

M I N U T E S
of the November Session, 1941, of the Municipal Council
Council of the County of Simcoe

First Day

Council Chamber, Barrie,
November 18th, 1941.

The Council met pursuant to the call of the Warden.

The Warden in the chair.

All the members were present except Councillor Harvey.

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 them to the November Session.

"I am glad to know you are all hale and hearty.

It is with deep regret that I have to refer to the death, on the 13th instant, of Charles J. Gratrix, Reeve of Tay Township. About three weeks ago the Ex-Warden's Association held their annual meeting. He was president of the association, and at the meeting appeared in the best of health and spirits.

After serving his township for many years as Reeve and Deputy-Reeve, his colleagues in the County Council elected him Warden of the County in the year 1929. Since that time he was absent from the Council for a few years, but returned as Reeve in 1937 and continued as such until his death.

You who have sat with him in this Council know his ability and sterling qualities, and the favourable financial position of Tay Township is due, to a great extent, to his wise direction of his Council.

It was gratifying to see so many members of this Council, as well as former associates, at his funeral. Few public men have as many mourners and sympathizers attend their funeral. It was a marked token of the esteem in which he was held.

I would ask the Clerk to send a letter of condolence and sympathy from this Council to Mrs. Gratrix and family.

It is my sad duty also to refer to the loss sustained, since the June Session, by Councillor Carlton through the death of his wife, and on behalf of the members I extend to him our sincere sympathy.

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Since the June Session the Council has also sustained the loss, through death, of Judge Holmes, Senior Judge of the County. He was appointed Judge in 1931 and officiated in that capacity in the County for just 10 years. The Clerk has conveyed to his family the sympathy of the Council.

Since his death the Minister of Justice for Canada has appointed Mr. James G. Harvie, Orillia, as County Judge; he declared to the oath of allegiance and of office on Oct. 31st last.

I, with some of you, have known Judge Harvie for many years, and I am sure he will fill, with credit and distinction, the duties of his high office.

I would like to refer to the retirement of Judge Wismer who was Judge of this County for 33 years. He was held in the highest esteem by the members of the legal profession and, in fact, by all others who knew him, and it is well known that very few appeals against his judgments were successful. I am sure that you, with myself, wish him many years of good health to enjoy his well earned holiday.

You will be pleased to know of the splendid improvement in the financial position of both Midland and Collingwood, and the Department of Municipal Affairs has released them from supervision. We wish them prosperity in the future.

At the June Session I referred to a timely rain that had fallen a few days previous to the Session, and expressed the wish for good crops, but owing to the extremely dry season the County, in most places, harvested the lightest crops in its history.

Owing to poor crops and low prices for farm produce, very many farms are being abandoned and no tenants taking them up. In Medonte Township alone there are over 2,400 acres in abandoned farms, and now where there is a surplus of some food stuffs there may soon be a shortage, if not a famine.

The war situation is very critical and each member, as a leader and head in his own municipality, should do all in his power to promote and advance every phase of Canada's war effort, and especially at this time through the purchase of War Saving Certificates.

The County Treasurer reports the finances of the County are in good shape. Some municipalities have taken advantage of the discount and paid their 1941 levies. It is expected the year will end with all departments keeping their expenditures within their appropriations.

I would ask you to give your prompt and careful attention to the business of the Session so that it may be completed satisfactorily and in good time."

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

W. P. Ellis, Collingwood, Secretary of the Blue Mountain Plowmen's Association.

F. A. Lashley, South Simcoe Agricultural Representative, re Massey Fund Scholarship of \$50.00 for a student at the Ontario Agricultural College.

F. B. McQuesten, Minister of Municipal Affairs, re Unemployment Insurance for Commissions and Local Boards.

Lieut. Col. H. E. McDonald, Grey & Simcoe Foresters, re County Grant to the regiment.

Accounts for Boys' Tractor and Horse Plowing teams competing at the International Plowing Match at Peterborough.

Report of the Grand Jury at the recent sittings of the Supreme Court, F. W. Sargeant chairman.

Report of the condition of the boiler in the Court House, Barrie, and also the boiler in the House of Refuge at Beeton, by the Boiler Inspection Company.

