

**MINUTES OF MAYO COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 23rd
SEPTEMBER, 2002, AT 2.00 p.m**

The Cathaoirleach, Cllr. T. Quinn, was in the Chair.

The other Councillors present were:-

Cllrs. E. Caffrey, B. Golden, A.M. Reape, E. Staunton, S. Weir, M. Burke, J. Mannion, D. Ryan, G. Coyle, P. Kilbane, F. Leneghan, S. Bourke, Patk. Burke, H. Kenny, A. McDonnell, J. Mee, J. Carty, T.D., J. Cribbin, R. Finn, P. McHugh, J. Flannery, J. Maloney, J. Mellett, G. Murray, M. Adams, F. Chambers, M. Ring, T.D., P. Sweeney.

Apology received from Cllr. S. Molloy for inability to attend Meeting.

The Officers in attendance were:-

Mr. D. Mahon, Co. Manager, Mr. J. Beirne, Dir. of Services / Co. Engineer, Mr. J. Loftus, Dir. of Services, Mr. J. Condon, Meetings Administrator, Mr. S. Granahan, Dir. of Services, Mr. I. Douglas, Sen. Planner, Ms. B. Gannon, Sen. Ex. Planner, Mr. M. Mongan, Sen. Engineer, Mr. P. Mahon, Sen. Engineer, Mr. P. Commons, Sen. Ex. Officer, Mr. P. Flanagan, Sen. Ex. Officer, Mr. J. Moran, Sen. Staff Officer, Ms. C. Kenny, A/Staff Officer.

ITEM NO. 1.

**TO CONSIDER LIST OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS DATED 17th
SEPTEMBER, 2002.**

1. **Paul Feehan – Application for Outline Planning Permission to construct dwellinghouse at Buckfield, Kilmeena.**

The Council were informed of the up to date position on this Planning application.

2. **Robert Gallagher – Application for Planning Permission to construct dwellinghouse and septic tank at Money, Carrowholly, Westport.**

The Council were informed of the up to date position on this Planning application.

3. **James Walshe – Application for Planning Permission to construct dwellinghouse and septic tank at Derrynaran, Kilmeena.**

The Council were informed of the up to date position on this Planning application.

4. **Eithne Lannon – Application for Planning Permission to construct dwellinghouse and septic tank at Shanvallyard, Tourmakeady.**

The Council were informed of the up to date position on this Planning application.

5. Margaret Doherty – Application for Planning Permission to construct dwellinghouse and septic tank at Hawthorn Lodge, Castlebar.

The Council were informed of the up to date position on this Planning application.

6. Colin Tubbs – Application for Planning Permission to construct dwellinghouse and install proprietary effluent treatment unit at Uggoon, Kilmovee.

The Council were informed of the up to date position on this Planning application.

7. Martin McIntyre – Application for Planning Permission to construct a surfers hostel and septic tank at Tarmon, Blacksod, Belmullet.

The Council were informed of the up to date position on this Planning application.

8. Margaret Slattery – Application for Planning Permission to construct dwellinghouse and septic tank at Kilrush, Hollymount.

The Council were informed of the up to date position on this Planning application.

9. Edward Deacy – Application for Retention of hardcore access road, hardstanding area and wooden jetty at Strandhill, Cong.

The Council were informed of the up to date position on this Planning application.

10. John Gardiner – Application for Planning Permission to construct dwellinghouse and septic tank at Knockadangan, Crossmolina, Ballina.

The Council were informed of the up to date position on this Planning application.

11. Raymond Thomas – Application for Planning Permission to construct dwellinghouse and septic tank at Croghan, Killala.

The Council were informed of the up to date position on this Planning application.

12. M. Cunniffe – Application for Planning Permission to demolish existing building and construct 2 No. two-bedroom apartments at The Square, Claremorris.

The Council were informed of the up to date position on this Planning application.

13. David Coyne & Maggie Freyne – Application for Planning Permission to construct dwellinghouse, garage and install proprietary effluent treatment unit at Cave, Ballyhaunis.

The Council were informed of the up to date position on this Planning application.

ITEM NO. 2.
NICE TREATY.

A detailed discussion took place on the Nice Treaty during which the merits or otherwise of ratifying the Treaty were debated.

ITEM NO. 3.
TO CONSIDER DECIDING TO GRANT PERMISSION FOR THE FOLLOWING DEVELOPMENTS (a) TO DEMOLISH EXISTING DISUSED/UNOCCUPIED HOTEL PREMISES; (b) TO ERECT 10 NO. TOWNHOUSES AND 6 NO. APARTMENTS AND (c) TO CONNECT TO PUBLIC SERVICES AND CARRY OUT ALL ANCILLARY SITE DEVELOPMENT WORKS INCLUDING CONSTRUCTION OF SEWAGE PUMPING STATION AT KNOCK RD. (TOORAREE TD.), BALLYHAUNIS, CO. MAYO, WHICH WOULD MATERIALLY CONTRAVENE THE BALLYHAUNIS TOWN PLAN 1984.

