

M I N U T E S  
of the November Session, 1942, of the Municipal  
Council of the County of Simcoe

First Day

Council Chamber, Barrie,  
November 23rd, 1942.

The Council met pursuant to the call of the Warden.

The Warden in the chair.

All the members were present except Councillor Merrett and Ferguson.

The minutes of the June Session of the Council, having been printed and distributed, were taken as read.

The Warden addressed the Council and welcomed the members to the November Session; he said he was glad to see them in such good health.

He referred to the crops in some sections of the country not being too good, but on the whole the crop returns were fairly satisfactory.

The Warden also referred to the death, since the June Session, of Ex-Warden James Martin, Ex-Warden George Glover and Ex-Councillor Frank Wilcox. These men had all been outstanding municipal men and had given valuable service not only to their own municipalities but to their county as a whole.

He was glad to report that the Third Victory Loan had been an outstanding success in the County, and all were glad to hear the favourable war reports of the last few days.

He requested the members to be punctual at all sessions of the Council and meetings of the various committees.

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

Various letters from Members of Parliament and others in reply to resolutions and other questions submitted to them.

Resolution from the Council of the County of Bruce re the uncertainty of the length of exemption from war service of farmers' sons and the resultant effect on farm production.

Memorandum to Wardens, Reeves and Deputy-Reeves of rural municipalities re the collection of scrap metal.

Report from the Executive-Secretary of the Ontario Agricultural Council of the replies received from the Dominion Government on the resolutions submitted by the Agricultural Council.

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Resolution from the Council of the County of Perth re postponement of call for military training for farmers and farmers' sons.

Memorandum of resolution forwarded to the Prime Minister of Canada by the Executive Committee of the Ontario Agricultural Council relating to the Beef Cattle situation.

Memorandum sent by the County Agricultural War Production Committee to farm boys advising them of their duty in maintaining farm production.

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

Memorandum to Municipal Clerks giving notice of the date of the annual convention of the Association of Assessing Officers and requesting a large attendance.

Communication from E. Austin, Alliston, re the attendance of his daughter at the Weston Vocational School.

Communication from the Ontario Division of the Navy League of Canada advising that their work was greatly increased and requesting a further grant.

Notice of the conference of the Ontario Section of the Municipal Finance Officers Association of Canada and the United States, to be held at Kingston on Nov. 23rd and 24th, 1942, and requesting the Warden to authorize the County Treasurer to attend.

Resolution from the Council of the County of Wentworth requesting that the per diem allowance received by Municipal Councils be exempt from Defence and Income Tax.

Memorandum from A. J. B. Gray, Deputy-Minister of Municipal Affairs, re Unemployment Insurance.

Communication from H. R. Nettleton, Manager of the Barrie Branch of the Bank of Toronto, re resolution authorizing the Warden and Treasurer to have access to the County Safety Deposit Box.

Accounts for the maintenance of wards in the following Training Schools:

Guelph Training School for Boys .....	\$ 76.00
St. John's Training School for Boys, Toronto .....	790.00
Ontario Training School for Boys, Bowmanville .....	241.50
St. Mary's Training School for Girls, Toronto .....	469.00
Ontario Training School for Girls, Galt .....	378.00

Approval from the Department of Municipal Affairs of the County Grant of \$10,000 to the Red Cross Branches in the County of Simcoe and the \$500 grant to the Navy League of Canada.

Resolution from the Council of the County of Prince Edward re economy in spending by citizens and also by the Federal Government in its operation and administration of Army Camps.

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Communication from the Ocean Blend Tea Company re renewal of Peddler's License for 1942.

Communications re prices of material for repairs to the foot bridge at Nancy Island.

Statement of School Taxes, from the Treasurer of Tecumseth Township, on the Riddell property which is now part of the House of Refuge property.

Resolution from the Council of the County of Grey re commercial advertising on the radio on Sundays.

Reply from the Director of Vital Statistics re recording births in the municipality where the parents reside as well as in the municipality where the births take place.

Resolution from the Council of the County of Welland re sufficient quantities of gasoline being allowed to Councillors for looking after municipal business.

Notices of accidents on the County Roads from the following:

Justin Leblanc, Lafontaine,

Miss Clara Wilson, R.N., Alliston,

Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario, damage to transmission line,

Mrs. Margaret Wallman, 100 Avenue Rd., Toronto,

M. V. Lovering, Coldwater, damages for flooding of land.

Tax Accounts on Reforestation properties -- Townships of Innisfil, Oro, Tiny, Sunnidale and Tossorontio.

