

**MINUTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
Municipal Council of Pictou Co.
MAY SESSION, 1888**

First Day

The Council met at 10 a.m and was opened with prayer by the Warden. The Clerk called the roll. Twenty members were present.

The Warden briefly addressed the Council on the business to come before it, and distributed to the proper Committees the papers filed with the Clerk since last session.

The Warden reported verbally from the Committee appointed last session to meet with the Town Council of Pictou, in reference to the matter of land damages for the Pictou Town Branch of the later colonial Railway. The Committee, he said, had met with the Town Council, and discussed the matter, but no conclusion had been reached.

Clr. H.S. Fraser brought up the question of the sub-division of the Provincial Grant for roads and bridges, claiming an extra allowance for Road Board No. 2, on account of the small expenditure in that district under the Bridge Act. Clrs. Denoon, D. Fraser, J.R. McDonald, Sutherland, McDougall, Dewar, J.D. Fraser, McColl, Bell and the Warden joined in the discussion, and the matter was referred to the Committee on roads and bridges.

Clr. Denoon referred to the inaccuracy of the Assessment Roll for Section 7, and read a list of errors. He stated that in consequence of the inaccuracy of the roll, the Collector hesitated to act and one of his sureties declined to sign the bond. After some discussion the matter was deferred.

The Warden read the Treasurer's half yearly account and drew special attention to the amounts still uncollected in several sections. The amount was referred to the Finance Committee.

The report of Joseph Fraser, appointed at last session as a Commissioner to report on the claim of Duncan McDonald of Barney's River for an allowance for fencing, was read by the Warden and referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

A number of papers filed since the meeting opened were handed to the proper Committee after their endorsements were read by the Warden.

A memorial from Pictou Division Grange on the presentation of the spread of weeds and suggesting the passage of a by-law enforcing by penalty the destruction of noxious weeds, was read by the Warden, and referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

The memorial of the late Supervisors for Egerton, asking for a hearing before a Committee was read. Moved by Clr. Dewar that the Committee asked be appointed. Clr. McColl seconded the motion; saying no official should be dismissed without the cause for his dismissal being made known to him. A short discussion ensued, participated in by Clrs. J.D. Fraser, McPherson, McDougall, Denoon, Matheson, and Colin Fraser. Clr. Bell, as chairman of the Nominating Committee said that no charge had been made against the memorialists. The motion was defeated.

Clr. McColl referred to the appointment of Mr. Jackson in place of Mr. Cameron as one of the Asylum Commissioners, and moved the following Resolution, seconded by Clr. J.D. Fraser.

“That a Committee of three members of this Council be appointed to investigate the charges made by the Nominating Committee against Mr. John F. Cameron, one of the Commissioners of the County Asylum for the year 1887, on account of which his name was left off the list presented by them to this Council in the January Term, 1888.”

Clr. Bell said the only charge brought against Mr. Cameron last January, was that the other Commissioners would not act with him, and since this had been denied the Nominating Committee itself would like to have the matter investigated. After remarks by Clrs. Matheson, McColl, D. Fraser, J.D. Fraser, McPherson, Denoon, and J.R. McDonald, the following amendment was moved by Clr. D. Fraser, seconded by Clr. Denoon.

“That the motion be amended by adding the following words: And to investigate all the workings of the Commissioners with a view to discover if these workings be in the interest of the County, and to suggest such changes in the management and in the mode of appointing and dismissing Commissioners as may seem to be most in the interest of the County.”

The amendment was carried on division and the motion as amended was then put and carried.

On motion of Clr. D. Fraser leave of absence was granted to Clr. Bell.

On motion the Council adjourned until 2 p.m.

Afternoon Session

The Council met at 2 p.m. The minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

It was moved, seconded and resolved that no papers be received after 10 a.m. to-morrow except by unanimous vote.

Moved by Clr. McDougall, seconded by Clr. Ross that the Clerk be appointed a Commissioner to prepare a scale of fees to be paid for the services of the Municipality, and to report thereon to the January meeting, 1889.

