31st March 1919. it would appear that for the year in question the Main Road Order was in force and that the County Council were the Road Authority and should have maintained the Main Roads in the Urban Districts one half the expenditure being a County at large Charge and the

other half an Urban Charge. For the financial year ending 31st March 1920, the agreement whereby the Urban Council undertaken the entire maintenance was in force and accordingly the County Council are entitled to contribute one half of the certified Expenditure to the Urban Council under the terms of the agreement. It appears however in fact the Urban Council maintained the Main Roads for the year ending 31st March 1919. and not the County Council. They thought therefore that an equitable adjustment with the sanction of the Local Government Board should be carried out and one half of the expenditure incurred by the Urban Council on their Roads for the year ending 31st March 1919. should be provided by the County Council.

The Council request the Local Government Board to give their sanction to the adjustment suggested by the Solicitors to the County Council. The expenditure of the Urban Council on the maintenance of the main Roads for the year ending 31st March 1919 was £ 202: 14: 1. of which sum the County Council should contribute to the Urban Council the half viz. £ 101: 7: 0.

The Record of Works performed by the Sanitary Sub Officer since date of last meeting was submitted examined and showed that 40 houses and yards had been visited and inspected and no nuisances found to exist.

The Gas Manager reported that since last meeting he had a fair trial of testing the quality of the coal and it is far from being up to the mark. That there was as much difference between it and what used to be supplied as between night and day. He had on hands one month's supply and suggested that another cargo be ordered.

Read letter from Messrs James McElvie & Co Edinburgh in reply to request for quotation for a further parcel of millstone gas coal. that the price would be the same as last quoted. The actual price will be however dependent upon

the recent Government alterations that there has been a rise in Railway freights and it will therefore depend upon what time the coal is sent as to whether the original price will be more - That they cannot send anything until the Miners resume work. If they can they will send a parcel before the increase in the Railway Rates comes into force.

Ordered that cargo be immediately ordered.

The Gas Manager's Collection Account was submitted & examined and showed arrears of quarter previous to 31st Dec. last amounting to £ 81. 10. 2. outstanding

From the National Amalgamated Union of Labour Londonbury dated 4th December 1919 applying on behalf of the members of the above union in the employment of the council for such an advance in wages as will bring the minimum weekly wage up to 36/- per week of six days in the case of the street and works men and a weekly minimum weekly wage of 50/- in the case of the Gas Workers the allowances to be given on the present working weeks

The consideration of the application was adjourned till next monthly meeting of the council

Next monthly meeting to be held on Monday the 2nd day of February, 1920.

Charles Kelly

Chairman

W. G. McKinney

Treasurer

Letter Re: New Urban District Council

No of Members on the Council 9

No of Members present 8.

Annual Meeting

Minutes of proceedings at Meeting held on Friday the 30th day of Jan'y. 1920. On the motion of Councillor Wm. G. McKinney seconded by Councillor Mr. J. McNamee the Chair was taken by Councillor Charles Kelly.

Other Members present:-

Messrs Edward McDaid
Wm Gallagher.
Wm Boyle
John Curran.
John Doherty
John P. Speer JP.
Wm G. McKinney JP.

The Returning Officer submitted the "Notice of Result of Election" of Councillors for the Urban District held on the 15th day of January 1920. Showing 18 candidates and that the following persons had been declared duly elected Councillors in the order mentioned (1) Joseph P. McNamee (2) Charles Kelly (3) Edward McDaid (4) William George McKinney (5) John Peoples Speer (6) John Curran (7) William Boyle (8) John Doherty (9) William Gallagher.

He reported that the first elected Dr. Joseph P. McNamee was by law disqualified for the office of Councillor as he had a paid office viz that of Medical Officer of Health under the council and that this disqualification created a formal Vacancy in the council.

The Town Clerk reported that the following Councillors had made the prescribed Declaration accepting Office viz Messrs. William Boyle.

John Curran John Doherty Wm. Gallagher Charles Kelly Edward McDaid Wm.
George McKinney John Peoples Speer.

Election of Chairman

Councillor Wm. McKinney proposed - That Councillor Charles Kelly be elected Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year. Councillor Wm. Gallagher seconded.

Councillor John Curran proposed as an amendment : - That Councillor John Doherty be elected Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year. Councillor Wm. Boyle seconded.

Voting for the Amendment : - Councillors John Curran and William Boyle (2) For the Motion Councillors Wm. McKinney, William Gallagher, John P. Speer and Edward McDaid (4) Neither candidate for the office took part in the election.

Councillor Charles Kelly was declared duly elected Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year. He immediately signed the prescribed declaration accepting Office.

Election of Vice Chairman

Councillor Charles Kelly proposed : - That Councillor Wm. McKinney be elected Vice Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year. Councillor Edward McDaid seconded.

Councillor John Curran proposed as an amendment : - That Councillor John Doherty be elected Vice Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year. Councillor Wm. Boyle seconded.

Voting for the Amendment Councillors John Curran and William Boyle (2)

For the Motion Councillors Charles Kelly, Edward McDaid, John P. Speer and William Gallagher (4) Neither candidate for the Vice Chair took part in the Voting.

The Chairman declared Wm. McKinney duly elected Vice Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year.

Councillor Wm. McKinney subscribed the prescribed declaration accepting Office of Vice Chairman.

Co-option

Dr Joseph P. McPhee being by law disqualified for the Office of Councillor inasmuch as he holds a paid office viz. that of Medical Officer of Health under the Council the filling of the Casual Vacancy thus created was proceeded with - A letter dated 19th January 1920 written by Dr. McPhee from H.M. Prison Londonderry, was read stating that he appreciated very deeply indeed his election but that his position as Medical Officer of Health to the Council precluded his accepting the honour conferred on him by the Electors. He knew it was meant as a protest against his arrest and imprisonment and showed to all whom it may concern the views held by the majority of the townspeople and on that account he especially appreciated it. He was certain the Council would co-opt in his stead a man who holds the same ideas as himself. In this way only could the electoral be fairly represented and the spirit of Proportional Representation be complied with a fact which all will no doubt be broadminded enough to recognise etc.

Councillor William Boyle proposed and Councillor John Curran seconded - That Mr. James Gibbons Daddes be co-opted a member of the Council to fill the Casual Vacancy.

Councillor John P. Speer proposed as an amendment - That Mr. Patrick O'Donnell, Baker be co-opted a member of the Council to fill the Casual Vacancy -

Councillor John Doherty proposed as a further amendment : - That an election to the Vacant Seat on the Council be held by Ballot in the ordinary way or by a plebiscite as may be arranged. by the candidates seeking election the expense of such Ballot or plebiscite to be borne by the candidates and we pledge ourselves to co-opt to the Council the successful candidate at such Ballot or plebiscite. We handed in an extensively signed requisition by Electors and Ratepayers calling upon the Council to give effect to the foregoing Councillor Boyle and Curran then withdrew their motion for the co-option of Mr. James Gibbons in favour of the amendment proposed by Councillor Doherty which amendment

was seconded by Councillor Curran Councillor Speer's amendment therupon became the motion and Councillor Doherty's further amendment became the amendment.

Voting for the Amendment:- Councillors Boyle, Curran and Doherty
(3) For the motion :- Councillors McDaid, Gallagher, Speer, McNamee and Kelly (5)

The Chairman declared the motion carried and Mr Patrick O'Donnell duly appointed a member of the Council

Standing Committees

It was unanimously agreed that the following constitute the Standing Committees of the Council for the year ending 30th January 1921

Sanitary Committee

(3 to form a Quorum)
The whole
council

Lighting and Water Committee

(3 to form a Quorum)
Councillors Chas Kelly
W G McNamee & Wm Boyle

Buruary Committee

(3 to form a Quorum)
The whole council

Finance Committee

(3 to form a Quorum)
The whole
council

The following were appointed to represent the Urban District Council on the joint Committee for Technical Instruction for County Donegal for the year ending 30th January 1921 - Rev John Doherty, Adm Rev Dr. Lurey, Councillors Chas Kelly, Pat McDaid, John P. Speer and John Curran.

Charles Kelly

Chairman

J. J. Donkin
Treasurer

Salter Remond Urban District Council

No of Members on the Council 9
No of members present 9

Minutes of Proceedings at Meeting held on Monday the 2nd day of February 1920.

In the Chair Charles Kelly, Esq.

Other Members Present:-

Mrs. W G McNamee, JP.
John P. Speer, JP.
John Curran
William Boyle.
Pat McDaid
Patrick O'Donnell.
Wm Gallagher
John Doherty

The Town Clerk reported that Councillor Patrick O'Donnell, Esq. spoke to the Council at the Annual Meeting had made the requisite declaration. The Minutes of last Monthly and Annual Meetings were read and signed.

On the report and recommendation of the Finance Committee the following Bills were ordered to be paid

General Account

No	Name	Amount	Rhs
87	Strabane & Kinney Revo	Guarantee 31 Dec 1919	30 - .
88	John Doherty	Subsidy payts	39 2 8
89	James McNamee	Dyers Cemetery Mortuary	16 - .
90	Lenny Bond Guardians	Rate Subsidy Bank	2 - .
91	John Doherty	Election Expenses	106 10 4
92	Alfredes Brown	Engineers Fees &c	77 5 8
		Total £	270 18 8

Gasworks Account

No.	Name	Service	Amount	Rks
111	Shulz Dorkin	Subs/payments	34 18 7	
		Total	34 18 7	

The following Letters &c. were read

From the Local Government Board.

No. 53486/1919, dated 23rd December 1919. Sealed Order Amending Order of the 6th July 1888. re. Burial Grounds. Rule and regulation numbered VII in said order shall henceforth be read and have effect as if after the word Vellum, the following words were added namely or other durable material

No. 236. m. 1919, dated 24th December 1919 - "The Voting by Persons Disqualified Order 1919"

No 484. M. 1920, dated 8th January 1920. Requesting particulars on the accompanying form as to the number of members to be elected for each local electoral area embraced in the Municipal District together with the Candidates nominated and numbers of ballot-papers recorded under the several heads shown on the form &c.

Return forwarded.

No P.R. 35. 1920 M. is dated 22nd January 1920.

Acknowledging receipt of statement P.R. 33-1920 furnishing the desired particulars in connection with the Municipal Election 1920 together with the certified copy of the Form of Result sheet.

No 84/M. 1919, dated 24 January 1920.

Requesting to be furnished with the prescribed return showing the condition of the collection of the current year's poor rate on the 31st

December last.

Return furnished

From the Home Office Whitehall. No 301 401 dated 18th January 1920 Requesting Return relating to the production of coal at Gasworks during the year ended 31st December 1919.

Return to be forwarded.

From the Coal. Controller. Letters dated 5th January 1920 + 14th January 1920. Relative to correspondence regarding Price of coal in Letterkenny and stating that he shall be glad to hear definitely as to the prices fixed for the Urban District of Letterkenny.

The following councillors were appointed a Committee to go into the matter, fix the retail price of coal for the District and report to Council viz. Messrs Edward McHale & John Doherty, John Curran, Wm. Gallagher and Patrick O'Donnell.

From the National Gas. Council of Britian and Ireland.

No. D/109/ 58/ dated 24th December 1919. Rebate on coal used for the manufacture of gas for Domestic and Household purposes. and forwarding instructions under the Coal (Pits mouth) Prices Order and Direction 1919.

No D/109/ 58/ 3261 dated 20th January 1920. Stating that the controller of coal. mines has asked the council to inform that it is intended to allow 5% for expenses incurred in connection with the works involved in carrying out the instructions under the coal (Pits mouth) prices Order and direction 1919. - Forwarding Copy of a form of certificate which has been authorised by the controller of coal mines for claiming the rebate from the supplies of coal.

Correspondence with Messrs James Mc Kelvie & Co Edinburgh as to barge of Gas coal. directed to be ordered at last monthly meeting of the council and enclosed invoice for parcel despatched 10th January 1920. Asking the council to note that on and after 1st January 1920, the terms of notice of increase

of Tolls Rates and Charges by the Ministry of Transport Act will apply to all deliveries made to the Council by them.

From the Strabane and Letterkenny Railway dated 29th January 1920 to the Townshend Arbitrators Certificate the Strabane & Letterkenny Railway to guarantee by the Council the amount payable by the Council for the Half year ended 31st December 1919 being certified at £30.

Payment Ordered.

From the Strabane & Letterkenny Railway dated 29th January 1920 Relative to Notice advising an advance in the rate for gas to 25/- per 1000 b.t.u. as from the 8th November last. Stating that in view of the high price they are considering a proposal to light Letterkenny Station and Premises with Gas and should be very sorry to think they would have to cut off the town supply and should be glad to know if there is any prospect of the price being reduced.

The Town Clerk was instructed to reply that the Council will at the earliest possible moment reduce the price of gas, and that there is a good prospect that a reduction will take place in the near future.

From Mr J. P. Gallagher Machine Bakery Letterkenny dated 2nd February 1920 Relative to the high price of gas for industrial purposes and that he will expect a substantial reduction of his power account which amounts to £2 weekly.

The matter was referred to the Lighting and Water Committee.

From Messrs Thomas Mulheron & Co Letterkenny dated 18th January 1920 asking permission to take a Water Supply from the Main opposite Mr William Boyle's Grocer Letterkenny in Order to give this supply the pipe will be "P" and will be used for washing machine in the bottling store. The application was referred to the Lighting and Water Committee.

Applications by Mr Patrick McNamee Sanitary Sub Officer for an

increase of salary and by the National Amalgamated Union of Labour on behalf of Workmen in the employment of the Council were submitted and read -

The applications were referred to the Finance Committee for consideration and report meeting to be held on Monday the 16th February 1920 at 4 o'clock p.m.

The Record of Work performed by the Sanitary Sub Office since date of last Meeting was submitted examined and showed that 40 houses and yards had been visited and inspected. That the Ashpits of No 1 & No 2 Rosemount were full and required to be emptied and that there was no water for Closet in No 3 and water pipe in No 10 burst. That there was a pile of Manure in yard of Bernard Langan owned by Mr H. Langan causing a nuisance this had been removed on notice. That there are two dry closets at Rosemount in a very neglected state - Mr Anthony Gallagher landlord. That he found a dead dog at Rosemount causing a nuisance he could not find the owner and employed a man at a cost of 5/- to bury it.

Ordered that the Ashpits of No 1 & 2 be emptied and that the Water Supply to No 3 & 10 be repaired.

Notices to be served requiring dry closets to be cleaned.

The Gas Manager reported that since last Meeting small cargos of Coal ordered had been delivered and although there is a considerable percentage of slack the quality is superior to what has been received for a long time back. That there is a pile of iron in the yard which he would like offered for he believed it would do for smithy work. That the storm had done a good deal of damage to roofs and they will have to be repaired. Sidewall of house next Glenourry is badly in need of cementing and rough casting the rain is actually being forced through the inside of walls.

Indorse to be invited for "iron". The question of repairs was referred to the Lighting and Water Committee.

The Gas Manager's Collection Account was submitted and showed arrears of quarters prior to the 31st December 1919 amounting to £111. 12s. outstanding -

The consideration of the account was referred to the Lighting and Water Committee.

The Town Clerk submitted an interim Balance sheet showing the receipts and expenditure in connection with the gas Works from 1st April 1919 to the 31st December 1919 from which it appeared that there had been a loss on the nine months working of £230-13.

Mr Patrick Dawson Town Surveyor submitted a Bill for £2:10: for preparing specifications and supervision of repairs carried out to the mortuaries at the cemetery.

The Council ordered payment of the amount claimed.

The Council had under consideration the desirability of altering the hour of Monthly Meetings of the Council held on the 1st Monday of every month from 12 o'clock noon to 4 o'clock P.M. When the following Resolution was unanimously adopted.

Resolved that we request the Local Government Board to make an order altering the hour at which the monthly meetings of the Council are held on the first Monday of every month from 12 o'clock noon to 4 o'clock P.M.

The Council had under consideration the Water Supply both through Salt and Glencar. It was unanimously agreed that a survey and Report in regard to same should be obtained. The Town Clerk was instructed to write Messrs Robinson and Davidson Civil Engineers London enquiring asking them to state their experience in the matter of Water Supplies generally and their terms for a survey and Report. The following were appointed a Committee to deal with the matter: Councillors Sharpe, Kelly (Chairman), John Curran, W.F. McNamee, John Doherty, and John Speer.

Ordered that the officials of the Council be notified that on Meeting day of the Council the Council will meet in Committee 15 minutes before the hour of the Council Meeting in order to discuss with the officials matters relating to their departments and that the several officials are required to attend said Committee Meetings.