Memorandum from the Department of Public Welfare to Relief Administrators re supplying fuel to Mother's Allowance beneficiaries in needy cases.

Communication from Boys & Boys re passing a By-Law to dispose of the Shook property in Tossorontio Township to the Department of National Defence for Canada.

Communication re passing a By-Law authorizing the Warden and Clerk to execute a deed for part Lot 2 Conc. 11 Innisfil.

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

Mr. John S. Huyck, representing the Fairmont Company Ltd., addressed the Council regarding the importance of collecting all available scrap metal and rubber. He stated that the source from whence crude rubber originally came was closed for the present on account of the war, and stressed the importance of contacting every householder and urging that all such material be turned over to the collectors. He stated that much had been done in this regard but there still remained considerable quantities in certain places.

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At a meeting of all Wardens in the Province, called in Toronto last month by the National Salvage Department, the necessity of collecting all scrap metal in the townships was stressed. Mr. Huyck was pleased to be informed that many townships in the County had already commenced a collection campaign and some had done a good job. He urged that the collection be completed as soon as possible and before the winter snow falls. He recommended that the members of the Council relegate this work to Trustee Boards in school sections or to other similar units.

In reply to a question as to what should be done with an individual who had a pile of scrap metal and would neither sell or give it away, he suggested that he be approached and advised of the necessity of its disposal, and then if he did not give permission for it to be taken or sold to report the case to the Warden who in turn would report to the Steel Controller.

The Warden thanked Mr. Huyck for his address and assured him that the members of the Council would follow his suggestions.

Messrs S. L. Page and F. A. Lashley, Agricultural representatives, and Donald Bell, Treasurer of the Federation of Agriculture of the County, addressed the Council on agricultural topics.

Mr. Page spoke of the work of the Federation of Agriculture and what it had accomplished in the stabilization of farm production and the price of farm products. He further stated that the County Branch stood high in the Federation throughout the Dominion. He also said that the Simcoe County War Production Committee was doing fine work and co-operating splendidly with the Federation. Mr. Page suggested that steps would have to be taken to control production to the needs of the people after the war.

Mr. Donald Bell, Treasurer of the Federation, presented a financial statement:

Total receipts, up to the end of October,	\$901.79
Disbursements, up to the end of October,	832.89
Balance .....	\$ 68.90
Estimated receipts, to Dec. 31st, 1942,	\$1118.90
Estimated disbursements, to Dec. 31st, 1942,	1090.00
Balance at Dec. 31st, 1942 .....	\$ 28.90

Mr. Lashley addressed the Council on the necessity of organizing for arranging agricultural production and the price of farm products after the war.

He referred to the question of farm help and the enlistment of farmers' sons, and stated that he and Mr. Page had been requested to report on hundreds of farmers' sons as to the necessity of them being left on the farm. With reference to bush work for the winter months, he said it was allowable for farmers' sons, who could be spared,

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to go to the woods for the winter months, and they could then return to their farms in the spring. He stated that he would not recommend any farmer's son to sacrifice his livestock in order to go to the bush but rather, in such cases, he would advise him to remain to increase farm production.

The deputation requested a substantial grant from the Council to the County Branch of the Federation of Agriculture.

The Warden thanked the deputation and assured them that the Council would consider their request.

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

That the Standing Committee on Legislation be requested to take into consideration the advisability of recommending an amendment to sub-section 2, Chap. 23, Ontario Statutes, 1940, so that it will provide that the dependents of persons engaged in Active Service, as members of the Military, Naval or Air Force, shall be deemed to be residents of the municipality in which they were resident at the time of the enlistment,

And also that a civilian employee in any of the Training Camps, and his dependents, shall, for the purposes of the Public Hospitals Act, be deemed to be residents of the municipality in which they resided at the time of the commencement of his employment at such camp.

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

That leave of absence be granted to Councillor Merrett, Reeve of Alliston, who is absent on important war work.

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

That the Committee on Legislation consider desired amendments to the Unemployment Insurance Act.

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

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

*J. Simpson*  
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Clerk, County of Simcoe

*Albert A. Toner*  
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Warden, County of Simcoe

S E C O N D D A Y

Council Chamber, Barrie,  
November 24th, 1942.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment from yesterday's Session.