By leave, Mr. C.E. Tanner, Barrister, addressed the Council in reference to a proposed amendment to the resolution passed last session granting a subsidy to the Pictou Coal and Iron Company. The new proposal was that the subsidy should become payable on the completion by the Company of a railway 10 miles in length from the iron mines to the Intercolonial, the Company giving such security as the Council might require that the manufacture of iron would be proceeded with.

A long discussion followed, participated in by Clrs. McColl, J.D. Fraser, Grant, McPherson, Denoon, Colin Fraser, Donald Fraser, McDougall, Dewar, and E.J. Ross. The matter was deferred.

The Nominating Committee brought in the following report:

“The Nominating Committee beg leave to report that the following named Committees be the special Committee ordered by the resolution, providing for an inquiry into the working of the Commissioners of the County Asylum:”

Councilors Colin Fraser, Evan J. Ross

Court House

Pictou, H.S. Fraser, } Committee on Nominations

R. McDougall

The report was received and adopted.

The Warden read a petition from ratepayers of Thorburn asking for the erection of a lockup. Clr. McPherson said the object sought by the petitioners was a public necessity. It not appearing that the locally had been laid off as a Police District, further consideration was deferred until tomorrow.

On motion the Council adjourned until 10 a.m. on Wednesday

Second Day

Wednesday May, 2nd

Council met at 10 a.m. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.

The Warden read the petition of the New York and Nova Scotia Coal and Railway Company. On motion of Clrs. H.S. Fraser, seconded by Clr. Kitchin the petition was ordered to lie on the table.

The account of Wm. Smith, Inspector of Licenses for East Pictou was read by the Warden. Clr. Grant said much good had been done in Stellarton by the enforcement of the law. Clr. McLeod was not of the same opinion in respect to Westville. Clr. H.S. Fraser thought a very small proportion had been collected and feared the County would be called upon for expenses. Clr. McKenzie thought the County should be perfectly satisfied if the fines collected met the expenses. Clr. McColl explained that about \$200. were retained by the Inspector to meet possible expenses in two cases appealed to the Supreme Court. Mr. Smith being called for, gave a fuller account of what he had done, explaining the nature of the objections taken in the two causes referred to, and stating the reasons why several of the fines imposed had not been collected. Clr. McPherson said little good had been done in Thorburn. Clr. Dewar thought the Inspector could make a better selection of witnesses. Clr. Grant thought the Inspector had done his work efficiently. Clr. McLeod agreed with Clr. Dewar. The Inspector made further explanations, and the account was referred to the Finance Committee.

Clr. Dewar spoke of obstructions on the roads, and asked how it was that nothing was done in such cases. It appeared, he said, that Supervisors were dismissed in the district of Egerton for insisting that obstructions be removed. Clr. J.R. McDonald thought the law was clear and easily carried out. Clr. McLeod agreed that many roads were encroached on, and thought something should be done. The Warden explained the difficulties attending the matter, and thought some action should be taken by the Council. Clr. J.D. Fraser thought the law was sufficient, and that each board of Supervisors should get a certified copy of the papers showing the breadth of every road in their district, and then proceed to open every road to the lawful width. After further remarks by Clrs. Colin Fraser, Dewar, McPherson, Matheson, Kitchin, J.R. McDonald, H.S. Fraser and the Warden, the matter was referred to the Road Committee.

On motion the Council adjourned until 2 p.m.

Afternoon Session

The Council met at 2 p.m. The minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

On motion of Clr. J.R. McDonald, seconded by Clr. Kitchin, it was resolved "that the road and bridge money received from the Provincial Treasury be expended by Supervisors.

The Warden called attention to certain remarks by Dr. Munro, M.P.P., uttered in the House of Assembly last winter, finding fault with the manner in which the road money's are expended, and favoring the appointment by Local Government of an official to supervise the expenditure. Clr. McColl explained that Dr. Munro's remarks were not intended to apply to this County, and were perfectly true in respect to some other counties. He, also favored the appointment of a Government official as tending to greater efficiency. Clr. Denoon thought the present system efficient and much more economical than the proposed change. Clr. D. Fraser said the Supervisors in this County were well qualified, and that the work was better done under the present system than ever before. Clr. J.D. Fraser said if the money expended under the Bridge Act were expended by the County officials it would go twice as far, After some further remarks the matter was deferred.

