

M I N U T E S

of the June Session, 1942, of the Municipal  
Council of the County of Simcoe

First Day

Council Chamber, Barrie,  
June 15th, 1942.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment from the January Session.

The Warden in the chair.

All the members were present except Councillors Gropp, Ferguson and Bingham.

The Clerk presented Certificates of Election and Declaration of Office for Bruce Eplett, Reeve of Victoria Harbour, and C. T. S. Evans, Reeve of Bradford.

The Minutes of the January Session and the Special Session of March 11th of the Council, having been printed and distributed, were taken as read.

The Warden welcomed the members to the June Session, particularly Bruce Eplett as Reeve of Victoria Harbour and C. T. S. Evans as Reeve of Bradford. They succeed two former members who were in attendance at the January Session of the Council but who have since passed on. These were Ex-Warden Edward Dutton, Reeve of Victoria Harbour, and Ex-Warden J. E. Coombs, Reeve of Bradford.

Councillor Dutton died on March 1st, having been a member of the County Council for many years. He first became a member in 1915 as Deputy-Reeve of Tay Twp. He was Deputy-Reeve in 1916 and 1918 and Reeve in 1917 and 1920. He was out of municipal politics for a few years but has been Reeve of Victoria Harbour continuously since and including 1925. He was Warden of the County in 1934.

Mr. Dutton took an active part in all municipal affairs, being a member of the County Road Committee for a number of years and Chairman of the County Reforestation Committee when the first County Forest was started in 1922.

Councillor Coombs, an experienced and valuable member of the Council, was first elected Reeve of Bradford in 1918, and was Reeve continuously from that year until 1927. He was Warden of the County in 1924. He was out of the Council from 1927 to 1935 but was again elected Reeve in that year and continued in that position until his death on May 17th.

For many years he was Chairman of the Standing Committee on Education and always took an active and intelligent interest in municipal affairs.

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Ex-Warden McKinlay, for many years Reeve of Oro, was called by Death on May 10th, 1942. He was Warden of the County in 1925 and was first elected to the County Council in 1916. He was a member continuously, until his Wardenship, with the exception of the years 1920 and 1923.

He was one of the pioneers of Oro Township and witnessed many improvements and developments during his life.

Since June, 1941, three other Ex-Wardens of the County have died, making six deaths in that body within a year. They are A. P. Potter, Warden in 1915, died in June, 1941; Chas. J. Gratrix, Warden in 1929, died in November, 1941; and Digby Horrell, Warden in 1917, died in January, 1942.

The Warden said he regretted to have to report that on account of the excessive rainfall since the first of May many farmers on the low clay land were unable to sow a bushel of grain, and owing to the lateness of the season it appeared that there would be real hardship for some farmers this coming year. This is the more to be regretted as the country, on account of the war, requires all the food stuffs it can produce.

At the January Session the County passed a By-Law providing for a total expenditure of \$125,000.00 on the County Road System for maintenance work. It was returned from the Provincial Highways Department with a total expenditure of only \$86,000.00 approved.

The Warden stated that it cost a considerable amount to put the roads in good condition after the frost went out in the spring and accordingly there will not be more than enough funds left to barely maintain the roads, and not enough to maintain them as they should be.

He was sorry he couldn't speak optimistically of the war situation at the present time, but as the United Nations' output of war equipment has vastly increased the Allies will soon have more planes and tanks than the Axis Nations and there will be a turning in our favour soon.

The Warden requested each committee to carefully scrutinize all expenditure in order to keep the tax rate as low as possible. He also asked the members to be punctual at the sessions of the Council and the various Committee meetings so that the business of the session might be concluded as expeditiously as possible.

Councillor George Patterson said he had a matter he wished to bring before the Council. He spoke as follows:

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"At this time and before the proceedings of this assembly are taken up I should like to say a word or two in respect to the loss sustained by the County, since and shortly before the January Session, in the death of the following County representatives and Ex-Wardens.

I should like also to suggest that the Clerk, Mr. Simpson, record in the minutes of this session a reference of the municipal and county services of these now deceased members in order that a record of their services be preserved in the history of this County which they served so well.

I refer to Ex-Wardens Chas. J. Gratrix, Edward Dutton and J. Ed. Coombs, Donald McKinlay, A. P. Potter and Digby Horrell. All will miss these men who have been, for so many years, generous friends and public servants and devoted much of their lives to their municipalities, their County, their province and their Country. No eulogy need be spoken for their works stand as a monument to their memory.

It seems fitting that the following verses be applied to them and their works;

"Let us now praise famous men and our Fathers that begat us,  
Such as did bear rule in their Kingdoms,  
Men renowned for their power, giving counsel by their understanding,  
Leaders of people by their counsels, and by their knowledge  
of learning, meet for the people, wise and eloquent in their instruction,  
Men furnished with ability, living peaceably in their habitation,  
These were honoured in their generation and were the glory of their times,  
There be of them that left a name behind them, that their praises  
might be reported,  
Their bodies are buried in peace but their name liveth for evermore."