The Warden in the chair.

All the members were present except Councillors Merrett and Ferguson.

The minutes of the previous session were read and adopted.

The County Treasurer addressed the Council on the necessity of him, as Treasurer, deducting a certain amount from the per diem pay of Councillors attending Sessions of the Council or attending Committee Meetings when the Council is not in Session. He stated that this deduction was graded according to the status of the different members, as to whether they are single or married and as to the number of dependents supported by each.

He stated that at the end of October there was an overdraft of \$130,000 at the bank, there were \$192,524.01 of unpaid levies, and he estimated there would be a balance of \$40,000 on hand at the end of the year.

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

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

That the Report now read be adopted.

Councillor Evans enquired if any of the local municipalities had a reforestation scheme. It was not thought that any local township had an agreement with the Department of Lands & Forests, although some municipalities had municipal plots.

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

That the Finance Committee consider the advisability of recommending that the per diem rate of payment to members of the Council attending Sessions of the Council or Committee Meetings be increased from \$5.00 to \$6.00 per day.

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

That the Standing Committee on Reforestation consider the advisability of transferring to His Majesty the King in the Right of Canada, for military purposes, the whole of Lot 18 in the 5th Concession of the Township of Tossorontio, and authorizing the Warden and Clerk to execute a deed for this purpose.

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

That the Road & Bridge Committee consider the advisability of replacing the Kirkpatrick Bridge, a wooden structure, in the Township of Flos, it being a County Bridge and getting in very bad condition. This bridge is on the Nottawasaga River.

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

That the Standing Committee on Reforestation consider the advisability of preparing a By-Law authorizing the Warden and Clerk to sign a deed transferring part of Lot 2 in the 11th Concession of the Township of Innisfil, the property of the County of Simcoe, to the Township of Innisfil.

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

That the Agricultural Committee consider the advisability of giving a grant to the Simcoe County Federation of Agriculture, the amount to be taken out of the money appropriated for agricultural purposes.

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

That the Standing Committee on Reforestation consider the advisability of preparing a By-Law authorizing the purchase of Lot 18 in the 5th Concession of the Township of Tossorontio for reforestation purposes.

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

That the Finance Committee consider the advisability of introducing a By-Law to provide for the salary of the County Treasurer and the Governor and Matron of the House of Refuge being paid on a monthly basis instead of on a quarterly basis as at present. In paying these salaries monthly it would make it more convenient in estimating the amount of income tax.

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

That we, the members of Simcoe County Council, request photos of the following late Ex-Wardens of Simcoe County Council: Dutton, Potter, Horrell, McKinlay, Glover, and Cunningham, and that the Clerk be instructed to write to the families of these men requesting their photos to be placed in the Council Chamber, Barrie.

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

That Councillor C. Evans, Reeve of Bradford, be granted leave of absence from to-day's Session owing to illness.

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

That this Council extend a vote of thanks to the residents of Simcoe County for their hearty response to the Third Victory Loan.

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

That Councillor Downey be granted leave of absence from to-day's Session on account of illness.

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

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

*J. Simpson*  
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Clerk, County of Simcoe

*Albert A. Tower*  
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Warden, County of Simcoe

T H I R D D A Y

Council Chamber, Barrie,  
November 25th, 1942.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment from yesterday's Session.

The Warden in the chair.

All the members were present except Councillors Merrett and Ferguson.

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

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

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

That the Report now read be adopted.

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

Moved by Councillor Buchanan, seconded by Councillor Borrow, 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 Barker, seconded by Councillor Simpson, 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 Oliver, seconded by Councillor Brack, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

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

That the Finance Committee consider the advisability of making certain adjustments in connection with the salaries paid to several officials of the County.

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

That the Finance Committee consider the advisability of recommending that the per diem rate paid to the members and Secretary of the Mothers' Allowances and Old Age Pensions Board be the same as that paid to members of the Council and Committees.

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

That the Legislation Committee consider the advisability of taking action to secure changes in the Hospitals Act whereby the County would be relieved of hospitalization expenses for employees of military and naval establishments situated within the County.

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

That we, the members of Simcoe County Council, read with regret about the sinking of the pleasure yacht, captained by Mr. Bert Corbeau, in Georgian Bay on Sept. 21st, 1942. We wish to express our sincere sympathy to the bereaved families of the deceased, and would recommend that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Penetang and Midland newspapers.

