

No Deputation.

REPORTS AND BY-LAWS.

HEATED DISCUSSION.

After the council had decided to investigate the Hughes matter, the committee were about to rise and report to council when Deputy-Reeve Duncan asked the chairman why a reel was not kept in the reel-house at the Collegiate Institute. He said, "Of course we are all law-abiding citizens in that end of the town and only have a fire occasionally, but when we do we want that reel there."

In reply to this query, Mr. Carmichael stated that he was not aware that the reel was not in its place and that he would look into the matter.

"It has been away nearly a month now," said Mr. Finlay.

Just here, Chief Patterson, without being called upon, rose from his place in the audience and offered to explain the reason of the absence of the reel, but he was immediately checked by Deputy-Reeve Duncan asking if any person could get up and talk to this council when they wished. He also asked if the brigade was short of hose?

Mr. Carmichael replied in the affirmative, and again promised to look into the matter of the reel.

The committee then rose without further discussion.

At the meeting of the Printing committee on Friday evening, Chairman Finlay was absent, and Mr. Guilfoyle prepared the report. Mr. Finlay, however, presented it to the council. The accounts were: A. Heuser, reporting, \$21; Enterprise, supplies, \$24.01; and Free Lance, supplies, \$4.60.

No objections being made the report was adopted.

During the past month the W. W. & E. L. committee have spent a considerable sum on the intake pipe. They report the pipe to be in good shape at present. The accounts for construction, read by Chairman Guilfoyle, were:

J. Henderson, supplies	\$ 8 74
McFadzen & McQuade	13 25
Jas. Wright, coal	1 90
Freight	4 82
J. Perkin Co. valves for intake	60 00
Doherty Mfg. Co., pipes	12 75
D. G. Cooper, lumber	2 05
T. Hamilton, water service acct	14 98
D. Taylor	14 38
G. Ury	20 25
Joe. Taylor	1 75
T. Hamilton, intake pipe acct	11 00
D. Taylor	11 00
G. Ury	13 20
T. Hughes	20
Hugh Currie	22 54
S. Burnside	50
J. Simmons	3 75
A. Strohm	9 06
J. Taylor	9 87
J. Calbrich	5 60
Geo. Howard	1 50
G. Hawman	5 00
A. T. Lee	1 50

These are charged to expense: H. Dixon, supplies, \$20.20; J. Henderson, supplies, \$7.36; Bell Tel. Co., .40; D. Oliphant, \$0; Jas. Wright, coal, \$1.50; Joe. Taylor, work, \$3; A. P. Cline, work, \$1; D. Grant, wages, \$41.40; W. Hughes, \$43.75; W. H. Brown, wages, \$35; T. Potts, work, \$14.

The committee recommended that a drinking fountain be put on First street at terminus of water main, for the use of North West Ward School, if satisfactory to School Board.

Report adopted.

There was no reference made in the report to the claim of T. Philips for damages sustained from live electric wires, but we are informed by the Solicitor that the town has notified the plaintiff's lawyers that the claim cannot be entertained.

A by-law was passed fixing the hour for closing bowling alleys at eleven o'clock, was put through.

Two by-laws, one to authorize the raising of \$2,000, and the other to authorize the raising of \$5,000 by debentures, were also passed.

A motion to send a deputation composed of the Mayor, Reeve, and Mr. Williams and Solicitor Birnie, to Ottawa on harbor matters, was followed by a long squabble, in which the language used by some members of the council was far from parliamentary.

In supporting the motion, Mr. Henderson said he was of the opinion that the council lost their opportunity by not appointing a deputation at the last meeting of the council. The Government are now dealing with the supplementary estimates, and it is not too late yet. The proposed deputation is good. The Mayor will represent the town, the Reeve is president of the McCarthy Association, Mr. Williams is president of the Senior Liberal Association, and Mr. Birnie is president of the Young Liberal Association. If Mr. McCarthy will assist, well and good.

Deputy-Reeve Duncan here took a hand in the discussion. He wanted to know if this was a political move.

Mr. Henderson replied that it was not, and that he was not in politics. He was working for our harbor only.

Continuing, Mr. Duncan objected to the First Deputy-Reeve being passed over and a councillor appointed as a deputation. He thought the First Deputy-Reeve should be a member of that deputation. He wanted to go to Ottawa and thought he had as much influence with the Government as Mr. Williams. He supported the second man in Canada, Mr. McCarthy, who he believed would assist the deputation in obtaining money for our harbor. He would vote against the motion, believing as he did that the First

Deputy-Reeve, (himself), should be a member of the deputation.

Deputy-Reeve O'Brien followed. He appealed for the Deputy-Reeves to have a chance. Of course they would vote the motion down. He said Mr. Williams was a good Grit, Mr. Nettleton was a good McCarthyite, but it needed one more to do the business: "Send me."

Reeve Nettleton next spoke. He did no appealing. He said that he was opposed to the deputation going now as he had seen Mr. McCarthy who had told him that the Collingwood harbor was receiving attention from the Ministers, and that as soon as a deputation was necessary he would notify him.

Mr. Guilfoyle, in a few words, supported the motion. He was surprised to learn that the Government was dealing with the Collingwood harbor, and that the council had received no notice of it. Reeve Nettleton may be right, but it is strange if such is the case. However, he thought it would be wise to have the deputation proposed appointed, so they would be ready to go on a moment's notice. He was not aware until now of Mr. Duncan's Liberal proclivities.

Duncan—I am not, nor never was a Liberal.

Mayor—You are out of order, Mr. Duncan.

Duncan—I am not; I have the right to apply to an aspersion made by another member of the council.

Mayor—You are out of order, order! order!

O'Brien—Let him speak. Go on, Duncan.

Mayor—Order! order! I will have you put out if you do not sit down and be quiet.

Duncan—I appeal to the council.

O'Brien—Yes, rule 34. He is right.

Mayor—Order! order! I will have you removed from the hall.

Duncan—Shut up; what do you know about it?

O'Brien—Haven't you brains enough to know he should have a chance? Give him a chance; go on Duncan.

Duncan—I appeal to the council. Read your rules.

Mayor—Shall Mr. Duncan be heard?

A voice—Carried.

Duncan—I told you so.

Mr. Duncan then said that he was not a Liberal. I support the second man in Canada who, although not head of the Government, will be some day. To Mr. Guilfoyle, "Didn't you know that?"

Guilfoyle—No.

Duncan—He was one of the prime factors in upsetting the late Government. Didn't you know that?

Guilfoyle—I was not aware of it.

Mr. Williams said that he would not appeal for himself as the Deputy-Reeve had done. He was willing to stay at home if the council so desired, or he would go. He was anxious to see the work gone on with. He had information from Ministers of the Crown to the effect that a deputation on this subject would be received by the Government. If our Deputy-Reeves should go he hoped they would be in a better condition to do business than they were to-night.

Deputy-Reeve O'Brien arose and made another attempt to speak, but as he had already spoken once on the motion, the Mayor ruled him out of order. After some kicking he sat down.

The motion was finally put and defeated by a small majority.

Another motion to appoint a committee to manage the town band and to grant \$100 for its maintenance, was presented, but ruled out on a point of order taken by Mr. Williams.

A petition from the butchers asking that the by-law regarding the sale of fresh meat be amended to cut off pedlars, was referred to Town Property committee.

The W. W. & E. L. committee were given power to act in reply to a letter from Secretary Furlong, of the G. N. E. Assn., in which he asked for light, water, etc.

The council adjourned amid great confusion and uproar about half-past eleven o'clock.