Application of Miss Jean Amos for the County to pay her cost of education at the Western Commercial Vocational School.

A. H. Felt, Secretary of the Barrie Board of Education, giving notice of the resignation of Rev. A. C. Moulton, County appointee to the Board, and requesting the County to appoint a successor.

Report from the County Auditors on the cost of the education of County pupils for 1940.

C. A. Lapp, Secretary of Alliston and Bradford High School Entrance Board, re the elimination of some of these centres.

Dr. J. R. Arthur, Collingwood, Chairman of the Nancy Committee, re an increase in the salary of Wm. Phillips, outside caretaker at Nancy Island.

A. J. B. Gray, Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs, re licensing of County Municipal Auditors.

A. J. B. Gray, Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs, re Unemployment Insurance for municipal employees.

Refund of Auctioneer's License for 1941 of R. A. Walker, Coldwater, who died April 9th, 1941.

Account for the maintenance of wards at the Ontario Training School for Boys at Bowmanville.

Account for the maintenance of wards at the Ontario Training School for Girls at Galt.

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Account from St. John's Industrial School, Toronto.

Account from St. Mary's Training School, Toronto.

Notices of committal and discharge of wards to the various training schools.

Notice of approval of a grant to the Grey & Simcoe Forester Regiment by A. J. B. Gray, Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs.

A. J. Babion, County Clerk of Welland, re Cost of Living Bonus for County officials.

Account for taxes from Tecumseth on Riddell Farm purchased for House of Refuge.

G. J. Telfer, Inspector of Hospitals, re number of indigent hospital patients during 1940 for which the County paid maintenance.

D. J. Taylor, Deputy Minister of Game & Fisheries, re ^{an} open season for taking of deer in Simcoe County during 1941.

H. W. Miller, Clerk of Huron County, with resolution of Council re a flat rate for hydro for the whole province.

Account for 40 cents arrears of taxes, Hammell Creek Drain in Adjala Twp.

Notice of accident to the car of Walter Flynn, Toronto, on the County Road in Tiny Township between lots 13 and 14, concession 5.

W. J. C. Beake, Thornton, notice of accident to his car on the County Road, No. 10, in Essa Township.

David Miller, Barrie, notice of an accident on the County Road in Flea Township about one half mile east of Fergusonvale.

Reuben Pears, Orillia, notice of an accident on County Road between the Townships of Tay and Madoc about one mile east of Waverley.

Miss Ethel McHamara, Toronto, notice of an accident on the County Road in Tiny Township near Lafontaine.

Loren F. Hogg, notice of accident to his car on a road in Matchedash Twp. This is not a County Road.

Inquiry about the responsibility for a "STOP" sign on the County Road in the Township of Oro at Hawkestone.

Leger Charlebois, Perkinsfield, notice of accident to his horse, harness and buggy, on County Road No. 6, Tiny Township, near the overhead bridge west of Penetanguishene.

Mert Windover, Orillia, notice of broken axle on his car on the County Road in Oro Township between Orillia and Dalston.

F. E. Stewart, Thornton, notice of accident on County Road No. 21 in the Township of Innisfil.

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Annie J. Baker, Kenmore, New York, statement giving notice of an accident 2½ miles west of Wasaga Beach bridge. This was not on the County Road System.

W. Baxter, Lefroy, notice of personal injuries received while riding in a car on County Road between Churchill and Lefroy in the Township of Innisfil.

Ira Wilson, notice of accident to his truck on the County Road in Essa Twp. south of Angus.

Messrs Briggs, Frost & Birks, Toronto, re account of Arthur Laker for road in Tossorentie township, lot 17, con. 4.

Tax accounts for lands purchased by the County for reforestation purposes in the townships of Tecumseth, Tiny, Sunnidale, Innisfil, Tossorentie and Medonte.

J. A. P. Marshall, Chief Engineer of Municipal Roads, approving of By-Law No. 2058 of the County of Simcoe, fixing the salary of the County Road Engineer.

Moved by Councillor MacLaren, seconded by Councillor Toner, and ordered, That the several communications and accounts now before Council be referred to their respective committees.

Moved by Councillor Toner, seconded by Councillor Luck, and ordered, That the report now read be adapted.