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

That the salary of the County Road Committee shall be \$5.00 per day and the expense allowance \$1.75 per day to assist the County Treasurer in making his returns to the Income Tax Department of the Government. This arrangement doesn't change the present salary as now prevailing.

Mr. J. F. Woods, County Solicitor, appeared before the Council and explained certain provisions of the Public Hospitals Act, particularly as it refers to the dependents of soldiers enlisted in the Armed Forces and who are training at Camp Borden, and also concerning others employed at civilian work at the Camp and the dependents of such persons. He stated that under an amendment to the Act the wives and dependents of persons in the Armed Forces took their residence, for hospitalization purposes, from the municipality in which they resided at the time of their admission to the hospital; this also applies to civilian employees at Training Camps and their dependents.

Two or three concrete cases were considered. Mr. Woods said he was of the opinion they were residents of the County of Simcoe and suggested that the County might recommend an amendment to the Public Hospitals Act to correct such cases.

Councillor Carlton, Chairman of the Contingent Committee, requested the Warden to leave the dais as his committee had a pleasant duty to perform. He mentioned that in former years this duty had been taken care of by the late Ex-Wardens Dutton and Coombs and requested Ex-Wardens G. Patterson and Barr to take charge. Ex-Warden Patterson said that he couldn't take the place of either Eddie Dutton or Ed. Coombs. He referred to the very successful year of Warden Toner and the satisfactory manner in which he conducted the Sessions of the Council; he also referred to the way in which he represented the County at different functions when the Council wasn't in Session. He expressed the hope that Warden Toner would have many more years of happiness and continue his County connections.

Ex-Warden Barr presented the Warden with a watch and referred to it as a "Badge of Honour" that all Ex-Wardens might be proud to wear, and trusted that every time he had occasion to look at it he would be reminded of the donors, who were his friends in the County Council, and the County officials. He said he hadn't known Warden Toner before he came to the Council, but since his acquaintance had often enjoyed the hospitality of his home.

Warden Toner thanked the members and officials for the splendid gift and for the support that had been given him throughout the year; he referred particularly

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to the Secretaries of the County Treasurer and the County Clerk. He said he hoped his year as Warden had been satisfactory to all.

Moved by Councillor Drinkwater, seconded by Councillor Harvey, and ordered, That the Council do now adjourn until 10 A.M. Thursday.

*J. Simpson*  
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Clerk, Simcoe County

*Albert A. Toner*  
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Warden, Simcoe County

F O U R T H   D A Y

Council Chamber, Barrie,  
November 26th, 1942.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment from yesterday's Session.

The Warden in the chair.

All the members were present except Councillors Ferguson, C. Evans, and Merrett.

The minutes of the previous Session were read and adopted.

REPORT NO. 1 -- of the Standing Committee on Roads & Bridges, and the accompanying By-Law, were presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Apperley, seconded by Councillor Borrow, 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 Barker, seconded by Councillor Brown, 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 Luck, seconded by Councillor Downey, 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 W. H. Patterson, seconded by Councillor Horne, 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 Wray, seconded by Councillor Brack, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

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

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

That the Report now read be adopted.

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

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

That the Report now read be adopted.

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

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

That the Report now read be adopted.

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

Moved by Councillor Horne, seconded by Councillor Carlton, 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 Hartman, seconded by Councillor Curry, 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 Brown, seconded by Councillor Brack, 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 Eplett, seconded by Councillor Benson, 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 Middleton, 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. 6 -- of the Standing Committee on Finance, and the accompanying By-Law, were presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Clark, seconded by Councillor Gropp, 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 Barker, seconded by Councillor Cook, 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 Grant, 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 Horne, seconded by Councillor House, 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 Education was presented and read.

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

That the Report now read be adopted.

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REPORT NO. 1 -- of the Special Committee re proposed amendments to the Assessment Act was presented and read.

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

The Council extended to Councillor Simpson a hearty vote of thanks for his report.

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

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

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

That the Committee on Finance consider the advisability of making provisions in connection with any account which has been overdrawn according to the estimates submitted to this Council in January last.

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

That this Council resolve to heartily endorse any action on the part of our Provincial and Federal members in the appointment of returned men of this or the last War to vacancies which might occur or to new positions created on the various Governmental Administrative Boards, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Provincial and Federal members representing Simcoe County.

