

Third Meeting 1853.

Court House Barrie 1<sup>st</sup> November 1853.

The Council met pursuant to Adjournment

Present

Messrs. Armstrong, Fraser, Ferguson (Hunifil) Drury, Gairill,  
McKenzie, McNease & McMurtry S.

The Meeting was called to order by the Clerk

It was moved by Mr. McKenzie seconded by Mr.  
Fraser and Carried

That in the absence of the Warden Mr. Arnonean  
do take the Chair

Mr. Arnonean accordingly took the Chair and  
adjudged the Meeting.

The Council then adjourned until tomorrow  
Morning at 10 o'clock.

Wm. J. M. S. P.  
Chairman

Court House Barrie 2<sup>nd</sup> November 1853

The Council met pursuant to Adjournment

The Warden in the Chair

Present

Messrs. Janson, Arnonean, Drury, Gairill, Fraser, Ferguson  
of Hunifil, Ferguson of Ottawaagon, Macnease, McNease  
McKinlay, McIver, McConachy, Croker & McNease H.

The Meeting was called to order

The Minutes of Yesterday were read

The Warden addressed the Council

Two letters from the Provincial Secretary's Office dated  
23 Augt & 21 Sept<sup>er</sup> last respectively in reference to  
the appointment of an Arbitrator on behalf of the  
Council of Wellington they were read by the Warden  
(to whom they were addressed) and laid before the Council

The Warden also laid before the Council A Document  
he had received from His Excellency The Earl of Elgin  
& Kincardine addressed "To the Warden of the County  
of Simcoe for the time being" authorising him to  
call out the enrolled Military Pensioners for the  
preservation of the Public Peace within the said  
County and which was read by the Clerk

A Circular from the Warden of the U. C. of York Ontario  
& Peel to the Warden of the County of Simcoe containing  
a copy of a Petition respecting the appointment of  
County Officers read

The Treasurer's Report dated Oct 31<sup>st</sup> 1853 read.

The Correspondence between the Chief Superintendent of Education and the Clerk of this Council respecting the School accounts of Sub-Treasurers of the County of Simcoe from 21<sup>st</sup> July to 8<sup>th</sup> Oct last read.

Copies of the Form of Arbitration of a Patient with the Provincial Lunatic Asylum at Toronto laid before the Council.

The Award of the Arbitrator of H.C. of York Ontario & Peel and the umpire named by him respecting the claim of the County of Simcoe against these United Counties read.

A Letter from Dr. May to the Clerk tendering his thanks for the manner in which this Council complied with his suggestions in reference to an idiot girl read.

A Statement upon oath by James Moloney of the expenses incurred by him in taking his wife Jane to the Lunatic Asylum at Toronto amounting to £6.2 laid before the Council

Miscell. a/c for Collector's Bills dated June 28 & Oct 22 1853 laid before the Council

A letter from Mr. Basil R. Read Town Clerk of Orillia enclosing an a/c of 2/6 for posting copies of By Law #32 in the Municipality of Orillia - read

Petition of Mr. Rev. J. J. Allen praying for a Board of Instruction being established at Bond Head Island presented by Mr. Thos R. Ferguson read  
Letter from the Secretary & printed report of the Districts Report to the Proprietors of the O.S & H Railroad read

A Statement of the Receipts & Expenditure of the County Bank Head from 27 June to 2 Nov 1853 with books laid before the Council

Moved by Mr. Thomas H. Ferguson seconded by Mr. Keenan

That whereas in every instance when Arbitrators are appointed to settle disputes and that such Arbitrators disagree and that therefore it becomes necessary to nominate and appoint an Umpire or third Arbitrator the expenses and indeed the cost would dictate that such Umpire or third Arbitrator should be a purely disinterested person, that in the selection of the Umpire by the Arbitrators appointed to Arbitrate upon the claims of this County against that of the United Counties of York Ontario & Peel such consideration has been entirely overlooked inasmuch as John H. Murray Esq. is a person deeply interested and it is to be feared that he was actuated in his decision accordingly, hence the Hon. H. H. Robinson very justly withheld his signature from said Award that therefore said Award now laid before this Council be referred to the Committee on Finance and Assessment in order that they may report thereon and if possible have the whole affair brought before a Legal Tribunal