Councillor Patterson then moved, seconded by Councillor G. Miller, that the Council adopt a policy of keeping a record of all deceased Ex-Wardens.

The motion was put and unanimously carried.

The Warden presented the following communications and accounts and they were referred to their respective committees.

From Walter Lumsden, Clerk of Victoria Harbour, Certificate of Election and Declaration of Office of Bruce Eplett as Reeve, succeeding the late Reeve Ed. Dutton.

From D. E. Wade, Clerk of Bradford, Certificate of Election and Declaration of Office of Chas. T. S. Evans as Reeve, succeeding the late Reeve J. Ed. Coombs.

From Stewart L. Page and F. A. Lashley, Agricultural Representatives, re Simcoe County Annual Weed Meeting in the Court House at 10:30 A. M. Wednesday, June 17th, 1942.

Request of Mr. George Scott to address the Council on Unemployment Insurance at 10 A.M. Tuesday, June 16th.

From John F. Woods, County Solicitor, re the ability of a person to sit in County Council who has not been duly elected Reeve or Deputy-Reeve.

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Communication from Mr. A. J. B. Gray, Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs, giving notice that the Provincial Annual Report of Municipal Statistics was available for those who wished it.

Letter from A. J. B. Gray re proposed amendments to the Assessment Act.

Letter from The Hydro-Electric Power Commission re extension of hydro-electric service to farmers.

Letter from Hon. H. C. Nixon, Provincial Secretary, re appointment, dismissal and salary of gaolers. and other gaol officers.

Replies to the resolutions of the Council re raising the price of farm products in order to put them on an equal basis with other commodities farmers have to buy.

Hon. J. G. Gardiner, Dominion Minister of Agriculture,

Hon. P. M. Dewan, Provincial Minister of Agriculture,

Col. George Drew, Leader of the Opposition in Ontario,

Dr. McArthur, Minister of Education for Ontario and Member for Centre Simcoe,

W. Earl Rowe, George A. McLean, and D. F. McCuaig.

From the Minister of Education re students assisting on farms.

From L. E. O'Neill, Ontario Live Stock Branch, re Condemnation Insurance rates on cattle from restricted areas.

From Hon. P. M. Dewan, Ontario Minister of Agriculture, re increased production of wool as a necessary war measure.

Resolution from the Council of Waterloo County re abolishing of gas tax on coloured gas used on farms by farmers.

Letter from S. H. H. Symons, Secretary Ontario Agricultural Council, re delegates to form a deputation to wait on the Dominion Government at Ottawa.

Resolution from the Council of Wellington County recommending a continuance by the Federal Government of the "Feed Freight Subsidy Act"

Letter from the Secretary-Manager of the Bacon Board of Canada re increasing the weight of bacon hogs.

Letter from the Council of the County of Grey requesting that the ceiling on beef cattle prices be raised or that subsidies be paid; another resolution recommending a bonus on fertilizers in crop production and concentrates on stock-feeding.

Report of the first meeting of the Simcoe County Agricultural War Production Committee.

Resolution from the Council of the County of Dufferin re mobilization of man-power for war purposes and equal consideration of the farm labour problem.

Report of the Grand Jury at the recent sitting of the General Sessions of the Peace; W. H. Kellar, Foreman, Judge Cochrane presiding.

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Communication from the Ontario Department of Education re Township School Areas in Ontario.

Communication from W. G. Duke, Secretary of the School Board at Mono Mills, and W. Frank Smith, Inspector of Public Schools, re assistance for Mono Mills School for teaching Fifth Class work.

Minutes of the County Council Section of the Ontario Educational Association at the 1942 convention, George A. Hall, Secretary.

Resolution from the Educational Committee of the Peterborough County Council re taxation for secondary school costs.

Request for membership in the Association of Assessing Offices of Ontario and request for membership fee.

Notice of the discontinuance of assistance to Donald J. Friffin, a child of a member of the Armed Forces, which child has reached the age of 16 years.

Accounts for the maintenance of wards at the various training schools for girls and boys.

Ontario Training School for Boys, Guelph

Ontario Training School for Boys, Bowmanville

Ontario Training School for Girls, Galt

St. John's Industrial School for Boys, Toronto, and

St. Mary's Training School for Girls, Toronto.

Letter from Miss Grace McMullen, corresponding secretary, Midland branch Independent Order of the Daughters of the Empire, with reference to assistance to their branch from the County.

Request from The Navy League of Canada, E. F. Trimble, General Secretary, for a grant to assist the league in its work.

Request for a grant for the Salvation Army Rescue Home, 22 Rebecca St., Hamilton, to assist them in their work, Arthur H. Smith, Adjutant.

