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JANUARY SESSION, 1897.

The County Council of Queens County convened at the County Court House, in Gagetown, on the 19th day of January, 1897, at 10 a. m.

The Warden being absent, Councillor James McCrea was appointed temporary Chairman and called the Council to order. Roll call all the Councillors were found to be present except Councillors Beach, Corey, Cox, Thurott, Hay, Fraser, Leonard and Snodgrass.

Minutes of last session read and approved.

Council then adjourned until 2 p. m. for dinner.

On meeting at 2 p. m. Warden Cox took the chair. All Councillors being present except Corey, Hay and Leonard, Councillor Wellington Cox, former warden, was unanimously elected Warden for the ensuing year. The following committees were then appointed by Warden, viz:—

On Bills and Accounts—Councillors Woods, Dickie and Barton.

On Parish Accounts—The Councillors of each Parish.

On Apportionment of Rates and Taxes—Councillors Snodgrass, Gilbert, McCrea, Carpenter and D. Palmer.

On Audit Report—Councillors Fraser, Thurott and Lingley.

On Councillors Mileage—Councillors Perry, E. B. Palmer and Purdy.

On Land and Buildings—Councillors Dickie, McCrea and Sheriff Reid.

On By-Laws—Councillors Gilbert, Nickerson and Beach.

On Finance, under Bye Law No. 31—Councillors Cox, Gilbert and Dickie.

The Auditor then submitted his report which was ordered to be received and referred to the Audit Committee.

A communication was received and read from Dr. Casswell, Chairman of the Board of Health, which was as follows:—

GAGETOWN, Dec. 20, 1896.

To the Council Board of Queens County.

GENTLEMEN:—The Local Board of Health for Queens County, N. B., begs leave to present the following report for year ending Dec. 30th, 1896. Eight cases of diphtheria have been reported occurring in Wickham. Under the careful management of the attending physician the disease was confined to two families and now is about stamped out of that locality. Eight cases of scarlet fever have been reported. Two of these cases were in Upper Gagetown, four in Gagetown, and two in Hibernia. The last occurring in Hibernia was of a very mild type. The starting point of the diphtheria and scarlet fever could be traced to contact with outside persons and clothes.

The Local Board of Health has suffered the loss of its secretary by the death of the late Sheriff Perry. No doubt the Board of Councillors will see fit to appoint another member. The Local Board of Health would suggest the appointment of one of the physicians of the parish of Chipman, that parish having a very thickly settled part of the County.

It is deemed advantageous to the proper working of the board to be reappointed by a physician from that district. The Local Board of Health has no bill to present to the Council board.

J. A. CASSWELL, Chairman.

It was thereupon ordered that said communication be placed on file and that Dr. Hay, of Chipman be and is hereby appointed a member of the Board of Health in room of T. W. Perry, deceased, and further ordered that a committee be appointed to prepare a memorial suggestive of our sympathy for the family of our late and highly esteemed Sheriff T. W. Perry, now deceased; and expressive of the loss sustained by this Council and the County at large by his demise.

Councillors Gilbert, D. Palmer and I. C. Fraser were appointed by the Warden as such committee.

The following report was submitted by the Committee on Councillors Mileage.

"We, the Committee, on Councillors Mileage beg leave to report that the mileage be the same as last year except Councillor S. C. Perry's which should be \$4.00 instead of \$3.60."

Report approved of and mileage ordered accordingly.

1000 copies of the Auditor's report were ordered to be printed and distributed as usual.

Moved by Councillor Gilbert that Collector of Rates in Gagetown Parish receive 4% instead of 5% as at present—amendment by Councillor Dickie that no change be made. Amendment carried.

A petition of a number of the rate-payers of the Parish of Hampstead was presented praying that cattle be prohibited from running at large on the highway in the said Parish of Hampstead, from John Worden's lower line or Farmer Brooks (so called) to S. L. Peters' upper line. Ordered that the prayer of the petition be granted and that a bye-law be prepared accordingly.

A like petition was also presented from the Parish of Brunswick desiring to prevent sheep from running at large on the highway from Johnston Parish line to Bridge over Fork Stream north side of the Canaan River. The prayer of this petition was also granted and a bye-law ordered to be made in accordance therewith.