Moved in Amendment by Mr. McCarty seconded by Mr. Murray

That the Award between this County and those of York Ontario & Peel be referred to the Committee on Finance and Assessment with instructions if possible to recommend that measures be taken to set it aside the same not being at all satisfactory to this Council

On which the yeas and nays were called for  
Yea's for the Amendment

Mrs Aranson Fraser Gauill Drury Cooper  
McKinley and McMillan - 4  
Nays for Amendment

Mrs MacLean Ferguson Simms (John) McLean &  
McClean & Peter Ferguson 5  
Amendment carried by a Majority of 42.

On Motion of Mr. Gauill seconded by Mr. Fraser

Ordered That the Warden appoint a Committee of  
three to consider the various documents that  
may not belong to the Standing Committees.

The Warden appointed Mrs. Aranson Mrs P.  
Ferguson and Mr. McKinley

On Motion of Mr. North Ferguson seconded by Mr.  
Fraser

Ordered That the various documents now before  
the Council be referred to their respective Com-  
mittees.

On Motion of Mr. McLeanly seconded by Mr. Mc-  
Millan

Ordered That the Warden appoint a special Com-  
mittee of three to consider the propriety of paying  
Juries in this County.

The Warden named Mrs. Gauill Mr. Peter Ferguson  
and Mr. McLean.

The Council adjourned until 9 o'clock tomorrow  
Morning.

I do J. Arden  
M.C. D. L.

Sturt House Barrie 3d Nov: 1853

The Council met pursuant to adjournment

The Warden in the Chair

Present

Mrs. Aranson Aranson Drury Gauill Fraser Ferguson  
(John) Ferguson (stottawesaga) MacLean McLean Mc-  
Kinley, Drury, McKinley, Mr. McKinley & Cooper. 13

The meeting was called to order

The Minutes of yesterday were read

Letter from the Chief Engineer of the Rail road to the Warden  
in reply to his of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct. last respecting the future  
terminus of the Rail road to read

Letter from the Gaoler to the County Surveyor complaining  
of the insufficiency of the jail walls to read

County Surveyor's Report No 1 read.

Account of Queen's Printer for advertising by law  
dividing the Township of Elora into Rural wards  
read before the Council

On Motion of Mr. George K. Ferguson seconded

by Mr. Givens

Ordered That the several documents now laid before the Council be referred to their respective Committees.

On Motion of Mr. McCloskey seconded by Mr. McHenry

Ordered That the communication of Justice C. E. Island Engineer Chief Engineer to the Eastern Seaboard and Harbor Railroad Company be entered on the Minutes of this Council.

On Motion of Mr. Thomas K. Ferguson seconded by Mr. Givens

Ordered That the Warden be added to the Special Committee appointed to report upon documents laid before this Council not belonging to any particular Committee.

County Surveyor's Report No. 3 read

The Account of Mr. John Hagg for printing laid before the Council

Ordered That the several papers now on the table be referred to their respective Committees.

The Special Committee appointed to consider the propriety of paying Deans brought up their Report which was read

On Motion of Mr. Gaillier seconded by Mr. Drury

Ordered That the Report now read be adopted

The Standing Committee on Roads & Bridges brought up their Report No. 1 which was read

On Motion of Mr. Drury seconded by Mr. McCloskey

Ordered That the Report now read be adopted

✓ The Standing Committee on Roads & Bridges brought up their Report No. 2 which was read

On Motion of Mr. Drury seconded by Mr. McCloskey

Ordered That the Report now read be adopted

✓ The Special Committee appointed to report upon documents laid before the Council not belonging to the Standing Committee brought up their Report with Draft of Petition to the Legislative Assembly which was read

