

Report of Special Committee on Warden's address
presented and read

On motion of Mr. Little Sec^y by Mr. Russell
Ordered: That the Report now read be adopted

On Motion of Mr. M. Manus
The Council adjourned until the third
Monday in October next at the hour of 12 o'clock
noon

Wm. J. McLaughlin
Warden

Council Hall Barrie
October 21st, 1861

The Council met this day pursuant to adjournment
from the June session, The Warden in the Chair
present Messrs. Armon Craig Columbus Connor
Davis Elder Hand Johnson Little Norton M. Cain
McManus M. Kinley Nolan Orchard ~~Phillips~~ Packer
Phillips Russell Ross Steele Saunders & ~~Ward~~

The Minutes of the last day of the June session
were read and confirmed

The Warden laid the following documents before
the Council. Communications from the Provincial Secretary
Rules for the Government of Common Gaols. the County Clerk
of York & Peel, the Clerk of the Peace with copy of the
presentment of the Grand Jury of the Quarter Sessions
and Report of the County Treasurer.

On Motion of Mr. Armon Sec^y by Mr. Packer
Ordered: That the several documents now before the
Council be referred to their respective Committees.

On Motion of Mr. M. Manus Sec^y by Mr. Norton
Ordered: That the Warden do appoint a Special
Committee for to take into consideration all documents
that may be presented to this Council that do not
properly belong to any of the Standing Committees.

The Warden named Messrs. Messrs
McManus, Little, Russell, Craig & Saunders to be such
Committee

The Council adjourned until 9 o'clock
tomorrow morning

Wm. J. McLaughlin
Warden

Council Hall Record

October 22nd 1861

The Council met this day pursuant to adjournment
The Warden in the Chair

Roll of Members called,
Present Messrs. Amos Craig, Columbus Connor
Davis Elder, Hand, Johnson, Little, McManus
McClain, Nolan, Orchard, Parker, Sissons, Saunders
Keele Russell, Phillips Ross McKinley and O'Brien 22

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and approved
The Warden laid the following documents before the
Council, viz. Communications from County Clerk, & William
Ways Esq. Secy of the Georgian Bay Canal

On Motion of Mr. McClain Sec^d by Mr. Davis
Ordered: That the Communication of Robert Spaulding Esq
County Clerk be referred to the Committee on County property

On Motion of Mr. Craig Sec^d by Mr. McManus
Ordered: That a special Committee of five Members of
the Council be appointed viz. Messrs. Little, McManus
McClain, Russell and the mover, to take into consid-
eration the propriety of permanently fixing either by Rule
of Resolution the best and most satisfactory method
of equalizing the several Assessment Rolls, according
to the present Assessment Laws of the Province and
Report thereon to the Council,

On Motion of Mr. Sissons. Sec^d by Mr. Johnson
Ordered: That a special Committee be appointed for the purpose of
considering the propriety of Memorializing the Legislature for such an
amendment in the Assessment Laws of this Province as will vest
the taxing of the Assessment of real Estate and personal property
in the hands of County Assessors, or such other mode as will tend to
its more equal valuation in this County; namely Messrs Little
McManus McClain Russell Craig Sissons and Saunders
The Council adjourned until 7 o'clock this Evening

The Council met pursuant to adjournment
The Warden in the Chair

The Warden ^{laid} presented the following documents before the
Council, viz. Communications from Mr. Street, Rowland Penn Esq.
and account of the Spirit of the Age

On Motion of Mr. McManus Sec^d by Mr. Sissons
Ordered: That Mr. O'Brien be added to the Committee to draft
a Memorial to the Legislature on the Assessment Law in the
place of Mr. Sissons who is unable to attend

On Motion of Mr. Connor Sec^d by Mr. McManus
Ordered: That the Treasurer be instructed to lay before this
Council at its present Session a statement of all monies
received for the last year from Hawkers pedlars and
Audience Licenses within this County

On Motion of Mr. Little Sec^d by Mr. Orchard
Ordered: That the Communication from Rowland Penn
Esq. relative to the project for constructing a ship Canal
be referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges

On Motion of Mr. Saunders Sec^d by Mr. Nolan
Ordered: That a special Committee of three viz. Messrs
McManus, McClain and Little be appointed to take into
consideration and report on the propriety of engaging
permanently the services of some eminent legal Counsel
for the advice of this Council in cases of legal difficulties

On Motion of Mr. Orchard Sec^d by Mr. McKinley
Ordered: That the several documents now before the
Council be referred to their respective Committees