From J. R. Hilborn, Organizer West Simcoe Victory Loan, re J. R. Coleman, Assistant Treasurer, as Secretary for the Victory Loan Committee.

From W. R. McVittie re payment of prizes in Victory Loan Poster Contest.

Refund of Auctioneer's License to J. B. Johnston, Orillia, who died early this year.

H. M. Thompson, Funeral Director, Thornton, re funeral expenses of Edward Burns, amounting to \$46.00.

From Gee. H. Scott, Inspector, re Unemployment Insurance.

Circular re gas rationing.

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Notice of the date of the annual Convention of the Association of Managers of Homes for Aged and Infirm, June 23rd, 24th and 25th at Kitchener, and the appointment of delegates from this County to attend the convention.

Report of the condition of the boiler in the County House of Refuge at Beeton by the Inspector.

Resolution from the Council of the County of Grey re proposed amendments to the Municipal Act.

Resolution from the Council of the County of Wentworth objecting to the extension of the life of the Legislature and opposing certain changes in the Assessment Act.

Communication from the Municipal Engineer of the Hydro-Electric Power Commission re supply of services to farmers.

From Hon. T. B. McQuesten, Minister of Municipal Affairs, advising householders to put in their supply of coal early.

Report on the condition of the boiler in the Court House by the Inspector.

Notices of accidents on the County Road System by the following:-

E. W. Mumberson, New Lowell,

Wm. J. Fallis, Victoria Harbour,

J. J. Aikins, Glen Cross,

John L. Waples, Victoria Harbour,

James W. Glendenning, Orillia.

From Department of National Defence re damage to railing on bridge by one of the army trucks.

From J. A. P. Marshall, Chief Engineer of Municipal Roads, re approval to By-Laws No. 2074, 1997 and 1995 of the County of Simcoe (except Paragraph 5).

From W. J. Phillips, Wyevale, re increase in salary of Outside Caretaker at Nancy Island.

Letter from E. J. Evans, Reeve of W. Gwillimbury Twp., re purchase of lot for reforestation purposes.

REPORT NO. 1 -- of the Special Committee re the distribution of the \$10,000 grant to the various Red Cross Branches in the County was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor G. Miller, seconded by Councillor Evans, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 1 -- of The Special Committee re the awarding of the Highway Insurance was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Buchanan, seconded by Councillor Carlton, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

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Councillor Simpson enquired if the Standing Committee on Equalization could report at a later date. He stated the rules provided that this committee should report on the first day of the June Session. This extension was granted.

Councillor Banting enquired if the Special Committee on Agriculture had anything to report on the question of the farm labour problem. The Chairman, Councillor Borrow, informed him that he would report to-morrow.

Moved by Councillor Benson, seconded by Councillor Hartman, and ordered,

That Councillor Gropp, Deputy-Reeve of Penetanguishene, be granted leave of absence on account of illness.

Moved by Councillor Drinkwater, seconded by Councillor Curry, and ordered,

That the Council do now adjourn until Tuesday at 10 A. M.

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Clerk, County of Simcoe

*Albert A. Toner*  
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Warden, County of Simcoe

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The Warden in the chair.

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The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and adopted.

The Warden presented the following communications and accounts:

Criminal Calendar of the County Gaol showing that at the present time there are thirty persons confined therein for various offences.

Resolution from the Council of Lennox & Addington County re lower insurance rates on automobiles on account of the lowering of the speed limit and the gas and tire restrictions.

School Taxes on property purchased from the following townships for reforestation purposes:

Oro .....	\$ 8.23	Tecumseth .....	\$ 2.19
Sunnidale .....	17.24	Innisfil .....	1.95
Tossorontio .....	29.52	Tiny .....	
Medonte .....	115.77	Vespra .....	78.28
Flos .....	15.87		

Letter from Hon. N. O. Hipel, Minister of Lands & Forests, approving of the purchase of the Wildman property in Tiny Township.

From the Department of Highways returning the copy of By-Law No. 2068 and approving of an expenditure of only \$86,000.00 on the County Roads during 1942.

From J. A. P. Marshall, Chief Engineer of Municipal Roads, re approval of the 1941 County Road expenditure.

Letters acknowledging expressions of sympathy from the Council from Mrs. Ed. Dutton and family, Mrs. J. Ed. Coombs, and family and Judge W. T. Robb, Orangeville.

Communication from S. H. H. Symons, Executive Secretary of the Ontario Agricultural Council, with a copy of a letter from the private secretary of Prime Minister W. L. Mackenzie King regarding the action taken by the Dominion Government on the five resolutions submitted by the delegation on May 5th, 1942.

Letter, addressed to the Warden, from A. H. Richardson, Department of Lands & Forests.

