

**Minutes of Proceedings of Monthly Meeting of
Nenagh Town Council held in the Civic Offices, Nenagh
on Monday, 18th April, 2011**

Councillors Present: Cllr. H. McGrath Cllr. S. Morris
Cllr. V. O'Dowd Cllr. L. McGee
Cllr. J. Moran Cllr. T. Moylan
Cllr. C. Delaney Cllr. T. Mulqueen
Cllr. T. Morgan

Also Present: M. O'Connor, Town Manager
D. Purcell, Town Clerk
S. O'Callaghan
K. Clifford

Apologies: K. Callanan, Town Engineer

The Mayor, Cllr. S. Morris presided.

The Mayor proposed votes of sympathy with Susan Ffrench on the death of her father Aidan and with Cllr. Moylan and his wife Mary on the death of her father Michael Guerin. All present wished to be associated with these sentiments.

1. To consider Minutes of March Monthly Meeting

It was proposed by: Cllr. T. Moylan
Seconded by: Cllr. J. Moran
and agreed that the minutes be adopted.

2. To consider Minutes Action Plan

Sallygrove Improvement Works

Cllr. Delaney asked when the meeting with Sallygrove residents would take place. The Town Clerk replied that this would be arranged when the Town Engineer was ready to start work. The Town Manager said that these works would be programmed for the latter end of the year. The Mayor referred to heavy traffic using Sallygrove as a through road stating that this needed to be sorted. Cllr. McGee asked that the meeting with the residents would be arranged as soon as possible as they wanted to make arrangements for planting. The Town Manager agreed to this.

Double Yellow Lines at Ball Alley Lane

The Mayor asked when this work would be done. The Town Clerk replied that the engineering staff had looked at this in the last few weeks and works had been ordered.

3. To fill the Casual Vacancy caused by the resignation of Cllr. Tony Sheary by the co-option of Cllr. Tommy Morgan

The Town Clerk advised the Council that notice of resignation from the Council had been received from Cllr. Tony Sheary. It was noted that Cllr. Sheary had previously nominated Mr. Tommy Morgan to be co-opted as his replacement on the Council. It was also noted that Mr. Morgan had submitted his written consent to the nomination.

It was proposed by: Cllr. J. Moran
Seconded by: Cllr. T. Mulqueen
and agreed to co-opt Mr. Tommy Morgan to fill the casual vacancy caused by the resignation of Cllr. Tony Sheary.

The Mayor paid tribute to Cllr. Sheary who had been a great servant to the people of Nenagh. He said it was with sadness that the Council had to accept his resignation and wished Cllr. Sheary and his family all the best in the future. His fellow Members echoed these sentiments. The Town Manager and Town Clerk also paid tribute to Cllr. Sheary on behalf of the Executive.

The Members welcomed Cllr. Morgan back to the Council and looked forward to working with him over the remaining term of the Council. The Town Manager and Town Clerk congratulated Cllr. Morgan on his co-option. Cllr. Morgan thanked all for their kind words stating that it was wonderful to be back in the Council Chamber. He said that it was a sad occasion for Cllr. Sheary and wished him every good health in the future.

4. To consider Statutory Audit Report to the Members of Nenagh Town Council for the year ended 31st December 2009

Sarah O'Callaghan presented the Local Government Auditor's Report to the Members. The contents were noted.

5. To note Manager's Orders

Noted.

6. To note Planning Register

Noted.

7. To receive Manager's Report on proposed taking in charge of Brooklands Drive Estate

The Town Manager presented his report to the Members.

It was proposed by: Cllr. H. McGrath
Seconded by: Cllr. S. Morris
and RESOLVED

“That pursuant to the provisions of Section 180 of the Planning & Development Act 2000 and Section 11 of the Roads Act 1993, this Council hereby agrees to declare the Roads serving the Housing Estate known as Brooklands Drive, to be public and take in charge all open spaces, car parks, sewers, watermains and drains within the development.”

8. To discuss Contributions under the Arts Act, 1973

It was proposed by: Cllr. J. Moran
Seconded by: Cllr. V. O’Dowd
and agreed that the following contributions be paid: -

• Conradh na Gaeilge	€ 833.33
• Nenagh Arts Centre	€ 833.33
• Nenagh CBS Band	€ 833.33
• Nenagh Choral Society	€ 833.33
• Nenagh Ormond Brass Band	€ 833.33
• Nenagh Players	€ 833.33
• Total	€ 5,000.00

To discuss Contributions to Local Organisations

It was proposed by: Cllr. S. Morris
Seconded by: Cllr. J. Moran
and agreed that the following contributions be paid: -

• Active Retirement Association	€ 555.55
• Brainwave	€ 555.55
• Care of the Aged	€ 555.55
• Eire Og an Aonaigh	€ 555.55
• Irish Wheelchair Association	€ 555.55
• Lisboney Old Cemetery Committee	€ 555.55
• Nenagh AFC	€ 555.55
• Nenagh AFC Brickfields	€ 555.55
• Nenagh Aikido Club	€ 555.55
• Nenagh Area Community Games	€ 555.55
• Nenagh Boxing Club	€ 555.55
• Nenagh Canoe Club	€ 555.55
• Nenagh Celtic Football Club	€ 555.55
• Nenagh Community Allotments	€ 555.55
• Nenagh Cricket Club	€ 555.55
• Nenagh Eire Og Camogie Club	€ 555.55
• Nenagh Eire Og Juvenile Club	€ 555.55