Council then adjourned to meet on

Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock.

On Wednesday morning Council met pursuant to adjournment. Warden in the chair. On roll call all the Councillors were present except Councillors Hay, Gilbert and Leonard.

The Committee on Parish accounts submitted their report as follows:—

Brunswick—Accounts satisfactory as far as accounts received.

Cambridge—Satisfactory but no returns from Bye Road Commissioner John W. Farris.

Canning—Accounts only fairly satisfactory.

Chipman—Found in a very unsatisfactory condition and would suggest a law be made fixing amount to be paid to Overseer of Poor for personal services, and that all returns be accompanied with an itemized bill. An effort should be made to secure from Parish Officers more perfect returns for the ensuing year.

Gagetown—Accounts fairly well as far as returns received.

Hampstead—A few accounts correct, and some very unsatisfactory.

Johnston—Accounts some quite satisfactory, and others quite to the contrary.

Petersville—All the returns satisfactory except Overseer of Poor "Boyle" who has retained three dollars for personal services.

The Secretary-Treasurer is requested to direct Mr. Boyle to place that amount to credit of Poor Fund of said Parish.

Waterborough—Accounts correct with one exception that one is quite unsatisfactory.

Wickham—With few exceptions satisfactory.

Thomas H. Gilbert chairman of the Memorial Committee presents the following report:—

"That we, the Council of the Municipality of Queens, in session convened, place on file and do hereby regret that one so genial, manly, and upright, and in whom we had implicit confidence, and who one short year ago seemed in the vigor of manhood, being present with us then to counsel and advise, seeming to retain his former friendship for the Board, of which he had been a honored member for seventeen consecutive years should be stricken down by the ruthless hand of death, and though sorrowing we do an assessment of his sad loss, yet in humble submission, we bow to the decree of our Heavenly Father, selecting, 'His death shall be our gain.'"

Therefore resolved, That the Council do tender to the widow and family of the deceased, our sincere sympathy in their sad bereavement, and that a copy of this report and resolution, be forwarded to Mrs. Perry.

Councillor Woods, Thurott and Fraser were appointed a committee to prepare a list of Highway Divisions for the several Parishes.

Councillors then proceeded to the appointment of Parish Officers. Whereupon the recommendation of the Councillors of the different Parishes lists were presented and ordered to stand as are the lists of Parish Officers for the several Parishes during the ensuing year.

Following are some of the appointments, viz:—

BRUNSWICK.

Commissioners of Highways—Jarvis T. Corey; Fred Small; Asa F. Ryder.

Assessors—Calvin W. Clark; Jason A. Corey; Homer W. Torkie.

Overseers of Poor—J. T. Corey; Frank Clark; Jobson Corey.

Collector of Rates—David K. Beach.

Parish Clerk—Jason A. Corey.

Revisors—Joseph T. Beach; R. H. Corey; Alfred Humphrey.

CAMBRIDGE.

Commissioners of Highways—No. 1—Fred Springer; No. 2—A. E. McAlpine; No. 3—Wm. Poore.

Overseers of Poor—Benjamin Titus; Samuel Wilson; George L. Colwell.

Collector of Rates—Harvey E. White.

Assessors—F. J. Purdy; W. H. White; Fred E. Macdonald.

Parish Clerk—Rainsford W. Wright.

Revisors—Wellington Cox; Arch. Purdy; Harvey E. White.

CANNING.

Commissioners of Highways—No. 1—Benjamin Coy; No. 2—Samuel Colwell; No. 3—Wm. McFann.

Overseers of Poor—Robert McMann; J. E. Bailey; John H. Estabrooks.

Assessors—James Palmer; Benj. Coy; Walter S. Butler.

Collector of Rates—Harvey Balmain; Jarvis G. Sypher.

Parish Clerk—Isaac A. Palmer.

District Clerk—J. E. Vanburen.

Revisors—Daniel Palmer, jr.; A. Mc-M. Thurott; Sidney Butler.

CHIPMAN.

Commissioners of Highways—No. 1—William Burpee; No. 2—John Parkhill; No. 3—Wm. Lucas.

Overseers of Poor—Samuel Baird, sr.; John Conroy; Wm. Stewart.

