

Moved in Amendment by Mr. Ferguson seconded by Mr. Fraser

That the motion do not pass as the Council have already and even at its present session expressed their opinion on the subject of the approach to the Jail. — Carried

Report of the Committee on Contingencies read

On Motion of Mr. Croft seconded by Mr. Cooper

Ordered. That the Report now read be adopted.

On Motion of Mr. M. Conroy seconded by Mr. Fraser

Ordered. That the thanks of this Council be given to James Manson Esquire its Warden for introducing and carrying through the Railway Board at Toronto a Resolution enabling Clergymen to pass and re-pass over the Northern Railway at half the fare usually charged.

The Finance Committee brought up their Report. 4.5 which was read

On Motion of Mr. Fraser seconded by Mr. Ferguson

Ordered. That the Report now read be adopted

On Motion of Mr. Ferguson seconded by Mr. Fraser

Ordered. That the Commissioners appointed by this Council to superintend or manage the affairs of the Board Road Blank Road may have the power of permitting Clergymen Residents of this County and in discharge of official duties to pass and re-pass over said Road free of Toll

On Motion of Mr. M. Mearns seconded by Mr. Cooper

Ordered. That for the purpose of raising the several Assessment Rolls of the several Municipalities in this County and for the discharge of the usual Routine business of this Council, this Council do meet on the third Tuesday in June at the hour of 12 o'clock noon and that when this Council do adjourn this day it do stand adjourned until the time above stated.

Next house Barrie 19 June 1835.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment

The Warden in the Chair

Present

Mr. J. Manson, Andrew D. Gray, G. G. Mearns, H. R. Ferguson, Stephens, Cooper, Thos. D. Gray, Croft, Cummins & Murphy 12.

The meeting was called to order

The Warden addressed the Council

Petitions Presented

By Mr. Mearns. The Petition of the Municipalities of Upper Canada for a grant of money to improve their Roads. Memorial of James Morrison Postmaster of Newmarket and County of York relative to a petition of the Free Press of said County.

By Mr. Aronson. The Account of the ~~Warrant~~ by
for the ~~purpose~~ to ~~open~~ and ~~inspect~~ the ~~premises~~
belonging to ~~the~~ ~~Warrant~~ and ~~the~~ ~~same~~.

The following documents were presented by the
Warden as Recor of ~~the~~ ~~same~~ and read by
the Clerk accordingly.

Copy of a Letter from the Warden to the Provin-
cial Secretary dated 14 February 1855
Submitting a case respecting the maintaining
the Warrens Bridge to the Governor in Council
to the effect of obtaining the opinion of
the Attorney General on the same.

Reply thereto from the Chief Secretary advising
that the Municipal Council should consult
Council on the subject.

Case and opinion thereon by Mr. H. H. Hargrave
Barister.

On Motion of Mr. McNamee seconded by Mr.
Terguson.

Ordered That the several documents now
read be referred to the Committee on Roads
and Bridges.

Letter from Richard J. Blair of the Advanced
Office read.

Printed Report from the Office of the Chief
Superintendent of Education showing the
Apportionment of the Legislative School
Grant for 1855 laid before the Council.

On Motion of Mr. Carey seconded by Mr. Croft

Ordered That the letter from Blair of the
Advanced Office be referred to the Committee on
Roads and Bridges.

Letter by Thomas Macomber of Bradford requesting
assistance to improve and open the Road
between West Guilford and Ferrisburgh presented
by Mr. Aronson and read by the Clerk.

On Motion of Mr. Armstrong seconded by Mr. H.
Terguson.

Ordered That the Petition of Thomas Macomber
be referred to the Committee on Roads and
Bridges.

The Council adjourned until tomorrow morning
at 9 o'clock.

Court House Ferrisburgh 20th June 1855

The Council met pursuant to Adjournment.

The Warden in the Chair.

Present.

Messrs. Johnson, Aronson, Briggs, R. Dury, J. Dury,
McNamee, Thomas K. Terguson, P. D. McNamee,
Keenan, Stephens, Cooper, Cummings, McNamee,
Murphy & Bros. 15

The County Surveyor's Report read.

On Motion of Mr. Mac Comby seconded by Mr. Stephens

Ordered That a Special Committee of Seven, composed of Messrs. The Warden, Armon, Ferguson, H. Dury, Stephens, Craig, and the others be appointed to consider the practicability and propriety of granting Five hundred Pounds or such other Amount as this Council may think proper out of the County Funds as a Subscription to the Money Testimonials now being raised for presentation to J. K. Casper's Bay & the originator of the Ontario Service & Huron Railway.