Financial Statement from the Midland Branch of the I. O. D. E., Miss Grace McMullen, Corresponding Secretary.

Letter from Dr. W. C. Little re illness of John R. Coleman.

Mr. George Scott of the Unemployment Insurance Board appeared before the Council and explained certain phases of this Act. He stated the Chief Justice of Canada had ruled that all municipal employees were insurable; but that if the Council wished to be relieved from insuring permanent employees a resolution would have to be passed to that effect.

The Warden thanked Mr. Scott for the information given the Council in this matter.

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A deputation from the Council of Mulmur Township, composed of Messrs George Dodsworth and Clifford Duffin, appeared before the Council and asked that the County of Simcoe add one mile of road, in the County, to the County Road System to make a connecting link in the two County Road Systems of Dufferin and Simcoe. The addition asked for is the line between Lots 25 and 26 Concession 1, Tossorontio Township, which connects with County Road No. 5.

The Warden assured the deputation that their request would be carefully considered by the Road & Bridge Committee.

Two deputations from the Town of Midland, one representing the Midland Red Cross Branch and the other the Midland Chapter of the Imperial Order of the Daughters of the Empire, waited on the Council and requested assistance for these two organizations. Mr. Ralph Wilson addressed the Council in connection with assistance for the Red Cross. He outlined the work accomplished by the local branch and assured the Council that any grant the County might see fit to make would be greatly appreciated and used to the very best advantage.

Miss Mary Benson and Mayor Oliver Smith addressed the Council in the interest of the Midland Chapter of the Imperial Order of the Daughters of the Empire. Mayor Smith congratulated the Warden on being elected to the high office he holds.

The Midland Chapter was formed in 1914 and has carried on continuously since. He outlined the many services performed by this organization and stated it was giving valuable assistance to those in need in Poland. He urged that assistance be given to both the Red Cross Branch and the Chapter of the Daughters of the Empire.

He introduced Miss Benson, Regent of the Midland Chapter, who presented a Financial Statement of their Chapter for the past year. Both stressed the important work being done by that organization.

The Warden assured these deputations that their requests would be given every consideration.

Councillor Cumming replied to the question raised by Councillor Banting at yesterday's session regarding the farm labour situation. He stated that arrangements were under way to secure as much assistance as possible. Service Clubs and school students are being organized, and the Committee is interviewing Brigadier Spencer, the Commandant at Camp Borden, this afternoon. He hoped to have a more complete report before the end of the session.

Moved by Councillor E. Evans, seconded by Councillor G. Miller, and ordered,

That the Committee on Legislation consider the advisability of recommending to the Department of Municipal Affairs that the Vital Statistics Act be so amended that births be recorded in the municipality in which the parents reside as well as in the municipality in which said births take place.

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Moved by Councillor McCracken, seconded by Councillor W.H. Patterson, and ordered,  
That the Committee on Equalization consider the advisability of hearing

a deputation from the Township of Tossorontio at 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

Moved by Councillor Harvey, seconded by Councillor Chas. Evans, and ordered,

That the Standing Committee on Equalization prepare a By-Law confirming the equalized values of the various municipalities for the purpose of making the County levy for the year 1943.

Moved by Councillor McCracken, seconded by Councillor W. H. Patterson, and ordered,

That the Committee on Roads & Bridges consider the advisability of installing a light at the intersection of Road No. 5 and the Village of Lisle, the same being on the road from Camp Borden.

Moved by Councillor Eplett, seconded by Councillor Middleton, and ordered,

That the Committee on Education consider the advisability of making a grant towards Fifth Class work to Victoria Harbour school.

Moved by Councillor Simpson, seconded by Councillor Benson, and ordered,

That Councillors Eplett and C. Evans be appointed members of such committees as were their predecessors.

Moved by Councillor Pottage, seconded by Councillor Downey, and ordered,

That Councillor Barker, Reeve of Sunnidale Twp., be granted leave of absence from to-day's session.

Moved by Councillor F. Patterson, seconded by Councillor Clark, and ordered,

That in view of changed conditions throughout the County and owing to the fact that the War Services have since been taken over by the Federal Government, we feel that the extra levy of one mill which was added for this purpose should be returned to the municipalities and the matter taken up and considered by the Finance Committee.

Moved by Councillor Asselin, seconded by Councillor G. Miller, and ordered,

That the Treasurer be authorized to pay J. R. Coleman's salary during his illness.

Moved by Councillor Lawrence, seconded by Councillor E. Evans, and ordered,

That the meeting do now adjourn until Wednesday at 10 A. M.

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Moved by Councillor G. Patterson, seconded by Councillor E. Miller, in amendment,

That the Report be not adopted but that the mill rate for County General and War purposes be left as it was at the January Session.