Moved by Councillor Banting, seconded by Councillor Todd, and ordered, That the Committee on Finance consider the advisability of refunding the Auctioneer's License fee to Verral Coutts as he has joined the Simcoe Foresters and has gone overseas.

Moved by Councillor George Patterson, seconded by Councillor Coombs, and ordered,

That the County Treasurer be instructed to issue a cheque for the per diem allowance of our late associate, Charles J. Gratrix, Reeve of Tay Township, for this session, to Mrs. Gratrix, and that the Clerk be instructed to forward it with the resolution of condolence from the Council.

Moved by Councillor Apperley, seconded by Councillor Carlton, and ordered, That Councillor Harvey be granted leave of absence from this afternoon's session to attend the funeral of a relative.

Moved by Councillor Lawrence, seconded by Councillor Evans, and ordered, That the meeting now adjourn until Wednesday at 10 A.M. Standard Time.

J. Simpson
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Clerk, County of Simcoe

George Barr
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Warden, County of Simcoe

SECOND DAY

Council Chamber, Barrie,
Nov. 19, 1941.

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

The Warden in the chair.

All the members were present.

The Minutes of the previous session were read and adopted.

The Warden presented the following communications and accounts:

G. R. Foster, Superintendent of the Children's Aid Society, re two extra social service workers.

H. G. Falkner, Publisher of the Alliston Herald, with a list of the enlisted persons from the Alliston district.

M. A. Campbell, Secretary-Treasurer of the Ontario School Trustees and Ratepayers Association.

Criminal Calendar of the County Goal showing that at the present time there are 33 prisoners confined there for various offences.

W. J. Rose, Clerk of Orillia Township, with an account for the maintenance of a post-sanatorium case.

Councillor Toner, Chairman of the County Road Committee, informed the Council that County Road Engineer Jones would be in Toronto Thursday and Friday, attending a Road Engineers Convention, and he would be glad to see any of the members to-day who required information.

Councillor Luck inquired who was responsible for the care and maintenance of the grounds in front of the Goal. He noticed a heavy coat of leaves on parts of the lawn which would smother the grass.

The opinion was given that the Goal grounds, building, and staff, were under the direction of the Sheriff of the County.

Councillor Scrannage inquired if the caretaker of Nancy Island was a full-time employee and how he was paid.

He was informed that he was employed ^{by} and worked under the instruction and direction of the superintendent of the Midhurst Forest Station; he worked about four months in the summer and was paid \$50.00 per month for the four months.

E. W. Jones, County Road Engineer, appeared before the Council and explained the nature and amount of work done on the County Road System during the present year. Only three small jobs of construction were undertaken this year, and consequently the County's grading machinery was rented to local municipalities.

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A number of members asked questions concerning certain aspects of the road, which were answered by the engineer.

Judge Harvie, newly appointed County Judge, being in the Chamber, the Warden invited him to a seat on the dias.

He addressed the Council and stated he was a native of the County, and felt it a great responsibility to be Judge of a county the size and importance of Simcoe.

He wished to get better acquainted with the members, and invited them to make free and call on him at any time.

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

That the Committee on Agriculture consider the advisability of making the usual grant of \$100.00 each to North and South Simcoe Boys and Girls Club work.

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

That the Finance Committee consider the advisability of making a grant of \$25.00 to the Trustees and Ratepayers Association of Simcoe County to carry on their work in the County.

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

That the Road and Bridge Committee consider the advisability of taking over that portion of townline between Sunnidale and Nettawasaga from Burns Avenue to the Bay.

The County Clerk stated he was frequently asked by Provincial Headquarters of the Canadian War Services Fund what would be the attitude of the County in 1942 between raising by campaign or by way of levy the amount required for War Services.

The Canadian Red Cross and the Navy League of Canada would probably be included with the other organizations for next year. It was estimated that an amount of between \$17,000,000 and \$20,000,000 would be required for all Canada.

He suggested that the matter might be considered by the Finance Committee or by a committee of the whole Council.

It was decided to take the question up in Committee of the whole Council at the morning session on Thursday.

Councillor Carlton stated that before adjournment Ex-Wardens Coombs and Dutton had a ceremony to perform.