Councillor Boyle brought under notice of the Council the ruined dilapidated state of 2 houses at Main Street owned by Miss Diver Brockleish.

The Town Clerk was instructed to write Miss Diver's nephew Mr Hugh Doherty Brockleish with the view of having the houses either repaired or pulled down.

The formation of a Local Committee for the Urban District under the Proprietary Act 1919, was referred to a committee consisting of Councillors John Doherty, Patrick O'Donnell and John Curran.

Housing Minutes

The following letters were read

From the Local Government Board

No H 501/158/1920 this, dated 3rd January 1920

Forwarding copies of the last two numbers of Housing and directing special attention to the articles and diagrams relative to the cost of open development of sites for housing schemes.

No H 501/145/1919, dated 9th January 1920

Stating that they have been informed by the Lord Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury that they desire that repayment of loans to local authorities, Public Utility Societies &c. for the purpose of subsidised schemes under the Housing (Ireland) Act 1919 shall be on the annuity system and not on the basis of equal instalments of principal with interest on the amount outstanding.

No H 501/134/1919 dated 1st February 1920 - The Local Government Board (Temporary Relaxation of Building Byr Laws) Regulations 1920 and "General Housing Memorandum".

No H 501/178/1920, dated 2nd January 1920 Enclosing copy of the Housing (Additional Powers) Act 1919. And drawing the attention of the Local authority to the provisions mentioned as affecting their powers and duties.

No. M. 362/2/1919, dated 23rd January 1920

Requesting that they may be informed what are the proposals of the Letterkenny Urban Council with regard to the recommendations in the report of the Board's Inspector Mr. Strahan on his inspection of the site previously selected for the Council's Housing Scheme which report was conveyed to the Council in the Committee letter of the 8th October last.

The Report referred to having been read.

The following were appointed a Committee to consider and report on the whole Housing Scheme, Councillors Robert McDaid, Patrick O'Donnell and John Doherty.

Next Monthly Meeting of the Council to be held on Monday, the 1st day of March 1920.

Charles Kelly Chairman

Donegal County Council

Town Clerk

Letterkenny Urban District Council.

No. of Members on the Council 9

No. of members present 8

Minutes of Proceedings at Meeting held on Monday, 1st day of March 1920.

In the Chair Charles Kelly, M.P.

Other members present:

Messrs W. J. McNamee, M.P.

John P. Speer M.P.

John Doherty

John Curran

Robert McDaid

Wm. Gallagher

Wm. Boyle.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and signed.

In the Report and Recommendation of the Finance Committee the following Bills were ordered to be paid.

N ^o	Name	Amount	Rks
93	Treasurer Donegal County Council	3 rd June distl. Demand	657 6 8
94	Donegal Co. Gaol dis Com.	Technical distinction Rate	17 16 8
95	Patrick Dawson	Fees, repairs to dormitory	210 .
96	Louis Farren	Public payments	42 10 2
97	Neil Tove	Postage fees	27 13 8
98	Co. Donegal Rd. Co. Ltd.	Paving	19 6 5
99	Pat Doherty, Jun	Gaol Store	2 2 .
100	James Harris	Stationery articles	15 2 6
101	Gasworks Co.	Public lighting	25 -
Total		809 81	

Gasworks account

No	Name	Forwards	Awards	R/Hs
44	James McKeown (1)	coal	218 11 10	
43	John Doherty	Public payts	26 8 8	
44	Paul Roulston	Personals	56 4	
45	Codore & McCloud	Postage	8 5 3	
		Total	£ 258 17 1	

The following Reports of Committees were submitted

Report Finance Committee. Meeting 16th February 1920.

Present:- Councillors Charles Kelly (Chairman) Tomy McHenry John P. Speer Patrick O'Donnell Edward McHale William Gallagher John Doherty William Doyle (9)

The Committee had under consideration the cost of maintaining the Streets, the removal of ashes from the Working Class Lodging Houses owned by the Council and the cost of the removal of street refuse to the Dumping Ground rented by the Council from John Gallagher at Port Road. The expenditure under all these heads was considered excessive. The question of putting the maintenance of the Streets out to contract was also under consideration - the difficulty under this head was the throwing out of employment of the surface men engaged by the Council for direct labour. The Chairman drew attention to holes in the Road at Port Road opposite Mr. Tappart's Garage and the Town Surveyor's attention was ordered to be called to the matter so that the defects might be at once repaired. It was ordered that Mr. John Gallagher be written to and asked if he will give the Dumping Ground at Port Road to the Council free of Rent as the Council consider the value of the staff carted to the place should fully compensate him for the use of the field by the Council. In case Mr. Gallagher declined to give the free use of the field

then the Donegal Railway Company be written to to ascertain if they would give a free Dumping ground at their premises. It was decided that the Town Surveyor be asked to explain the delivery of stones from Horan's quarry at Glendosen on the Streets of the Urban District and that he be required to attend next meeting of the Finance Committee for this purpose. The following Councillors were appointed to interview the tenants of the Council's houses at Ballymacool Terrace, with the view of the Council taking over the gardens, from such of the tenants as were paying rent for same, so that the Council could put up the entire field by Public Auction for cropping for the season. As in its present state it was nothing but a common, an eyesore and a loss to the Rate payers. Councillors Kelly, Doyle and McHenry. The defective state of the Street a drinking trough for cattle at McCloud's Terrace Field and a leak in the Water main at Main Street opposite Mr. Stevenson's premises and the waste of water in Back yards received consideration and directions were given that the Water Manager should see to the repairs necessary without delay.

The application of the Sanitary sub offices Mr. Patrick McGranahan for an increase of salary was considered - This officer was interrogated as to his duties and the manner in which he discharge same. The Committee held that he should be more energetic in having the Sanitary Act's carried out and that in no case should the duties of the office be performed by a Deputy especially in the case of disinfecting Premises in which infectious diseases had broken out until such time as he satisfied the Council that his duties have been satisfactorily discharged an increase of salary would not be granted.

The Rate Collector Mr. Neal Lones was called before the Committee the backward state of the collection of the Rates was gone into and the collector told that he must proceed at once on the receipt of his Warrants after the striking of the Rates to collect the first moiety thereof and immediately after the 1st October to collect the second moiety. His attention was directed to the fact that he must have the full amount of the second moiety of the current collection lodged with the Treasurer on or before the 28th February inst.

The Gas Manager's collection account was examined and the following amounts over 6 years due, being statute-barred were ordered to be struck off as irrecoverable. Decrees of the County Court had been obtained against the parties but there were no goods on which to levy.

No 27. James O'Donnell. £ 10. 4. 0

No 30. James O'Donnell. 7. 4. 1.

No 133 Mr. McBradley. 1. 11. 7*1/2*. Total £ 19. 2. 8*1/2*

The Gas Manager was directed to call upon the other Defaulters for payment of their Bills and to give them notice that unless paid before the meeting of the Council on the 1st March next, the supply will be cut off.

On the suggestion of Councillor Doherty it was ordered that 3 additional gas lamps be lighted Viz. 1 @ New Line 1 @ Rosemount and 1 @ Easter Street.

The Committee agreed that Mr. R. Skinner Manager Londonderry Gas Works be written to and asked his terms for making an inspection and report on the state of the Gasworks.

The application on behalf of the Gas Stokers for an increase of wage was deferred to the next monthly meeting of the Council by which time it is hoped Mr. Skinner's report would be before the Council.

The Town Clerk informed the Committee that acting on the advice of the Council's Solicitor he had agreed that a sum of £1. 0. 0 should be accepted in full payment of Mr. Annie O'Carry's Gas Bill of £11. 9. 2 the subject of an appeal before the County Court judge. And that each party bear their own costs. The Committee agreed to the terms of the settlement.

The Committee directed that the attention of the Town Surveyor be directed to the dangerous state of the Venet between the dwelling house and the shop of Mr. William Anderson's Post Road, and that all necessary works be carried out to make the place safe.

Read letter from Messrs Robinson and Davidson Civil Engineers Londonderry giving their experience as Water Engineers and stating that their fees for inspecting on the supplies to Seer Remond would be £10. 10. and for preparing plans and specifications receiving estimates and carrying out the contract 5% on the actual cost

of the work together with out of pocket travelling expenses. The Committee agreed to offer Messrs. Robinson and Davidson a fee of £10. 10. for report on Glenar and Lough Salt Water Supplies including Kilmacrennan supply and preparing estimate for any works suggested for Kilmacrennan this sum to cover all travelling expenses.

The provision of a pipe for entry to Mrs. Cornell Harker's premises at Kilmacrennan Road was referred to the Town Surveyor for report.

A meeting of the Finance Committee to be held on Monday eve. the 23rd February 1920 at 10 o'clock.

The Report was unanimously adopted by the Council.

Finance Committee

Report of meeting of Committee held on Monday 23rd February 1920
Members present. - Councillors Charles Kell (Chairman) Robert McIvor.
Patrick O'Donnell. William Gallagher. John Doherty. John P. Speer. Wm. G.
McKinney. John Curran. William Boyle. (9)

The Water Manager Mr. James Gallagher was called before the Committee and questioned as to the discharge of his duties also to the scraping of the Lough Salt Water Main and the defective state of the street hydrants and water taps generally throughout the town. He was directed to proceed at once to complete the scraping of the Lough Salt Main and that the following be employed to assist at the Works James Diver, John Gallagher and Patrick Sweeney. He was further directed to submit at next meeting of the Council a Report showing the progress made.

The Gas Manager Mr. Andrew A. Mitchell was in attendance and the management of the Council's Gasworks undertaken by him was fully gone into. The Committee expressing great dissatisfaction at the manner in which the concern was run by the Gas Manager and the annual losses resulting to the ratepayers. The leaving of the public lamps burning all night was severely criticised and the Gas Manager cautioned against the like again occurring. The banking down of retorts and the stoppage of night work in the Gas Works was discussed also the weighing of each charge of coal put into the retorts and the price charged for coke. All these matters were however deferred until the report about to be

obtained from Mr. Skinner is received.

Large quantities of tar, owing to the lack of storage being lost it was decided that a number of barrels be purchased so as to store the tar in same.

The Lomoy Woollen Co. Ltd and the Cheap Cash Store Co. to be written to and a quotation asked for any suitable barrels they may have. To be purchased if obtainable.

The Gas Manager stated that the Station meter was now in order but he had not yet recorded any readings as he was just watching how it was working for the present.

The provision of a gas engine to extract the gas out of the coal carbonised was agreed to as most desirable; but as in other matters affecting the gas works, the final determination was deferred until after Mr. Skinner's report as was also Mr. John J. Gallagher's application for a reduction in the price of gas supplied to his gas engine.

The Town Surveyor Mr. Patrick Dawson wrote that owing to increase duties entailed on him through the improving of Main Road Sett,erry to Ramelton he would not be able to give the Council the time required from him as Town Surveyor. He therefore begged to hand in his resignation.

On the motion of Councillor Andrew McDaid seconded by Councillor Patrick O'Donnell the resignation was accepted with regret and the Town Clerk instructed to write Mr. Dawson accordingly. The Committee had under consideration the application made on behalf of the Surface men for an increase of wages. The cost of the maintenance of the streets by direct labour having been discussed and contrasted with the Contract System before coming to a decision on the application of the Surface men for an increase of wages it was decided to obtain the advice of Council's solicitor Mr. A. D. McFadden as to whether the Council could legally superannuate two of the Surface men viz Bernard Bramsie and Michael Bradley. The solicitor advised to do before the Council at their next meeting.

The question of increasing the insurances of the House Property of the Council was referred to next meeting of the Council.

The Sub Committee appointed at last Finance Meeting reported - favour of having the gardens provided for the Working Class Lodging Houses at

Ballymacool Terrace taken over by the Council and put up for Public Auction for the seasons Cropping - oats or flax. That the tenants were unanimous in the matter.

Ordered that instructions be given to Mr. George W. Robinson Auctioneer to have the field let accordingly.

Ordered that James Diver be employed to carry out repairs to the Roof of the Gas House premises and put on slates or stone where necessary.

Ordered that notice be served on Colonel Baile requiring a defective connection water pipe to house owned by Mr. Boyle and occupied by Mr. W. Langley at Main St. to be immediately repaired if default made the water to be cut off from the premises and proceedings taken against the Owner.

The application of Thomas Mulholland for a punch water pipe for a washing machine in their Drilling Store was deferred until after the report of Messrs. Robinson and Davidson on the Water Supplies of the Council.

Read letter from Messrs. Robinson and Davidson dated 21st February acknowledging receipt of letter of the 18th Feb. and stating that their fee of ten guineas is for inspecting and reporting on Glenar and Sough Salt pipe lines only and includes approximate estimate of cost of any works suggested in connection with same. But does not include fee for Kilmaerman pipe line nor for travelling expenses and car fares. They regretted they could not see their way to reduce their fees. If the Kilmaerman pipe line were included in their Report they would charge an additional five guineas and car fares.

The Town Clerk informed the Committee that on receipt of the foregoing letter he phoned Messrs. Robinson and Davidson and explained to them that Kilmaerman received its supply of tea through Salt Mine and was on the pipe line. That they had agreed that the fee of £10. 10 was to cover report in connection with the Kilmaerman supply and any works suggested in respect thereof.

The Committee agreed to pay £10. 10 to Messrs. Robinson & Davidson for the services indicated and also to pay travelling expenses and car fares.

The Report was unanimously adopted by the Council.

Coal Prices Order Committee

Report

The Committee met on Saturday 21st February 1920 the following members attended Councillors J. D. McEldaid, John Doherty, John Curran and Patrick O'Donnell.

The Committee had before them the Circulars and Orders of the Board of Trade under the Retail Coal Prices Order 1917 and the Particulars supplied by the local Coal Merchants. They had also before them the maximum prices fixed by the Londonderry Corporation for the County Borough of Londonderry being the Port for discharge from which the Urban County District of Letterkenny receives its supplies. The maximum price fixed by the Corporation of Londonderry for the sale of coal by Retail for Domestic purposes within the Borough is from the 1st day of February 1920 they found to be as follows.

Sales of 10 cwt or more in Bulk or in bags delivered into Cellar, Pits, Gates of quantities less than a Ton. from Road Vehicles per 1/4 cwt.	Best Selected Coal & Selected Home Coal including Hard Anthracite 5/- a 3 : 10
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The Committee ascertained that the Railway Freight from Londonderry to Letterkenny was 9/4 per Ton plus 25% = 1/- plus flat rate of 3/- per ton plus Drawing charges at Londonderry & making in all 3/10 per ton on this basis they find that the maximum retail prices for Letterkenny should be 60/- per ton for sales of 10 cwt or more in bulk or in bags delivered into Cellar and for sales of less than 10 cwt delivered from Road Vehicles 5/- per cwt and at Shops or Stores 3/1 per cwt these prices to be 1/- per ton additional if not paid on or before delivery.

The Committee recommended the Council to fix the maximum retail prices of Coal for the Urban District accordingly.

The Council deferred fixing the retail prices for Letterkenny until after receipt of letter from the Coal Controller to whom the foregoing figures were submitted for his ruling.

Prohibiting Act 1919

Report.

The Committee met on Saturday the 21st February 1920 on investigation

the Committee found that the Act came into operation on the 19th day of August last and that its duration was for six months and no longer unless Parliament otherwise determined. The Committee was unanimous that a Local Committee should be appointed for the Urban District but as the Act had now expired no notification of its continuance having been received they decided to take no action in the matter at present pending the receipt of instructions that the Act had been extended or amended.

The Report was unanimously adopted by the Council.

The following letters were read

From the Local Government Board

No 3/m. 1/1920 dated 14th February 1920 Relative to agreements with the Managers of Hospitals in accordance with the provision of Section 155-6. of the Public Health Act 1878 and forwarding a draft Agreement to the terms of which there appears to be no objection.

The Committee of Management of Letterkenny Fever Hospital to be asked to enter into an agreement with the Council for the reception into the Hospital of inhabitants of the Urban District suffering from infectious diseases.

No 18./m. 1920 this dated 5th February 1920.

Circular - Influenza. Recommending appointment of a small time agency Committee where the Sanitary Authority does not possess a Public Health Committee - The importance of Notifications of Outbreak - The general precautions against the spread of the Disease - Disinfection &c.

The leaflets accompanying the letter were distributed amongst the general public.

No 80. 13. 1920 this dated 25th February 1920

Including copy of the "Public Bodies Order 1920" made in substitution of "the Public Bodies Order 1913" regarding the qualification of persons to be appointed or to hold the Office of Poor Rate Collector.