Proposed by Cllr. J. Carty

Seconded by Cllr. J. Cribbin

Resolved:-

“That the Council hereby decide to grant Permission for the following developments (a) to demolish existing disused/unoccupied hotel premises; (b) to erect 10 No. townhouses and 6 No. apartments and (c) to connect to public services and carry out all ancillary site development works including construction of sewage pumping station at Knock Road (Tooraree Td.) , Ballyhaunis, Co. Mayo, to Mr. Bernard Farrell, which materially contravenes the Ballyhaunis Town Plan 1984”.

ITEM NO. 4.
TO CONSIDER DECIDING TO GRANT PERMISSION FOR 5 NO. DWELLINGHOUSES WITH CONNECTIONS TO PUBLIC SEWER AND ASSOCIATED SITE WORKS AT CLARE RD. (HAZELHILL TD.), BALLYHAUNIS, CO. MAYO, WHICH WOULD MATERIALLY CONTRAVENE THE BALLYHAUNIS TOWN PLAN 1984.

Proposed by Cllr. J. Cribbin

Seconded by Cllr. J. Carty

Resolved:-

“That the Council hereby decide to grant Permission for 5 No. dwelling-houses with connections to public sewer and associated site works at Clare Rd. (Hazelhill Td.), Ballyhaunis, Co. Mayo, to Mr. Sher Rafique, which materially contravenes the Ballyhaunis Town Plan 1984”.

ITEM NO. 5.
TO CONSIDER DECIDING TO GRANT PERMISSION FOR SITE
DEVELOPMENT WORKS INCLUDING CONNECTION TO EXISTING
SERVICES AND GRANT OUTLINE PERMISSION TO CONSTRUCT 24 NO.
DETACHED HOUSES AT BALLINDINE RD. (CLARE TOWNLAND)
CLAREMORRIS, CO. MAYO, WHICH WOULD MATERIALLY CONTRAVENE
THE CLAREMORRIS TOWN PLAN 1995.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McHugh

Seconded by Cllr. J. Carty

Resolved:-

“That the Council hereby decide to grant Permission for site development works including connection to existing services and grant Outline Permission to construct 24 No. detached houses at Ballindine Rd. (Clare Townland), Claremorris, Co. Mayo, to Mulclare Properties, which materially contravenes the Claremorris Town Plan 1995”.

ITEM NO. 6.
CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSED DRAFT DEVELOPMENT PLAN.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McHugh

Seconded by Cllr. P. Kilbane

Resolved:-

“That this Item be deferred to the October Meeting of the Council”.

ITEM NO. 7.
TO NOMINATE THE CATHAOIRLEACH AND LEAS CHATHAOIRLEACH TO
ATTEND CONFERENCE – “COUNCIL OF EUROPE INSTRUMENTS FOR
THE DEVELOPMENT OF LOCAL DEMOCRACY AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
RENEWAL IN IRELAND” – TO BE HELD IN DUBLIN CASTLE ON 14th
OCTOBER, 2002.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McHugh

Seconded by Cllr. P. Kilbane

Resolved:-

“That the Cathaoirleach and Leas Chathaoirleach be nominated to attend Conference – “Council of Europe Instruments for the development of local democracy and Local Government renewal in Ireland” – to be held in Dublin Castle on 14th October, 2002”.

ITEM NO. 8.
TO CONSIDER NOMINATING REPRESENTATIVES TO ATTEND 2002 IRISH
RENEWABLE ENERGY FORUM – “WORKING TOWARDS 2005” – TO BE
HELD IN ACTONS HOTEL, KINSALE, CO. CORK, ON 26th AND 27th
SEPTEMBER, 2002.

The Council were informed of the estimated cost of sending a Delegate to this Conference.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McHugh

Seconded by Cllr. P. Kilbane

Resolved:-

“That Cllrs. P. Sweeney and M. Burke be nominated to attend 2002 Irish Renewable Energy Forum – “Working Towards 2005” – to be held in Actons Hotel, Kinsale, Co. Cork, on 26th and 27th September, 2002”.

ITEM NO. 9.

TO CONSIDER NOMINATING REPRESENTATIVES TO ATTEND CONFERENCE – “IMPROVING PERFORMANCE – KEY THEMES IN CENTRAL AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT” – TO BE HELD IN UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, CORK, ON 26th, 27th AND 28th SEPTEMBER, 2002.