The amendment was put and declared lost on the following division: yeas -- Asselin, Banting, Benson, Borrow, Buchanan (2), Carlton, Cumming, Curry, Eplett, C. Evans, Hartman (2), Lawrence, E. Miller, G. Patterson, Todd (2), Wray, Total - 19. Nays -- Apperley, Barker, Barr, Brack, Brown, Clark (2), Cook (2), Downey, Drinkwater, E. Evans, Grant, Harvey, Horne, House, Luck, Merrett, McCracken, McMaster, Middleton, G. Miller, Oliver (2), F. Patterson (2), W. H. Patterson, Pottage, Simpson, Tudhope, Widdis, Total -- 31.

The original motion was put and declared carried.

REPORT NO. 3 -- of the Standing Committee on Finance was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Grant, seconded by Councillor House, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted and that the By-Law presented herewith be read a first time.

By-Law read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Merrett, seconded by Councillor McCracken, and ordered,

That the By-Law now read a first time be read a second time.

By-Law read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Cook, and ordered,

That the By-Law now read a second time be read a third time.

By-Law read a third time.

Moved by Councillor Hartman, seconded by Councillor F. Patterson, and ordered,

That the By-Law now read a third time do pass, be engrossed by the Clerk, and signed and sealed by the Warden.

REPORT NO. 1 -- of the Standing Committee on Legislation was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Brack, seconded by Councillor Wray, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 1 -- of the Standing Committee on Agriculture was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Carlton, seconded by Councillor E. Miller, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 2 -- of the Standing Committee on Agriculture was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Horne, seconded by Councillor Barker, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

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The Minutes of the last meeting of the Council were read and adopted.

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From Miss Mary G. Benson, Regent of the Midland Chapter of the Imperial Order of the Daughters of the Empire, outlining further activities of their branch than were reported by the deputation at yesterday's session.

Resolution from the Council of Elgin County re releasing experienced men from non-essential industries for farm work.

Resolution from the Council of the County of Elgin re abolition of mixed Beverage Rooms.

Letter from George E. Foster, Clerk of Mulmur Township, re extension of County Road in Tossorontio Township.

From Lieut. Col. N. E. McDonald, Officer Commanding the Grey & Simcoe Foresters, advising that a request for a grant to this unit would not be submitted at this session as they would, for a time, be able to carry on with the funds on hand.

Mr. J. W. Hamilton, Chairman of the Barrie Branch of the War Services Committee, appeared before the Council and requested assistance for the Active Service Club and Canteen. He outlined the formation and operation of the Canteen and the splendid work that was being done. He gave a statement of the attendance and what was accomplished since the Canteen opened. He requested a substantial grant from the Council.

The Warden assured Mr. Hamilton that his request would be carefully considered.

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Moved by Councillor Eplett, seconded by Councillor W. H. Patterson, and ordered,

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That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 1 -- of the Special Committee on County Property was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Buchanan, seconded by Councillor Luck, and ordered,  
That the Report now read be adopted.

Moved by Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Barr, and ordered,

That the Agriculture Committee consider making the usual grant of \$100.00 to each of the North and South Simcoe Departments of Agriculture in support of Junior Farmer projects, this grant having already been budgetted by the Agriculture Committee at the January Session.

Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Middleton, and ordered,

That the Agriculture Committee consider making the usual grant of \$100.00 to each of the North and South Simcoe Departments of Agriculture in support of Boys and Girls Work, this grant having already been budgetted for by the Agriculture Committee.

Moved by Councillor Horne, seconded by Councillor Drinkwater, and ordered,

That the Committee on Finance consider giving a grant of \$400.00 to Orillia Township to help clean out Purbrook Creek; the said township will supplement this by \$100.00. The Department of Game & Fisheries has removed the beaver from this creek.

Moved by Councillor Banting, seconded by Councillor Barker, and ordered,

That the Standing Committee on Legislation be requested to consider the advisability of recommending to the Provincial Department of Game & Fisheries that the Wolf Bounty Act be amended so that municipalities be authorized to pay bounty on all wolves, regardless of age, whether killed or captured.

Moved by Councillor Drinkwater, seconded by Councillor McCracken, and ordered,

That the request of the deputation from Dufferin County, re the matter of a connecting link on County Road No. 5 connecting certain County Roads in Simcoe with Dufferin County, be referred to the Road & Bridge Committee.

Moved by Councillor Todd, seconded by Councillor Banting, and ordered,

That the County Road Committee be given authority herewith to expend on the County Road System, if required, a total sum consisting of the road levy already raised, \$59,579.00, plus whatever subsidy the Department of Highways eventually agrees to provide.

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Moved by Councillor Asselin, seconded by Councillor Barr, and ordered,  
That the messenger, Robert Craig, be given the usual two week's holidays.

Moved by Councillor Asselin, seconded by Councillor Cumming, and ordered,

That the Special Committee on Agriculture be empowered to make payments from monies appropriated for agricultural purposes.