No 17415 / 1920 dated 28th February 1920

Acknowledging receipt of the Town Clerk's letter of the 25th February relative to the resignation of the Town Surveyor and forwarding form of query to be filled up respecting the person appointed as his successor.

and returned to them.

The Council deferred till next Monthly Meeting the issue of an Advertisement for an appointment to the Vacant office.

No 114815 : 1920. dated 28th February 1920

Referring to entry contained in Minutes of Proceedings of the Council on the 2nd February 1920 relative to the proposal of the Council to change the hour for holding their Statutory Monthly Meeting the Board requested to be furnished with a certified copy of the resolution of the Council and with a certified statement that the provisions of the Commissioners Clauses Act 1847 in that behalf Sections 43 + 44 have been complied with.

Yours much as the provisions of the Commissioners Clauses Act 1847 Sections 43 + 44 had not been complied with when the Council passed the Resolution of 2nd February last Councillor John P. Speer gave notice that at next monthly meeting of the Council on the 5th day of April 1920. he will move the foregoing resolution :- Resolved that we the Letterkenny Urban District Council request the Local Government Board notwithstanding anything in section 27 of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 to make an Order altering the hour from 12 o'clock noon to 4 o'clock p.m. at which the Statutory Monthly Meeting of the Letterkenny Urban District Council may be held and we make this request in pursuance of the provisions of Section 14 of the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1902.

The Town Clerk to give notice of the foregoing extraordinary business to each of the Councillors in the manner prescribed by Sections 43 + 44 the Commissioners Clauses Act 1847.

From the Ministry of Transport (Ireland) Roads department Ireland No R. 4. 7/72 Donegal dated 16th February 1920 Re. payments by County Council in respect of maintenance of Main Roads in the Urban District of Letterkenny. That the Local Government Board had forwarded to the Ministry extracts from the Minutes of Proceedings of the Urban Council on the 5th January last. That it appears from such extracts that the County Council and Urban Council have come to an agreement

relative to the contribution to be made by the former in respect of the Maintenance Charges incurred by the latter during the year ended 31st March 1919 upon Main roads in the district and under the circumstances the Department raises no objections to the proposed arrangement.

The Town Clerk submitted correspondence with Messrs Wilson & Sons Solicitors County Council and the Secretary of the County Council in reference to the Department's letter the Secretary of the Council under date 28th Feby. replied that the County Council would obtain the sanction of the Local Government to the payment.

From the Commissioners of Valuation

No 16. 446. dated 28th February. 1920. Forwarding the revised Valuation Lists for 1920 relating to the Urban District dated 1st March 1920

The Lists are now open for inspection

From the Department of Agriculture &c.

No A 3993 - 20. dated 9th February 1920. Assuming that the Council are not in a position to submit in accordance with the requirements of the Department's Circular No A. 32738 - 17. of the 11th November 1919 a claim for a grant towards meeting the deficit if any occasioned by expenditure on necessary fencing or adaptation of lands for the purpose of allotments

No expenditure of this kind incurred by the Council.

No S. 1252 / 1920. dated 28th February 1920 Acknowledging receipt of the list of persons nominated as representatives of the Urban Council on the Co Donegal Joint Technical Instruction Committee

From the Rev John Doherty Adm. dated 4th February 1920. Thanking the Council for their re. appointment as representative on the Co Donegal Joint Technical Instruction Committee

From the Rev. Dr. J. L. Lacy St. Patrick's College. dated 4th Feby 1920

Thanking the Council for appointing him as one of their representatives on the joint Technical Instruction Committee regretting however that he is unable to accept the position as his duties at the College prevent him from attending the meetings as often as he would like.

The Council deferred till next Monthly Meeting the filling of the Vacancy on the Committee caused by D'Ferry's non acceptance of Office.

From the Corporation of Omagh dated 1st February 1920. Forwarding the following Resolution which was unanimously adopted by them & at their meeting on the 3rd Feby 1920.

Resolved:- That this Council elected under Proportional Representation and representative of all classes of the Community calls for the withdrawal of the Motor Permit Regulation as subversive of the best interests of Irish Trade and Commerce and that this Resolution be forwarded to every Public body in Ireland for adoption.

Councillor John Curran proposed that the Resolution be adopted. Councillor John Doherty seconded.

Councillor John P. Speer as an Amendment proposed that the Resolution be marked "Read". The Chairman seconded.

Voting for the Amendment:- The Chairman, Councillors Speer & Hume, (3) for the Motion Councillors:- McDaid, Gallagher, Boyle, Curran and Doherty (5). The motion was declared carried and the resolution adopted.

From the Castlebar Urban District Council dated 2nd Feby 1920.

Forwarding the following Resolution passed at their meeting on the 6th February 1920.

Resolved:- That we view with consternation the action of the Militia in arresting and deporting without even the ~~of a trial leading~~ Irishmen against whom no crime can be proved nor even publicly alleged. That we hereby demand the immediate release of all those who have been illegally arrested and deported and call upon all the Urban Councils in Ireland to support this demand.

On the motion of Councillor Tom Gallagher seconded by Councillor J. Curran the resolution was unanimously adopted.

From the County Council of Monaghan dated 10th Feby 1920
Forwarding the following Resolution:- We the elected representatives of a population consisting entirely of Ulstermen emphatically as Irishmen protest against any scheme of severing our Country and people from our fellow Countrymen of the South and West. We are Irishmen and inside Ireland we know of but one nation inhabiting it - we as Ulstermen though proud of our Province recognise no Ulster Nation any more than we recognise a Munster nation. The division of a whole people at the bidding of a small minority of Zealots and political wire pullers is at once unnatural and unnatural and we pledge ourselves and our constituents never to submit to it.
Councillor Mr. Boyle proposed that the Resolution be adopted Councillor John Curran seconded. Passed unanimously.

The Cheap Cash Storr Co. wrote offering 8.40 gallon Oil Barrels @ 9/- each. The quotation was considered high but if a lower price could not be obtained the barrels to be purchased. Maurice Mr. Wm. McEay and Mr. James Wilkinson to be asked for quotations.

From the Council's Solicitor Mr. A. M. Madden dated 25th February 1920. Relative to whether the council can legally superannuate two of their workmen. Bernard Branssie and Michael Bradley and stating that he is of opinion they cannot do so. Neither of the men has been long enough in the service of the council to entitle them to a pension and he did not think they could be superannuated in any case not being of the class of persons to whom the superannuation act applies.

From Mr. R. J. Skinner Gas Manager, Londonderry Gaslight Co. Ltd dated 23rd February 1920. That he will undertake to make an inspection of the Gasworks and draw up a Report upon the working of same together with any improvements that it might be advisable to make fee £15-15 covering all personal expenses &c. Report and Inspection.

Councillor McDaid proposed and Councillor Speer seconded that Mr. Skinner be engaged at the remuneration stated.

Councillor Boyle proposed as an amendment that the Strabane Gas manager be asked to state his terms - Councillor John Curran seconded.

Voting For the Amendment : Councillor Doyle, Barron and Doherty (3)
For the Motion Councillor Kelly, McEaid, Gallagher, Sean O'Kearney (5)

The motion was declared carried - Mr. Shine to be notified that his terms have been accepted and he be asked to make his inspection as soon as possible.

From Dr. John Gallagher, Temperance Hotel Letterkenny dated 1st March 1920. Relative to request of the Council that he let them have the Dumping ground they sent from him free. That he let the council have the Dumping ground for £2 a year less than they could get any other place, and drawing the attention of the Council to the fact that it requires 6 months notice on either side to terminate the agreement.

Ordered that the termination of the agreement be placed on the agenda for next Monthly Meeting.

The Medical Officer of Health reported : -

(1) That he inspected the premises in Main Street Letterkenny occupied by Hugh Sweeney (Owner Mrs Catherine Mulligan) and found them in a very dilapidated condition water percolating through the wall of chimney, the walls falling in such a manner as to be dangerous, and the general condition of the premises such as to be dangerous to health and he recommended that notice be taken of this and the owner of the premises approached on the matter with a view to repairs.

Ordered that notice be served on the owner of the premises and one month allowed to carry out all necessary repairs to the premises.

(2) That he inspected the premises Main Street occupied by Mrs Cecilia Gallagher (Owner Mrs Peoples Tully, gal) that the health of the inmates is endangered by reason of the condition of the floor in the hall which is rotten and soaked with water and he recommended that the owner be approached with a view to having the place repaired.

Ordered that notice be served on the owner of the premises and one month allowed to carry out all necessary repairs to the premises.

(3) That he inspected the rear of premises occupied by Hugh Sweeney, James Sweeney, George Boyle, and Mrs Devine Main Street Letterkenny and found an accumulation of refuse which is causing a nuisance and certainly prejudicial to the health of the community and he recommended that the owner be approached with a view to having the refuse removed. He also recommended that a decent lavatory be substituted for the unseemly midden in the same situation.

Ordered that notices be served on the owners of the premises Mrs Catherine Mulligan & Kenny, and Mr. Tom Colhoun Edmondson, and one month allowed to have the accumulation of refuse removed.

It appearing to the Council on the foregoing report and from the Report of the Sub Sanitary Officer that the dwelling house occupied by Hugh Sweeney Main Street Owner Mrs Catherine Mulligan is without sufficient water closet accommodation it is ordered that notice be served upon the owner requiring the provision for said house within the space of one month a sufficient water closet. Further ordered that if the notice is not complied with within the time mentioned the Council will at the expiration of such time do the work required to be done and recover the expenses incurred in so doing in the manner provided by the Public Health (Ireland) Act. 1878.

(4) That he inspected the Slaughter House and Yard at Castle St occupied by Joseph Ruane he did not find cause on the occasion to complain of the condition of the Slaughter house but there was a pile of manure in the yard dangerous to health by reason of close proximity to the abattoir as well as to the house and he recommended that the latter matter be for the present left in abeyance as one of the owners promised to have it removed.

No Order accordingly made by the Council

The Medical Officer of Health reported (1) That the Sanitary Sub Officer carefully inspects the District with the view of discovering nuisances and that he reports such nuisances when necessary. (2) That during the past quarter he made 4 reports to him. (3) That the District is in good sanitary condition (4) That there is no infectious disease in the District.

The Report was considered highly satisfactory.

The Sanitary Sub Officer reported:- That Robert Dobson Main St and Mary Doherty Rossmount had complied with the requirements of the Sanitary Notices served on them.

The Record of Work performed by the Sanitary Sub Officer since date of last meeting was submitted and examined by which it appeared that he had visited and inspected 60 houses & yards and premises. He reported the existence of the following nuisances (1) Adit at premises occupied by Mr Mc Cance at Mr Clure Terrace (David Kelly owner) (2) Pile of bones at premises occupied by John Hanlon church Lane. (3) Pile of refuse in yard of house occupied by Allan Brown. Dirt or manure in old vacant house at Main Street (Owner Miss Rose Diver Blenavrock)

Ordered that notices be served on the respective parties and 7 days allowed to abate the nuisances.

The Inspector of Barns & Dairies reported having inspected 23 Barns within the Urban District and found the state of the Cow Sheds and Yards clean.

The Gas Manager reported that as regards the suggested linkage on College Road &c. he carefully examined same both in day light and in the late evening and found all in order. That the majority of the Lamp heads had been taken down in accordance with the directions of the Lighting Committee. The three extra lamps ordered at last meeting had been put in lighting - A cargo of Coal will have to be immediately ordered. That there is some old scrap metal on hands he would like disposed of. That Mr Skinner Gas Manager Derry had given him instructions as to the Station Meter which instructions he had carried out but still with no satisfactory result and he was awaiting Mr Skinner's return.

The Gas Manager's Collection Account was submitted examined and showed arrears of quarters prior to 31st December 1919 amounting to £ 70. 12. 1. outstanding.

Ordered that the supply to the Literary Institute Billiard Room be cut off the total amount due to 31st December 1919 being £ 7. 6. 2. The Gas Manager was directed to again call on Mr McCarry for payment of his Gas Bill amounting to £ 38. 10. 2.

The Water Manager reported:- That since date of last meeting of the Finance Committee he had completed the scrapping of the Lough Salt Main from the Blue Hill Reservoir to the reservoir at Carnaneggagh. There was a very heavy deposit removed which should increase the supply from the Lough. He recommended that the pipeline from the Well at Lough Salt to the Reservoir at Carnaneggagh should be scrapped. the second run through from the Blue Hill would be useful. There was a burst pipe on the main between Campbells at Lester and Glassagh river this burst was made good. That there had been a number of stoppages in the water supply to houses in the town caused by frogs in the pipes. He had cleared a number of these stoppages and was engaged at other. That he had turned off the water from cattle drinking trough at Mr Clure Terrace as the defect there had not been repaired by the owner. The last communication pipe to Mr Laughlin's premises had been made good.

That the water at Carnaneggagh Reservoir stands at 6' 6" the drop in storage is accounted for by the 4 days constant scrapping of the main.

That the inflow from the pipe has been somewhat increased as the result of the scrapping but the full benefit will not be obtained until the Scour Valves have all been opened along the entire line. Glenar Reservoir is within 6 inches of the overflow.

Read letter from Dr. Moore, R.A.S. Asylum dated 29th February 1920 Relative to Water Supply and storage in the reservoir in Carnaneggagh and asking that the Town be supplied from Glencar.

The Chairman stated that he had been up at the Reservoir at Carnaneggagh and found that any water supplying the Town from the new reservoir got into the pipe through a hole made below the floating nose. and this accounted for the presence of frogs in the pipe. - The Water Manager was questioned as to this but no information on the subject was solicited - Messrs Robinson and Davids's attention to

be called to the defect when making their inspection.

From Messrs Robinson & Davidson Civil Engineers dated 28th February 1920 that they could attend on Thursday 9th March to make inspection.

The Chairman Councillor Speer, The Town Clerk and Water Manager were appointed to accompany the Engineers to Sough Salt for inspection of the works.

Read correspondence with Messrs James McElwane & Co. Edinburgh with reference to rebate of 10/- per ton for coal supplied in January and agreeing that the council are entitled to such reduction on such proportion as was used for domestic or household purposes in accordance with class (5) of the Coal (Pitsmouth) Prices Order and Direction dated 29th November 1919.

The Town Clerk stated he had made a deduction of £39-10/- off the account for coal supplied 6th January 1920.

From Hugh Doherty Lavae Supplies of lime to the Council's Gasworks, for an increase in the price of lime owing to the large advance in transport and price of coal.

Ordered that Indentures be invited from Hugh Doherty, J. F. McCann and Robert Hunter for burnt lime stone per ton delivered into the Council's Gasworks.

Indentures to be considered at next monthly meeting of the Council.

The Rate Collector Mr. Neil Lown submitted Schedule of uncollected rates for the half year ending 31st March 1920, on Vacant Houses and claimed repayment from the Council of same under Article 92 of the Public Bodies Order 1904 Amount £29. 1. 11.

The Council recommended that the amount £29. 1. 11. be struck off as unrecoverable and refunded to the Collector. The Schedule with unissued receipts to be forwarded to the Local Government Board with Council's recommendation for the ruling of the Local Government Board.

The Statement of the Rent Collectors Account was submitted and considered as fairly satisfactory. The Town Clerk was instructed to write Charles Strain No 6 Rosemount Terrace and Ellen Doherty No 5 McClure's Terrace, requiring them to pay the arrears of rent due by them for in default, that proceedings will be taken against them by the Council.

Housing Minutes

Housing Committee Report.

The Committee (Councillors John McDonald, Patrick O'Donnell, and John Doherty) met on Wednesday 1st May 1920 and considered the Report of Mr. Strahan Local Government Inspector on his inspection of the sites provisionally selected for the Council's Housing Scheme conveyed to the Council in the Board's letter No 49793 of the 8th October last. The only site provisionally selected by the Council recommended by the Inspector as suitable for erection of houses was No 6 and 6A Back Road Comprising 3 Acre 2 Rods 21 Perches (Carries Mary Ramsay Ballyraine) and with this recommendation the Committee concurred. They adopted the suggestion of the Inspector that a suitable site is to be found on the New Line Road on a plot of .2. 818 Acres in the occupation of Mr. Tom Anderson. One each of the sites 25 houses can be built and the Committee recommend the Council to definitely approve of the sites for the present scheme. Beyond approving of the sites the Committee regret they can not see their way to recommend the Council to do anything to further advance the scheme until such time as the financial provisions of the Housing Act are improved - the carrying out of a housing scheme in the District on the financial terms put forward by the government could have only one result - i.e. Bankruptcy.

The Report was adopted save as to the sites at Back Road No 6 and 6A.