The Council were informed of the estimated cost of sending a Delegate to this Conference.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McHugh

Seconded by Cllr. P. Kilbane

Resolved:-

“That the Cathaoirleach, Cllrs. B. Golden, P. McHugh, J. Maloney, G. Coyle, J. Cribbin, J. Mannion and M. Ring, T.D., be nominated to attend Conference – “Improving Performance – Key Themes in Central and Local Government” – to be held in University College, Cork, on 26th, 27th and 28th September, 2002”.

ITEM NO. 10.

TO CONSIDER NOMINATING REPRESENTATIVES TO ATTEND IVEA EDUCATION CONFERENCE – “IS THE DEMOCRATISATION OF THE EDUCATION SYSTEM A WINDOW DRESSING FOR THE CENTRALISATION OF POWER AND DECISION MAKING?” – TO BE HELD IN THE RED COW MORAN’S HOTEL, RED COW COMPLEX, NAAS ROAD, DUBLIN, 22, ON 1st OCTOBER, 2002.

The Council were informed of the estimated cost of sending a Delegate to this Conference.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McHugh

Seconded by Cllr. P. Kilbane

Resolved:-

“That Cllrs. M. Adams, J. Carty, T.D., R. Finn, Patk. Burke, E. Caffrey, G. Coyle and J. Flannery be nominated to attend IVEA Education Conference – “Is the democratisation of the education system a window dressing for the centralisation of power and decision making?” – to be held in The Red Cow Moran’s Hotel, Red Cow Complex, Naas Road, Dublin, 22, on 1st October, 2002”.

ITEM NO. 11.

TO CONSIDER NOMINATING REPRESENTATIVES TO ATTEND LA TOUCHE LEGACY SEMINAR – “LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND THE MEDIA” - TO BE HELD IN LA TOUCHE HOTEL, GREYSTONES, CO. WICKLOW, FROM 4th TO 6th OCTOBER, 2002.

The Council were informed of the estimated cost of sending a Delegate to this Seminar.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McHugh

Seconded by Cllr. P. Kilbane

Resolved:-

“That the Cathaoirleach, Cllrs. M. Adams, S. Bourke, J. Carty, T.D., F. Leneghan, A. McDonnell, P. McHugh, J. Maloney, S. Molloy, P. Sweeney, R. Finn, M. Burke, E. Caffrey, G. Coyle, J. Flannery, H. Kenny, M. Ring, T.D., and S. Weir be nominated to attend La Touche Legacy Seminar – “Local Government and the Media” – to be held in La Touche Hotel, Greystones, Co. Wicklow, from 4th to 6th October, 2002”.

ITEM NO. 12.

TO CONSIDER NOMINATING REPRESENTATIVES TO ATTEND LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERS ASSOCIATION NICE TREATY SEMINAR TO BE HELD IN THE DRUIDS GLEN MARRIOTT HOTEL AND COUNTRY CLUB, NEWTOWNMOUNTKENNEDY, CO. WICKLOW, ON 11th OCTOBER, 2002.

The Council were informed of the estimated cost of sending a Delegate to this Seminar.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McHugh

Seconded by Cllr. P. Kilbane

Resolved:-

“That Cllrs. M. Adams, A. McDonnell, R. Finn, E. Caffrey and M. Ring, T.D., be nominated to attend Local Authority Members Association Nice Treaty Seminar to be held in the Druids Glen Marriott Hotel and Country Club, Newtownmountkennedy, Co. Wicklow, on 11th October, 2002”.

It was agreed that an Item on Professional Advice in relation to County Development Plan would be placed on the Agenda for the October Meeting of the Council.

VOTES OF CONGRATULATIONS.

Proposed by Cllr. M. Ring

Seconded by Cllr. P. Kilbane

Resolved:-

“That a Vote of Congratulations be extended to Mr. Henry Coyle, Doolough, Geesala, Ballina, Son of Councillor Gerry Coyle, on winning a Bronze Medal in the World Military Boxing Championship”.

Proposed by Cllr. A.M. Reape

Seconded by Cllr. T. Quinn

Resolved:-

“That Best Wishes be extended to the Mayo Ladies Senior Football Team in the All-Ireland Senior Football Championship Final on Sunday, 29th September, 2002”.

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY.

Proposed by Cllr. Patk. Burke

Seconded by Cllr. H. Kenny

Resolved:-

“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to the Dunne family, Rathduff, Balla, on the tragic death of Stephen Dunne”.

Proposed by Cllr. M. Burke

Seconded by Cllr. J. Mannion

Resolved:-

“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to Frank & Ann Kelly, Creagh Road, Ballinrobe, on the tragic death of their Son, Ronan”.

Proposed by Cllr. G. Murray

Seconded by Cllr. J. Mellett

Resolved:-

“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to the Geraghty family, Dublin Road, Swinford, on the death of Mick Geraghty”.

The Meeting concluded at 5.10 p.m.