The Warden read a telegram from the Provincial Secretary, in reply to the telegram sent to him yesterday, citing sec. 73 of the Assessment Act, 1888, and also calling attention to the grant made to the Glenco School Section by the Legislature, which grant is conditional on the

Municipality making a grant of \$1,000 for the same purpose. The action required by the new Assessment Committee for consideration.

On invitation, Mr. McColl M.P.P., addressed the Council at length on the most important measures dealt with by the Local Legislature during the past session; and Mr. Cameron M.P.P referred to the proposed grant to Glencoe School Section; showing how the liability had arisen, and the steps taken by the representatives of the County to settle the matter. Further consideration of the subject was deferred until tomorrow.

The Warden stated that Mr. McKenzie, one of the late Supervisors for Egerton, was present and desired to be heard by the Council. Leave being granted, Mr. McKenzie addressed the Council at some length, explaining the action of the late Supervisors with a view to showing that they had done nothing but what they were bound to do. Clr. J.R. McDonald thought the late Supervisors had evidently done their duty, and ought not to have been removed. Clr. D. Fraser said the Committee on Public Property had no information against the late Supervisors and had not advised their removal.

On motion the Council adjourned until 10 a.m to-morrow.

Third Day

May 3

The Council met at 10 a.m. The minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

The Warden referred to the actions brought against the Municipality for damages on roads, and asked the Council to appoint a committee to settle the manner in which the defense should be conducted. Moved by Clr. J.D. Fraser, seconded by Clr. J.R. McDonald, that a committee be appointed for the purpose mentioned. Carried.

Moved by Clr. Kitchin, seconded by Clr. J.R. McDonald, that the petition of Frank Henry for refund of taxes be received and referred to the Assessment committee. Carried.

The report of the committee appointed in May term 1886, to lay off a police division at Thorburn was referred to by the Warden. The report was filed in July 1886, but there was nothing on the papers or in the minutes to show whether it had been presented to the Council or not. Moved by Clr. McKenzie, seconded by Clr. Dewar, and resolved that the matter be referred to the Road Committee.

Moved by Clr. McColl, seconded by Clr. Ross.

“That whereas the Municipal Government have granted the sum of \$2000 towards paying the expenses incurred by the Glencoe School Section, No. 16, South Pictou, in the Courts of Law, in the settlement of their school difficulties, on condition that the County of Pictou pay the sum of \$1000 towards the same.

And whereas the whole sum due by the section as awarded by the Commissioners of Schools and confirmed by an Act of the Legislature in 1887, amounts to \$7031.33 with interest, from October 1887, and when these two sums are paid there will still be, including interest, about \$4500, which amount, has in accordance with an Act of the Legislature, to be levied and assessed on the property of the Glencoe School Section this year.

And whereas, unless this County at the present session of the Municipal Council make an appropriation of the sum of \$1000, the Provincial Grant cannot be obtained, and no progress will be made in the settlement of this much vexed question; and the result will be ruin to many of the inhabitants of the Glencoe School Section; and it will be almost impossible to get any further legislation in the matter.

Therefore resolved, that this Council appropriate out of the funds of the County towards paying the expenses incurred in the Glencoe School Section the sum of one thousand dollars,

such amount to be paid in the order of the Trustees of said School Section, when they show satisfactory evidence to the Warden that the sum of \$4031.33 with interest on \$7031.33 for one year at six per cent, together with all costs of collection has been levied on and paid by the rate payers of Glencoe School Section No. 16 south Pictou, towards these expenses.

Clr. McColl said the representatives of the County assumed the responsibility of bringing this matter before the Council, and moved that Mr. Cameron, M.P.P., be heard on the subject. Mr. Cameron pointed out that while under the proposed arrangement, the School Section has to pay \$4500 and the Government has agreed to give \$2000. the County is only called upon for \$1000; that the county rates paid by the section would amount in 3 years to the sum asked from the county; that to pay the whole \$7000 would ruin the section, and in the end cost the county much more than it is now asked to pay. A general discussion followed in which all the members of he Council present participated. It was moved in amendment by Clr. McDonald, seconded by Clr. J.D. Fraser.