The following letters were read

From the Local Government Board

No H. 501/310/1920 Mis dated 10 February 1920 forwarding copy of an Order in Council made on the 2nd February 1920. Adopting the provisions of section 6. of the Labourers (Ireland) Act 1906, for the purposes of the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Acts 1890 to 1919. This Order supersedes the Order in Council of the 26th May 1909.

Nott 501/ 367/ 1920 dated 26th February 1920.

Advertising to their circular letter of the 22nd January last - Nott 501/118 1920 (bis) enclosing copies of the Conditions governing Grants to be made under the Housing (Additional Powers) Act. 1919 to private persons who construct houses in Municipal areas and stating that representations have been made to the Board that the condition that houses shall be set back not less than 30 feet from the centre of the street may occasionally result in undue hardship and that the Board are prepared to waive this condition in certain cases on the representation of the local authority.

From the Glens Urban District Council dated 20th February 1920
Forwarding the following Resolution which was unanimously adopted by them on the 16th February last-

"That we hereby defer any further consideration of the Housing Scheme until the Government increase the subsidy and make the Act generally workable and that this Resolution be forwarded to the different Urban Councils for adoption."

The Resolution unanimously adopted by the Council

From 12 Tenants of the Working Class Lodging Houses at Ballymacool Terrace. stating that they agree to occupy their Gardens dated 1st March 1920.

Ordered that the Council meet in Committee on Tuesday evening the 2nd March 1920 at 7 O'clock to meet all the Tenants of Ballymacool Terrace and discuss with them the taking over by the Council of the gardens and the letting of the entire field for the season commencing

Next Monthly Meeting of the Council to be held on Monday the 5th day of April 1920

Charles Kelly

Chairman

H. J. McKinney
Treasurer

Peter Kennedy Urban District Council

No of members on the Council 9.

No of Members present 8.

Minutes of proceedings at Meeting of the Council held on Monday 5th day of April 1920

In the Chair Charles Kelly H.P.

Other members present:

Wm. Murphy, McKinney H.P.

John P. Speer H.P.

William Gallagher

John Curran

Wm. Boyle

John Doherty

Patrick O'Donnell

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and signed

On the Report and recommendation of the Finance Committee the following Bills were ordered to be paid

General account

No	Name	Price	Amount	Rs
1	John Doherty	Down Clerk &	17 10	.
2	Dept Purchaser	Postman	2. .	.
3	Patrick Dawson	Down Surveyor	3 16 11	.
4	Patrick Mcgranahan	Post Office	4. .	.
5	James Gallagher	Water Manager	5. .	.
6	John Dunphy	Catharine Laughlin	1 10.	.
7	Mary Wilson	Oven Rees	1 10.	.
8	Kieran O'Farrell	Constance Donleavy	1. .	.
9	John Doherty	Subs for Posts	39 15 74	.
		Treasurer	76 2 3	.

General Account Contained

No	Name	Debit	Amount	Rks
10	Bank of Ireland	Toward	76 2 3	
11	Bank of Ireland	Interest P/I Loans	114 2 3	
12	The Belfast Banking Co Ltd	do	165 10 2	
13	Peterson & Turner	do	9 14 -	
14	Neil Done	Washes	16 6	
15	Neil Done	Amencolls Rate	29 1 11	
16	Neil Done	Fees but called	10 17 8	
16	Neil Done	Salary Rate Sat collection	3 .	
		Total	409 4 9	

Gasworks Account

1	Amherst & Son Ltd	Gasworks	25 -	
2	John Darrow	Somelton (Gasworks Dept)	3 15 -	
3	Amherst & Son Ltd	Postage	13 11	
4	John Darrow	Public part	27 - 8	
5	Bank of Ireland	Interest P/I Loans	87 16 -	
6	Belfast Banking Co Ltd	do	10 10 6	
7	Amherst & Son Ltd	Fees Gas Collection	13 8 9	
8	Conway Warren Co Ltd	Bans	3 12 0	
		Total	171 16 10	

The following Letters &c were read:

From the Local Government Board.

No 34/1920 dated 1st March 1920 Forwarding copies of Order made by the Board in pursuance of the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1919, constituting the Urban District of Sackenry a Poor Law Electoral Area, for the election of Guardians and assigning 3 members thereto.

No 10545/1920 Miss Circular Letter Local Authorities dated 4th March 1920 Forwarding copy of the new Scale of Bonuses Authorised for permanent level rewards as from 1st November 1919.

No 54042/1919 dated 12th March 1920 Stating that they have approved of the permanent appointment of Mr. Neil Done as Poor Rate Collector in Sackenry Urban District

No 21617/1920 Returning lists of areas of rats in the Urban District for the period ending 31st March 1920, with the Rulings of the Board stamped thereon. Amount £ 29 11 - 11. to be refunded to the collector.

Letter dated 25th March 1920 Transmitting Order for payment of £ 7:0:6 being the second instalment payable to the Urban District Council as a Road Authority in respect of State and Death Duty Grant for the year ending 31st March next.

From the Commissioners of Valuation No 16495 dated 1st April, 1920. Asking that any appeals received against the Revenue Valuation Lists issued on the 1st March last may be forwarded.

No appeals received

From the Coal Controller Board of Trade (Coal Mines Department) Dublin No P.-96/19 dated 5th March 1920 Refining of Retail Coal prices in the Urban District of Sackenry. That he had considered the matter very carefully and had gone into details and that it will be quite in order to fix the prices as mentioned in the Government Letter on the 24th February last.

The question of grading the coal, having been raised it was on the motion of Councillor John P. Speer, seconded by Councillor Tom Boyle, agreed to refer back to the Committee already appointed the whole question of fixing the maximum retail price of coal for the District including that of grading the coal.

Correspondence with Messrs. James McElvie & Co., Edinburgh as to cargo of coal for gas works and accepting their offer of a

Parcel of Limestone Gas Coal. 1²⁰/180 tons at 6/- per ton delivered free to the Council's Gasworks Letterkenny.

From the County Donegal Railways Joint Committee Correspondence as to gas supply. The Lower Clerk reported that he had quoted @ the rate of 8/- per gallon delivered at the Gasworks barrels to be supplied by the Company and that the quotation had been accepted.

The Council ratified the same.

From Messrs Alder & Mackay, Edinburgh quoting for a gas testing meter as described at £9. delivered at Letterkenny. The Council deferred consideration of the tender until receipt of a quotation from Messrs. Thorne & Sons, Ltd who had also been asked to submit prices.

From Messrs. W & A. Avey, Ltd Belfast submitting prices of Coal weighing Machines.

The machines quoted however were not the kind required by the Council and it was decided to ask quotations for a Platform Weighbridge.

From Sir R. N. Anderson, Londonderry dated 31st March 1920.
Re gas supply to his new factory at Letterkenny. That this matter gave him the greatest possible concern before he purchased the premises. That the price quoted 25/- per 1000 was excessive that it was impossible for him to entertain using it for power or lighting purposes. That he had decided at the outset to instal an oil engine with a dynamo so that he could produce electricity for both lighting and power. This of course will not at the outset be an expensive plant and if later the Council can supply power and light at a reasonable rate he should be very glad to reconsider the whole matter. He asked if it will be possible for him to have a constant supply of water as this would be a very serious matter from a sanitary stand point and it was possible

he may require it for steam and other uses as well.

It was decided to ask Sir Robert Anderson what price he would consider reasonable for gas both for power and light. As regards the water supply the Council await the Report of Messrs. Robinson and Davidson Engineers before giving a definite reply.

From the Secretary of the Donegal County Council No 273 dated 4th March 1920. Forwarding Statement showing the amount which will be demanded from the Urban Council for the service of the Finance year ending 31st March 1921 Viz.

Bounty charges	£ 9 7 2 - 7 - 5
Union charges	5 6 2 . 1 3 : 1
Separate charges Viz.	
Letterkenny Railway	£ 5 8 . 9 : 8 .
Malicious Injury	1 4 . 1 2 : 4 .
Malicious Injury	4 : 9 . 1 £ 8 1 . 1 : 4 .
	£ 1 6 1 6 . 1 : 1 0 .

From Mr R. F. Skinner Manager Londonderry Gas Light Company Londonderry dated 30th March 1920

Report.

That in accordance with arrangements previously made he paid a visit of inspection to the Council's Gasworks. As a result he had to inform the Council that so far as the Works themselves are concerned considering their size there seems to be very little seriously wrong to justify the present high price of gas. (25/- per 1000.) They could of course be improved in order to cheaper production say by introducing an exhaust putting on negative furnaces new purifiers &c. but that would of course entail a considerable expenditure and would also take a considerable time. The Station meter is out of gear and should be put in order at once otherwise what check have the Council got upon their production per ton of coal carbonised and the total quantity of gas produced. That could of course for a short time be ascertained by means of the gas holders but would be a tedious process. It could

also be ascertained by the amount of coal used if the Council had any idea what make could be got from that particular coal. but even that was unsatisfactory - The remedy was put upon station meters in order at once. There was another matter in connection with the works. there did not appear to be any weighbridge for weighing every charge and recording same in a barbonising book. This weighbridge should be obtained without delay as otherwise there are no means of checking the quantity being put into the retorts and without weighing the charges the station meter was practically useless even when working correctly. That the weighbridge was most important if there was to be any check upon production per ton from day to day (Get it) That a considerable quantity of tar was allowed to drain into the river for want of storage accommodation this was surely a great mistake when tar can be sold for 10/- per gallon why not get in a good supply of barrels for winter use. They would be better than nothing. He strongly advised the purchase of a second hand tank an old boiler would serve the purpose. That another thing to remember it pays to get and use the highest class of gas coal obtainable the same railway rate same freight carriage and handling has to be paid on poor stuff as on the best. It would pay to try and obtain better coal if possible. That in all probability some of the consumers' meters are not reading correctly. He suggested that a small testing meter be got and the meters tested one by one. This meter could be had possibly for £6 or £7. There was the question of mains as to their tightness. He had already arranged for these to be tested for leakage (approximately) by means of the gas holders. - That the price of coke is ridiculously low. That the council were making the consumers of gas pay for the benefit of the coke consumers. The price should be immediately raised to £3.10 per ton at least.

That on looking into the statement of accounts for 1918/1919 there is something seriously wrong. The council appears to have lost more gas than they have actually been paid for per consumer.

Meters allowing the moderate production of 9500 cubic feet per ton from the coal used 5,462,000 c.f. would have been made and judging from the price alone as he had not the actual quantity sold or accounted for. the council had been paid for 2,467,700 c.f. Where is the balance? Reducing it down to money value there are 3,000,000 c.f. unaccounted for @ 4/- per 1000. which is £1450. where is it?

Then there is the quantity of coke for sale. there appears to have been sold only 6 cwt per ton of coal. With the coal used there should be sold at least 8 cwt's this in itself amounts to about a loss of 57 tons in the year which if sold @ £3-10. would realise £199. He thought a considerable loss was due to the furnaces owing to the necessity of having to hang fire or retarding production. This would be improved by improving consumption in order to keep one half of retorts fully employed and the way to do this was at once to reduce the price per 1000 to the consumer - That he would communicate further in reference to the statement of account.

The Report having been considered - It was decided that the recommendations of Mr. Skinner as to having the station meters put in order at once be carried out. That each charge of coal is to be weighed and recorded in a barbonising book. The Council had already ordered the provision of barrels for storing tar and a supply of barrels had been obtained. That a testing meter be provided and all the consumers' meters tested - That the Gas manager have the mains tested for leakages as directed by Mr. Skinner. It was decided to advance the price of coke to 4/- per ton. That an advertisement be issued for the sale by the Council of the coke in bulk to be all retailed by the contractors to residents in the Urban District at a price not exceeding 70/- per ton and that proposals for same to be considered at next Monthly Meeting of the Council. The Council on the advice and recommendation of their Gas Manager Dr. Mitchell who stated he balanced and could make the Works pay with gas sold at the rate of 17/6 per 1000 for lighting purposes fixed the price of gas @ 17/6 per 1000 c.f. for lighting purposes as from the

1st day of April 1920. and at the rate of 12/- per 1000 C.F. for power or Industrial purposes from same date.

Read correspondence with Messrs Robinson & Davidson Engineers as to their inspection of the Rough Salt and Glencar Water mains and stating that they propose to test the Rough Salt pipe line for leakages and also measure the discharge from the pipes. That they hoped to get up shortly after the Easter holidays for this purpose.

From Messrs Robinson & Davidson dated 1st April 1920 Stating that their fee for visiting, inspecting and reporting upon the condition of the streets in Sette Kenna and of making out an estimate of the approximate cost of carrying out whatever they considered necessary would be five guineas.

The Council agreed to engage Messrs Robinson & Davidson for the work. Stated and pay therefor the fee asked viz £5:5

From the Howay Woollen Co Ltd Correspondence as to supply Oil barrels and offering to supply same @ 6/- each p.c.i. at Loughor.

The Town Clerk stated that he had accepted the offer which the Council ratified.

Proposals for Scrap Metal at the Gasworks were considered that of Mr David Wallace Foundry Sette Kenna offering £3-10. per ton for same at the Gasworks being the highest was accepted.

In reply to advertisement offering Gasoline for sale for the period ending 31st March 1921 only one tender was received that of Mr John L. Pees Mallynafad who offered 6/- per ton. The Council accepted the proposal.

Tenders for the supply of lime to the Gasworks were submitted and considered. The tenders of Hugh Doherty Lavan

to supply lime as usual @ 1/- per barrel being the lowest was accepted the Council being of opinion that per barrel meant per cart weight to be ascertained at Wm Bamfouldons Weighbridge and payment made accordingly.

Ordered that the Notice of Surrender of Tenancy of Dumping ground rented by the Council from Mr John Gallagher be served upon him so as to determine the tenancy on the 1st day of November 1920.

The Town Clerk submitted Copy of certificate forwarded by him to the Secretary of the Donegal County Council and the County Surveyor showing the amount suspended by the Urban Council in the Main-Kane tenance of the Main Roads within the Urban County District for the financial year ended 31st March 1920. Amount £398: 1:2. and stated that he had claimed payment of half this sum viz £199: 3:4 from the County Council.

The Council referred to the Chairman Councillor Wm Boyle and Councillor J. McNamee the drawing up of a list of districts (other than those prescribed by the Local Government Board) to be performed by the person who may be appointed to the office of Urban District Surveyor now vacant.

Councillor John P. Spear did not move the Resolution of which he had given notice at last Monthly Meeting of his intention to do in Order altering the hour at which the Statutory meetings of the Council are held and stating that he had changed his mind on the subject.

Councillor Wm Boyle gave notice:- That at the monthly meeting of the Council to be held on Monday 3rd day of May 1920 at the hour of 12 O'clock noon he will move the following Resolution. That we the Sette Kenna Urban District Council request the Local Government Board notwithstanding anything

in Section 27 of the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1854 to make an Order altering the hour from 12 o'clock noon. to 10 o'clock pm at which the statutory monthly meeting of the Letterkenny Urban District Council may be held and we make this request in pursuance of the provisions of Section 14. of the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1902.

The Town Clerk to give notice of the following extraordinary business to each of the Councillors in the manner prescribed by section 143 & 144 of the Commissioners Clauses Act 1847.

The Medical Officer of Health reported that he had visited the yard at rear of the houses occupied by Edward McCarron, James Barry and John Duffy and found the yard contain an accumulation of refuse which is very near the houses and he recommended that the yard be cleaned immediately.

Notices to be served on the occupiers and 7 days allowed to have the recommendations of the Medical Officer of Health carried out.

The Sanitary Sub Officer reported that Mr. Wm. Colman, Mrs. Cath Mulhern Owner and Messrs Hugh Sweeney, James Queney, George Boyce and Mrs. Bridget Devine Occupiers had not complied with the requirements of the Sanitary notices served on them requiring the removal of an accumulation of refuse.

Ordered that the Occupiers be written to that unless the notes are complied with within 7 days, summonses to the Petty Sessions will be issued against them.

The Sanitary Sub Officer reported that Mrs. Cath Mulhern Owner had not complied with the requirement of the Sanitary Notice served on her respecting the repairs of dwelling house and premises occupied by Hugh Sweeney.

Ordered that the Owner be written to that unless the Works specified in the Notice are commenced within 7 days a summons for her

default will be taken out against her.

The Sanitary Sub Officer reported that Mrs. Cath Mulhern reported that Mrs. Cath Mulhern had not complied with the Notice served on her requiring Water closet accommodation to be provided for premises owned by her and occupied by Hugh Sweeney.

Ordered that the Owner be written to that unless the Works are commenced within 7 days the Council will proceed to carry out same in the manner set forth in the notice.