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

That the Finance Committee set the rate of salary and mileage for the County Road Committee.

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

That the caretaker be given permission to move the picture of the County Council for the year 1927, now hanging on the north wall of the Council Chamber, to the forward part of the west wall as the heat is damaging same.

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

That leave of absence be granted Councillor E. Miller on account of illness.

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

That the Council pay the hotel expenses of the members sent to the Assessors' Convention.

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

WHEREAS this County has not had an equalization in the past ten years,

AND WHEREAS the Department of Municipal Affairs has recently been very active in trying to amend the Assessment Act which, in our opinion, would affect the autonomy of local municipalities,

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AND WHEREAS we feel some of the proposed amendments would be of assistance in arriving at a fair equalization,

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that we hereby give instructions to the Equalization Committee of this County to make a thorough study of equalization assessment practices throughout the Province so as to be better informed for our next equalization, which should take place next year.

Councillor McCracken enquired if the leave of absence granted Councillor Merrett provided that he would be paid his per diem. <sup>note</sup> He was informed that it was not the custom to pay the per diem to members who were employed at gainful work.

Moved by Councillor McCracken, seconded by Councillor Carlton, and ordered,  
That Councillor Merrett be not paid for this Session.

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

That the Council do now adjourn until 10 A.M. Friday.

*J. Simpson*  
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Clerk, County of Simcoe

*Albert A. Toner*  
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Warden, County of Simcoe

F I F T H D A Y

Council Chamber, Barrie,  
November 27th, 1942.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment from yesterday's Session.

The Warden in the chair.

All the members were present except Councillors Ferguson and Merrett.

The minutes of the last Session of the Council were read and adopted.

The Warden presented the following communications:

From Glendinning, Gray & Roberts, County Auditors, suggesting that instead of the County Treasurer issuing individual cheques direct to the creditors of the Children's Aid Society he be authorized to transfer blanket sums of money to the Bank Account of the Society from time to time as required and when approved by the County's representative on the Society. This would avoid duplication <sup>of work</sup> in handling these disbursements.

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

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

That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 8 -- of the Standing Committee on Finance, and the accompanying By-Law, were presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Drinkwater, seconded by Councillor Widdis, 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 Middleton, seconded by Councillor Eplett, 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 House, 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 F. Patterson, seconded by Councillor Clark, 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. 2 -- of the Standing Committee on Roads & Bridges was presented and read.

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

That the Report now read be adopted.

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

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

That the Report now read be adopted.

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

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

That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 4 -- 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. 2 -- of the Standing Committee on Reforestation, and the accompanying By-Law, were presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Borrow, seconded by Councillor E. Miller, 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 Middleton, seconded by Councillor Asselin, 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 Wray, seconded by Councillor Brown, 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 Cook, seconded by Councillor Horne, 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. 3 -- of the Standing Committee on Reforestation, and the accompanying By-Law, were presented and read.

Moved by Councillor McMaster, seconded by Councillor F. Patterson, 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 Clark, 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 E. Miller, seconded by Councillor Banting, 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 Harvey, and ordered,



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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. 4 -- of the Standing Committee on Reforestation, and the accompanying By-Law, were presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Tudhope, seconded by Councillor Downey, 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 Downey, seconded by Councillor Benson, 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 Curry, seconded by Councillor McCracken, 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 Barker, seconded by Councillor Hartman, 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. 2 -- of the Standing Committee on Agriculture was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor E. Miller, seconded by Councillor Eplett, 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 Bingham, seconded by Councillor E. Miller, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 2 -- of the Special Committee on Reforestation was presented and read.

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

That the Report now read be adopted.

Councillor Asselin stated that if the Council wished to have a photograph taken the County Engineer had a suitable camera and would be glad to take a photograph before lunch.

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

That the County Treasurer be authorized to transfer blanket sums of money to the bank account of the Children's Aid Society, from time to time as required and when approved by the County's representative on the Society's Board. This procedure would avoid duplication in handling the disbursements in both the Treasurer's office and the office of the Children's Aid Society.

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

That leave of absence be granted Councillor Cumming who was attending a U. F. O. meeting in Toronto yesterday.

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

That a resolution be passed at this Session, and a copy of it sent to the Minister of Highways, suggesting that it be compulsory for every person applying for a motor vehicle license to have an insurance policy covering at least public liability and property damage.