“That whereas we consider the matter of the Glencoe School Section favorably, we considerate advisable under present circumstances to defer it until the January Term 1880.”

On motion Mr. Thompson, one of the Trustees of Glencoe School Section was called upon to address the Council, and did so at some length, urging the claims of the section.

After some further remarks by Clrs. J.D. Fraser, D. Fraser and McColl, the amendment was put and defeated by a vote of 14 to 7.

The nominating Committee reported recommending that the following Councilors form the committee to take charge of the actions against the county, viz:

The Warden,

Clr. McColl

“ McLeod

“ Denoon

On motion the Council adjourned until 9 a.m. on Friday, to allow time for a visit of inspection to the County Asylum.

Fourth Day

May 4

The Council met at 9 a.m. The minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

The Committee on Roads and Bridges reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ROADS AND BRIDGES

The Committee on Roads and Bridges beg leave to report as follows:

1. Committee to lay out pent road for John Fraser, Fox Brook. Not granted.
2. Petition of Angus Matheson and others for committee to lay off and widen road from Alex Ross' to Wilkin's Grant road. Granted. D.W. McDonald, com.
3. Petition or rate payers, Brookville. Sect. 15, for committee to lay out a public road. Granted. A.W. McBean.
4. Petition of Wm. D. Sutherland of Quarry Island, to lay out and establish a pent road from the highway at or near George Milne's to the stone bridge at said island. Granted. F.W. McKenzie, com.
5. Petition for extension of road down Bear's Brook to the main post road at William Robertson's, sec. 20. Granted. F.W. McKenzie, com.
6. Petition of Francis Fraser of McLellan's Brook, for committee to lay off a pent road from the main road passing through Seiveright's farm to his wood lot. Granted. A.W. McBean, com

7. Application of A.W. McBean in January term to defer report on streets in Westville to the present May term. No report received.
8. Petition for public road from David McLean's near Fox Brook school house to Westville. Handed in January term, and deferred to this present term. Granted. D.W. McDonald, com.
9. Petition to define bounds of main street, Westville, recommended to the attention of the Supervisors of public grounds last January term. No notice of any action taken.
10. Confirmation of public road to connect the road leading from Meiklefield with the new road from Adam Mitchell's to Andrew Holmes' on the Sherbrooke road. Confirmed.
11. Confirmation of public road from Brook bridge at Jas. W. McDonald's to main road at John A. Cameron's, Bridgeville, confirmed.
12. Petition of Duncan McDonald, Barney's River, for allowance for fencing. Recommended that the Finance Committee make an estimate in their report to pay said petitioner thirty dollars.
13. Petition of rate payers, East River St. Mary's, for money to open and complete a public road from East River St. Mary's by Black Brook, to James River Station, E.E. railway. Recommended that the sum of \$200, which shall be a first charge on the fines money of this and succeeding years, be granted for the extension of the road leading from East River St. Mary's towards James River Station, and within Pictou county, and this sum shall be expended by the supervisor of road board No. 4, as soon as it shall be shown to the satisfaction of the Warden that an equal sum has been expended under the said supervisor on the extension of said road.
14. Recommended that the report of the Committee appointed in Jan'y term, 1880, to lay off police division in Vale Colliery, be returned to said Committee to define boundaries more particularly and have plan attached.

Sgd. J.R. MCDONALD

A.J. MCKAY

H. DENOON

JAS. MCKAY

JOHN D. FRASER

Moved by Clr. McDougall, seconded by Clr. McKay, and resolved that the report be read clause by clause. The report was accordingly read clause by clause, and passed as marked thereon by the Warden with the exception of the clause recommending a grant of \$157 to aid in building a road from E.R. St. Mary's towards James River Station. On this clause being read Clr. McDougall moved in amendment, seconded by Clr. Bell, that the clause be struck out, and another substituted recommending a grant of \$200 out of the fines money of the present and subsequent years. The amendment passed. The report was amended accordingly, and then passed as amended. (The amended clause is paragraph 13 in the report.)