The Sanitary Sub Officer reported that Mrs. Peoples, Tullygarry, Mr. Dan Kelly, and Mr. Tom McConnell had complied with the Sanitary Notices served on them. He also reported that John Hanlon Church Lane and Miss Rose Diver Blawrock had partially complied with the Notice served on them. In Hanlons case the manure in yard complained of would be removed in a few days and in Miss Divers case there was now no offensive smell.

The Record of Work performed by the Sanitary Sub Officer since date of last meeting was submitted and showed that 10 Orders to abate nuisances had been served and 50 houses and yards inspected.

The Gas Manager reported that another working year had closed and for a considerable period it was anything but comfortable. During the month of November there was no coal in stock and supplies had to be got locally. Had he had decent coal he could have done with from 100 to 150 tons less. The cargo just arrived although very fine and blacky, is superior to the majority of last season's supplies. If all the ensuing year's supply is of the same quality he was sure of a good year's return. His requirements were 40 Barrels and the usual brick clay &c.

The Gas Manager's Collection account was submitted examined and showed arrears of quarters prior to the 31st day of March 1920, outstanding amounting to £ 40: 9. 11.

The following sums were written off as Bad Debts being arrears in prepayment meters:-

No 72 Jane McFioarty £ 3: 13: 6	For £ 5: 18: 11
108 Thos Rooney 1: 2: 4 13s/1d due & owing	5: 1
133 Mary A Bradley 1: 3: 1 145 Jane Murphy 4: 9s	
Total £ 5: 18: 11	Total £ 6: 8: 2

The Water Manager reported that the Asylum Reservoir was this day overflowing into the Town Reservoir and has been so for the last 4 days. The overflow was small. If necessary was within 12 inches of the overflow. All leakages since date of last meeting had been made good with one exception viz. Main Valve on Kilmacrennan Road which requires packing and this would be attended to. There was also a leak in Mrs Harris' Communication pipe to be attended to and notice had been given to Mrs Harris to have the pipe repaired.

The Water Tax Collector reported that Mr. Robert McClure and Mrs Mulhern had refused to pay their Tax. He was directed to have the tax collected.

The Rent Collector's account was submitted examined and showed arrears of Rent amounting to £ 33: 18: outstanding on the 31st day of March last.

The council proceeded to fill the vacancy on the Local Government Technical Instruction Committee through the non-acceptance of Office of Dr. Garey as a representative of the Urban District Council on the Committee. On the motion of Councillor John Curran seconded by Councillor Tom Boyle the council unanimously appointed Mr. Joseph P. McQuiley to fill the vacancy.

The council considered the applications of the Gas Workers and Surfacemen for increase of wages. It was unanimously agreed that the wages be at the following rates and to be retrospective from the 1st Feby. 1920. Viz Gas Stokers 40/- a week each. Surfacemen - James Gerard for man 35/- a week. Bernard Bramptie and Michael Bradley 31/- a week each.

It was ordered that the foreman Surfacemen be directed to attend the monthly meeting of the council.

The Town Clerk submitted an estimate of Rates required for the financial year ending 31st March 1921 by which it appeared that the following poundage rates would be required:

<u>Poor Rate</u>	S. d
In respect of County charges	4: 1 in the
" Union charges	2: 4
Separate charge	
(1) Letterkenny Railway	1: 3
(2) Malicious Injury	0 3 4
(3) Malicious Injury	0 1 4
(4) Strabane & Kenry Rail	3
Total Poor Rate	7: 0 /

<u>Town Rates</u>	S. d
Under the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898.	1: 9
Municipal Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.	4
Public Health (Ireland) Act 1878	3: 4
Burial Grants Act	D 1
Total consolidated Town Rate	5/ 6

The estimate was unanimously adopted.

Ordered that the Rate Book be ready for signing and sealing at a special meeting of the council to be held on Monday the 26th day of April 1920. The Rate to be payable in two half yearly sums. One payable on the making of the Rates and the other payable on the 1st day of October 1920.

On the Motion of Councillor William Boyle the following Resolution was unanimously passed:-

Resolved:- That we the Urban District Council of Little Renmy condemn with horror the cruel and cowardly murder of Cork's Lord Mayor, and tender our sincere sympathy with the Lady Mayorress. Relatives and People of Cork generally over the loss all have sustained through this brutal crime.

Housing Minutes

The following letters were read

From the Local Government Board.

No 362/14/1920 dated 24th March 1920 Relative to resolution of the Council on the 1st Feb adopting the Report of the Committee on the sites selected for the scheme of the Council under the Housing of the Working Classes Act's and requesting that they may be furnished with layout plans of the sites which should be prepared by the architect to be appointed by the Council in accordance with the terms of the Board's Order of the 5th November last (110 500.89/1919). The Council should also at once enter into negotiations for the purchase of the lands required and failing early agreement commence proceedings for the compulsory acquisition. In the meantime requesting that the Council will furnish them with a statement of the particulars on which they base their anticipation that the carrying out of a housing scheme will impose an undue burden on the financial resources of the district.

No action taken in accordance with the decision come to at meeting held on the 1st March last

No 4 501/340/1920 dated 19th March 1920

Relative to the acquisition of lands proposed to be acquired by local authorities for the purpose of Housing Schemes and stating that arrangements have now been made with the Commissioners of Valuation under which Official Valuers will give opinions with

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 &.

No H 501/449/1920 dated 24th March 1920. Housing the Working Classes - Note for information of Local Authorities and their Architects. Lay out site &c.

From the Royal Insurance Co Ltd dated 2nd March 1920 Forwarding Protection Note increasing Insurance by 100% on House Property covered by Policies No. 11769239 and 11768023 and asking the enclosed undertaking clause to be completed in connection with reduced Premiums for a five years Insurance.

Form to be completed and returned

From the Prudential Assurance Co Ltd dated 2nd March 1920 Forwarding Protection Note increasing insurance by 100% on House Property covered by Policies Nos 08922. 209545 10257450.

From Mr. S. Gallagher Grumbogue dated 1st April 1920 Offering to sell to the Council her house property at Rosemount consisting of 6 good houses with garden attached for the sum of £600.

No action taken

The Committee appointed to meet the Tenants of Ballymacool Terrace Cottage reported having met on the 4th March 1920. That a number of the Tenants attended the meeting but the Committee failed to get the Tenants to unanimously agree to the Council letting over the entire place for the year's cropping - the project was then for dropped.

The following Resolution forwarded by Mr. T. Dineen - Gipperey was unanimously adopted:-

That we demand an adequate subsidy based on the Capital

Expenditure to enable the re-housing of occupants of dwellings condemned as unfit for human habitation."

"That we adopt the proposal in this regard as presented at Local Inquiry held at Barretts on 2nd February."

Next monthly meeting of the Council to be held on Monday the 3rd day of May 1920.

Charles Kelly

Chairman

J. J. Donelan
Donegal Co.

LettarKenny Urban District Council

No of members on the Council 9
No of members present 6.

Special meeting

Minutes of Proceedings at Special Meeting of the Council held on Monday the 26th day of April 1920.

In the chair Charles Kelly Esq. JP.

Other Members present:

Messrs Wm Boyle.

Tom Gallagher.

John Curran.

Helen P Speer. JP.

Wm E. McNamee. JP.

The Town Clerk read the Notice convening the Special Meeting of the Council for the transaction of the following business

Rate for financial year ending 31st March 1921

The Town Clerk submitted the Rate Book for the year ending 31st day of March 1921 duly appledated and certified by him. The Rate Book was sealed with the common Seal of the Council and signed as required.

Notice of Poor Rate and Town Rates having been made to be forthwith published.

Charles Kelly Chairman

J. J. Donelan
Donegal Co.

Lutterkenny Urban District Council

No of Members on the Council 9
No of members present 9

Minutes of proceedings at Meeting held on Monday the 3rd day of May 1920.

In the Chair Charles Kelly Esq M.P.

Other members present:-

Mrs Patrick O'Donnell
Edward McVaid
Tom Gallagher
Tom Doyle.
John Curran
John Doherty
John P. Speer
Wm J. McNamee

The Minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

On the report and recommendation of the Finance Committee the following Bills were ordered to be paid.

General Account-

No	Name.	Service	Amount	Rks.
17	John G. Larkins	Sub. of payments	39 15 11	
18	James Dungan	9 yrs Rent - Quarry.	4 0 0	
19	Loco Donegal Printing Co. Ltd	Printing	4 17 6	
20	Post Master General.	Telephone Service	6 16 4	
21	Patrick Doherty jun.	Car Hire	7 12 0	
22	Neal Tones.	1/2 premium Fidelity Bond.	1 11 3	
	Total		£ 64 13 0	

Gas Works Account-

No	Name.	Service	Amount - Rks.
9.	John G. Larkins	Sub. of. payts	32 9 10
10	Harvey Woollen Co Ltd	Barrels.	10 16 0
11	Loco Donegal. Plg Co Ltd	Printing	5 0.
12.	R. A. Baird.	Bags.	15 0.
13	Joseph Burns.	do.	6 0
14	John Ward	do.	4 6
		Total £	114 16 4.

The following letters te were read.

From the Local Government Board.

No 41 M. / 1920 Mis dated 7th April 1920. Requesting to be furnished with a return of the names, &c. of the officers employed by the Urban District Council as indicated in the forms enclosed. Return to be forwarded.

No P. R. 53/1920 dated 8th April 1920. Forwarding copy of an Order made by the Board. "the Local Elections (P.R.Y) Order 1920" which is to be construed as one with the Local Elections (P.R.Y) Order 1919.

Letter dated 16th April 1920. Transmitting Order for payment of the sum of £ 3. 16. 6 being the balance. in respect of the amounts which were paid as salaries to the Sanitary Officers of the Urban District for the year ended 30th September last. Amount lodged to the credit of the Council.

No 59 M. 1920. dated 8th April 1920. Requesting to be furnished with a Return showing the total numbers of persons registered in the District on the 31st March 1920. as (1) Cowkeepers (2) Purveyors of milk in pursuance of the Dennis Cowsheds and Milk

shops(Ireland) Order of 1908.

Returns forwarded.

From the Donegal County Council No 420, dated 15th April 1920
Forwarding Annual Estimate and Demand on the Urban
Council in respect of the Financial Year ending 31st March 1921
Amount demanded £ 1616; 1:10

From the Strabane and Letterkenny Railway Company dated
8th April 1920. Agreeing to allow the council to use a portion
of their premises along the Ramelton Road as a Dumping ground
for street refuse &c. at a place to be pointed out by their Agent
Mr. Patton. It being understood that the Council will not break
down the Company's fences, and that objectionable matter will
not be dumped.

The Town Clerk submitted "Notice to Quit" served on Mr. John
Gallagher that the Council intend on 1st day of November next
to quit and deliver up possession of the Dumping ground at
Letterkenny in respect of which they are now his tenant.

From Messrs James McElveen & Co. Edinburgh dated 16th April 1920
Inclosing Invoice for Cargo of Coal shipped 27th March 1920
per £/s.

The Water Tax Collector reported that all the Tax had been
paid with the exception of Mrs. Boyd's amounting to 1/- and
Mrs. Mulhern's that the latter refuses to pay on the grounds
that she has not sufficient Water for her requirements.

Ordered that the Town Clerk write Mrs. Mulhern for
payment of the amount due.

From Mr. James Wilkinson dated 2nd April 1920 applying
for a supply of water to his field at New lime Road.

The consideration of the application was adjourned till next
Monthly Meeting.

Order from the Great Northern Railway Co. dated 20th April
1920. for 1600 Gallons of Gas.

The Town Clerk reported that the Gas had been supplied
and account furnished for same. @ 10/- per gallon. Freight to
Stranorlar and barrels extra amount £ 21. 17. 2.

Lough Salt Water Supply.

From Messrs. Robinson and Davidson Civil Engineers dated 30th
April 1920. That acting on instructions received on the 26th
February 1920. they had visited Letterkenny and carefully ex-
amined the pipe line from Lough Salt to the Reservoir at Cam-
mingsagh.

The amount of water which the pipe if perfectly new is capable
of delivering at the Reservoir is 190,000. gallons per 24 hours. They tested
the pipes for leakages and found that there were none of any consequence.
As no proper measuring wells or meters have been provided at Lough
Salt or the Reservoir it is not possible to accurately ascertain the
amount of water passing through the main but as far as they could
ascertain from measurements they took the amount of water entering the
main at Lough Salt and the quantity discharged into the
Reservoir were practically the same. the discharge being at the rate
of 150,000. gallons per 24 hours or 40,000 gallons less than a
perfectly new pipe would yield. This they considered is due to the
incrustation of the pipes as they could not discover that the pipe
was being air locked or blocked at any point. The incrustation will
always occur although it can be kept within bounds by periodically
scrapping. They did not consider that the three $\frac{1}{2}$ " branches taken
off about Kilmacrennan materially affect the discharge into the
Reservoir.

As to the amount of water which ought to be used taking the

population of the Asylum at 800, and that of the Town at 2500, and allowing 50 gallons per head per day for the former and 20 for the latter this gives a total of 90,000 gallons per 24 hours or 60,000 less than is actually discharging into the Reservoir from the Lough Salt Main.

The conclusion they had arrived at is that there is a great waste of water after it is delivered into the Reservoir as there is enough water entering it from the Lough Salt Main to supply at the rates before stated 5,500 people in addition to 800 in the Asylum.

With regard to the Main from Lough Salt they recommended:-

- 1st proper measuring Wells or Meters be put on pipe line at Lough Salt and at the inlet and outlet of the Reservoir to check the quantity of water passing through the pipes.
- 2nd That New Meters be placed on all branch pipes of the main
- 3rd That the pipes be scraped under proper supervision once every five years.
- 4th That once every month all scour Valves should be opened for half five minutes and all air Valves and meters examined and records of readings of meter taken.

The Council having considered the Report regarded same as disappointing and it was unanimously agreed to request Mr. J. H. Irving, M.I.C.E. Belfast to state his terms for an Inspection and Report on the Council's Water Supply from Lough Salt.

From Mr. J. F. Gallagher Machine Works dated 3rd May 1920.
Asking for a reduction on the price of gas used by him for power.

The Council directed Mr. Gallagher to be informed that they cannot accede to his request.

Read correspondence with Messrs James Milne & Sons, Ltd Edinburgh and Messrs Alder and Mackay, Ltd as to gas test meters.

The Council decided to Order from Messrs James Milne & Sons £100 1 hundred. Test Meters - 5 light.

The Record of Work performed by the Sanitary Sub Officer since date of last Monthly Meeting of the Council was submitted examined and showed that 30 houses spaces and premises had been inspected and no nuisances found to exist.

The Sanitary Sub Officer reported that the following parties had complied with the requirements of the Sanitary Notices served on them viz: Daniel Diver Main Street and Allan soon Main Street.

The Sanitary Sub Officer reported that the following parties had not complied with the Sanitary Notices served on them viz.: Edward McCarron, Cornmarket Harbour, and John Duffy.

Ordered that unless the terms of the Notices are complied with within 7 days that the parties be summoned to Petty Sessions.

The Sanitary Sub Officer reported that Mr. W. A. Flattery, agent for Mrs. Tunney had carried out some works in connection with the burst River pipe in respect of which notice had been served on him but that the requirements of the Notice had not been satisfactorily complied with.

Ordered that Mr. Flattery be written to on the subject.

The Sanitary Sub Officer reported that Mrs. Catherine Mullion had not complied with the Sanitary Notice served on her requiring the premises owned by her and occupied by Hugh Sweeney into a proper state of repair.

Mrs. Mullion wrote to the Council agreeing with the terms of the Notice as to the condition of the premises and stating that she had same inspected by an architect and from his plans and specification it would mean an expenditure of upwards of £300 she asked the Council to pass Closing Order immediately.

Mrs. Mullion's manager appeared before the Council and at great length addressed the Council on the subject with the object of

Getting the council to have the house condemned as unfit for human habitation.

Ordered that Mrs Mulhem be informed that the requirements of the Notice be complied with.

The Sanitary Sub Officer reported that Dr Catherine Mulhem had not complied with the Notice requiring her to provide a sufficient water closet for the dwelling house owned by her and occupied by Hugh Sweeney at Main Street.

Ordered that the terms of the Notice be enforced.

Mrs Mulhem renewed her application for a supply of coal for industrial purposes to her Bottling Store at Main Street.

The council agreed to give the supply sought - by metre - the rate of charge to be fixed later.