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Councillor Coombs addressed the Council and referred to the services of Warden Barr. In his experience, no former Warden had given better attention to his duties. He had presided with directness and impartiality. In years to come George Barr would be remembered by the fine forests in the County which are a result of his work for reforestation.

Councillor Dutton, on behalf of the Council and associates, presented him with a watch, and wished him and his family every success in the future.

The Warden expressed his appreciation of the splendid co-operation he received from the members.

Moved by Councillor Lawrence, seconded by Councillor Grant Miller, and ordered,

That the meeting now adjourn until Thursday at 12 P.M. Standard Time.

J. Simpson
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Clerk, County of Simcoe

George Barr
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Warden, County of Simcoe

THIRD DAY

Council Chamber, Barrie,
Nov. 20th, 1941.

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

The Warden in the chair.

All the members were present.

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

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

Account of Boys & Boys, County Solicitors, for 1941.

A. W. Smith, Clerk of Barrie, certifying that there are 3392 municipal voters in the Town of Barrie for determining the number of votes the Reeve and Deputy-Reeve are entitled to in County Council.

Major L. W. Sharpe re recruiting in Simcoe County.

Toronto General Hospital re Kathleen Keeling, a resident of Toronto, whose husband works at Camp Borden.

Monthly crop report from the Ontario Department of Agriculture.

Mr. M. Morrison, President of the Children's Aid Society of the County, and Mr. G. R. Foster, Superintendent of the Society, addressed the Council and stated that on account of the war the work of the society was greatly increased. The society is frequently asked to assist mothers with small families whose husbands are on Active Service, and probably overseas, and who probably were not the best managers in the first place. When their children became sick they asked the society to assist and it is their duty to do so.

They were endeavouring to give service in each case but were handicapped by lack of sufficient social workers, and would like to have the approval of the Council to secure at least two more workers.

Mr. Morrison addressed the Council and spoke of the serious problems imposed on the society as the result of the war, which was aggravated on account of the proximity of Camp Borden. He referred to the increased number of cases that came under their care.

The Society was a corporate body and at a recent meeting a resolution was passed authorizing the employment of two more social workers.

He asked for the full co-operation of the members of the Council.

The Warden assured the deputation that their request would have the sympathetic consideration of the Council.

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

Moved by Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Kerr, 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 George Patterson, seconded by Councillor Brack, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

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

Moved by Councillor Todd, seconded by Councillor Cook, 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 Banting, seconded by Councillor Middleton, 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 MacLaren, seconded by Councillor Toner, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

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

Moved by Councillor Luek, seconded by Councillor Bowney, 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 Scrannage, 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 Tudhope, seconded by Councillor Brack, 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 Grant Miller, seconded by Councillor Brown, and ordered,

That the Report now read be adopted.

Councillor Buchanan read a resolution of the Council that the Treasurer keep a record of all amounts paid by the Highway Insurance Company for claims of accidents on the County Road, and said that the Treasurer had not been able to secure the statement.

He was informed by the County Clerk that all these statements of settlement were attached to the file in connection with each claim and also the complete statement for the year.

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

That leave be granted to introduce a By-Law to amend Schedule "A" of By-Law No. 2047 designating a certain road in the Township of Oro as a "through road", and that the necessary By-Law herewith presented be read a first time.

By-Law read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Harvey, seconded by Councillor Simpson, 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 Dermott, seconded by Councillor W. H. Patterson, 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 Dutton, seconded by Councillor Offord, 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 Barker, seconded by Councillor Downey, and ordered,

That the Committee on Reforestation consider the advisability of paying the usual school tax on reforestation land in the County.

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

That the Committee on Finance consider the advisability of making a grant to the Township of Tecumseth for taxes on the Riddell Farm of the House of Refuge property equal to the School Taxes, based on an assessment of \$2500.00 an acre.

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

That in view of the information submitted by the Children's Aid Society the Finance Committee consider the advisability of increasing the staff of the said society, and that a representative of the Children's Aid Society be established in Midland to take care of the social work in that town and district, and that said society be authorized to make the necessary appointment immediately.