On the matter of the appointment of new assessors, qualified as required by Act of 1888, being taken up for consideration, Clr. Bell said the assessment was no conclusive test of property qualifications. He thought no change should be made as the Confirming Act would legalize the rolls, and the Council could not at this meeting make sure that any persons now appointed were really qualified, Clr. McColl supported this view, as did Clrs. Colin Fraser, and J.D. Fraser. Clr. Kitchin pointed out one or two names of assessors which were not on

the Assessment Rolls at all. The assessors named in January were thereupon reappointed with one exception.

The report of the Committee on Statute Labour was read as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAY LABOUR

To the Municipal Council of Pictou County, May Term, 1888

Your Committee on Statute Labor beg leave to report.

1. We find the following statute labor returns still wanting:

In Sec. No. 6, 164; In Sec. No. 11, 295, 300, 303, 304, 305, 307, 309, 310, In Sec. No. 13, 337. In Sec, No. 15, 377

2. In the matter of the petition of John and Donald Dewar, we recommend that road sec. No. 570, be amended by adding the following words: "including the road to Donald Dewar's"

3. We would again impress on Councilors the necessity of their seeing that the statute labor returns from the surveyors of their sections be put in better shape before presentation to the Council.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Sgd. JEFFRY MCCOLL } Com
NEIL MATHESON }

On motion the report was received and adopted.

The report of the Committee on Poor was read as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON POOR

To the Municipal Council of Pictou County, May, 1888

The committee on Poor beg leave to report:

1. The accounts for the several poor sections have been audited and found correct as far as received, but the returns for Sec. No. 10 have not been received, and there are no vouchers attached to the return from Sec. 5, and that for Sec. 13 is not fully filled out.

2. The amounts expended by the several sections reporting for the year ending 31st Jan. 1887, for the support of the poor amount to \$7005.

3. In the matter of the petition from the overseers of the poor for Sec. No. 19, asking that James R. Murdoch and Alexander Murdoch, of Ponds, Merigomish, be obliged to pay for the support of their father William Murdoch, who has been thrown on and is now chargeable to that section, we recommend that the prayer of the petition be granted, and that the following order be passed by the Council:

"Ordered that James R. Murdoch and Alexander Murdoch be required to pay to the overseers of the poor for Sec. No. 19, the cost of maintenance of their father William Murdoch now on the poor of said district."

4. The petition of the overseers of the poor for Sec. No. 23, asking power to assess one hundred dollars in addition to the amount allowed to be assessed in the January term on that district for the support of the poor for the year 1888. We recommend that the prayer of the petition be granted and that the overseers of the poor for Section No. 23 be authorized to assess on poor Section No. 23, the said sum of one hundred dollars in addition to the amount authorized at the January term, 1888.

5. We would recommend that in future in making up the amounts of the several sections no moneys borrowed should be placed in the general accounts, but attached in a separate memorandum.

All of which is respectfully submitted

Sgd, JEFFRY MCCOLL } Committee

D.A. MCDONALD } on
GEO H. SUTHERLAND } Poor

On motion the report was received and adopted.

The Report of the Committee on Assessment was read as follows:

REPORT OF ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE

To the Municipal Council of County of Pictou, May Term, 1888

Your Committee on Assessment beg to submit the following report, viz: -

They recommend that the following amount be struck off the Assessment Roll of No. 6 Section for the year 1887. \$1.93

Your Committee having examined the several petitions and appeals submitted to them, beg to report as follows viz: -

1st. The petition of Evan McDonald of McLellan's Mountain, Sec. No. 15, for a refund of taxes for the year 1887. We recommend that the payer of his petition be granted, and the Treasurer be ordered to refund him the sum of \$1.90.

2nd. The petition of the Trustees of the Masonic property and the I.O.O.F., Westville, for exemption from taxation. Dismissed, as the buildings and property of said institutions are not included in the exemptions under the assessment act.

3rd. The petition of James Robertson, of Sec. No. 13, for a refund of taxes. We recommend that the payer of the petition be granted, and the Treasurer be ordered to refund him the sum of \$2.70.

4th. The petition of George McLeod, of Sec. No. 11, Lansdowne, for exemption from Assessment. Dismissed, not being sworn to.

5th. The petition of Alex Fraser, Sec. No. 18, of Glengarry, for a reduction of the valuation of his property. We recommend that the same be deferred till the January term.