Account of the Board of Public Instruction for the Second School Circuit read

On Motion of Mr. Armon seconded by Mr. J. Dury

Ordered That the document from the 2nd Board of Public Instruction be referred to the Committee of Finance

Petition presented by Mr. Croft of certain inhabitants of Tecumseth Township for Mechanic's Orders on said Township

On Motion of Mr. Croft seconded by Mr. Keenan

Ordered That the Petition of Perret Stewart and others of the Township of Tecumseth be referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges

Letter of P. D. Kelly Esq^r tendering his resignation of the Office of Local Superintendent of Common Schools for the Township of Adolphus presented by Mr. Keenan & read by the Clerk

On Motion of Mr. Robert Keenan seconded by Mr. R. Ferguson

Ordered That the letter of P. D. Kelly Esq^r now laid before the Council be referred to the Committee on Education

On Motion of Mr. McManis seconded by Mr. Cummings

Ordered That Mr. Craig be added to the Committee on Finance and Equipment to assist them to equalize the several Equipment Rolls of the County

On Motion of Mr. Craig seconded by Mr. Cummings

Ordered That the Report of the County Surveyor 1891 be referred to the Committee on County Property

Memorial presented by Mr. Armon of the rate payers of the Southern Division of the County respecting the Northern Railroad trains stopping at the Bradford Station

On Motion of Mr. Armon seconded by Mr. Stephens

Ordered That the Memorial of the rate payers of the Southern Division of the County be referred to a Special Committee to be named by the Warden

The Warden named Messrs. Armon, Ferguson & H. Dury

On Motion of Mr. Ferguson seconded by Mr. Croft

Ordered That inasmuch as it appears from the appropriation of the Legislative School Grant for the current year now laid before the Council that only the small sum of \$86.45 is allowed to the populous Township of Tecumseth and that

a palpable error, that therefore the Clerk of this Council do forthwith Communicate with the Chief Superintendent of Education Toronto and ascertain the facts concerning the matter, if possible.

On Motion of Mr. Thomas R Ferguson seconded by Mr. Croft

Ordered That Whereas at the last October Session of this Council a Memorial was adopted and sent to the Board of Directors of the Ontario Nickel and Huron Rail Road Company praying to have the line of the Rail Road placed in order that the very frequent damages to the property of the inhabitants of this County residing in the immediate locality of the Road might be prevented and also that the crossings at the several Concession Lines might be made safe - that notwithstanding the prayer of said Memorial little if anything has been done to remedy the evils complained of therefore that the Committee appointed to take into consideration the Petition of the Inhabitants of the Southern part of the County be requested to take the matter into their consideration and do what seems advisable in the premises.

Memorial presented by the Wardens of the Municipality of Millis concerning a petition and

On Motion of Mr. Ferguson seconded by Mr. Stephens

Ordered That the Memorial of the Municipality of Millis now laid before the Council appears too premature if not altogether unnecessary inasmuch as it is attempting to point out to this Council the very duties they have especially conferred for themselves to perform and are perfectly aware of, that therefore said Memorial be laid

on the table

Communication from John Beverly Robinson Esquire Chairman of the Committee at Toronto on the Capital Testimonial addressed to the Warden and

On Motion of Mr. Stephens seconded by Mr. McLean

Ordered That the letter of John Beverly Robinson Esq be referred to the Committee on the Capital Testimonial

Moved by Mr. Ferguson and seconded by Mr. McManus

That the Motion appointing the Special Committee to take into consideration the propriety of granting the sum of Five hundred pounds out of the funds of this County to Mr. J. C. Capriel by way of a testimonial for services presumed to be rendered in the construction or as being the originator of the Scheme for building the Ontario Nickel and Huron Rail Road be rescinded in as much as the said Mr. J. C. Capriel never had a right to receive and he has not disposed of such right the sum of 12 1/2 per cent on the original stock of such Rail Road. Lost

On which the yeas and nays were called for

Yeas

Mr. Ferguson Mr. McManus Croft & Mr. McLean 4

Nays

Mr. McConchy, Stephens, McLean, Cooper, Campbell & Cummings 6

Lost by a Majority of Two

On Motion of Mr. McConchy seconded by Mr. Stephens

Ordered that the County Surveyor be instructed to furnish an estimate of the amount required to paint the floor of the Court House rooms and procure suitable lamps to light the same.

