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**THE ATHENS COUNCIL**

Just how Athens' municipal council is to be constituted and of whom composed is still a problem that engages the earnest attention of the rate-payers.

In days not long gone by it was the practice of the two political parties to arrange this matter before nomination day, so that an election was almost invariably avoided. After their election, all thoughts of politics disappeared from the minds of the reeve and councillors, and we heard no more about political lines until the approach of next election. But it was repeatedly urged that municipal affairs and politics should be absolutely divorced, and for the last three years there has been no public recognition of their union—albeit, there were some on both sides of the political fence who allowed their thoughts to wander out along the old familiar lines when helping to determine the personnel of the council.

It was under the new order of procedure that the election took place on the 2nd inst., and our readers are already familiar with what happened immediately after.

Last week, with the reeveship vacant and the date set for nomination and election, the Liberals were called to meet in caucus on Friday evening for the selection of a candidate for reeve, election of officers, etc. There was a good representation of rate-payers and attentive interest was manifested in the proceedings. Mr. I. C. Aguire was elected to preside and Mr. B. Loverin was appointed secretary. The chairman read the notice convening the meeting and stating its object, and then invited nominations for the office of reeve. The names of Messrs. H. R. Knowlton, C. H. Smith and M. B. Holmes were then brought before the meeting. Mr. Knowlton at once resigned.

Mr. Holmes said he had yielded to the wishes of friends in consenting to allow himself to be placed in nomination. He had personally no aspirations and would cheerfully accept the finding of the jury. Mr. Smith also spoke briefly along the same lines. A ballot was then taken and Mr. Smith was announced to have secured the majority of ballots. Prompt action not being taken to make the vote unanimous, Mr. Smith tendered his resignation in a neat speech in which he expressed his appreciation of the honor that had been conferred upon him in repeatedly electing him to the office of councillor and for the further honor of a plurality of votes for the reeveship in a caucus of the Liberal party.

This left Mr. Holmes' name alone before the caucus, and a vote to make his selection unanimous was brought before the meeting but was side-tracked by a rather irregular discussion of other matters.

The executive committee of the local Liberal Association was re-elected.

During the progress of the meeting a messenger informed the village clerk and by him it was announced that Mr. Robert Erwin, acting on legal advice, would resign his office as councillor.

Mr. Knowlton has rendered distinguished service to the village in taking hold of the town hall project at a time when mists of uncertainty obscured the future and placing it, with the assistance of the council, in a clear light, and carrying on the work in an economical, progressive spirit. As his chief conductor, Mr. Smith has also earned the gratitude of the rate-payers of Athens. He has taken an active, enthusiastic interest in every department of municipal work and the highly satisfactory results achieved last year are in large measure due to his faithful, efficient work. Mr. Holmes is not a new man in the municipal field. He has before served the village most acceptably as councillor, and there is no season to doubt that the affairs of the village would be otherwise than safe under his superintendence.

In fact, with three such men available, no mistake could be made in selecting a candidate for reeve, and the fact that the element of finality did not characterize the deliberations of the Liberals on Friday evening is in no part due to lack of fitness of their candidates.

But there may be other good and true men anxious or willing to serve the village as reeve; the nomination alone will reveal just what is in store for us.

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**TOWNSHIP COUNCIL**

The first meeting of the council for 1905 was held at the town hall, Athens, on Monday, Jan. 9th, at eleven o'clock, when Messrs. John H. Mulvren, reeve, Jas. W. Wilton, Morley Earl, Joseph M. Clow, and Wallace C. Brown, councillors, made and subscribed to the declaration of office and qualification.

A by-law to appoint township officers was passed with blanks filled as follows:—

R. E. Cornell, clerk, salary... \$85 00

Albert Morris and Geo. P. Wright, auditors, salary, each. 5 00

Irwin Wilton, treasurer, salary. 80 00

A. W. Kelly, assessor, salary... 40 00

H. C. Phillips, caretaker town hall, salary... 15 00

Medical Health Officer, Hilton Moore, M.D.

Member Local Board of Health, John Mackie.

Sanitary Inspector, H. C. Phillips.

High School Trustees, Johnston A. Green.

The reeve and treasurer were appointed to transfer the railway funds from the Toronto Bank, Brockville, to the Merchants Bank, Athens.

The clerk was instructed to send for six copies of the Municipal World for the present year.

The reeve and Mr. Clow were appointed to inspect the Kincaid bridge and report at next meeting.

G. F. Donnelly was given the printing at the usual price of \$85.

Orders were given on the treasurer to Wm. Hillis for taking Alexander Wood to the Asylum, Brockville, \$35, and for grant to the Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, \$50.

Council adjourned until Feb. 4th at one o'clock.

R. E. CORNELL, Clerk.

**Lyndhurst Fair Officers**

The annual meeting of Rear Leeds & Landowne Agricultural Society, Lyndhurst, was held on Wed., 11th inst. The following board was elected for 1905:—

**OFFICERS**

President—R. J. Wood, Lyndhurst.  
1st Vice-Pres.—Herb McArdle, Sweet's Corner.  
2nd Vice-Pres.—Jas. Young, Lyndhurst.

Sec'y—Ziba Jackson, Lyndhurst.  
Treas.—C. B. Tallman, Lyndhurst.

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Balance on hand, \$47.48.

Lyndhurst is doing a good work in bringing together for show purposes the very best that the farms and fire-sides of the district can produce, and the educational value of such a display can hardly be over-estimated. The bitterly cold weather that prevailed during the last fair must have seriously affected the receipts, and the fact that notwithstanding this they were able to pay all prizes in full and still show a surplus is highly creditable to the management and to the members. There is good ground for the hope expressed by the secretary that the fair of 1905 will be larger and better than ever.

**Kitley Fair Officers**

The annual meeting of the members of Kitley Agricultural Society was held on Wednesday last. There was a good attendance and satisfactory reports were presented, showing the finances of the society to be in a healthy condition. The following board was elected for 1905:—

**OFFICERS**

President—Samuel Hanton.  
Vice President—J. E. Loucka.  
Secretary—W. D. Livingston.  
Treasurer—Eugene Soper.

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