6th. The petition of Wm. Ross, Sec. No. 7, for a reduction of the valuation of his property. We recommend that it be deferred to the January term.

7th. The petition of John Burney, of Westville, No. 23, for exemption from taxation. We recommend that it be deferred till the January term.

8th. The petition of Hugh Grant, of Eureka Mills, Sec. No. 17, for a refund of taxes. We recommend that the prayer of his petition be granted, and the Treasurer be ordered to refund him the sum of \$4.86.

9th. The petition of Duncan Henderson, of Cape John, Sec. No. 3, for a refund of taxes. We recommend that the prayer of the petition be granted, and the Treasurer be ordered to refund him the sum of \$3.03.

10th. The petition of John Hoar, at Stellarton, Sec. No. 25, for a refund of taxes. We recommend that the Treasurer be ordered to refund him the sum of \$5.00.

11th. The petition of Alexander Fraser, Sec. No. 18, for a refund of taxes. We recommend that the prayer of his petition be granted, and that the Treasurer be ordered to refund him the sum of \$1.45.

12th. The petition of Wm. McKay, of West Branch, River John, Sec. No. 5, for a refund of taxes. Deferred till Jan. term.

13th. The petition of John Maxwell, of Watervale, Sec. No. 9, for relief from taxation. Dismissed, not being sworn to.

14th. The petition of Frank Henry, of River John; Sec. No. 4, for a refund of taxes. We recommend that the petition be granted, and that the Treasurer be ordered to refund him the sum of \$7.20.

The bonds of the several Collectors for County Rates, being submitted for examination, we find the following incorrect.

Nos. 2, 4, 15, 16 and 18, the oath of said Collectors not being subscribed to. Returned for correction.

No. 11, We find the name of the Collector of the Section as one of the sureties which we consider is illegal.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

James Kitchin

Evan J. Ross

David J. Meikle

Assessment Committee

On motion the report was received and adopted.

Clr. Colin Fraser brought up the matter of bridges, recommended to be placed under the Bridge Act, but not taken charge of by the Provincial Engineer, which are out of repair and dangerous, referring specially to the Loch Broom bridge.

Clr. McColl said the proper course was for the Supervisor of roads to fence off the bridge and prevent travelers from using it. A long discussion followed.

The report of the Nominating Committee was read as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

Your Committee on Nominations beg to report as follows:

Be it resolved by the Municipal Council of Pictou County, that the following persons respectively shall be officers of the Municipality as hereinto set forth, viz:

SURVEYORS OF HIGHWAYS AND LIMITS

In Section No. 3, for the Road Limit, No. 80, Abram Coventry in place of Abram Stramburg, error.

In Sec. No. 6, for road limit, No. 161, Robt. McKay in place of Wm. McKenzie, deceased.

In Sec. No. 9, for road limit No. 236, Donald Fraser, in place of David Fraser, over age.

In Sec. No. 9, for road limit No. 238, Robert Anderson, in place of Rodk. Davison, over age.

In Sec. No. 9, for road limit No. 250, K.D. Munro, in place of R.D. Munro, misprint.

In Sec. No. 9 for road limit No. 252, K.A. Munro, in place of R.A. Munro, misprint

In Sec. No. 12, for road limit No. 315, Donald Fraser in place of Allan Cameron, over age.

In Sec. No. 15, for road limit No. 357, John McRae, in place of Alex. McHardy, over age.

In Sec. No. 17, for road limit No. 429, Isaac McNaughton in place of Cameron Johnson, left the place

In Sec. No. 13, for road limit No. 330, P.G. Fraser in place of David Ross, left the place.

In Sec. No. 4, for road limit No. 92, Jotham Langill in place of Nathan Langill, misprint.

In Sec. No. 19, for road limit No. 474, Joseph McDonald in place of Dougall McDonald left the place.

In Sec. No. 7, for road limit No. 181, George F. Logan in place of David Ferguson

In Sec. No. 24, for road limit No. 585, Peter McCulloch in place of John A. Ross, left the place.

In Sec. No. 24, for road limit No. 582, William Robertson in place of Archibald Lamont, left the place.