On Motion of Mr. Ross
The Council adjourned until 9 o'clock
tomorrow morning -
Wm. D. McCorkley
Warden

Council Hall Barrie

October 23rd 1861

The Council met this morning pursuant to adjournment
The Warden in the Chair

Roll of Members called

Present Messrs. Armeson Craig Columbus, Connor
Davis Elder, Hand Johnson Little M. Clain, McManus
M. Kinley Nolan Orchard Parker Phillips
Russell Ross Steele Sissons & Saunders 22

The Minutes of yesterday were read and
Confirmed

The Warden laid the following documents before
the Council, viz. Communications from County Surveyors
The Sec^y of the Georgian Bay & Fronts Canal Committee
Reports No's 1 and 2 of the County Surveyors, accounts
of the Advance Office and John McKay Keeper of
the Narrows Bridge

On Motion of Mr. McManus Sec^d by Mr. M. Kinley
Ordered: That the several documents now before
the Council be referred to their several committees
The Council adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment
The Warden in the Chair

The Warden laid the following documents before the
Council viz. Communications from Secretary of the Georgian
Bay & Fronts Ship Canal, with petition numerous
Signed, Mr. William Boyd, & County Clerk

Report of Special Committee on Equalization Rules
presented and read.

On Motion of Mr. Davis Sec^d by Mr. Russell
Ordered: That the Report abov^e Rule now read be adopted

On Motion of Mr. M. Clain Sec^d by Mr. Davis
Ordered: That the several documents now before the Council
be referred to their respective committees

On Motion of Mr. M. Clain
The Council adjourned until 9 o'clock
tomorrow morning

W. D. Montgomery
Warden

Council Hall Barrie

October 24th 1861

The Council met this morning pursuant to adjournment
The Warden in the Chair

Roll of Members names called

Present Messrs. Armeson Craig Columbus Connor
Davis Elder Hand Johnson Little M. Clain McManus
M. Kinley Nolan Orchard Parker Phillips Russell
Ross Steele Saunders Sissons & Patterson 23

The Minutes of yesterday were read and confirmed

Report of Special Committee for the appointment
of a permanent Counsel, presented and read

On Motion of Mr. McManus Sec^d by Mr. M. Clain
Ordered: That the Report now read be adopted

Report No. 1 of the Standing Committee
on County Property presented and read

On Motion of Mr. McManus Sec^d by Mr. Orchard
Ordered: That the Report now read be adopted

On Motion of Mr. Little
The Council adjourned until 7 o'clock p.m.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment
The Warden in the Chair
Report No. 2 of the Standing Committee on County Property
presented and read.

On Motion of Mr. Mannus Sec^y by Mr. Orchard
Ordered: That the Report now read be adopted

On Motion of Mr. Mannus Sec^y by Mr. Connor
Ordered: That the County Treasurer be instructed to carry
out so much of the provisions contained in Report No. one of the
Standing Committee on Roads and Bridges passed 19th
October A.D. 1859 as relates to the payment of twenty five
dollars to John Cumberland of the Township of Adjula and
transferring to him the original allowance of Road in lieu
of the present tendered one, as soon as he emigrates to this country
the present travelled road on Lot No. 27, boundary between the
Townships of Adjula and Monro

Report No. 1 of the Standing Committee on Roads and Bridges
presented and read

On Motion of Mr. McClain Sec^y by Mr. Steel
Ordered: That the Report Council do resolve itself into
Committee of the whole to take into consideration the
Report now read

The Council went into Committee of the whole
Mr. Mannus in the Chair.
The Committee of the whole rose and reported the Report
as amended.

On Motion of Mr. McClain Sec^y by Mr. Steel
Ordered: That the Report as amended in Committee
of the whole be now adopted

On Motion of Mr. Sissons Sec^y by Mr. Connor
Ordered: That the Warden be requested to address a
Circular letter covering ^{a copy of} the Report ~~of the~~ adopted to the
heads of the various Municipalities likely to be interested
in the contemplated canal in this Province, and the
Mayors of Chicago, Oswego, and Milwaukee respectively

In Motion of Mr. O'Brien Sec^y by Mr. Russell
Ordered: That the Acap and Aunt Child sent to the Meafand
Ment Asylum in Toronto last October by this Council be supported
there for another year, and that the Warden be authorised to
issue his warrant for the sum required for the above purpose

On Motion of Mr. Orchard the Council adjourned until
9 o'clock tomorrow morning -