Messrs S. L. Page, F. A. Lashley and J. McLeod appeared before the Council in connection with the annual meeting of Weed Inspectors in the County.

Mr. Page referred to the shortage of gas and car tires, and it was accordingly thought advisable to hold this annual Weed Meeting at the time of the June Session as many of the County Council members attended these meetings. He referred to the unusually wet season which resulted in from 30% to 40% of the spring grain in the County being left out of the ground. He said that steps were being taken to give all possible assistance in harvesting the crops this year.

Mr. Lashley referred to a programme of sheep production in the County. The Department of Agriculture, both Dominion and Provincial, have requested an increase in sheep production which would automatically increase the production of wool. It is asked that the sheep production be increased by at least 25%. Mr. Lashley outlined a policy that has been prepared by the Simcoe County Agricultural War Production Committee and urged the members to take this matter up with their ratepayers. He introduced Mr. J. McLeod of the Department who was to address the Council and Weed Inspectors on the question of weed eradication.

Mr. McLeod urged that every effort be made to destroy all noxious weeds as they greatly depreciated the value of farm crops, and total crop production is very necessary at this time. He said that everything was being done by his Department to give instructions to municipal Weed Inspectors and County Road Superintendents to keep the weeds destroyed.

The Warden thanked Messrs Page, Lashley and McLeod for the useful information given to the Council.

Moved by Councillor Drinkwater, seconded by Councillor McMaster, and ordered,

That the Council adjourn until Thursday at 10 A. M.

*J. Simpson*  
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Clerk, County of Simcoe

*Albert A. Torrey*  
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Warden, County of Simcoe



FOURTH DAY

Council Chamber, Barrie,  
June 18th, 1942.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment at yesterday's session.

The Warden in the chair.

All the members were present except Councillor Gropp.

The Minutes of the last meeting of the Council were read.

Councillor Simpson said he did not approve of the resolution to empower the Special Committee on Agriculture to make payments from monies appropriated for agricultural purposes.

He said that when the Council made a grant of \$6,000 for agriculture in January, \$4,000 of this amount was for such assistance to agriculture as might be authorized by this Council. He further stated that during the last few years the Council had been fairly generous in its assistance to agriculture, which was quite deserving and which he personally appreciated, but he feared that this resolution might lessen that confidence and he would therefore like to see it removed from the minutes.

After some discussion the minutes were adopted as read.

REPORT NO. 4 -- of the Standing Committee on Finance was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Apperley, seconded by Councillor Asselin, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 5 -- of the Standing Committee on Finance and the accompanying By-Law were presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Banting, seconded by Councillor Barker, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted and that the By-Law presented herewith be read a first time.

By-Law read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Barr, seconded by Councillor Bingham, and ordered,

That the By-Law now read a first time be read a second time.

By-Law read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Borrow, seconded by Councillor Brack, and ordered,

That the By-Law now read a second time be read a third time.

By-Law read a third time.

Moved by Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Buchanan, and ordered,

That the By-Law now read a third time to pass, be engrossed by the Clerk, and signed and sealed by the Warden.

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REPORT NO. 6 -- of the Standing Committee on Finance and the accompanying By-Law were presented and read.

Moved by Councillor McMaster, seconded by Councillor Middleton, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted and that the By-Law presented herewith be read a first time.

By-Law read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Horne, seconded by Councillor Luck, and ordered,

That the By-Law now read a first time be read a second time.

By-Law read a second time.

Moved by Councillor C. Evans, seconded by Councillor Harvey, and ordered,

That the By-Law now read a second time be read a third time.

By-Law read a third time.

Moved by Councillor Oliver, seconded by Councillor Drinkwater, and ordered,

That the By-Law now read a third time do pass, be engrossed by the Clerk, and signed and sealed by the Warden.

REPORT NO. 1 -- of the Standing Committee on Roads & Bridges was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Middleton, seconded by Councillor Grant, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 2 -- of the Standing Committee on Roads & Bridges was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor McMaster, seconded by Councillor Merrett, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 1 -- of the Standing Committee on Education was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor McMaster, seconded by Councillor Tudhope, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 2 -- of the Standing Committee on Education was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Eplett, seconded by Councillor Bingham, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 3 -- of the Standing Committee on Education was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor G. Miller, seconded by Councillor Brown, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 1 -- of the Special Committee on Reforestation was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Barker, seconded by Councillor McMaster, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 3 -- of the Standing Committee on Agriculture was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Brack, seconded by Councillor Brown, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

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REPORT NO. 4 -- of the Standing Committee on Agriculture was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Widdis, seconded by Councillor Middleton, and ordered,  
That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 5 -- of the Standing Committee on Agriculture was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Eplett, seconded by Councillor Barr, and ordered,  
That the Report now read be adopted.