Moved by Mr. Anderson and seconded by Mr. Gaillier that the Petitions <sup>Report</sup> ~~not the Petitions~~ be adopted, be engrossed signed and sealed by the Warden and forwarded to the Legislature

Moved in Amendment by Mr. Thomas K. Ferguson and seconded by Mr. McCloskey

That neither the Report nor Memorial now read be adopted but be referred back for the purpose of having the following added thereto to the petition after the words institutions Your petitioners firmly believing that it is the intention as well as the desire of your Honorable Body to carry out the principle of Local and Self Government to its fullest extent therefore would strongly urge the expediency of allowing your petitioners the appointment of all local officers, viz Sheriff, Registrars, Clerks of the County Court, Clerk of the Peace and the regulating from time to time as occasion may require the salaries fees and allowances paid out of the County

funds as your Petitioners consider it only reasonable  
that the people from whom the taxes are raised,  
levied and collected should alone have the  
management control and application of the  
same.

On which the Yeas and Nays were called for  
Yea for the Amendment

Mrs Ferguson (hurifil) and McClean 2  
Nays for Amendment

Mrs Keenan Drury Dr. Fairr. Gaillier Drury  
Arinson Ferguson (Hettawasaga) Cooper  
McCarthy & H. Hinley 10

Negatived by majority of eight

The Original Motion was then put

On which the Yeas and Nays were called for

Yea for Original Motion

Mrs Drury Dr. Fairr. Gaillier Drury Arinson  
Ferguson (Hettawasaga) Cooper H. McCarthy  
& H. Hinley 9

Nays for Original Motion

Mrs Keenan Ferguson of Hurifil & McClean

Original motion carried by a Majority of 6.

The Council adjourned until 9 o'clock tomorrow  
Morning.

C. Ashton, Warden

Bent House Barrie 4<sup>th</sup> December 1853

The Council met pursuant to adjournment

The Warden in the Chair

Present

The Council met pursuant to adjournment

The Warden in the Chair

Mrs Saxon, Arison, Drury, Gaillier, Drury, Ferguson  
(hurifil) Ferguson (Hettawasaga) Keenan McClean  
McKinlay Drury McCarthy and Cooper 13

The Meeting was called to order

The Minutes of Yesterday were read

The draft of By Law # 36 providing payment to Grand  
& Petit Juries read a first time

On Motion of Mr. Gaillier seconded by Mr. McCarthy

Ordered That the By Law now read a first time be  
read a second time forthwith

By Law read a second time

Moved by Mr. Gaillier seconded by Mr. Arinson

That the Council do go into Committee of the  
whole on By Law now read a second time

On which the Yeas and Nays were called for

Years

Mrs. Woodward, Fraser, Gaillard, Drury, Aranson, Mr.  
green (Ottawaagon), McClean, Cooper, McCrory  
McKinley, & Mr. Buckley, 10

Mays

Mrs. Woodward and Ferguson of Penicill.

Carrried by a Majority of Eight.

The Council went into Committee of the whole  
on Draft of By-Law read a second time  
Mr. Fraser in the Chair.

The Committee of the whole read and reported  
By-Law as Amended.

Moved by Mr. Gaillard and seconded by Mr.  
Fraser.

That the By-Law be now read a third time

On which the Years and Mays are called for.

Years

Mrs. Gaillard, Fraser, Drury, Aranson, Ferguson  
of Ottawaagon, Mr. Green, Woodward, Cooper,  
McKinley, & Mr. Buckley, 10

Mays

Mrs. Ferguson of Penicill and Keenan, 2

Carrried by a Majority of Eight.

On motion of Mr. Gaillard seconded by Mr. Fraser

Ordered That the By-Law now read a third time  
perhaps be engrossed and signed & sealed by the Warden

On Motion of Mr. McCrory seconded by Mr. Aranson

Ordered That the Warden appoint a Special Committee  
of three to consider the propriety of amending  
the Legislature on the abolition of the office of  
Grand Jury.