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

WHEREAS the general public is being seriously inconvenienced by reason of the regulations restricting bus travel to a 50-mile limit,

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that this Council considers such regulations unfair and recommends that the entire situation be reviewed by the governing authorities, that steps be taken at once to relieve this situation and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Minister of Transport for Canada.

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

That the congratulations of this Council be extended to Councillor Bruce Eplett who is the proud father of a baby boy. It is suggested that his middle name be "Simcoe" and that the Clerk be instructed to send a copy of this resolution to Councillor Eplett.

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

That the Council do now adjourn until 2 P.M. this afternoon.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION

The Council met as per adjournment from the morning session.

The Warden informed the Council that G. R. Foster, Superintendent of the Children's Aid Society, wished to address the Council for a few minutes.

Mr. Foster stated he would give a brief report of the Society's activities since he last appeared before the Council. "In the spring of 1942 the Dependents Board of Trustees was set up by the Dominion Government to administer a Supplementary Grants Fund established to assist needy dependents of members of the Armed Forces. Advisory Committees have been set up throughout the Dominion to take and look into applications. Our Society is the representative for the County of Simcoe and we investigate applications for assistance. During the past three months we have made nearly 250 investigations for the Dependents Board of Trustees alone in addition to other work."

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He stated that the other work of the Society had increased in 1939; at that time there were 151 families and 370 children under their supervision and at the present time there are 550 families and 395 children under their supervision. This extra work necessitated an increase in the staff and at present there are four full-time outside workers employed and two stenographers in the office. This staff, per head of population, is smaller than that of many other Societies. There was an annual increase of \$4,000 in the salaries and the cost of maintaining the Society is likely to reach still greater heights as more and more wards and families are coming under their charge.

He further stated that in 1941 the cost per ward per day in the Shelter was 77 cents.

Five years ago the Society was graded as Category "E" and now it is in Category "B". There are only about six Societies in this category in the Province, and only one in Category "A".

Mr. Foster thanked the Council through Councillor Buchanan, Chairman of the County Property Committee, for the improvements made to the Lodge and the necessary alterations in his office.

The Warden thanked Mr. Foster for his address and the information he gave to himself and the other members of the Council.

Councillor G. Patterson presented Councillor Eplett with two War Saving Certificates as a gift from the County Council to his young son. Councillor Eplett expressed his thanks and hoped that his son would grow up to be a good loyal British subject.

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

That this Council resolve itself into Committee of the Whole to consider making a grant to cover one-third of the cost of repairing the bridge known as Copeland Creek Bridge, located on a road used in lieu of a boundary road which had been left unopened because of the obstruction of a large mill pond.

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The Committee of the Whole with Councillor Carlton in the chair. Upon taking the chair Councillor Carlton said that the members were fairly familiar with the matter to be considered and he believed a decision could be arrived at speedily.

The Committee of the Whole arose and reported that they would recommend a grant being made to the Town of Penetanguishene for one-third of the cost of repairing the bridge over Copeland's Creek, said grant not to exceed \$500.00, and that rules 65 and 66 be suspended for this purpose.

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

That the Report of the Committee of the Whole be adopted.

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

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

Moved by Councillor Buchanan, seconded by Councillor Luck, and ordered,  
That the Criminal Calendar of the County Gaol, as presented to Council earlier in the week, by Clerk Simpson, be filed.

Moved by Councillor Banting, seconded by Councillor Lawrence, and ordered,  
That a hearty vote of thanks be extended to Councillor Carlton for his services as Chairman of the Contingent Committee and in connection with the purchasing of the Warden's watch and the souvenirs, also for the very capable way in which he presided at the County Council dinner last evening.

Moved by Councillor Drinkwater, seconded by Councillor Simpson, and ordered,  
That we, the members of Simcoe County Council, wish to extend our thanks and appreciation to His Worship the Warden for the very capable and efficient manner in which he presided over the Sessions in 1942.

The Warden expressed his appreciation of the vote of thanks and trusted that in some degree he had measured up to the standard of other wardens as he had endeavoured to do so. He thanked the Council and others for their loyalty and support during the year and expressed the hope that any of the members who offered themselves for re-election would be returned. He said that his year as Warden would always have pleasant memories for him.

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

That the Council do now adjourn sine die.

*J. Simpson*  
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Clerk, County of Simcoe

*D. E. Todd*  
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Warden, County of Simcoe