Assessors—W. C. King; Wm. McAllister; Daniel Fowler.

Collector of Rates—John Ward.

Parish Clerk—A. D. McPhee.

Revisors—H. B. Hay; I. C. Fraser; Robt. Ward.

GAGETOWN.

Councillor Gilbert submitted a second list as an amendment to one presented by Councillor Dickie. The list presented by Councillor Dickie was finally approved of.

Commissioners of Highways—No. 1—

Jon. Coy; No. 2—Wm. Holmes; No. 3—Class H. Ebbett.

Overseers of Poor—Jos. Erb; Chas. Gunter; John Armstrong.

Assessors—John Hobin; Wm. Cooper; H. B. Hall.

Collector of Rates—Jos. Barnett.

Parish Clerk—Wm. Holman.

Revisors—J. W. Debie; T. H. Gilbert; Wm. Hamilton.

HAMPSTEAD.

Commissioners of Highways—Edward D. Vallis; David McQuike; Willard Slipp.

Overseers of Poor—Bradford Palmer; Theo. Mallin; William Harrison.

Assessors—Stephen Haam; Wm. J. Nickerson; Thos. W. Machum.

Collector of Rates—Samuel Vallis.

Parish Clerk—Geo. J. Rathburn.

Revisors—David A. Nickerson; Edgar B. Palmer; Geo. Derrah.

JOHNSTON.

Commissioners of Highways—No. 1—C. E. Akery; No. 2—H. W. Sumner; No. 3—David M. Peapson.

Overseers of Poor—R. B. Akery; J. H. F. Ward; R. W. Hetherington.

Assessors—John W. Perry; Thos. Corcoran; A. M. G. Washburn.

Collector of Rates—S. Van B. Hetherington.

Parish Clerk—James F. Roberts.

Revisors—S. C. Perry; John Leonard; James F. Roberts.

PETERSVILLE.

Commissioners of Highways—No. 1—William Barnett; No. 2—Henry Ferguson; No. 3—E. G. Donovan; No. 4—Geo. H. Scribner.

Overseers of Poor—John Trott; Jas. Boggs; John McGovern.

Assessors—William Lowe; Patrick May; Albert M. Corbett.

Collector of Rates—Wm. Kirkpatrick.

Parish Clerk—Richard Leonard.

Revisors—Peter Langley; H. W. Woods; James Boydell.

WATERBOROUGH.

Commissioners of Highways—No. 1—Jas. E. McLean; No. 2—Andrew McLean; No. 3—H. O. Branscombe.

Overseers of Poor—Isaac W. Snodgrass; Andrew Smith; Duncan McIntyre.

Assessors—Geo. H. Smith; Clarence Mott; Asa E. Smith.

Collector of Rates—No. 1—Michael Kallors; No. 2—Wm. A. Barton.

Parish Clerk—John Snodgrass.

District Clerk—Thos. H. Branscombe.

Revisors—A. F. Barton; Wm. Snodgrass; B. H. Smith.

WICKHAM.

Commissioners of Highways—No. 1—Gilbert N. Goding; No. 2—John A. Jones; No. 3—John J. Huggard.

Overseers of Poor—E. C. Parks; John J. Huggard; John McCready.

Assessors—Alfred McDonald; J. T. H. Carpenter; R. B. McCready.

Collector of Rates—G. Whitfield McDaniel.

Parish Clerk—James T. Henry.

Revisors—James McCrea; T. M. Carpenter; M. H. McDonald.

At the afternoon session the Secretary-Treasurer presented petitions from each Parish praying that the law passed by the Legislature of N. B. on the 20th of March, 1896, instituted "an act to impose a tax on dogs for the protection of sheep" be annulled as provided by section 2, subsection 1 of said act in so far as your powers extend.

Whereupon it was unanimously ordered that the prayer of the petitions be granted, and a bye-law made accordingly.

A petition was also presented from Waterborough Parish, signed by a large number of rate-payers, praying that cattle be prohibited from running at large in a certain part of said parish. A counter petition was also presented praying that the prayer of the former petition be not allowed. After hearing Duncan Farris and Clarence Mott in favor of the first petition and Samuel J. Nelson contra. A vote was taken on the counter petition and declared lost. The prayer of the petition was granted and a Bye-law ordered to be prepared accordingly.