Councillor Simpson enquired if the report in the Barrie Examiner regarding the reduction of the General County Levy from 4 mills to 3 mills would require the sale of the \$50,000 Victory Bond and the proceeds of it to be returned to the various municipalities. He said this was not the impression he had received or he would have voted differently. His understanding was that the rate levied on the municipalities was only reduced from 4 mills to 3 mills and that the sale of the Victory Bond would not be necessary.

After considerable discussion it was agreed that the Victory Bond would not have to be sold.

Moved by Councillor E. Evans, seconded by Councillor G. Miller, and ordered,

That leave be granted to introduce a By-Law to provide for raising the sum of \$57,706.95 on that part of the County outside High and Continuation School Districts for the cost of education of County pupils attending the various schools, and to raise the sum of \$2,572.16 on the whole rateable property of the County for Vocational School purposes, and that the By-Law herewith presented be read a first time.

By-Law read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Bingham, seconded by Councillor Oliver, and ordered,  
That the By-Law now read a first time be read a second time.

By-Law read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Oliver, seconded by Councillor McMaster, and ordered,  
That the By-Law now read a second time be read a third time.

By-Law read a third time.

Moved by Councillor C. Evans, seconded by Councillor Harvey, and ordered,  
That the By-Law now read a third time do pass, be engrossed by the Clerk,  
and signed and sealed by the Warden.

Moved by Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Merrett, and ordered,  
That the Finance Committee consider the advisability of making a grant  
to the Nottawasaga School Fairs.

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Moved by Councillor Buchanan, seconded by Councillor Todd, and ordered,  
That the Finance Committee consider making a grant of \$1,000 to the War  
Service Club and Canteen of Barrie as requested by Mr. Hamilton at Tuesday's Council  
meeting.

Moved by Councillor Benson, seconded by Councillor Hartman, and ordered,  
That the Finance Committee consider making a grant of \$1,000 to the  
Midland Branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society, and another grant of \$500 to the  
Midland Chapter of the Imperial Order of the Daughters of the Empire.

Moved by Councillor Carlton, seconded by Councillor Clark, and ordered,  
That the Governor and Matron of Simcoe County Home (Mr. & Mrs. James  
Jardine) be permitted to have two week's holidays during the summer of 1942, if and  
when they so desire.

Moved by Councillor Horne, seconded by Councillor E. Miller, and ordered,  
That the Special County Road Committee give permission to the Reforest-  
tation Committee to plant trees on all County Road corners where the County has built  
a new road.

Moved by Councillor Bingham, seconded by Councillor Oliver, and ordered,  
That the Finance Committee consider the advisability of making a grant  
of \$1,000 to the Orillia Citizens War Services Committee for the establishment of a  
Hostess House at Orillia and to assist in its operation.

Moved by Councillor Buchanan, seconded by Councillor Simpson, and ordered,  
That a committee, composed of Councillors Carlton, George Patterson,  
Lawrence and Buchanan, be appointed to adjust the Defence Tax with respect to County  
employees.

Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Luck, and ordered,  
That the Council do now adjourn until Friday at 2 P. M.

*J. Simpson*  
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Clerk, County of Simcoe

*Albert A. Toner*  
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Warden, County of Simcoe

The Council met pursuant to adjournment at yesterday's session.  
The Warden in the chair.

All the members were present except Councillor Gropp.

The Minutes of the last meeting of the Council were read and adopted.

The Warden presented the following communications and accounts:

From Ex-Warden Geo. W. Glover, regretting his inability to be present at the Warden's Picnic.

Statement from Messrs Glendinning, Gray & Roberts of their examination of the claims for the education of County pupils who attended the various High and Continuation Schools during 1941.

Mr. Gordon Foster, Superintendent of the Children's Aid Society, addressed the Council on the work of the society. He outlined the increase in the volume of his work, for which Camp Borden's location in the County is largely responsible. He referred to the Soldiers' Dependents Act. When a soldier marries and applies for a Separation Allowance for his wife and family, the Children's Aid Society is required to make an investigation of the case before Separation Allowance or Assigned Pay is granted.

REPORT NO. 7 -- of the Standing Committee on Finance was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor E. Miller, seconded by Councillor McCracken, and ordered,  
That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 8 -- of the Standing Committee on Finance was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Bingham, seconded by Councillor Brown, and ordered,  
That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 3 -- of the Standing Committee on Roads & Bridges was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Apperley, seconded by Councillor Horne, and ordered,  
That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 1 -- of the Standing Committee on County Property was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor E. Miller, seconded by Councillor Wray, and ordered,  
That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 1 -- of the Standing Committee on House of Refuge, was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Apperley, seconded by Councillor E. Miller, and ordered,  
That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 2 -- of the Standing Committee on House of Refuge was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Carlton, seconded by Councillor Apperley, and ordered,  
That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 2 -- of the Standing Committee on Legislation was presented and read.  
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Councillor Evans enquired upon what grounds the Committee recommended that no action be taken re the request to enact legislation to abolish joint beverage rooms for men and women.