The Gas Manager reported that during the past month 40 gallons of tar had been sold - That there were 17 empty barrels lying at the Railway Station and notwithstanding repeated requests the barter had not delivered the barrels. He suggested ordering another lot of coal - say 100 tons. A new wheelbarrow was required for yard.

Quotations for a further supply of coal to be invited. Wheelbarrow to be ordered.

The Gas Manager's collection account was submitted examined and showed arrears of quarters previous to 31st March last amounting to £64. 1. 9 outstanding.

There was only one tender for coke in bulk received in response to advertisement inviting same.

After discussion it was proposed by Councillor John Curran seconded by Councillor John Doherty and agreed to that the coke be retained at the Gas Works on Tuesday and Saturday between

the hours of 10 a.m. and 12 noon and that the Gas Manager superintend the weighing each morning and that no coke be weighed in his absence.

Read correspondence with Hugh Doherty Larren - in reference to his tender to supply lime to the council the council accepted the tender at 1/- per barrel, being of opinion that per barrel and per ton were synonymous. This was disputed by Mr Doherty who declined to supply by the ton at the price quoted.

Ordered that the Town Clerk write Mr G. J. McClean, Plum to quote his lowest price per ton for lime delivered at the Gas Works freight to be accounted at Mr Roulston's Neighbridge and should the price be satisfactory the tender to be accepted.

Ordered that the quotation of Morris Glenfield and Kennedy Ltd. for the supply of 3^{3/8}" Kennedy Cold Water Meters with brass lined blynders and Vulcanite Nozzles for 1/2" pipe @ £11. 3. 0. each be accepted.

Read communications from Mr. G. McMullan Public Analyst Belfast as to analysis of a sample of tar proposed to be obtained by the council for commercial purposes and stating that it is not necessary in examining a tar as to its purity to give the component parts which would take a long time and involve heavy fees.

The council decided not to proceed further in the matter for the present.

Read communications from the Long Devilly Railways as to the lighting with gas of the Letts, Kerney Station and the lowest price at which the council could supply the gas.

From the Donegal Motor Company dated 21st April 1920 Application for a supply of gas at reduced rate of type Vulcanising and stating that Mr McSachan of the Sheep Market

had given them temporary accommodation and the use of the gas meter on the premises for the next 4 months.

Ordered that charge for gas, being for industrial purposes, be at the fixed rate of 12/- per 1000 cft. but any gas required for lighting purposes, to be at the rate of 17/- per 1000 c.f.t.

From the barrel on Sair Urban District Council date 9th April 1920 The following resolution for adoption:-

That in view of the de-control of butter bacon and other food stuffs and the fear that such action will tend to a rise in price in those necessary articles we hereby call on the Department of Agriculture to prohibit the export of these articles of food until the needs of the Irish people are first satisfied as we believe and express the opinion that the people of Ireland have the first claim on the products of their native land.

The Resolution was unanimously adopted.

In pursuance of the Notice given at the Monthly Meeting of the council held on Monday the 5th day of April 1920 and of which due notice was given to each Member of the council on the 21st day of April 1920, it was:-

Proposed by Councillor Tom Boyle.

Seconded by Councillor John Curran and.

Resolved unanimously

That we the Letterkenny Urban Council request the Local Government Board notwithstanding anything in Section 27 of the Town Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 to make an Order altering the hour from 12 o'clock noon to 7 o'clock p.m. at which the Statutory Monthly Meetings of the Letterkenny Urban District Council may be held and we make this request in pursuance of the provisions of Section 14 of the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1902.

The Water Manager reported that since last monthly meeting

No bursts had occurred on either of the Lough Dalt or Fencar Water Mains, that the Asylum Reservoir was overflowing and the Town was being supplied from the New Reservoir.

Applications for increases of Salaries Fees and Wages respectively were made by the following:-

The Gas Manager, The Rate Collector, The Rent Collector, The Water manager and the Town Clerk.

Ordered that the Applications be placed on the Agenda for next Monthly Meeting of the Council.

The Report of the Committee of the whole Council at Meeting held on Wednesday the 21st April 1920 was submitted as to the making of Bye Laws. (1) With respect to the cleansing of Footways and Pavements, the removal of house refuse, and the cleansing of Earth closets, ash pits and cesspools, and.

(2) For the prevention of nuisances arising from Snow, Hills dust, ashes and rubbish and for the Regulation of the Keeping of Animals on any premises or for the prevention of such keeping as so to be injurious to health.

The Draft Bye laws submitted by the Committee was on the Motion of Councillor John P. O'Farrell seconded by Councillor John Curran unanimously adopted.

The Report of the Committee appointed to fix the maximum Retail Coal Price for the Urban District was submitted - The Committee having again gone into the prices already reported by them to the Council could not see their way to alter the figures already agreed to viz,

Best selected English or Scotch House Coal including Hard Yorkshire. Bales of 10 cwt or more in bulk or in bags delivered into cellar per ton. from Road Vehicles per cwt.	5 d 60 10 3 3.
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Sales of less than 10 cwt at Shops or Stoves per cwt.	3 1
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The prices are 1/- per ton additional if not paid on or before delivery.

The Council adopted the scale of prices as agreed to by the Committee - The approval of the Coal Controller to same to be obtained and notices published on receipt of same.

The Charge Surface have reported that there had been no horse-work performed by the Contractor Mr. Francis McMonagle during the previous week.

Ordered that unless the contractor be notified that unless he provides a horse within a week, the Council will make other arrangements.

Housing Minutes

The following letters etc were read.

From the Local Government Board.

No H. 501/358/1920 Mis dated 4th April 1920 circular re. rate of interest and method of repayment of loans granted to local authorities for the purposes of subsidised housing schemes under the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Acts 1890 to 1919.

No H. 501/310/1920. dated 8th April 1920.

Forwarding Copy of the Housing of the Working Classes (Petition) Order 1920.

No H. 501/173/1920. dated 12th April 1920.

Forwarding Copy of Boards Order made in pursuance of the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Act 1908 showing that the Council was liable to pay or set apart a sum of £306.1.5 in the financial year ended 31st March 1920 in respect of an amount of £6050 borrowed by the Council after the passing of the Act for the purposes of the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Acts 1890 to 1908.

No H. 501/173/1920. dated 30th April 1920.

Stating that the proportionate amount of the Housing Fund on the 31st March last payable to the Council in respect of liabilities incurred by them is £32.7.4 and that instructions had been given for the payment of that amount to the Council's Treasures.

No H. 501/404/1920. dated 23rd April 1920.

Forwarding Copies of revised Conditions governing grants to private persons or bodies of persons constructing houses under the Housing Additional Powers Act 1919.

Next Monthly Meeting of the Council to be held on Monday the 4th day of June 1920.

Charles Kelly
Chairman

A. J. T. Ken
Town Clerk

Chairman

Litterenny Urban District Council

No of Members on the Council	9
No of Members Present	8

Minutes of Proceedings at Meeting held on Monday the 7th day of June 1920.

In the Chair Charles Kelly Esq. M.P.

Other Members present:-

Messrs. Edward McDavid

John Doherty

Patrick O'Donnell

John Bourne.

Wm G. McKinney J.P.

John P. Skeer J.P.

William Boyle.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and signed

On the report and recommendation of the Finance Committee the following Bills were ordered to be paid

General Account

No	Name	Service	Amount
23	Charles Doherty	Public payment	45 10 0
24	Patricia Assurance Co Ltd	G.P. Premium	5 13 3
25	Robinson & Dawson	Exmers Tax.	8 7 0
26	John Martin	Elder Expenses (Inwards)	17 14 9
		Total £	77 5 0

Gasworks Account

No	Name	Service	Amount	Rate
15	Charles Doherty	Subs. payments	21 1 11	
16	Bernard Doherty	Gasworks	1 6 0	
17	Mrs Jeanie Doherty	Service	8 2 6	
		Subt.	22 16 3	

The following Report of Committee meeting of the 10th day of May 1920 was read:

Present in the Chair Charles Kelly Esq. M.P.

Other Member present:- Messrs Wm G. McKinney J.P.

John P. Skeer J.P., John Doherty, William Boyle and Patrick O'Donnell.

Report.

The Gas Manager was interrogated as to the Working of the Station Meter which he reported as unsatisfactory. He was directed to check the record of the meter by means of the holder. upon his statement the council understood that a plate of the holder (24 revs) contained 13.000. C.f. Result of check to be reported to the council

The Committee ordered that the hand pump at Port Road, be put into proper order.

Ordered that the Surfacemen repair the Vaneel at Andersons Port Road, by having same reformed and painted.

Ordered that in the event of the Contractor for carting not procuring a horse, that the carting be advertised and tenders invited at per day for horse cart and man.

The care of the Recreation ground was under consideration and it was agreed that the presentation Brothers be asked if they would get the pupils attending the School, to plant flower beds on the ground. So as to improve and beautify same.

Ordered that the charge for hiring Boys Hobby Horses &c using the Market Square, be £1. the period not to exceed 4 days, and that no extension of time beyond this be given.

Ordered that inquiries be made as to the cost of providing urns to be erected on the town.

The Committee considered that the supply of water to the Railway Stations should be by meter and that the present agreements should

be terminated.

Read letter from Mr. J. H. H. Duriey M.C.B. Belfast dated 6th May 1920. Stating that he will undertake the inspection of the water supply and report thereon at his usual fee of £7.10/- per day and all costs out of pocket expenses.

On the motion of Councillor William George McNamee seconded by Councillor John D. Spear the Committee accepted Mr. Duriey's terms and the Town Clerk was instructed to arrange for the inspection at the earliest date possible.

The Report was unanimously adopted by the Council.

The following letters &c. were read

From the Local Government Board.

No 35369. 1920. This dated 20th May 1920 Drawing the attention of the Sanitary Authority to the necessity at the present time of taking special precautions against the introduction and possible spread of smallpox in Ireland. The importance of immediately securing that proper hospital accommodation for patients suffering from this disease is available. Further stating that an Instructional Memorandum is being prepared on the subject and will be issued at an early date.

No. 34075/1920. dated 21st May 1920.

Dealed Order Ordering and directing as follows. That the meetings of the Commissioners directed by Section 27 of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 to be held shall notwithstanding any thing in the said Section contained be held at Seven of the Clock P.M. on the first Monday of every month in each year.

No 86/ M/ 1920. dated 21st May 1920

(Guardians and County Councillors) Urban District Election Expenses Order.

No P.P. 49. 1920. dated 27th May 1920.

Requesting Return as to the number of Members elected for each Local Electoral Area in the Urban District together with the number of candidates nominated and numbers of ballot-papers recorded under the several heads shown in the form.

Return to be forwarded

From the Coal Controller Kildare Street Dublin

Letters P. 96/19. dated 10th May, 15th May, + 25th May, 1920.

Relative to Maximum Prices of Coal fixed by the Council

Letter dated 12th May 1920. Stating that on and from date of letter the price of House coal is increased by 14/2. per ton and industrial coal by 4/2. per ton.

Letter dated 5th June 1920. Confirmation of Wire of same date that on and from Monday the 4th June 1920 the Wholesale Coal Prices Order 1917 and the Retail Coal Prices Order 1917 will be suspended. —

Further stating that the price of Coal will still be controlled at the pit-head but the price will be a maximum one and not a ~~fixed~~ price. Therefore from the 7th inst. Wholesale factors and dealers will be at liberty to arrange their own price.

From Mr. J. H. H. Duriey M.C.B. Belfast dated 24th May 1920.

Forwarding his Report on the result of the examination of the Council Water works. As follows. —

Report

That with in accordance with instructions he visited the Water works, with a view to ascertaining the cause of the deficiency in the supply and recommending a remedy.

At the outset of his investigation he was met with the difficulty that there was no means of testing the discharge of the main either direct from Lough Salt into the Reservoirs or from the reservoirs to town. Instead of being able to say at once what the main was discharging he had to spend a day making up a temporary arrangement.

went to obtain this result which gave a return from Lough Salt alone (assuming the joint population at 3000) of about 50 gallons per head per day. Although this is less by about 50,000 gallons daily than the proper discharge of the main in perfect working order it is still far more than the normal requirement and had the Council this amount when shot last year it would point to some undue loss in distributing pipes but here again there are no means of ascertaining if this be so or to what extent the loss exists or where it occurs.

Under these circumstances until proper meters and gauges are established, he would deprecate any more expense in connection with the main further than the ordinary inspection of Air Valves, and scouring which should be done not less frequently than once monthly, and if much deposit be found at hollows, the scouring ought to be increased to once in three weeks or even fortnightly.

The works then that he would recommend should be immediately carried out are as follows:

- (1) A gauge tank constructed at termination of main from Lough Salt. To do this it would be necessary to continue the main from 25 to 30 yards to bring the tank on solid ground and above the level of top water of the old reservoir.
- (2) To fix a Decor Reservoir Meter immediately outside the embankment on the supply pipe to town.
- (3) To fix a similar meter on the supply pipe to Asylum.
- (4) It would be a great advantage but not so necessary to fix a meter on Main at outer end of tunnel at Lough Salt. By means of it the Council could ascertain how much of the water leaving Lough Salt is delivered at Reservoirs and, should there be a leak, by shutting the different valves on Main locate the section it is in.
- (5) To facilitate scraping operations valve should be fixed on Main at the upstream side of each hatch box.

The Council have a splendid supply of beautiful water and it is a pity they should not get full advantage of it.

If the Council approved of his recommendations he would be glad to prepare the necessary plans and specifications which

which if carried out would put the Council in a position without calling in outsiders to know at once, delivery consumption loss if any and also enable them to locate the exact section in which the latter takes place.

Ordered that the Town Clerk find out from Mr. Durney, the cost of the meter recommended by him also his charges for superintending the carrying out of the works necessary in having same fixed to the main.

The Medical Officer of Health reported a case of Infectious disease Diphtheria as having occurred in the District Louisa Lodge Street burn. Patient removed to hospital.

The Record of work performed by the Sanitary Sub. Officer since date of last Meeting was submitted examined and showed that 45 houses yards and premises had been visited and inspected. That he had reported one case to the Medical Officer of Health. That he found a dead dog at New Line but could not discover the owner. He had the carcass buried at a cost of 1/-

The Sanitary Sub. Officer reported that Mrs. Catherine Mulhern had not yet done anything to comply with the Sanitary Notice, served on her respecting premises occupied by Hugh Durney both as regards Sanitary defects and the provision of Water Closet accommodation.

Ordered that Mrs. Mulhern be again written to that the requirements of the Notice must be complied with otherwise legal proceedings will be instituted.

The Gas manager reported that as directed at Committee Meeting of the Council on the 10th May last he had checked the Station Meters with the holders and found he could get from 700 to 900 C.F. more gas by bypassing meter on one occasion the meter registered more than actually went into the holder. That he wrote Mr. Skinner.

on the subject and he visited the Works on the 29th May and after trying the meter working unsatisfactorily, he came to the conclusion that the meter should be sent away for repairs or a mechanic got to put it in thorough working order. He considered quotations should be asked from James Milne & Sons Ltd and Alder & Mackay for the works.

That during the past week he had installed a gas cooler and suggested getting 4 dozen small gas rings for domestic use.

That the new contractor for supplying lime had delivered a few loads, the quality being satisfactory.

Ordered that Messrs James Milne & Sons Ltd be written to as to the cost of sending over one of their workmen, to put the Station Meter in proper working order.

Ordered that the price to be charged for gas supplied to the Gas Coolers be at the rate of 12/- per 1000 c.f.

Ordered that 42 dozen gas rings be provided as recommended by the Gas Manager.

The Gas Manager's Collection Account was submitted and showed arrears of quarters previous to 31st March last - amounting to £ 55: 17: 9 outstanding.

The Water Manager reported that since last Monthly meeting of the Council there had been no bursts on either Lough Salt or Glenear Mains with the exception of an Air Valve that blew out on Lough Salt Main. This has been temporarily repaired and would be permanently done immediately.

That the Reservoir Reservoir is at present overflowing and the Town in consequence is supplied from New Reservoir. The supply from Lough Salt is at present satisfactory. Glenear tank stands at a depth of 7 feet.

Ordered that the Water Manager make a house to house inspection of the town with a view of discovering waste of water.

From James McElvie Co. Edinburgh dated 27th May 1920.

Relative to inquiry for a cargo of Gas Coal and stating price at which they are prepared to supply Billstone Coking Gas Coal. (Lump Screened) North Durham Gas Coal. (unscreened) and Scotch Gas Coal. (Screened) The prices named being subject to all the conditions existing between them and the Council at present and to revision in the event of de Control before shipment or any alteration by the Government.

As de control has taken place the Town Clerk was instructed to have further quotations and it was decided that a cargo be ordered.