SURVEYOR OF LUMBER AND BARK

In Sec. No. 20, Malcolm Ross

STREET COMMISSIONERS

In Sec. No. 25, Henry Cunningham

COLLECTOR OF COUNTY AND POOR RATES

In Sec. No. 12, Donald Fraser in place of Alex Fraser

COMMISSIONER FOR BUSHING ICE, PICTOU HARBOR

Robert McKay, Loch Broom

STOCK AND CATTLE REEVES

In Sec. No. 13, John McMillan, Churchville, in place of T.D. McDonald, who is poundkeeper.

CONSTABLES

In Sec. No. 1, John Harris, Fisher's Grant

In Sec. No. 13, Edward Buckles, New Glasgow

In Sec. No. 23, Andrew Murray, Westville

In Sec. No. 15, Robert Murray, Thorburn

In Sec. No. 15, Alex. Grant, Thorburn

HEALTH INSPECTOR

In Sec. No. 23, W. Sutherland, M.D.

THE BOARD OF REVISION AND APPEAL

William McIntosh, River John

James McKay, Riverton

Robert Brown, East Merigomish

SUPERVISORS OF ROADS AND BRIDGES

For Pictou Road District No. 1, Allan McQuarrie

For West River Road District No. 2, Daniel McKenzie, Gairloch

For Egerton Road District No. 3, Hugh A. Fraser, Lorne

For Maxwellton Road District No. 4, John Fraser, Garden of Eden

For Polling Sections No. 19 and 20

ASSESSORS

In Section No. 17, John Dunbar, farmer.

Respectfully submitted,

Signed, H.S. Fraser } Com on

R. McDougall) Nominations

A.C. Bell }

On motion the Report was received and adopted, and the officers therein named were appointed.

The Finance Committee reported as follows: -

They have examined and passed the following accounts and recommended that they be paid by the County Treasurer:-

REMOVAL OF LUNATICS

David McKay, J.P.....\$23.41

Robert McLean, J.P.....2.00

Hector McDonald, Constable.....5.00

\$30.00

PRINTING

Colonial Standard..... 88.41

Pictou News.....34.35

Trades Journal.....	<u>2.00</u>
	\$124.76
Revisers of Jury Lists, per Account.....	\$81.29
F.W. McKenzie, R. Committee.....	35.00
James A. Meikle.....	3.70
Joseph Fraser.....	<u>1.50</u>
Smith Foster, Fixing ice.....	\$41.20

Account was resolved from Wm. Small Inspector and proaccutor under Scott Act and for East Pictou, showing balance in his hands of \$187.64. This amount was recommended leaving with him until suits now pending in Halifax be settled.

Account was received from Mr. Watt, inspector and prosecutor under Scott Act, we find they have retained 50 per cent, for prosecution. In making inquiry for their right for so doing we are informed that there has been an order in Council giving them authority for doing so. In absence of a copy of said order we recommend a consideration of this matter in the January Term, 1889.

A number of other accounts have been received, but not being audited have been laid over until the January term.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Signed, Adam C. Bell
R. McDougall
Arch. McKenzie
Alex Grant
Colin Fraser

On motion the Report was received and adopted.

The Road and Bridge Committee presented the following supplementary Report on the Sub-division of the Road moneys: -

Apportionment of Provincial Road Grant, as follows:

Road District No. 1,	\$2259		
“ “ 2,	1465		
“ “ 3,	2476		
“ “ 4,	<u>1414</u>	<u>\$7614</u>	
Road Grant		\$7614	

Sgd, John R. McDonald,
A.J. McKay
John D. Fraser
H.D. Denoon
James McKay

On motion the Report was received and adopted.

Clr. McColl read a proposed by-law relating to the destruction of weeds. Clr. Bell spoke in favour of adopting a by-law for the purpose. Clr. D. Fraser said cutting would not prevent the growth of weeds. No action was taken.

The minutes of the present meeting were read and adopted.

The minutes as read from day to day were adopted and confirmed.

On motion the Council adjourned *sine die*.

Pictou, May, 4th, 1888
ROBERT McNEIL

J. McG STEWART Warden
Municipal Clerk