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

That this Council of the County of Simcoe desires to express its pleasure at the recognition given to Mr. David Williams of Collingwood by the University of Toronto conferring upon him the Honourary degree of Doctor of Laws, and that a suitable letter of congratulation be forwarded to Mr. Williams.

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

That the Council do now adjourn until 3 P.M. Standard Time this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The Council met pursuant to adjournment from the morning session.

The Warden announced that there was a deputation present to address the Council with reference to recruiting.

The deputation was composed of Mayor Paek, Orillia, Mr. Harold Hale, Orillia, Mr. W. J. Cranston, Midland, Mr. W. H. Hamilton, Barrie, and Mr. W. J. Smith, Collingwood.

Reeve Oliver of Orillia introduced Mr. Harold Hale.

Mr. Hale said the Department of Defence for Canada had put on a demonstration in Toronto on Friday and Saturday of last week showing what had been done in Canada by way of furnishing men and equipment for the army.

He stated it was the intention of the Department to recruit up to six complete divisions, but that at the present time recruiting was rather slow.

He suggested that recruiting committees be established in various centres with a local central committee, which committees would work in connection with recruiting officers.

He also suggested that the County establish a credit of about \$25.00 for recruiting, to be administered by the Central Committee appointed by the County Council.

Mr. Hale stated the needs of the army were great, if not desperate, at the present time, and our very existence as a nation is at stake in the struggle now going on.

Mr. W. J. Cranston addressed the Council and stated that in Toronto all in attendance were impressed with the desperate needs of the army. Perhaps civilians had not done all they could with regard to helping in these matters, and it was required to shake the people out of their complacency and thereby assist the Department in its recruiting efforts. If all worked together it might be possible to get more men.

Mr. J. W. Smith stated it was a pleasure to renew acquaintances with his old associates. One difficulty in securing recruits to-day was that for the past twenty years we all had been preaching "peace", but a certain person had interfered and said there would not be peace.

There were not more than 50,000 men recruited up to the present -- not half of the number that recruited in the last war.

Perhaps he was not altogether in favour of voluntary enlistment, but that was the Government's policy, and we all should be patriotic in assisting in every way possible.

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Mr. Hale in reply to a question stated that there should be a small central committee with other committees named at strategic points.

After some discussion the Warden assured the deputation that their request would be considered by the Council at a session of Friday morning, and declared the Council adjourned until Friday at 10 A.M. Standard Time.

J. Simpson
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Clerk, County of Simcoe

George Barr.....
Warden, County of Simcoe

FOURTH DAY

Council Chamber, Barrie,
Nov. 21st, 1941.

The Council met pursuant to yesterday afternoon's session.

The Warden in the chair.

All the members of the Council were present.

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

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

The question was raised as to whether the motion of Councillors Offord and Hartman should go to the Finance Committee or be dealt with in Committee of the Whole.

The Warden discussed having a Night Session, and Councillor Berrow pointed out that the business still to be dealt with required a Night Session.

Mr. F. A. Lashley and his Boys Potato Team were invited to the front of the Council Chamber. Mr. Lashley addressed the Council, outlining the boy's work and the steps leading up to their winning the National Club Contest in potatoes.

Councillors Barker and Simpson presented each of the boys with an alarm clock.

Edwin Pearson thanked the Council and gave the credit to their coach, Mr. Lashley, and those who directed them in the work, for their achievement.

Arthur Nicol also thanked the Council, and outlined the trips and entertainments given the boys and girls taking part in the National Contests.

Mr. Lashley thanked the Council on behalf of the boys.

Councillor Brown said this achievement was a direct result of the work of the School Fairs, and he urged that this work be continued.

REPORT NO. 1 -- Of the Standing Committee on Education was presented and read.
Moved by Councillor McEvals, seconded by Councillor McMaster, 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 Asselin, seconded by Councillor Banting, 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 McMaster, seconded by Councillor E. Miller, and ordered,

That the report now read be adopted.

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At the June Session it was decided to not buy souvenirs for the members of the County Council this year. Souvenirs were purchased, and Councillor Coombs explained that this was done for the benefit of the new members who might not be in the Council next year and consequently would not have a souvenir.

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

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

That the Report now read be adopted.