Councillor G. Patterson replied that if a husband and wife, travelling as tourists, wished to have a glass of ale it should be allowable for them to go to the same place, and likewise any man and wife or man and his lady friend.

Moved by Councillor Wray, seconded by Councillor Bingham, and ordered,  
That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 1 -- of the Standing Committee on Reforestation was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Middleton, seconded by Councillor Barr, and ordered,  
That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 1 -- of the Standing Committee on Equalization and the accompanying By-Law was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor McCracken, seconded by Councillor Banting, and ordered,  
That the Report now read be adopted and that the By-Law presented herewith be read a first time.

By-Law read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Benson, seconded by Councillor Hartman, and ordered,  
That the By-Law now read a first time be read a second time.

By-Law read a second time.

Moved by Councillor Harvey, seconded by Councillor C. Evans, and ordered,  
That the By-Law now read a second time be read a third time.

By-Law read a third time.

Moved by Councillor Simpson, seconded by Councillor Todd, and ordered,

That the By-Law now read a third time do pass, be engrossed by the Clerk, and signed and sealed by the Warden.

REPORT NO. 6 -- of the Standing Committee on Agriculture was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Simpson, seconded by Councillor Banting, and ordered,  
That the Report now read be adopted.

Moved by Councillor Drinkwater, seconded by Councillor Simpson, and ordered,

That we, the members of Simcoe County Council, wish to extend to Warden and Mrs. Toner our hearty thanks for the very happy and enjoyable time spent at Springwater Part on the occasion of his outing, June 18th, 1942.

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Moved by Councillor G. Patterson, seconded by Councillor G. Miller, and ordered,

That the Clerk be instructed to write to Lieut.-Col. C. Ruttan, Commandant, R.C.A.S.C. Training Centre, Camp Borden, expressing the appreciation of Warden Toner and the members of the Council for sending his band to the Warden's annual outing at Springwater Park, Midhurst. The band was very generous with its numbers and greatly pleased the large assembly of guests, especially during the time it rained and all were forced to stay under cover.

The Clerk is also instructed to notify the Minesing Ladies Aid that the supper provided was bountiful and excellent and much enjoyed and appreciated by the Warden and his guests.

Moved by Councillor E. Evans, seconded by Councillor Simpson, and ordered,

That this Council heartily endorse the stand taken by the Hon. Earl Rowe in the House of Commons as recently reported in the press, whereby immediate encouragement and assistance be granted to producers of bacon hogs in Canada, when increased bacon exports are so urgently needed, by having adjustments made in the weight limits and penalties imposed on heavy hogs as at present in force under existing hog marketing regulations, and that copies of this resolution be forwarded to Hon. Earl Rowe, M. P., D. F. McCuaig, M. P., and George McLean, M. P.

Moved by Councillor Benson, seconded by Councillor Todd, and ordered,

That the Report of the Committee on Finance, respecting the application of the Midland Branch of the Red Cross Society, be amended to include all branches of the Canadian Red Cross Society located throughout the County of Simcoe, and that the grant be increased to the amount of \$10,000.00 for this purpose, distribution to be made on the same basis as the last grant and the funds so distributed to be used only for the purchase of material to be used by the local branches of the society.

Moved by Councillor E. Evans, seconded by Councillor Todd, and ordered,

That leave be granted to introduce a By-Law to provide for the payment of a grant of \$10,000.00 to the Red Cross Branches in this County, and that the By-Law presented herewith be read a first time.

By-Law read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Benson, seconded by Councillor Merrett, and ordered,

That the By-Law now read a first time be read a second time.

By-Law read a second time.

Moved by Councillor McMaster, seconded by Councillor Todd, and ordered,

That the By-Law now read a second time be read a third time.

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By-Law read a third time.

Moved by Councillor Lawrence, seconded by Councillor Harvey, and ordered,

That the By-Law now read a third time do pass, be engrossed by the Clerk, and signed and sealed by the Warden.

The Warden requested the Clerk to write to Ex-Warden George Glover, thanking him for his kind letter and expressing the regrets of himself and the Council for his injury and expressing the hope that he may soon be fully recovered. The Clerk was also requested to write to Joseph Spicher, Ex-Reeve of Sunnidale Township, expressing the sympathy of his old colleagues and himself on his illness and hoping that he may soon be around as usual.

Moved by Councillor Drinkwater, seconded by Councillor Lawrence, and ordered,

That the Council do now adjourn until Monday, Nov. 23rd, 1942, at 2 P. M.

.....*J. Simpson*.....  
Clerk, County of Simcoe

.....*Albert A. Toner*.....  
Warden, County of Simcoe