From Mr H. Y. McClean Black dated 6th May 1920 Offering to supply Slaked lime delivered at Gas Yard @ £2: 5: 0. per ton.

The offer was accepted.

From the County Donegal Railways Joint Committee dated 27th May 1920 stating that the Gas Meter at Letterkenny Station is in a very unsuitable position being placed underground and asked that it be removed to a position to be indicated by their Station Master.

Request Granted.

From Mr Eugene Mahony dated 4th June 1920 Request to buy from the Council a quantity of Waste at the Quarry.

The Council decided not to make any sale as they required all the "Waste" for the Streets and Roads.

The application of Mr James Wilkinson for a supply of water to his field at New line was considered.

The Council granted the application and fixed the charge at £1 per annum.

The Council decided that the charge for water to all fields be £1 per annum and the Town Clerk was instructed to notify all owners of fields supplied with water by the Council of the advance.

The Rate Collector's Warrants for the financial year ending 31st March 1920 were submitted signed and sealed and required Mr. Neil Young, Poor Rate and Town Rate Collector being authorized and directed to levy same. Amount Poor Rate £1409.2.9. Town Rate £1993.8.8. Total £2902.11.5.

The Applications of the following Officers for increases of salaries. Fees &c. of which due notice had been given were referred to a Committee Meeting of the Whole Council to be held on Monday 14th day of June 1920 at 4.00 P.M. viz. The Gas Manager, Water Manager, Rate and Rent Collector and Town Clerk.

The Council referred to the Committee Meeting on the 14th June 1920 the revision of the existing Scale of Charges for Water supplied other than for Domestic Purposes.

The fixing of the date to be performed by the person to be appointed to the Vacant Office of Town Surveyor and the annual Salary to be attached to the office was referred to the Committee Meeting of the Whole Council to be held on Monday 14th day of June next and it was ordered that the appointment be made at the next meeting of the Council by the 5th July next.

Ordered that the Street hydrant at entrance to the Recreation ground be at once repaired.

Housing Minutes

The following Letters & were read
From the Local Government Board
Memorandum dated 6th May 1920 "Grants to Private Persons building houses for themselves or others"

No H 501. 364 1920 this dated 31st May 1920
Forwarding copy of the Housing (Local Board) Regulations (Ireland) 1920 which the Board have made with the approval of the Treasury under paragraph (6) of the Schedule to the Housing (Additional Powers) Act 1919.

No H 501/251 1920 dated 1st April 1920 Statutory Rules and Orders 1920 No 675 Housing Ireland. "The Housing Trusts Financial Assistance Regulations (Ireland) 1920

No H/258/1920, dated 1st April 1920. The Public Utility Societies (Financial Assistance) Regulations (Ireland) 1920 No 676.

No H 324/1920 dated 8th April 1920.

The Public Utility Societies (Sale of Houses) Regulations (Ireland) 1920 No 704

No H 501/332/1920 this dated 8th May 1920

Relative to Conditions Governing Grants to Private Persons or bodies, of Persons constructing houses under the Housing (Additional Powers) Act 1919 and states that the Treasury have assented to the grants in question being increased by £10/- in each case such increases to be retrospective to cases already submitted and to be retrospective to cases submitted before 30th June 1920.

No H 501/523/1920 dated 14th June 1920.

Forwarding copies of the Regulations as finally made by the Board with the approval of the Treasury in regard to financial assistance which may be obtained by Societies carrying out approved schemes for the housing of the Working Classes.

No M 362/57/1920 dated 8th June 1920

Relative to the proposed scheme of the Council under the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Acts 1890 to 1919 and shewing

Attention to the mandatory provision of Section 2 of the Housing (Ireland) Act 1919 and to Section 3 of the Act which empowers the Local Government Board to take action in case of default of any local authority etc.

Requesting to be furnished with the layout plans asked for in their letter of the 24th March last and urging upon the council the necessity for pushing forward with this scheme in view of the fact that in order to qualify for State assistance reasonable progress must be made with it by the 15th August next.

The letter was referred to the Housing Committee for consideration and report.

Councillor John Doherty gave notice that at next monthly meeting of the council he will move: That the Weekly rents of the 2. Working Class Lodging Houses at Ramelton Road tenants William O'Donnell and Patrick O'Donnell be revised to 2/- per week which rent is to include rates.

Next Monthly Meeting of the Council to be held on Monday the 5th day of July 1920.

Charles Kelly Chairman.

2d Working Town. Clerk.

Literkenny Urban District Council

No of members on the Council 9

No of members present 7

Minsts of proceedings at Meeting held on Monday 5th day of July 1920.

In the chair Charles Kelly Tsgaff.

Other members present

Messrs. W. G. McNamee

John Doherty

Patrick O'Donnell

William Gallagher

William Boyle

John Curran.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and signed

On the Report and recommendation of the Finance Committee the following Bills were ordered to be paid

General account

No	Name	Debit	Amount	Rhs
27	John Hartin	Domestic	38 15 0	
28	Joseph P. McNamee	shed door stand	2 0 0	
29	Patrick McNamee	Painted door	4 0 0	
30	James Gallagher	Water dance	5 0 0	
31	John Duffy	Gardens Lough Neagh	2 0 0	
32	Reps Mary Wilson	Door keeper	1 1 4	
33	William Boyle	Concrete block	1 0 0	
34	John Hartin	Subs. part	41 10 8	
35	Patrick Doherty Jnr	Leaf tree	8 19 0	
36	Glendale & Kennedy Ltd	Water meter	33 9 0	
37	Patricie Curran Ltd	Domestic pump	1 7 9	
		Total	139 2 9	

Gasworks Account

No.	Name	Debit	Credit
18	Andrew A. Mitchell	Gas Manager	25 0 0
19	John Larkin	Town Clerk	3 15 0
20	John Larkin	Subs & Payments	14 15 5
21	James McKeown & Co	Coal	263 19 1
22	Stevenson & Turner	Petrol	4 6 11
23	Conway Woollen Co Ltd	Barrels	3 12 0
24	Transvaal Clear	Lime	14 1 3
25	James Callahan	Charcoal	1 7 0
26	Patriotic Assn Co	Gas Premium	4 19 6
		Total	335 16 2

The following Reports of Committee meetings of the whole Council were read:-

Committee Meeting held Monday, 14th June 1920.

In the Chair Charles Kelly M.P. :- Other Members present : Messrs W. G. McKinney M.P., John P. Speer, M.P., John Doherty, Edward McDavid, John Curran, William Doyle, and Patrick O'Donnell.

Report :- The Committee considered the application of the Town Clerk, Mr John G. Larkin for an increase of Salary. After due consideration it was unanimously agreed to that the Town Clerk's salary of £55 per annum be increased to £140. per annum. That the salary of £15 per annum in connection with the Gas Works Department remain unaltered and a like decision was come to respecting the salaries attached to the Office of Executive Sanitary Officer £10. and Registrar of Dairy Crossheads or £5. the increase to be retrospective and takes effect as from the 1st day of April last.

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The Committee had under consideration the application of the Gas Manager, Mr Andrew A. Mitchell for increase of Salary. After full consultation with the Gas Manager and it being admitted that at the present and up till 30th September next there is not sufficient work for 2 gas stokers it was decided that the services of one of the Stokers (John Collins) be dispensed with on the 19th June (Next Saturday) the Gas Manager undertaking on his own suggestion to "bank down" the fires at 12 O'Clock Midnight and to re-start the fires at 5 O'Clock each morning this to continue till 30th September next. The other stoker Bernard Curran to be on duty during the day and to be paid extra for work on Sundays.

The Committee having regard to the economy resulting from the foregoing arrangement unanimously agreed to increase the present salary of £100. paid Mr. Mitchell to £130 per annum. the increase to take effect as from this date.

The Committee considered an application from John Duffy, care taker Dungy Salt, for increase of Salary.

The Committee arrived at the conclusion that it would be more economic to have the Dungy Salt water main scoured by the Dungy Salt Caretaker than by the Water Manager going from Duthkenny as at present.

It was decided to offer John Duffy the sum of 10/- for each complete scour from Dungy Salt to the Glassagh River that the scouring takes place once each fortnight for a period of from 5 to 10 minutes at each scour valve, and that Duffy be written to and asked if he will undertake the work at the remuneration mentioned - his salary of £6 as caretaker to remain unaltered.

The application of the Rate and Rent Collector for increased salary was deferred.

The Report was unanimously adopted with the exception of the increased salary to the Gas Manager, Councillor Charles Kelly (Chairman) and Mr W. G. McKinney voting against the increase inasmuch as the increase was granted in consideration of duties to be performed by the Gas Manager, and which duties he had since declined to perform.

It was agreed to that the Gas Manager be required to do the Council's

plumbing and water repairs during the months of August and September otherwise the increase of £30 per annum be withdrawn.

Committee Meeting Monday 2nd June 1920.

In the chair Charles Kelly Esq M.P. Other members present - Messrs W.G. Williams, John P. Geary, John Doherty, William Boyle and John Curran.

Report - The Committee decided to revise the scale of charges for supplies of water for other than domestic purposes, and that the charge be as follow.

Charge for Water by Meter

10,000. Gallons and under per Quarter a minimum Charge of	10/-
over 10,000. Gallons per Quarter per 1000. Gallons	1/-

Meter Rents

Hire and Maintenance	
1/2 Inch Meter per Quarter	3/-
3/4 " " "	4/-
1 " " "	5/-

Erection or Alteration of Buildings

Building Purposes: 10/- per cent on Contract Price payable in advance

<u>Bottling Stores</u>	- Pay Meter	
<u>Fields</u>	Per Annum.	20/-
<u>Chemists and Druggists</u> per Quarter		5/-
<u>Photographers</u>	per Quarter	4/-
<u>Gardens</u>	Per Annum.	5/-
<u>Gas Engines</u>	Per Horse Power per Quarter	1/-
<u>Hackney Cars - Motor & Horse.</u>	Per Quarter	2/-
<u>Horses</u>	Per Quarter	2/-
<u>Oil Engines</u>	Per Quarter Per Horse Power	6/-
<u>Motor Scooters</u>	Per Quarter	1/-
<u>Public Houses</u>	Per Quarter	5/-
<u>Baths</u>	(Private House). Per Annum	7/-
<u>Baths</u>	Hotels Per Annum.	20/-

Note - charges for supplies not mentioned in the foregoing schedule will be fixed by the Council or charged by meter at the option

of the Council - The Council reserve the right to fix a meter on any supply

Ordered that the Water Manager investigate and Report to the Council whether the water running at one of houses at Port Road and owned by Miss Jane Murray is water from the Town Mains or otherwise.

The Committee fixed the Duties of the Urban District Surveyor as follows:-

- (1) All Statutory duties
- (2) All duties set out in any Regulation of the Local Government Board and in the Memorandum of the Local Government Board showing the Qualifications and Duties of a Town Surveyor and the Additional duties of an Urban District Surveyor
- (3) To superintend all Repairs to all House property including Mortuary at Cemetery owned by the Council to Report to the Council on all Repairs and improvements considered necessary. Submit Plans and Specification for same when necessary and to certify for Payments in connection with such Repairs and improvements
- (4) To superintend all repairs to the Council's Water Mains and to Certify for Payment in connection with such repairs and to see that House Connection pipes are properly connected
- (5) To prepare maps of Cemetery at Oldtown and to lay off grave spaces in said Cemetery to mark all grave spaces on said map by distinguishing numbers and to keep it properly revised from time to time
- (6) To superintend the Working Staff of the Council Surface-men, Labourers, Carters &c. and to certify for the amount of wages to be paid to each Worker weekly.
- (7) Any other duties that may from time to time be ordered by the Council

Note - The appointment to be subject to the sanction of the Local Government Board. An Agreement in writing to be entered into by the persons appointed with the Council for the due performance of the duties of the office and the appointment to be terminable by either party giving to the other one month's notice in writing.

On the motion of the Chairman seconded by Councillor John P. Geary.

The Committee fixed the Salary of the Urban District Surveyor for the discharge of the Duties of the Office as defined in the foregoing list at £30 per annum.

Ordered that an Advertisement for an Urban District Surveyor be published in the Local Press and that the appointment be made at the meeting of the Council on the 5th July next.

Read Letter from Messrs James McLevie & Co. Edinburgh dated 17th June 1920. Offering small bags of Sillstone Gas Coal. Semi Screened. at 66/- per ton. nett delivered into the Council's Gas Works.

The Town Clerk reported he had accepted the offer which the Committee ratified.

Read Letter from John Duffy Corstorphine Salt agreeing to the terms offered him by the Council for Scouring the Sough Salt Water Main Vig 10/- a day for each complete scour.

The Report was unanimously adopted.

Committee Meeting held Thursday the 24th June 1920

In the Chair Charles Kelly Esq JP. Other members present :- Messrs John P. Speer 10m G. McNamee, John Doherty and William Doyle.

Report :- Read letter from the Gas Manager Mr. Andrew A. Mitchell that he was very sorry to say the new project of damping was not going to be a success as he ~~sadly~~ experienced that he put in dampers at 1.30 am on the 21st inst and drew them at 5.30 a.m. and the hobs were totally away to the bad so much so that it could hardly be believed all the gas made that day. That it was heart breaking and sucking in fact it was utterly impossible to work under such circumstances unless at a serious loss. That he knew full well there was no work meantime for two men but by doing as at present the Council were losing far more than pay for a man's wages and it was utterly impossible for him to stand it night and day if the stuff was anything like what it should be but it was known Mr Skinner turned it nothing but rubbish. To help matters he intended staying up all that night but a continuance of this would soon lay him up.

Having regard to the foregoing report the Committee decided

they had no option but to employ a second stoker and decided that James Doherty (should he accept the job) be engaged at the rate of 40/- per week. In case Doherty did not accept then that advertisement for a man be published by Handbills.

It was ordered that the Gas Manager proceed at once with the testing of the several Gas Meters.

Ordered that quotations for Oxide of Iron Paint be obtained from Messrs Harrington & Co. Cork.

Ordered that Dr. Samuel Roulston be asked his charge for weighing the Cargo of Gas Coal about to be supplied over his Weighbridge.

Ordered that the Water Manager James Gallagher when engaged at repairs in future is not to have the services of a labourer. that he is to do all the work himself.

The Report was unanimously adopted.

Committee meeting held 28th June 1920.

In the Chair Charles Kelly Esq JP. Other members present :-

Messrs W.G. McNamee, JP. John P. Speer JP. John Doherty, Patrick O'Connell, Wm Gallagher, John Curran, Dan Boyle.

Report :- The Committee had under review the duties of the Water Manager and the fact that he had now been relieved of the Scouring of the Sough Salt Mains the time at his disposal and that he could with advantage be employed as a general handy man at different classes of work such as repairs to Workmen's Dwellings Painting houses owned by the Council etc. He did not seem inclined to fall in with the views of the Council as to his carrying out his new duties outlined.

The further consideration of the matter was deferred and in the meantime the Gas Committee was requested to visit the Gas Works and ascertain from the Gas Manager Mr A.A. Mitchell whether he would be willing to undertake the plumbing etc since as he did when he held the office of Water Manager. The Committee to meet the following evening at 8 o'clock.

The Water Manager was directed to make a house to house inspection of all houses in the Town with the object of discovery

waste of water and to submit a list of the houses at next meeting visited and inspected and a statement of any waste found to exist.

The Town Clerk submitted Advertisement published for a Gas Stoker at wages of 40/- a week.

Only one application was received in response to the advertisement that of John Collins who was appointed.

Ordered that Quarry Screenings be scattered on the Port Road about one week hence and that the work be done by the Carriers without any assistance of any of the Surface men.

Ordered that a supply of burned lime stone be obtained from the Contractor instead of slackened lime and that same be slackled by the Gas Stokers at the Gas Works.

Recd Letter from Mr. J. H. Survey M. Y. C. E. Belfast dated 24th June 1920 submitting Estimate for proposed Metre Chambers for Lough Salt Water system. The Estimate for one Chamber was £92. 12. 6.

The question as to whether the Asylum Committee could be asked to contribute towards this proposed expenditure having been raised it was decided to obtain the opinion of the Council's Solicitor on the matter.

The Report was unanimously adopted. On consideration of Mr. Kewings report and the works recommended by him for the Lough Salt System was referred to a Committee meeting of the whole Council.

The following Letters were read.

From the Local Government Board.

No. 83. M. 1920. Mis dated 18th June 1920. Requesting Statement showing for the year ended 31st March 1920. the amounts if any included in the accounts of the Council which were produced by rates assessed in respect of a Water Supply provided for the District.