The Warden named Mrs. McCrory, Aranson  
and Gaillard.

The Standing Committee on Education brought  
up their Report No. 1 which was read

On Motion of Mr. Aranson seconded by Mr. Mc  
Crory

Ordered That the Report now read be adopted

The Standing Committee on Finance and Expenditure  
brought up their Report No. 1 which was read

The County Auditors brought up their Report No. 1  
which was read.

On Motion of Mr. Mrs. R. Ferguson seconded by  
Mr. Gaillard

Ordered That the documents now before the Council  
be referred to their respective Committees

On Motion of Mr. Aranson seconded by Mr. Drury

Ordered That the Warden do appoint a Committee  
on Contingencies

The Warden appointed Mrs. Aranson Mr. Peter  
Ferguson and Mr. Dimmick

The Standing Committee on Education brought up their Report No. 2 which was read.

On motion of Mr. Arnsen seconded by Mr. Drury

Ordered that the Report now read be adopted.

The Standing Committee on Land and Property brought up their Report No. 1 which was read.

On motion of Mr. Peter K. Ferguson seconded by Mr. McClellan

Ordered that the Report now read be adopted.

The Special Committee appointed to draft Petition for the Abolition of Grand Juries brought up their report which was read.

On motion of Mr. Gauller seconded by Mr. Fraser

Ordered that the Report and Petition now read be adopted and the Petition to the Legislature affinably be engraved & signed and sealed by the Wardens and forwarded as soon as the Assembly shall meet.

Moved by Mr. Fraser and seconded by Mr. Ferguson

Ordered that the Report No. 1 of the Committee on Finance and Adjustment be adopted.

On motion of Mr. Drury in amendment seconded by Mr. Arnsen

Ordered that the Report No. 1 of the Committee on Finance and Adjustment be not adopted but that the Council do go into Committee of the

whole on the same.

The Council went into Committee of the whole on the Amendment Mr. Gauller in the Chair.

The Committee of the whole now read and reported Report as amended.

On motion of Mr. Fraser seconded by Mr. Gauller

Ordered that the Report as amended be adopted.

The Standing Committee on Finance and Adjustment brought up their Report No. 2 which was read.

On motion of Mr. Fraser seconded by Mr. Gauller

Ordered that the Report now read be adopted.

The Standing Committee on Finance and Adjustment brought up their Report No. 3 which was read.

Moved by Mr. Gauller seconded by Mr. Fraser

That the Report now read be adopted.

On motion of Mr. Peter K. Ferguson seconded by Mr. Peter Ferguson in amendment

Ordered that the Report be not adopted but that the Council do resolve itself into a Committee of the whole upon the same.

The Council went into Committee of the whole  
Mr. Drury in the chair

The Committee of the whole now read and reported that some progress had been made and added

leave to sit again.

The Council adjourned until 9 o'clock tomorrow morning.

I am S. Clark  
M.C. and Secy.

Court House Marcell 5<sup>th</sup> November 1853

The Council met pursuant to Adjournment

The Warden in the Chair

The same Members as were present yesterday

The Meeting was called to order

The Minutes of Yesterday were read

On motion of Mr. Gaviller seconded by Mr. Fraser

Ordered that the Council go again into Committee of the whole on Finance & Apportion Committee Report No. 3

The Council again went into Committee of the whole  
W. Murray in the Chair

No Committee of the whole now and reported  
Reporters Report

On motion of Mr. Gaviller seconded by Mr. McGeough

Ordered that the Report of the Committee on Finance & Apportion No. 3 be adopted

The Committee on Contingencies brought up their report which was read

On motion of Mr. Ferguson of Welland upon seconded by Mr. Gaviller,

Ordered that the Report now read be adopted

The Council then adjourned sine die

I am S. Clark  
M.C. and Secy