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North'd County Council Conclude Busy Session

Many Important Matters Dealt With, Including the Sheep and Dog Law and Distribution of Seed Wheat—Government Asked to Open Land to Settlers—Blissfield Divided into Two Polling Districts—The Proceedings.

(Continued from last week)

Wednesday Afternoon
Council resumed at 2 o'clock
Coun. Vanderbeck read petition from T. H. Whalen, Clerk of the Peace, asking for increase of salary, and moved that it be referred to Committee on Petitions. Carried.

On motion of Couns. Gill and Doyle, the parish clerk, Nelson, was paid his usual allowance.
On motion of Couns. Anderson and Allain, the parish clerk, Alinick, was paid his usual allowance.
On motion of Couns. Lavoie and LeBlanc, the sum of \$2.00 was ordered paid to Rev. Father Sormany, for overcharge of taxes, and charged to Rogersville.

Coun. D. Watling moved, seconded by Coun. McNaughton, the following resolution:
Resolved, That this Council memorialize the Local Government to make such amendment in the Road Act as will authorize the Parish Collector to collect non-resident road taxes.

Coun. Watling said that this change did not interfere with any parish except his own. He had lost three days collecting \$22 or \$23, after another collector had gone over the ground ahead of him and could have easily made these collections.
Coun. Sinclair asked for information. Years ago, or before the present Road Law was put into force, the collector of Poor and County Rates used to make these collections. The Road Commissioner should be paid by the day to make these collections.

Coun. Watling said he had never got any pay for doing it.
Coun. Sinclair said it cost more to make the collections by the other collectors than by the commissioner. We have to pay the taxes, but we cannot find out how the commissioners are paid.
Coun. Watling said that he never took any pay for collecting, he never wanted any pay, either percentage nor day's work.

The Warden asked Coun. Watling how much his rightful due under the law for collecting the \$22 or \$23 was.
Coun. Watling said that he did not know.
Coun. Sinclair said that he never knew how much salary road commissioners drew.

Coun. Watling said that he drew \$3 a day for regular work. Did not know what was paid for collecting non-resident taxes.
The Sec-Treasurer said that the commissioner was paid \$3 a day for collecting, even if he collected only \$2.
Coun. O'Shaughnessy said that they were starting something that would interfere with the other collectors. The road commissioners were well paid for doing the work and they should do it.

Coun. Gill said he was under the impression that the poor and county rates collectors did the collecting. Coun. Baldwin was of the same opinion in regard to Chatham parish.
Coun. Watling said his motion was not to give away money. He was trying to save it, not to waste it.
Coun. McNaughton said it looked very reasonable. At the present time men were covering the same ground. It was better for the parish and the county and would save money.

Coun. Anderson thought that as the Government had taken the roads out of the Council's hands they should not interfere with it at all.
Coun. Sinclair—That's my opinion on the matter.
The Sec-Treasurer read the law on the matter showing that the collector should do the collecting and should receive no commission for same other than day's pay.
The motion was defeated.

On motion of Couns. Gill and D. P. Doyle returns of Peter O'Neill, col. of rates for Nelson, passed.
Coun. L. Doyle of the County Assessment Committee submitted the following accounts which were ordered paid:
Michael O'Brien, \$32.20, 1-ss overcharge of \$10.00, \$22.20; Maritime Home for Girls, \$24.63, was stood over for information; M. S. Benson, Coroner \$9.00; Dr. Marven, \$4.00; T. H. Whalen, Divisional Registrar, \$121.40; M. S. Benson, Inspector, \$25.00; Geo. Stubbs, Auctioneer, sale of lands, \$10.00; Wm. Troy, Prisoners Board, \$24.51; T. H. Whalen, attending criminal cases, less expenses \$11.06; \$26.05; J. D. Buckley, Lumber/Pub-

lic Wharf, \$70.10; Holoohan Bros. Wharf work, \$56.00; Dr. D. R. Moore, Coroner, \$7.60; Wm. Irving, half year salary, Jailor, \$200.00; Sec-Treasurer, Stationery, \$80.00; Sec-Treasurer, Filling School lists, \$50.00; M. S. Benson, Coroner, 6.30; M. S. Benson, Investigation (death Snore), \$5.90; H. H. Carvel, horse hire taking prisoners to jail, \$30.00; Dr. Duffy, to examinations for lunacy, \$8.00.

On motion of Coun. O'Donnell and Hovey, Sec-Treasurer's account with Ludlow, for pauper lunatics, passed.
The motion of Couns. O'Donnell and Hovey that \$23.00 be assessed on Ludlow for pauper lunatics for the year 1918 passed.
Coun. O'Donnell asked for information re the assessor's accounts for Ludlow. He could not understand why they should get higher salaries than other assessors, and was it legal to give it to them? The Sec-Treasurer explained that it had been done on the motion of the late Councilors for that Parish.

On motion of Couns. Hayes and Schofield the Sec-Treasurer's account with the supervisor of road for Blackville, passed.
On motion of Couns. Hayes and Schofield, the returns of F. McCormack, supervisor of roads, Blackville, was filled.
On motion of Couns. Hayes and Schofield, the amount of \$245.00 was assessed on Blackville for pauper lunatics for 1918.