The Council adjourned until 9 o'clock tomorrow morning

J. W. J. Clerk
W. C. D. Secy

Court House Barrie 21st June 1855.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment

The Warden in the Chair

Present

Messrs. Sanson, Aronson, Craig, R. Drury, J. Drury,
Mr. R. Ferguson, M. Manns, Keenan,
J. M. Couchy, M. Clew, Cooker, Croft,
Stephens, Murphy & Cummings. 15.

The meeting was called to order

The Minutes of yesterday were read

On Motion of Mr. M. Manns seconded by Mr. Craig

Ordered that the Warden do appoint a Committee of three one of whom shall be the Warden to ascertain if we could dispose of our stock in the Ontario Simcoe and Lake Huron Railroad on favorable terms, and in case that such can be done, that then the Warden be requested to call a special meeting of this Council to take the same into consideration.

The Warden named Messrs. Aronson & Ferguson with himself

Report of the Commissioners of the County Plank Road with a Statement of Receipts and Disbursements from the last Session of the Council to the present date handed in by Mr. Aronson & read by the Clerk

On Motion of Mr. Aronson seconded by Mr. R. Drury

Ordered that the Report of the Commissioners of the County Plank Road be referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

The special Committee appointed to consider the Memorial of certain Ratepayers of the Southern portion of this County brought up their Report which was read

On Motion of Mr. Ferguson seconded by Mr. Murphy

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. R. Drury seconded by Mr. M. Couchy

Ordered that the Report now read be adopted

Moved by Mr. Ferguson seconded by Mr. Murphy

That Whereas it is reported that the Board of Directors of the Ontario Simcoe and Huron Rail Road Company has now in contemplation the construction of a stretch from the principal or established Station at the Head of Kempenfelt Bay into the Town of Barrie a distance of about one mile, the probable cost of said stretch with its appendages is estimated at about the sum of

Ten thousand Pounds by that the Annual Expenses for Rolling Stock &c is also estimated at no less than the sum of One thousand Pounds, an Expenditure so very enormous that it is doubtful whether the said Directors are justifiable in making the same more especially so as the aforesaid Contemplated Switch is solely for the accommodation of a few individuals in the Town of Barrie who may have such as freight to be carried on the Railroad and not even for the accommodation of individuals having business in the County Town, therefore that a Special Committee of five be appointed to take the matter into their consideration.

On Motion of Mr. M. Couchy in Amendment seconded by W. Thos. Drury

Ordered That the motion do not pass inasmuch as the whole of the arrangements for the Construction of the said Branch have been entered into, the Municipality of Barrie having raised upon its Credit the sum of Three thousand Pounds with which to purchase the right of way for said branch - the quit-claim deed being already obtained, and the Railway Company having pledged itself to build the Road any interference on the part of this Council at present appears frivolous and uncalled for.

On which the Yeas and Nays were called for

Yeas

Messrs Armonson Cummings R. Drury J. Drury
M. Couchy Craig Stephens. 7

Nays

Messrs M. Manns Croft Murphy M. Mann Cooper and
Ferguson. 6

The Motion in Amendment carried by a Majority of One

The Council then adjourned until 7 O'clock in the Evening

The Council met pursuant to adjournment

In the Warden's absence the Clerk called the Meeting to Order

Present

Messrs Armonson Ferguson Cummings M. Manns, Cooper
Murphy and Croft. 7

For want of a Quorum The Council adjourned at 8 O'Clock P.M.
until to morrow morning at 9 O'clock

J. W. Drury
W. Thos. Drury

Court House Barrie 22nd June 1855

The Council met this Morning at noon

The Warden in the Chair

Present

Messrs Armonson, Armonson, Craig, R. Drury, J. Drury,
Thos. R. Ferguson, M. Manns, Kenaw, M. Couchy,
M. Mann, Cooper, Croft, Stephens, Murphy, Deane, and
Cummings 16.

The Meeting was called to Order

The Minutes of Yesterday were read

The Council then adjourned until
4 O'clock in the afternoon

The Council met pursuant to adjournment

The same members were present as at the previous

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

On Motion of Mr. Drury seconded by Mr. M. Conchy

Ordered That the Report now read be adopted

The Standing Committee on Finance & Assessment brought up their Report No. 1 which was read

On Motion of Mr. Ferguson seconded by Mr. Croft

Ordered That the Report now read be adopted

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

On Motion of Mr. Ferguson seconded by Mr. Drury

Ordered That the Report now read be adopted

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

On Motion of Mr. Craig seconded by Mr. Cummings

Ordered That the Report now read be adopted

The Treasurers Report and accompanying papers read

On Motion of Mr. Ferguson seconded by Mr. Croft

Ordered That the Treasurers Report and accompanying documents now laid before the Council be referred to the Committee on Finance & Assessment