W. D. McClenahan
Warden

Council Hall, Prairie
October 25th 1861

The Council met this morning pursuant to adjournment
The Warden in the Chair
Present Messrs. Connor, Craig, Columbus, Connor, Mannus, Elder
Patterson, Staud, Johnson, Pille, Norton, McClain, Mannus,
M. Kinley, Nolan, Orchard, O'Brien, Quaker, Phillips, Russell,
Piss, Steele, Saunders and Sissons 24

The Minutes of yesterday were read and confirmed

On Motion of Mr. McClain
The Council adjourned until 7 o'clock P.M.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment
The Warden in the Chair
Report No. 2 of the Standing Committee
on Roads and Bridges presented and read

On Motion of Mr. McClain Sec^y by Mr. Connor
Ordered: That the Report now read be adopted

Report No. 1 of the Standing Committee
of Finance and Assessment presented and read

On Motion of Mr. Little Sec^y by Mr. Russell
Ordered: That the Report now read be adopted

Report of Special Committee on Assessments laws
with accompanying Memorial presented read

Moved by Mr. O'Brien Sec^y by Mr. Saunders

That the Report now read be adopted, and that the
Memorial annexed be engrossed by the Clerk, signed and
sealed by the Warden and transmitted to the Members
for this County, and to the Members for the several
Districts for presentation to Parliament.

On Motion of Mr. Armon Sec^y by Mr. Parker

Ordered: That in Amendment the Report and draft
of Memorial now read be not adopted praying
for the appointment of one or more County Valuers
do not pass, inasmuch as it would incur additional
expenses upon this county, as in the opinion of this
Council are unneeded for, as this Council has at the
present session adopted a new system of equalizing the
assessment rolls

Yeas Messrs. Armon, Craig, Connor, Davis, Elder,
Hend, Little, Martin, M. Clain, M. Mann, Nolan,
Ochard and Parker 13

Nays Messrs. Columbus, Patterson, Johnson, M. Kinley,
O'Brien, Phillip, Russell, Ross, Steele, Saunders
and Sisson 11

On Motion of Mr. Sisson

The Council adjourned until 9 o'clock
tomorrow morning

J. W. McCloskey
Warden

Council Hall Barrie
Oct. 26th 1861

The Council met pursuant to adjournment
The Warden in the Chair

Members names called;

Present Messrs. Armon, Craig, Connor, Davis, Elder,
Patterson, Hand, Johnson, M. Clain, McManus,
M. Kinley, Nolan, Orchard, O'Brien, Parker, Phillip,
Russell, Ross, Steele, Saunders & Sisson 24

The Minutes of yesterday were read and confirmed

Report of Special Committee to confer with

Prison Inspectors presented and read

On Motion of Mr. McManus Sec^y by Mr. Craig

Ordered: That the Report now read be adopted
and that the Warden transmit a copy of the same
to the Prison Inspectors -

Report No. 2 of the Standing Committee

on Finance and Assessment presented and read

On Motion of Mr. Connor Sec^y by Mr. Little

Ordered: That the Report now read be adopted

Report No. 3 of the Standing Committee

on Finance and Assessment presented and read

On Motion of Mr. Little Sec^y by Mr. Russell

Ordered: That the Report now read be adopted

Report No. 4 of the Standing Committee

on Finance and Assessment presented and read

On Motion of Mr. Parker Sec^y by Mr. Dr. Minton

Ordered: That the Report now read be adopted
and that the Warden be authorized to issue
his Warrant for the payment of the sum of \$20,
mentioned in said Report

Report of Standing Committee

on Contingencies presented and read

On Motion of Mr. Hand Sec^y by Mr. M. Kinley

Ordered: That the Report now read be adopted

On Motion of Mr. Sissons Secy by Mr. Anson
Ordered: That the Clerk of this Council attend in his
office on Saturday in each week instead of Wednesday
as heretofore,

Moved by Mr. McClain Secy by Mr. Parker
That the sum of one hundred dollars be granted to
improve and chop down one and a half rods of the bush
on either side of the road leading from the Township of Essa
to the Town of Parrie, through the Township of Sunnyside
known as the New Essa road, and that the Reeve of
Sunnyside and the Deputy Reeve of Essa be appointed
to let out the same by contract or otherwise as to
them may seem best, and on their Certificate that the
work is done the Warden is hereby authorized to issue
his warrant ^{in the Treasurer} for the payment of the same

Moved in Amendment by Mr. McManus Secy by Mr. Connor
That the Chairman on Roads and Bridges be requested
by this Council to carry out the resolution of the Council
adopted on the 23rd day of June 1860 in relation to this and
other roads in this County - lost