Statement forwarded

No. 83. M. 1920 Mis dated 18th June 1920 Requesting Return of all sums received by the Council and of the expenditure there of. for the financial year ended 31st day of March 1920.

Return forwarded.

No. 35369 1920. Mis dated June 1920 Forwarding copy of a Memorandum prepared by them relative to the steps requisite to be taken on the occurrence of a case of Small pox.

From the General Survey and Valuation Office

No. 17514 dated 28th June 1920 Acknowledging receipt of lists of Tenements requiring Revision in the Urban District.

From the Registrar of Petty Sessions Clerks Offices

Acknowledging the Council. that the proportion of Surplus Money arising from the Sale of Licences under the "Dogs Regulation (Ireland) Act 1865" amounts to £1. 16. 0 for the Urban District of Sett Kennedy for the year 1919.

Amount to be lodged to the credit of the Council.

From Messrs Harringtons Ltd Cork. dated 30th June 1920

Inquiring for Cricide Paint and Submitting Sample.

The Town Clerk was instructed to obtain Gestation and Samples from other firms. Reference to be given to an Irish Firm all things being equal.

From Messrs James Milne & Sons Ltd dated 28th June 1920.

Acknowledging receipt of Town Clerk's letter of the 24th June re. Gas Station Meter. That as the meter is only a 3000. C.F. per hour Station Meter it would be cheaper if the meter was sent to them for repairs. The approximate cost of a general overhaul would be £30 to £35.

Ordered that the meter be sent for repairs.

From John Daffy caretaker Lough Salt dated 1st July 1920. Reporting having on that day scoured the Lough Salt Water main from the Lough to the Glassagh River.

From Mr. Jack McAuley dated 5th July 1920 Asking permission to instal Water in his Garage at Asylum Road at present in course of Construction One Tap ordinary 1/2 inch piping required

Permission granted subject to payment in accordance with Scale of charge.

From Mr. Edward McFadden Solicitor to the Council dated 5th July 1920. Advising as to the right of the Council to claim contribution from the Asylum Committee in respect of Meters to be put on in connection with the Water supply that after reading the Agreement and considering what the Town Clerk told him that he is of the opinion that the Council cannot ask the Asylum Committee to contribute towards the Cost of the Meters

From Chas. P. Davis Dental Surgery Sette Kenny dated 28th June 1920 asking to be supplied with gas at the rate charged for industrial purposes as he only uses the gas for the manufacture of artificial teeth

The Council decided that they could not accede to the request inasmuch as one meter supplies the entire premises part of which is occupied as a dwelling, and the small amount of gas consumed

From Dr. H.P. McGuire Medical Officer of Health dated 30th June 1920 Application for an increase of Salary as Medical Officer of Health of the Urban District pointing out that his present Salary is £8. per annum. which he thought will be admitted is not merely inadequate but is also ridiculous especially in these times He considered £10 would be a reasonable salary and hoped the application will receive favourable consideration of the council

Ordered that the application be put on the Agenda for next Monthly Meeting of the Council

The Medical Officer of Health reported that he inspected the premises occupied by Michael Blake 56 Colman's Terrace

The room is unfit for human habitation owing to the state of the floor There are numerous holes in this owing to dry rot of the boards and joints supporting them and besides the room being unfit for use it is at present likely to be injurious to health, and he recommended that a new floor be put in as soon as possible

Ordered that Notice be served on the Owner and one month allowed to carry out the recommendations of the Medical Officer of Health

The Record of Work performed by the Sanitary Sub Officers since date of last Meeting was submitted examined and showed that 30 houses and yards at High Road had been inspected and one Report made to the Medical Officer of Health

The Executive Sanitary Officer submitted Copy of letter dated 28th June 1920. Addressed by him to Mrs Catherine Mulhern respecting her default in not carrying out works to premises occupied by Hugh Sweeney Specified in Notices served on her. He further reported that Mr. Tom Kelly solicitor for Mrs Mulhern spoke to him on the matter and asked that no steps be taken for the present as she was on behalf of Mrs Mulhern submitting a case to Council for advice

Further Action deferred till next Monthly Meeting

The Water Manager reported that Glenar Reservoir stands at 8 feet that he was not giving any supply to the town from this Reservoir He could not give any report on the Rough Salt main as he was not allowed to go there. That the Reservoir at Barnamugagh was 7 feet & inches and the supply coming in 3 ft on an inch less. That he examined most of all the houses in the Town and found them all correct except Mr. Wolf McNamee's tap in the yard which requires a washer

Mr James Gallagher wrote tendering his resignation as Water Manager and Plumber from this date

The Council accepted the resignation to date as from the next Monthly Meeting of the Council and directed the Town Clerk not to pay

him his Quarters salary as Water Manager until after that date.

Ordered that a Committee Meeting of the whole Council be convened to fix duties and Salary for the Office of Water Manager and that the Vacant position be advertised.

The Gas Manager reported that since date of last Meeting a new day light Consumer was secured though small at present the Council would increase the business being Vulcanising for Motor Tyres etc.

That he had tested Mr John J. Gallagher's dispute meter and found it as near as can be correct if anything a very slight per centage in Mr Gallagher's favour. That he required some more complete Corrections for testing Meters he was expecting parcel of Coal or other during the week and trusted it would turn out satisfactory. He made application for 10 or 14 days leave of Absence.

The Council granted the leave of absence Sought.

The Gas Manager's Collection Account was submitted examined and showed arrears of Quarters prior to 31st March last amounting to £ 55 : 17 : 9. outstanding

The Council proceeded to appoint a competent person to the office of Town Surveyor at the yearly Salary of £30 in accordance with terms of advertisement. There was only one application before the Council that of Mr Michael Dawson Letterkenny and on the Motion of Councillor Patrick O'Donnell seconded by Councillor John Doherty he was unanimously appointed to the office subject to terms of appointment and duties as fixed by the Council and to the sanction of the Local Government Board.

The Town Clerk reported that the Office Keeper Mrs Mary Wilson died on the 4th day of June last.

The Council unanimously appointed Mrs Rebecca Mary Dunn as Office Keeper from the 4th June last at the Salary

of £6 per annum.

Read letter from "the Cork Relief Committee" Dublin dated June 1920 drawing the attention of the Council to the conviction of Jim Larkin General Secretary Irish Transport and General Workers Union on a charge of what is termed "Communal Anarchy" also to the vindictive and brutal sentence of from 5 to 10 years imprisonment with Hard Labour imposed upon him and which sentence he is now serving in Long Bounce Prison.

Councillor John Doherty proposed and Councillor Patrick O'Donnell seconded.

That we the Letterkenny Urban District Council protest against the treatment meted out to Jim Larkin by the American Government and the vindictive and brutal sentence imposed upon him and we demand his immediate release and return to Ireland.

Passed unanimously.

Housing Minutes.

Read letter from the Housing Department - Local Government Board No H 501. 1106. 1920 Mis dated 19th June 1920. Relative to remuneration to be allowed Clerks of local Authorities for any services rendered by them in connection with Schemes promoted under the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Acts 1890 to 1919. That the character and circumstances of the General Schemes. Very so greatly that the Board are satisfied that 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 unincorporated authority should make such allowance to its Clerk as appears reasonable having regard to the amount and complexity of the work actually performed by him in relation to each Housing Scheme.

From the Tipperary Urban District Council dated 11th June 1920
Forwarding the following Copy Resolution

that we approve of suggested solution of Irish Housing problem as outlined by Dr T. Dawson Tipperary in his Circular letter of the 22nd May 1920. and we declare our willingness to proceed energetically with our Housing Scheme provided the proposal in question is given effect to and that in the event of any increase in the existing rate of interest on loans. the figures given in proposal to be increased pro rata.

The Resolution was unanimously adopted.

In accordance with notice given at monthly meeting held on the 7th day of June 1920. Councillor John Doherty moved:— That the weekly rents of the 2 Working Class Lodging Houses at Ramelton Road tenants William O'Donnell and Patrick O'Donnell be revised to 2/9 per week which rent is to include rates.

The Motion was seconded by Councillor John Curran and unanimously agreed to the revised rents to take effect as from Saturday the 3rd day of July 1920.

Next Monthly Meeting of the Council to be held on Monday the 9th day of August 1920.

Charles Kelly

Chairman

John McKinney

Downpatrick

Lislet Kenny Urban District Council

The following Members of the Council viz., Messrs Charles Kelly (Chairman) John P. Speer, John Doherty and Patrick O'Donnell attended at Lislet Kenny Courthouse on Monday evening the 9th day of August 1920. at 7 o'clock for the purpose of holding the monthly meeting of the Council when it was found that the Council Chamber was occupied by the Military and that no part of the Court House would be granted by the Military for the holding of the meeting whereupon the Councillors present adjourned the meeting till 7 o'clock on the evening of Thursday the 12th day of August 1920. and decided to hold same in the Lislet Kenny Poor Law Office Main Street Lislet Kenny all members of the Council to be relieved of the adjournment and of the change of place of meeting owing to the occupation of the courthouse by the Military.

John McKinney Chairman

John McKinney

Town Clerk

Salterstown Urban District Council

No of members on the Council 9

No of members present 8.

Minutes of proceedings at adjourned Meeting held on Thursday -
the 12th day of August 1920.

In the Chair Charles Kelly Esq. M.P.

Other members present.

Messrs H.P. Spear H.P.

John Doherty

Patrick O'Donnell.

W.G. McHenry

Tom Boyle.

Tom Gallagher

John Curran

The Minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

On the Report and recommendation of the Finance
Committee the following Bills were Ordered to be Paid.

General Account

No	Name	Perce	Amount	Rhs
38	John Doherty	Subak payts	39 2 1	
39	Strawberry Ry Co	Guarante 30 dec 1920	30 - .	
40	John Doherty	Lough Dall dam strong	1 - .	
41	Derry Journal Ad	Advertisng	1 2 6	
				Total £ 71 4 7

620

Gasworks Account

No	Name	Perce	Amount	Rhs
27	Jaws McHenry	Coal	49 12 1	
28	John Doherty	Subak payts	25 7 10	
29	W. O'Leary	Lens	16 15 0	
30	H. O'Leary	Duck	1 14 0	
31	Derry Journal Ad	Advertisng	1 7 0	
32	John Gallagher	ds	1 0 3	
33	James McHenry	Protecting meter	15 18 6	
				Total £ 111 19 8

The following Report of Committee Meeting of the Whole Council
was read:-

Committee Meeting held Monday, the 12th day of July 1920
Present In the Chair Charles Kelly Esq. M.P. Other Members. Messrs
Patrick O'Donnell. Tom Boyle. John Doherty and W.G. McHenry

Report:- The Committee fixed the Water Manager's duties as
follows:- To visit all yards fields and other places in which
there are water taps and see that no waste of water is per-
mitted and where waste is discovered to report at once
to the Town Clerk and Council

To visit when directed by the Council all dwellings within
the Urban District in which it may be considered advisable
to inspect the Water supply to wells, closets, scullies &c.
and to ascertain and report whether the regulations regarding
same are being observed

To visit at least once in every week, or often if directed
the Glenar and Larmannagh gas Reservoirs and report on their
state Also to see that the several supplies granted to persons
outside the Urban District are being used in conformity with
the rules applicable to them

To examine and have kept in good order all the Public
Fountains Hydrants and Fire Plugs in connection with the Water

Supply.

To examine the Water Meters and make return to the Town Clerk of the consumption recorded thereon at the dates fixed for payment to the Water Consumers Accounts.

To supervise the Work in all cases of introduction of Water Supply into Town Premises and see that the regulations and Orders of the Council in relation thereto are properly carried out.

To attend to the turning on and off of the Water Supply to and from the Town when required.

To carry out all repairs to the Water Mains including the Singh Salt Water Main.

To carry out all other Works in connection with the Water Supply that may from time to time be ordered by the Council.

The Committee did not fix the Salary for the Office of Water Manager, having come to the decision that those duties should be carried out by the Gas Manager and in case he declines that the increase of £30 per annum granted him for duties at Gas Works which duties he has since on his own application been relieved of by the Council be withdrawn.

The Committee decided to carry out the Works recommended by Mr. J. H. Surney, M. I. C. E. at the Singh Salt Water Main Viz -

The placing of two meters on the Supply mains to the Town and Anglum, and a measuring Well on the Main before discharge into the Reservoir. That a loan be applied for to carry out the Works. Mr. Surney to be instructed to prepare drawings, specification and estimate for the proposed works.

The Committee ordered that an advertisement be issued inviting tenders for the quarrying @ per ton of the stones at the Council's Glenar Quarry. Tenders to be considered at next Monthly Meeting of the Council.

The Report was unanimously adopted.

The Gas Manager Mr. Andrew A. Mitchell was asked by the Council to state whether he was prepared to undertake the duties of the Water Manager as decided by the Committee

of the whole Council. He said he was willing to do everything in his power to meet the wishes of the Council but he considered he could not do the Work after the 30th September as he would have plenty to do after that date at the Gas Works.

After considerable discussion it was agreed that Mr. Mitchell be given to next Monthly Meeting of the Council to make up his mind on the matter. In the mean time he is to carry out the duties of Water Manager as the former Water Manager Mr. James Gallagher ceases from this date to be in the employment of the Council.

The following Letters &c. were read.

From the Local Government Board.

No 144. M. / 1920. dated 10th July 1920. Requesting Copies of the Notice of all rates having been made in the Verba District for the service of the current financial year to be forwarded.

Request complied with

No 81. M. / 1920. dated 20th July 1920. Requesting return in the prescribed form showing the condition of the collection of the Poor Rate for the current half year on the 31st June last. Returns forwarded.

The Town Clerk reported that the Rate Collector had attended on Tuesday the 10th inst as required to have his Collection accounts checked. When it was found that no rates had been collected though the Collector's Warrants had been in the Collector's hands since 4th June last.

A letter from the Treasurer was read pointing out the position of the Council's Bank Accounts the Debit balance being £748.13.4 the letter stated as the Bank cannot legally charge interest on the Overdraft it is scarcely reasonable to expect money with the rate of interest so high at present without making a charge.

The Council expressed dissatisfaction at the Collector's inaction in getting in the rates and ordered that he be required to proceed forthwith energetically to get in all the rates further that he attend at the Town Clerk's Office on each Tuesday for the purpose of having his Rate and Rent receipt books examined and checked.

No 48. 200./1920. dated 28th July 1920.

Acknowledging receipt of draft Byr Laws forwarded for provisional approval.

No 482. 00./1920. dated 3rd August 1920.

Returning draft Byr Laws. with respect to the Cleaning of footpaths &c. and to the prevention of nuisance &c. in the Urban District and stating that subject to any objection that may be raised the Board will be prepared to confirm these Byr Laws. when the necessary preliminaries shall have been carried out. Ordered that the Byr Laws. be printed a copy thereof deposited at the Council's Offices for the inspection of Rate payers. without fee or reward. And notice of intention to apply to the Local Government Board for confirmation of the Byr Laws. be given by advertisement in at least one local newspaper circulating in the District as required.

No 122. 1 m./1920. dated 9th July 1920

Calling attention to the series of Resolutions passed by certain Local Authorities in Ireland repudiating the Authority of the Imperial Parliament and declaring their intention to place every obstacle in the way of the existing administration under His Majesty's Government - 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 Local Government Board 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 Local Government Board as heretofore Intimating that unless applications for loans and grants are accompanied by an assurance. as aforesaid it will not be within the discretion of the Local Government Board to entertain them.

Councillor John Curran proposed that no such assurance be given by the Council.

Councillor Wm. Doyle seconded the Motion.

Councillor John P. Speer proposed. as an amendment that the Assurance asked for be given.

The Amendment was not seconded.

The motion was declared passed.

From the Chief Secretary's Office No 19394/20 dated 4th August 1920. Stating that in view of the resolutions passed by certain Bodies in Ireland. repudiating the Authority of the Imperial Parliament it is necessary for His Excellency to withhold further payments from the Local Taxation (Ireland) Account to any local authority until a definite assurance is received from County and Urban District Councils accustomed to share in such payments that they will distribute the money to the Services to which they are assigned by Statute and that they will submit their accounts to Local Government Board Audit as heretofore and that they will conform to the Rules and Orders of the Board accordingly requesting that an Assurance in the foregoing terms may be forwarded by the Council at an early date.

A similar decision was come to as on the letter of the Local Government Board on the same subject as above recorded.

The list of Inquiries respecting the appointment of Mr. Charles Dawson as Urban District Surveyor was submitted the Inquiries unanswered signed by the Chairman, the Office appointed