County Surveyors Report No. 2 read

On Motion of Mr. Croft seconded by Mr. Cooper

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

Auditors Report on Subtreasurers accounts of School moneys for 1854 read

The Council Adjourned until 9 o'clock tomorrow morning

Wm. Croft
Mr. Croft

Court House Barris 23rd June 1855

The Council met pursuant to adjournment
Present

Messrs. Sanson, Armeson, Craig, R. Drury, J. Drury,
Thomas R. Ferguson, Mr. Conchy, Mr. Clean, Cooper,
Croft, Drumwood, Murphy, and Cummings 13

The Warden in the Chair

The Meeting was called to order

The Minutes of Yesterday were read

Letter from Secretary of Governor General to the Warden dated 16 June 1855 accompanying Extract from a Presentment of the Grand Jury of the late Barris Affairs requesting that he would bring the same under the notice of the Municipal Council of the County of Simcoe at their next Session - read

Petition of County Auditors presented by Mr. M. Conely read.

On Motion of Mr. Thomas R. Ferguson seconded by Mr. Cooper

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

On Motion of Mr. Croft seconded by Mr. Craig

Ordered That the Warden do appoint a Committee of three on Contingencies

The Warden appointed Messrs M. Sean Dinwoody and Murphy

The Standing Committee on Roads and Bridges brought up their Report No 3 which was read

On Motion of Mr. R. Drury seconded by Mr. Cummings

Ordered That the Report now read be adopted

The Special Committee appointed at last Session on Patriotic Fund brought up their Report which was read

On Motion of Mr. Arnsow seconded by Mr. Drury

Ordered That the Report now read on the Patriotic Fund be adopted

The Standing Committee on Roads & Bridges brought up their Report No 4 which was read
Moved by Mr. R. Drury seconded by Mr. Cummings that the Report

now read be adopted

Moved by Mr. Arnsow in Amendment seconded by Mr. Croft

That the Report be not adopted but that the County Surveyor be instructed to report to this Council at its next sitting an estimate of the expense of making a good and serviceable Road on the Incline between the Parish of West Hillimbury and Parish of From brooktown to the Railroad Station

On which the yeas and nays were called for

Yeas on Amendment

Messrs Arnsow Dinwoody & Croft 3

Nays

Messrs R. Drury Cummings Ferguson M. Sean Cooper Murphy M. Conely & J. Drury 8

Lost by a Majority of five

The Yeas and Nays were then called for on the Original Motion

Yeas on Original Motion

Messrs R. Drury Cummings Ferguson M. Sean Cooper Murphy M. Conely & J. Drury 8

Nays

Messrs Arnsow Dinwoody & Croft 3

Carried by a Majority of 5

On Motion of Mr. Ferguson seconded by Mr. Cummings

Ordered That leave be granted to introduce a By Law for the purpose of granting a certain sum for the improvement of Roads in this County in accordance with a Report adopted by this Council
By Law No 54 for granting certain sums for improving certain Roads in this County read a first time

On Motion of Mr. Ferguson seconded by Mr. M. Glenn
Ordered That the By Law now read a first time be
read a second time forthwith.

By Law No. 54 Read a second time

On Motion of Mr. M. H. Ferguson seconded by
Mr. R. Drury

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

The Council went into Committee of the whole

Mr. Cross in the Chair

The Committee of the whole rose and reported the By
Law as amended adopted

On Motion of Mr. R. Drury seconded by Mr. Cummings

Ordered That the By Law now read a second time
be read a third time

By Law No. 54. Read a third time

On Motion of Mr. R. Drury seconded by Mr. M. H. Ferguson

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

On Motion of Mr. M. Conchy seconded by Mr.
Thomas Drury

Ordered That the County Treasurer be instructed

to hand over to the respective Commissioners named in the
By Law just passed the proceeds of the Debituris to be
expended for raising funds for the improvements of
certain roads specified in said By Law.

On Motion of Mr. Ferguson seconded by Mr. Drury

Ordered That the Report now read be adopted

The Standing Committee on Finance & Apportionment brought
up their Report No. 2 which was read.

Ordered That the Report now read be adopted
The last mentioned Committee brought up their Report No. 3
accompanied with draft of By Law which was
read and the By Law was read a first time.

