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Belmont Council By Acclamation.

The proceedings at the Belmont and Methuen nomination meeting on Monday were very quiet and resulted in the old council being returned by acclamation.

In addition to Reeve Wilde, Messrs. J. W. Russell and W. E. Griffith were nominated for the reeve ship, while in addition to the members of the old council, Messrs. C. Elliott and David Little were nominated as councillors. Mr. Russell resigned, as did also Mr. Little, leaving Mr. Griffith and Mr. Elliott in the field. The latter was absent and Mr. Griffith stated that he would not cause an election if Mr. Elliott withdrew. Mr. Elliott did withdraw on Tuesday and Mr. Griffith stepped down too, leaving the old council, Reeve Wilde and Councillors Jas. Ketchen, Thos. McConnell, J. P. Breckenridge and Wm. Anderson, elected for 1914 by acclamation.

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HASTINGS, ONTARIO.



Municipal Nominations.

Candidates Lay Their Claims Before The Electors.

Kindred and Joyce for Reeve ship—7 Out For Council and 7 For School Trustees.

The nomination meeting on Monday night was largely attended, but the proceedings were not particularly exciting, and the various speakers were quite fair and gentlemanly in their attitude to each other.

The following were nominated:

FOR REEVE

S. S. Joyce, H. C. Kindred, H. Wing, T. Curtis.

FOR THE COUNCIL

Jas. Scott, P. McCann, Wm. Martin, F. J. Squire, P. J. Hill, W. T. Curtis, J. Howe, J. Boylan, S. Higley, J. Wright, Wm. Weese, Wm. Jones, S. T. Wilson.

FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEE

H. Falkner, J. Coon, W. Jackson, W. J. Brown, C. H. Brewster, Dr. Thompson, S. Barlow, G. Chiles.

FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEE FOR 1 YEAR

Jas. Barlow, W. H. Weese.

H. Falkner reviewed the work of the School Board and said he had decided to drop out this year.

Job Coon said he would be in the field for re-election. His policy was a first class staff of teachers as the best were the cheapest.

W. Jackson was not present, but will be in the field.

W. J. Brown said he was in the field and asked for the support of the electors.

Dr. Thompson said he, too, was in the field, and if elected will do his full duty in the interests of the Board.

C. H. Brewster wasn't present and will not be a candidate for trustee.

Stan. Barlow was present but would not come to the platform. However he has decided to run.

Geo. Chiles was not present and will not be in the field.

Jas. Barlow was not present, but he will be in the field for the one year term.

Wm. Weese could not make up his mind on Monday night, but has since decided to oppose Mr. Barlow.

Reeve Kindred said he had tried to give good service under immense difficulties during the past year. They had spent over \$2,500 on first class permanent drainage, the great benefit of which would be apparent in the spring. He corrected the impression of some ratepayers that the council was prejudiced against the railway men and in consequence put on the income tax. He explained the provisions of the assessment act showing how the assessor alone was responsible for the entire assessment, and stated that in his opinion all married men, whether property owners, tenants or house holders, should be exempt from any income, but that the young men should pay a fair amount of such tax. He dwelt upon the excellent condition in which the village finances had been left during the year, and in referring to the Robinson suit, said that the council had taken every precaution that any other council had ever taken. He referred to his obtaining a \$100 grant from the County and to his services in succeeding in getting the county valuation reduced from \$227,000 to \$168,000, which fact alone, in his opinion, would warrant his re-election. He explained the negotiations regarding securing electric power and better electric light for the town—one of our greatest needs.

Councillor Wright stated that he was in the field for re-election and as in the past year, would continue to give his best services to the town.

Councillor Curtis referred to the excellent financial statement which was clean and one to be proud of. He reviewed the Forsythe lot muddle and said that when he assented to the work on the lot, that he understood that the town owned it. He was frequently interrupted by M. F. Lynch, who would not accept his invitation to come up on the platform and explain his objections.

S. S. Joyce could not agree with the way the village had been managed during the year. The taxes, he claimed,

were higher than in 1913. He criticized the financial statement in regard to detail items and claimed that the council would be at least \$500 behind, because they would not be able to collect the income tax. He denied a rumor that he had influenced Robinson to bring his suit against the town and offered to put up \$100 to anyone that would prove such to be the case. He criticized the council's action in the Forsythe case, and claimed that they had spent a large amount in law costs. He said that the draining work had cost far too much owing to delay in securing title, and ridiculed the council because they did not enforce the scavenger by-law. His attitude towards the income was identical with Reeve Kindred's.

Reeve Kindred in reply explained that law costs were not of this year's council, but an old bill of the council of 1911. He stated that any delay in the drainage work did not cost over \$5.00, and stated that the income tax would be collected all right and asked the electors to return him as Reeve for 1914.

Mr. Curtis also explained several of Mr. Joyce's objections and challenged any criticism of the financial statement, every cent of which appeared in detail in the monthly pay sheets. He announced his intention of standing for re-election as councillor and asked for the support of the electors.

Councillor Jones was not present and does not intend to run again.

Jas. Scott announced his candidature for councillor and asked the electors to elect him.

P. McCann was not in the field, and thought that the people should know for themselves what to do.

Wm. Martin was not present and will not be a candidate.

F. J. Squire was totally unable to understand the financial statement but thought he might do so by midsummer. He denied a rumor that he also instigated Robinson to bring suit against the town, but thought that the gravel pit should be fenced off from the road. He will not be a candidate.

P. J. Hill stated that he was in the field for councillor and as in the past, if elected, would do his best for the town.

Jno. Howe said he was out for election as councillor and would do his duty if elected. He cannot make a personal canvass and if the electors thought he would make a capable representative, asked them to vote for him.

John Boylan was not present, but has since decided to be in the field.

Wm. Weese stated that he was not in the field for councillor.

S. T. Wilson was not present and will not be in the field.

Harrison Wing was not present and will not be in the field.

Councillor Higley was not present, but will be in the fight.

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