Councillor Lawrence gave a report on the Collingwood Terminals, stating that 13,000,000 bushels were handled during the first nine months of the year, which more than doubled the previous record; the earnings were up 50% and the expenditure was up 30%; \$25,000 was paid to Collingwood on the principal over and above the interest. Much credit is due Mr. N. Boadway, Manager of the Elevator, for his efforts and influence with the grain companies. Collingwood had so adjusted its debentures that the Department of Municipal Affairs released the town from supervision.

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

That the Road Committee consider the advisability of taking over that portion of road from the end of the pavement in the Village of Coldwater to the town-line, which is a County Road, a distance of 100 yards.

Moved by Councillor MacLaren, seconded by Councillor Toner, and ordered,

That leave be granted to introduce a By-Law to pay the Gaol Surgeon's salary, and that the By-Law presented herewith be read a first time.

By-Law read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Toner, seconded by Councillor Coombs, 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 Buchanan, 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 MacLaren, seconded by Councillor Lawrence, 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 MacLaren, seconded by Councillor Oliver, and ordered,

That the Finance Committee consider the advisability of placing at the disposal of the Recruiting Committee of the County of Simcoe the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars, to be used for recruiting purposes if necessary.

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

That, having before them the request of a delegation, on Thursday, Nov. 20th, for some assistance on behalf of recruiting in Simcoe County, this Council recommend the appointment of a Central Committee, with headquarters in the Town of Barrie, in the County Council Chambers; and that this Central Committee be composed of George McLean, M.P., Earl Rowe, M.P., Hon. George Drew, M.P.P., Duncan McCuaig, M.P., Hon. Dr. McArthur, M.P.P., and Rev. Mr. Downer, M.P.P., with the County Clerk as Secretary, and the reeves and deputy-reeves be a committee to assist in the different municipalities in the County as required from time to time, and that all stationery be provided by this County for recruiting purposes.

Councillor Banting expressed his disapproval of this arrangement and urged that the County take definite action. He said this work should not be passed on to County Councils.

Councillor Benson said authorities were "passing the buck", and this County should hand it back.

Councillor MacLaren explained that the delegation were asking for financial support and he urged that it be given. He expressed his disapproval of the personnel of the Dutton motion, stating that these men had already failed us.

The Warden raised the question of the County's authority to spend the taxpayer's money for this purpose.

Councillor Toner said he would not support the idea of civilian recruiting. The motion was then declared lost.

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

That this Council take notice that at the next session a By-Law will be introduced to provide for the purchase of certain lands for reforestation purposes.

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

That this Council do now adjourn until 8 P.M. this evening.

EVENING SESSION

The Council met pursuant to adjournment at the Morning Session.

Mr. Joseph Spicher, Ex-Reeve of Sunnidale Township, being in the Council Chamber, the Warden invited him to a seat on the dias.

Mr. Spicher addressed the Council and stated he was always glad to return and renew acquaintance with the members of the Council. He found the members all interested in municipal work and those who paid attention to the work of the Council received a good education. He congratulated the Warden on the manner in which he conducted the affairs of the Council.

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

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

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

Moved by Councillor Harvey, seconded by Councillor Dutton, and ordered,
That the Report now read be adopted.

REPORT NO. 5 -- Of the Standing Committee on Finance was presented and read.

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

REPORT NO. 6 -- Of the Standing Committee on Finance was presented and read.

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

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

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

REPORT NO. 2 -- Of the Standing Committee on Reforestation was presented and read.

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

REPORT NO. 1 -- Of the County of Simcoe War Records Committee was presented and read.

Moved by Councillor Lawrence, seconded by Councillor Toner, and ordered,
That the Report now read be adopted.

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

That leave be granted to introduce a By-Law to purchase from Mr. J. F. Wildman, Barrie, certain property hereinafter mentioned in the Township of Tiny

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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 McMaster, 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 Toner, seconded by Councillor Dutton, 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 Tudhope, seconded by Councillor Borrow, 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 DeTener, seconded by Councillor Middleton, and ordered,

That leave be granted to introduce a By-Law for the purpose of transferring certain sums of money from the General Account to the Road Account to meet the expenditure for the balance of the year 1941, and that the By-Law presented herewith be read a first time.