A petition was also presented from Johnston Parish praying that cattle be prohibited from running at large in Johnston Parish on the Highway near Coles Island, prayer granted and Bye-law to that effect ordered.

The Committee on lands and buildings submitted the following report:—

Whereas, Sheriff Perry, Chairman of County Lands and Buildings, having passed away, we have nothing to report from, only such report as appears in Secretary-Treasurer's books and which you all have heard read by the Auditor. Report approved. Ordered that the Land Committee be empowered to collect all rents due on County lands and Thatch Island notes. The Committee on Auditors report reported that they had examined the Auditors account and find them in a very satisfactory condition and highly commendable to the Municipality, on motion report was received and adopted.

Samuel N. Nelson, Peter Knight and D. Palmer, jr., were appointed a committee to sell grass on Thatch Island, and said Samuel N. Nelson was appointed Auctioneer, and for the service was to be allowed the sum of five dollars.

Council decided to collect all Thatch Island notes due if not paid by July 20th, 1897.

The vacancy caused in the Board of Valuers by the death of T. W. Perry was

filled by the appointment of W. S. Butler.

The Committee appointed to report on Highway divisions submitted the following report:—

That it is the opinion of the Councillors of the different parishes that the dividing line of the different divisions be as follows: Parish of Brunswick to remain as under Highway Act of 1886 and approved of by the session of the Municipality of 1887, with the exception of line of division between one and two, which will now be at Wilfred Brice's lower line instead of Abram Corey's lower line.

Parishes of Cambridge, Chipman, Canning, Gagetown, Johnston and Waterborough to remain as under "Highway Act, 1886" and approved of by session of Municipality of Queens County, 1887.

Parish of Hampstead to remain as under "Highway Act, 1886" and approved of by the Municipality of Queens in 1887, with the addition to Division No. 1 of Long Island and Big Musquash belonging to said Parish.

Petersville divided into four divisions according to schedule annexed.

Wickham allowed to stand except adding part of Long Island to Division No. 1.

This report was approved and divisions confirmed as therein set forth.

The Committee on Bills and Accounts reported that they had examined the accounts laid before them, numbered 1 to 15 and recommended the following:—

No. 1, John T. Beacom, Constable fees \$5.00, be paid.

No. 2, A. M. Belyea, constable fees \$7.00 referred to Council.

No. 3, Jas. Reid, Sheriff's bill, \$40.00, be paid.

No. 4, Estate, T. W. Perry, late sheriff, \$97.25, referred to Council.

No. 5, C. D. Dykeman, audit book, \$1.50, paid.

No. 6, Wm. Brander, solar bill, \$37.00, paid.

No. 7, E. A. Simpson, Div. Reg. fees, \$12.27, paid.

No. 8, John W. Dickie, coal supplies, \$1.24, paid.

No. 9, R. T. Babbitt, making revisors list for Chipman, \$3.00, referred to Council.

No. 10, Wm. Nevers, crifer fees, \$3.00, paid.

No. 11, J. C. McMillan, register book, \$21.90, paid.

No. 12, R. T. Babbitt, fuel for office, \$20.00, paid.

No. 13, I. Van B. Hetherington, conveying John Thorne to asylum, \$9.30, paid.

No. 14, C. D. Dykeman, collecting Thatch Island notes, \$3.47, to be explained.

No. 15, Chas. Gunter, use scow Thatch Island, 1896, \$6.00, paid.

The report was considered section by section, and each and all of the bills were ordered to be paid.

The Councillors of the different Parishes recommended sums be assessed for poor and special as follows:—

Brunswick for support of Poor, \$4.00

Cambridge for support of Poor, 165.00

Gagetown, Poor, 50.00

Jas. Palmer and J. E. Vanburen each 4.00

Chipman, Poor and Insane 250.00

Gagetown, Poor 400.00

Hampstead, Poor 150.00

Johnston, Poor and Insane 181.75

Petersville, Poor and Insane 150.00

Waterborough, Poor 60.00

Ordered that the recommendation as above be approved and amounts assessed accordingly.

On motion, C. D. Dykeman was re-elected Auditor for the ensuing year.

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