On motion of Couns. Hayes and Schofield the returns of M. Hogan, collector of rates, part of Blackville, passed and the default list was ordered handed to Everett Hayes, J. P. for collection.
On motion of Couns. Hayes and Schofield, the returns of Charles Underhill, collector of rates for Blackville, passed.
On motion of Couns. O'Donnell and Hovey, Sec-Treasurer's account with the assessors for Ludlow, passed.
On motion of Couns. MacNaughton and Watling, Sec-Treasurer's account with supervisor of roads and road collections, Glenelg, passed.
It was moved by Coun. MacNaughton, seconded by Coun. Fowle.
Be it ordained by the Municipal Council of the county of Northumberland, that By Law No. 6, Sec. 4 of the By Laws, be amended to read that: No sheep be allowed to go at large in the County of Northumberland at any time of the year."
Coun. Schofield said that he understood that there was a Provincial By Law that no animal should run at large in Northumberland, or rather in the Province.
The Sec-Treas did not think that there was.
On motion of Couns. Anderson and MacNaughton, the resolution was referred to the Committee on By Laws.
Coun. MacNaughton read the following resolution:
Be it ordained by the Municipal Council of the County of Northumberland that by law No. 6, section 11, be amended by adding that the owner of bulls found going at large be liable to a penalty or fine of ten dollars for each and every offence.
Referred to By-Law Committee.
On motion of Couns. O'Donnell and Hovey, the returns of G. Whalen, collector of rates for Ludlow, passed.
Moved by Coun. Watling and seconded by Coun. LeBlanc, the following resolution:
Whereas, between the Power Settlement and Rogersville, a distance of about two miles, there is laid out and now exists, a road, which is a direct highway between the lower end of Rogersville and the Richbuckto Road, on which little or no work has been done and which is now almost inaccessible during the summer season;
And whereas, The opening up and proper repair of this road, would greatly benefit the settlers of the parishes of Rogersville and Glenelg;
Resolved, That the Council request the local government, at Fredericton, for a substantial grant of money to be expended on said road to make it reasonably fit for travel;
Resolved further, That the Sec-Treasurer be authorized to send a copy of this resolution to the Minister of Public Works and to our local members.
Coun. LeBlanc said that there were only a few miles separating the two parishes, and the opening up of the road would give the residents of Rogersville a much shorter road to market, and would save many miles of useless travel.
Resolution carried.

On motion of Couns. McKnight and L. Doyle, returns of Albert Hayes, collector of rates for Newcastle, passed.

On motion of Couns. Fowle and Savoy, the Sec-Treasurer's account with Hardwicke, pauper lunatics, passed.

On motion of Couns. Fowle and Savoy the returns of Alex. MacDonald, collector of rates, and Joseph Williston, default tax collector for Hardwicke, passed.

On motion of Couns. Fowle and Savoy, the Sec-Treasurer's account with the road supervisor, Hardwicke, passed.

On motion of Couns. Fowle and Savoy, the list of parish officers for Hardwicke, passed.

On motion of Couns. Fowle and Savoy, the default list for Hardwicke was ordered handed to Joseph Williston for collection.

Seed Wheat
Coun. E. J. Parker said that it was now 3 o'clock and the question of Greater Production was to come before the Council.

Coun. Sinclair said that there was no one more qualified to explain to the Councilors what had passed at recent meetings with the agricultural officials, and what they wished Northumberland to do, than the Warden and asked that he explain matters to the Council.

The Warden explained that the wheat situation was serious. Last fall the warden and two councilors of every municipality had been called to Fredericton to be consulted on the situation. Couns. Watling, Swin and himself had represented Northumberland county, and the wheat situation was put before the meeting very forcibly by Premier Foster, Mr. Tweedale, Mr. Reek and others. All the Councilors know the arguments that are being put up. New Brunswick must grow three to four times as much wheat as it did last year. The Government had asked the municipalities to get the seed wheat distributed where it would be most used. Government distribution last year had not been a success, and they had asked the Municipal Councils to take up the matter this year, as they were better acquainted with the people and knew where it is most needed. It was a question of knowing how much wheat would be required, so that the Government would know how much was needed. Cards had been sent to all the schools for the farmers to fill in. The Government will buy the wheat and pay for it, but they ask the Councils to take the responsibility of getting payment for it. The question was to get the farmers to grow wheat, get the seed to them and get them to pay for it. We should not be guided by the monetary question only, but by the patriotic question too. Northumberland must grow three to four times as much wheat as last year. York had agreed to the proposals and he trusted Northumberland would move along these lines too.

Coun. Parker asked what would the Government do if the municipality turned the question down.
The Warden thought in that case the Government would try to do it themselves.
Coun. O'Donnell asked if there was any set time that the farmers and councilors have got to pay for the seed wheat.

The Warden said it must be paid for at the car door. There would be an invoice attached to the bill of lading.
Coun. Lavoie asked whom the bill of lading would be billed to.
Coun. L. Doyle asked for enlightenment on the question. He understood that the municipality was to assume responsibility for the distribution and pay for the wheat. The Government's efforts to increase production was a good thing, but he did not think that the municipality was justified in assuming the responsibility. This may be a bad summer, the wheat may not turn out well, and in some cases there was very poor land to grow anything on. What would we do in that case? We would have to pay for what some farmers would not. It would be best for the Government to assume the obligations.

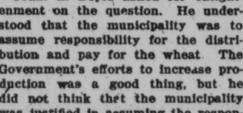
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Coun. Anderson said he saw great difficulty in distributing the wheat. He would not give a half bushel to anyone unless paid for. We have enough default list now without having farmers owing us for wheat.
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Coun. O'Shaughnessy thought that the county had enough responsibilities now without taking on this question. Why shouldn't the Government send a man with the wheat and collect at the car door for it. The council had enough to do now without running around trying to collect money for wheat. Let the Government do it.
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