• Nenagh Fair Trade Association	€ 555.55
• Nenagh Friends of the Children of Chernobyl	€ 555.55
• Nenagh Lawn Tennis Club	€ 555.55
• Nenagh Mens Club	€ 555.55
• Nenagh Neighbourhood Youth Club	€ 555.55
• Nenagh Olympic Athletic Club	€ 555.55
• Nenagh Ormond Rugby Club	€ 555.55
• Nenagh Special Summer Camp	€ 555.55
• Nenagh Triathlon Club	€ 555.55
• Nenagh Womens Project Team	€ 555.55
• New Institute Snooker Club	€ 555.55
• North Tipperary Community Services	€ 555.55
• Old Abbey Burial Ground Committee	€ 555.55
• Rape Crisis Midwest	€ 555.55
• St. Cronan's Association Ltd.	€ 555.55
• St. Paul's Boxing Club	€ 555.55
• St. Vincent de Paul Society	€ 555.55
• Tipperary Friends of Animals SPCA	€ 555.55
• Tyone Cemetery Committee	€ 555.55
• Total	€20,000.00

To discuss Contributions to Residents Associations for Estate Enhancement

It was proposed by: Cllr. H. McGrath

Seconded by: Cllr. J. Moran

and agreed that the following contributions be paid: -

• Annbrook Heights Residents	€ 536.50
• Ballygraigue Estate Residents	€ 500.00
• Brooklands Drive Residents	€ 536.50
• Brookville Green Residents	€ 425.90
• Bruach Tailte Residents	€ 536.50
• Carrig Rua Residents	€ 536.50
• Ciamaltha Meadows Residents	€ 536.50
• Clonaslee Residents	€ 536.50
• Cluain Muilleán Residents	€ 536.50
• Droim na Coille Residents	€ 536.50
• Dromin Road Residents	€ 536.50
• Drummin Village Residents	€ 536.50
• Hawthorns Residents	€ 536.50
• Knights Crescent Residents	€ 536.50
• Melrose Residents	€ 536.50
• Monaree Residents	€ 536.50
• Ormond Keep Residents	€ 536.50
• Radharc Darach Residents	€ 536.50
• Sallygrove Residents	€ 490.00
• Total	€10,000.00

To discuss Special Grants Scheme for Sports Clubs and Voluntary Groups

It was proposed by: Cllr. J. Moran

Seconded by: Cllr. L. McGee

and agreed that the following contributions be paid: -

• Ballinacloy ICA	€ 300.00
• Ballymackey Football Club	€ 750.00
• Nenagh Eire Og Camogie Club	€ 750.00
• Nenagh Ormond RFC	€ 750.00
• Nenagh Olympic Athletic Club	€ 750.00
• North Tipp School Children's League	€ 750.00
• Total	€ 4,050.00

9. Correspondence

Cllr. McGrath referred to the following motion received from Thurles Town Council that he wished to support: -

"Thurles Town Council adopts a resolution expressing our revulsion at the callous and cowardly murder of Ronan Kerr, a young Catholic police officer from Omagh, Co. Tyrone on Saturday, 2nd April, 2011.

The growing tendency by a very misguided minority towards reigniting terrorist activity on this island must be confronted by every means possible to ensure that other families do not have to live with total devastation which has been inflicted on Constable Kerr's mother and family. Mrs. Kerr's courageous and dignified comments in the immediate aftermath of such a horrific incident should act as an inspiration to all right minded people in this country.

That copy of this resolution be forwarded to all other councils throughout Ireland both North and South."

The Mayor and Cllr. Moran and Mulqueen also supported this motion and it was agreed to write to Thurles Town Council in support of the motion.

10. Town Mayor's Business

The Mayor informed the Members that Civic Receptions for the Nenagh Eire Og Under 14 Hurling Team and the Nenagh Eire Og Junior A Football Team would be held on 26th April. He also advised the Members that his Night of Heroes would be held on 13th May and a Sports Conference held in Nenagh in September.

11. Town Manager's Business

The Town Manager referred to the Review of the Speed Limit Bye-Laws was being undertaken by the County Council. He said that representations could be made up to 20th May.

The Town Manager advised the Members that the County Council intended to resurface the car park at Tyone and introduce pay parking. The Members welcomed the decision to resurface the car park but had reservations regarding the introduction of pay parking and asked that the matter be placed on the agenda for the next meeting of the Nenagh Area Committee.

The Town Manager informed the Members that it was proposed to set up a group consisting of members of the Executive, the Chamber of Commerce and the Tidy Towns Committee to host a Tús Scheme under which people could be taken on to do environmental works around the town. The Mayor welcomed this proposal.

12. Town Clerk's Business

None

13. Town Engineer's Business

None

14. To consider Notices of Motion

1. Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor Hughie McGrath

"That Nenagh Town Council open discussion with the OPW and Court Service with a view to redirecting the railing in front of the Courthouse to that the steps become open from the footpath, i.e. the same sort of work that was done at the Nenagh Arts Centre. I believe this would enhance the square."

The Mayor seconded this motion. Cllr.s Moran, Moylan, Delaney and O'Dowd also supported the motion. The Town Manager said that he supported the idea of redeveloping the whole area which was the historic core of the town and a full master plan would be developed. Public consultation would then take place.

15. Any Other Business

Cllr. McGee asked when grass cutting would commence. The Town Clerk replied that the tendering process was just being finalised and work would commence in the next week.

Cllr. Delaney asked for an update on derelict buildings at Tyone. The Town Clerk replied that there would be an update for the May Meeting.

Cllr. O'Dowd said that residents of St. Joseph's Park had contacted her regarding people playing soccer in the playground during the night. The Mayor asked that a letter be sent to the Committee.

Cllr. Mulqueen referred to potholes around the town. The Town Manager said that he would speak to the Town Engineer about getting the patching unit into town to repair these.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Mayor: _____

Town Clerk: _____

Date: _____