On Motion of Mr. Ferguson seconded by Mr. Drury

Ordered That the Report now read be adopted

On Motion of Mr. M. H. Ferguson seconded by Mr.
Drury

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

By Law read a second time

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

By Law read a third time

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 Standing Committee on Finance & Apportionment

brought up their Report No 4 which was read accompanied with draft of My Law which was read a first time

On motion of Mr. Ferguson seconded by Mr. Croft

Ordered that the Report now read be adopted

On motion of Mr. Ferguson seconded by Mr. Dinwoody

Ordered that the draft of My Law now read a first time be read a second time forthwith

My Law read a second time

On motion of Mr. Ferguson seconded by Mr. Croft

Ordered that the My Law now read a second time be read a third time forthwith.

My Law read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Ferguson seconded by Mr. Croft

Ordered that the My Law now read a third time do pass be engrossed by the clerk and signed and sealed by the warden

The Standing Committee on Roads & Bridges brought up their Report No 3 which was read

On motion of Mr. R. D. Dury seconded by Mr. W. Conkey

Ordered that the Report now read be adopted.

The Standing Committee on Finance & Assessment brought up their Report No 5 which was read.

On motion of Mr. Ferguson seconded by Mr. Dinwoody,

Ordered that the Report now read be adopted.

The Standing Committee on Finance & Assessment brought up their Report No 6 which was read

On motion of Mr. Dinwoody seconded by Mr. Ferguson

Ordered that the Report now read be adopted

The Standing Committee on County property brought up their Report No 2 which was read

On motion of Mr. Dinwoody seconded by Mr. Ferguson

Ordered that the Report now read be adopted.

On motion of Mr. Ferguson seconded by Mr. Dinwoody

Ordered that the County Treasurer shall pay over to the several Municipalities the amount of moneys accruing from the lands of non residents in such Municipalities up to the thirty first day of May as by Law provided.

The Special Committee on Carting fees brought up their Report which was read

On motion of Mr. W. C. Lewis seconded by Mr. Cooper

Ordered that the Report now read be adopted.

On motion of Mr. W. Conkey seconded by Mr. Dury

Ordered that the Clerk of this Council do forthwith notify the several Township Clerks of the amounts

required for School, County and Railway purposes
for the present year.

The Council adjourned until the third Monday
in October next at 12 O'Clock noon.

J. A. S. Carlton
W. A. D. M.

Court House Barrie 29 Aug. 1855

The Council met this day pursuant to special
notice given by the Warden

Present

Messrs. Sawson, Armitson, Richard Drury, Thomas
Drury, M. Conkey, M. Mannes, Thos. R. Ferguson
Craig Cooper, Dinwoody, J. St. Stephens, G. G. Cummings
and Murphy 14.

The Warden in the Chair

addressed the Council on the subjects for which
the present meeting had been called.

Mr. Vanhook's opinion respecting By Law No. 37
was read by the Warden and laid before the Council

Letter from George Barison Esquire accompanied
by Memorial requesting a grant of £500 - road -

Petition from Town Board of Millia praying
for a grant of £400 - to improve the road
from Whites Corner in the Penetang road to
the Town of Millia - read.

On Motion of Mr. M. Conkey seconded by Mr. J
Drury

Ordered That a special Committee consisting of
the Warden and Messrs Armitson, Richard Drury,
Ferguson, Stephens, M. Mannes and the Warden
be appointed to consider the propriety of granting
a sum of money out of the County funds towards
a survey of the contemplated Ship Canal connecting
the waters of Lakes Huron & Ontario.

A communication from Dr. Boys respecting Anne
Lindsay an idiot girl and requesting a further grant
of money towards her support - read.

Mr. Armitson reads the Receipt which had been received
for the contribution of the Township of West Simcoe
to the Patriotic fund.

Motion of Mr. M. Conkey seconded by Mr. Thos. Drury

Ordered That the several papers now before the Council be
referred to their respective Committees and that said
Committees do forthwith proceed to consider and report
upon them.

On Motion of Mr. Thomas R. Ferguson seconded by
Mr. Croft

Ordered That a special Committee of five be
appointed by the Warden for the taking into consi-
deration the opinion of P. M. Vanhook Esquire
on By Law No. 37 of this Council and that
said Committee may if thought advisable avail
themselves of the professional services of John Strathely
Esquire.

The Warden appointed Messrs Ferguson, Armitson, Craig, Stephens & M. Mannes.
The Council adjourned until 9 O'Clock tomorrow
morning.

J. A. S. Carlton
W. A. D. M.