By-Law read a first time.

Moved by Councillor Banting, seconded by Councillor Middleton, 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 Yale, seconded by Councillor Barker, 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 Kerr, seconded by Councillor Brown, 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 Horne, seconded by Councillor Drinkwater, and ordered,

That this County Council join with the Township of Orillia and ask the County Clerk to write to the Department of Game & Fisheries requesting them to have the beaver in the said township either removed or to declare an open season, as they are causing much damage to the roads and farm property by flooding water, and also to have the dams removed.

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

That in bringing to a close the work of the last session of the year we, the members of the Council and officials, feel that we cannot separate without expressing our appreciation of the able and efficient manner in which you have conducted the business of the various sessions of the Council during the year that you have served as Warden.

The energy and enthusiasm which you have put into reforestry over a number of years has been characteristic of your work during the present year as Warden.

We trust you may continue in municipal life for many years to come, and when you do retire you will still continue to take interest in the things you have been so earnest in promoting.

We wish you and yours continued prosperity in all your affairs.

The Warden, before adjournment, expressed his appreciation of the support and co-operation he had received from the Council during the year. He realized his position was an important one, but his judgments at all times had been impartial, and he had served to the best of his ability.

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

That the Council do not adjourn sine die.

J. Simpson
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Clerk, County of Simcoe

Albert A. Toner
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Warden, County of Simcoe

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

First Day

Council Chamber, Barrie, Ont.
Jan. 20th, 1942.

The Council met pursuant to Statute.

The following members have filed their declarations of office with the Clerk and taken their places at the Council Board.

- ADJALA Twp. -- W. H. Patterson, Reeve, Rosemount.
ALLISTON Town -- A. F. Merrett, Reeve, Alliston.
BARRIE Town -- H. J. Buchanan, Reeve, Barrie; G. W. Clark, Deputy-Reeve, Barrie.
BEETON Village -- John Carlton, Reeve, Beeton.
BRADFORD Village -- J. E. Coombs, Reeve, Bradford.
COLLINGWOOD Town -- Frank S. Patterson, Reeve, Collingwood; J. H. Ferguson, Deputy-Reeve, Collingwood.
COLDWATER Village -- E. Miller, Reeve, Coldwater.
CREEMORE Village -- J. R. Lawrence, Reeve, Creemore.
ESSA Twp. -- George D. Banting, Reeve, Ivy; W. J. McMaster, Deputy-Reeve, Cookstown;
FLOS Twp. -- Albert A. Toner, Reeve, Phepston; Walter Middleton, Deputy-Reeve, R. R. Elmvale,
INNISFIL Twp. -- Orville E. Todd, Reeve, Churchill; Thos. Cook, Deputy-Reeve, Barrie.
MATCHEDASH Twp. -- Leslie Borrow, Reeve, R. R. Coldwater.
MEDONTE Twp. -- George Barr, Reeve, Hillsdale; Grant Miller, Deputy-Reeve, R.R.#1 Hillsdale.
MIDLAND Town -- Wm. Hartman, Reeve, Midland; A. E. House, Deputy-Reeve, Midland.
NOTTAWASAGA Twp. -- James Brack, Reeve, Duntroon; Donald Brown, Deputy-Reeve, Glen Huron.
ORILLIA Town -- Harry Oliver, Reeve, Orillia; W. G. Bingham, Deputy-Reeve, Orillia.
ORILLIA Twp. -- Manford Horne, Reeve, R.R.#1 Orillia; J. S. Drinkwater, Deputy-Reeve, Orillia, R.R.#1.
ORO Twp. -- I. H. Luck, Reeve, R. R. Barrie; M. Tudhope, Deputy-Reeve, R.R.#2 Hawkestone.
PENETANGUISHENE Town -- W. R. Benson, Reeve, Penetanguishene; John Gropp, Deputy-Reeve, Penetanguishene.
PORT McNICOLL Village -- George Patterson, Reeve, Port McNicoll.
SUNNIDALE Twp. -- Herb. M. Barker, Reeve, New Lowell; J. E. Pottage, Deputy-Reeve, R.R.#1 Stayner.