Yeas Messrs. Connor, McManus, Russell, Ross, Sissons &
Nays Messrs. Anson, Craig, Columbus, Davis, Elder, Hand,
Johnson, Little, Norton, McClain, McKinley, Nolan, O'Brien,
O'Brien, Parker, Steele and Saunders 17

The original Motion was then put and lost
Yeas Messrs. Anson, Davis, Little, McClain, O'Brien, Parker
and Saunders 7

Nays Messrs. Craig, Columbus, Connor, Elder, Hand, Johnson,
Norton, McManus, McKinley, Nolan, O'Brien, Russell,
Ross, Steele and Sissons 15

Moved by Mr. Anson Secy by Mr. Nolan
That the Treasurer be instructed not to invest any
Money now in the Treasury, or pay any over to the
Township Authorities until the legal opinion authorized
by this Council with reference to the legality or otherwise
of the sale of unpatented Lands be obtained - lost,

On Motion of Mr. Anson Secy by Mr. Parker
Ordered: That the resolution passed by this Council at
the June Session authorizing the sale of all wild lands
in areas for Taxes within this County be rescinded, in so
far as it relates to having the same published in all the
Newspapers published within this County, as the duty of
publishing the same for sale properly belongs to the
Sheriff of this County.

On Motion of Mr. McManus Secy by Mr. Connor
Ordered: That the County Treasurer be requested to call
on the several Township, Town and Village Clerks for a
return of the Numbers of Licenses issued to Hawkers,
Pedlars and Auctioneers, and to remit to him the
proceeds thereof

It was moved by Mr. Saunders Secy by Mr. McClain
and put to the Meeting by the Clerk
That this Council cannot close ~~this present~~ its last
Session for the present year without putting on record
an expression of their high appreciation of the dignified
and efficient manner in which the Warden, J. S. M. Conroy,
Esq. has discharged the various and onerous duties pertaining
to his Office - and for which the warmest thanks of
this Council are due, and are hereby most respectfully
tendered, carried unanimously

The Warden returned thanks for the high compliment
paid him by the unanimous Voice of the Council, in
an eloquent and impressive speech

On Motion of Mr. Anson Secy by Mr. McManus Saunders
Ordered: That the Clerk be instructed to have the usual
number of Copies of the Minutes of this Session printed
and circulated with the least possible delay

On Motion of Mr. McClain
The Council adjourned sine die
J. S. M. Conroy
Warden

Minutes of Special Session
Council Hall Room

November 26th 1861

The Council met this day pursuant to an order from the Warden,

The Warden in the Chair

Members names called

Present Messrs. Armon, Craig Columbus
Davis Elder, Johnson, Little Martin, Murphy
McClain, McManus, McHenry, Nolan, Orchard
Parker, Phillips, Russell, Steele, Saunders
Sissons, Ross & Connor 22

The Minutes of the last day of the October Session were read and adopted

The Warden explained the object and necessity for calling the Council together

The Warden ^{laid} presented the following documents before the Council, viz - Report of the Standing Committee on Finance and Assessment, County Clerk, Correspondence with the Hon. James Patton, Com. from County Clerk of Lambton, demands of Messrs Kellwell & Odium attorneys for one M. Austin, County Surveyors Report, presentment of the Grand Jury of ^{advised} ~~Quarter Sessions~~ and Communications from Rowland Barr Esq which were read

On Motion of Mr. Parker Sec^y by Mr Davis
Ordered that the communication of Rowland Barr Esq on matters relating to the Grand Jury Bay Canal be referred to the Standing Committee on Roads & Bridges

On Motion of Mr. Parker Sec^y by Mr Davis
Ordered: that this Council approve of the action taken by the Finance Committee in reference to the call of this Session, and that their Report now read be adopted and entered in the minutes

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On motion of Mr McClain Sec^y by Mr Nolan
Ordered: That the following gentlemen be appointed as a Special Committee namely Messrs Little Martin, Mr. Norton, Messrs Saunders, O'Brien, Russell, Parker, Craig Steele and Sissons to take into consideration & Report on the Warden's address

On Motion of Mr McManus Sec^y by Mr Martin
Ordered: That the several documents now before the Council be referred to their respective Committees

On Motion of Mr Armon Sec^y by Mr Sissons
Ordered: That the communication of the Clerk of the Clerk of the Corporation of the County of Lambton be referred to the Special Committee on the Warden's address

The Council adjourned until 7 o'clock P.M.

The Council met according to adjournment

The Warden in the Chair

On Motion of Mr. Sissons,

The Council adjourned until 9 o'clock tomorrow morning -

Thos J. Murphy
Warden