

Minutes of Gloucester Council.

June 6th, 1901.

Special meeting of Gloucester Council, June 6th, 1901.

All members present.

Communications as follows :—

1. Draft By-laws re Statute labor.
2. Offer to sell Road graders, J. C. Nelson.
3. Notice of Rev. Albert Walkley, re assessment.
4. Petitions of people of Cyrville and McArthur Road, to construct sidewalk by local improvement by-law.

Motions as follows :—

1. Moved by Wm. Croll, seconded by H. Lavigne, that C. Hardy and T. L. Boyd, are hereby instructed to procure 4 Road Graders for the use of the Township at the best terms possible.—Carried.

2. Moved by Wm. Croll, seconded by H. Lavigne, that T. L. Boyd be authorized to have plans and specifications of stone on concrete abutment at Eastman's Springs prepared, cost not to exceed \$10.00.—Carried.

3. Moved by C. Hardy, seconded by Wm. Croll, that this Council grant the sum of \$150 to repair the Beechwood Cemetery avenue from St. Patrick's street east, on condition that the City Council grant a similar amount, said sum of \$300 to be employed in-labor only, the City to supply all materials free with the understanding that if repairs are required on the same road next year, the City will have the privilege of using material from main sewer in the Township, the work to be performed by the City Engineer assisted by the Reeve to whom all pay-lists will be presented.—Carried.

4. Moved by C. Hardy, seconded by T. L. Boyd, that an order be drawn on Treasurer in favor of Charles O. Wood, on account for the sum of \$25 for services re Plans of Township.—Carried.

By-law No 7 of 1901.

Entitled a By-law to reduce and establish the Statute labor assessment of the Township on an equitable basis.

1st. It is hereby enacted by the Council of the Municipality of the Township of Gloucester, in the County of Carleton, that every

person assessed upon the Assessment Roll of the Township shall, if his property is assessed at not more than \$300, be liable to 3 days' Statute labor; at more than \$300 but not more than \$600, be liable to 4 days; at more than \$600 but not more than \$1,000, be liable to 5 days; and for each additional \$500 (or fraction thereof) be liable to one additional day.

2nd. That all By-laws heretofore passed inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

Passed in Council this 6th day of June A.D. 1901.

H. B. BILLINGS, Clerk *pro tem.* O. A. ROCQUE, Reeve. [L.S.]

5. Moved by C. Hardy, seconded by H. Lavigne, that By-law No. 7 of 1901, now read in Council, establishing a rate of Statute labor for commutation be passed.—Carried.

O. A. ROCQUE,
Reeve.

By-law No 8 of 1901.

Entitled a By-law to commute Statute labor in the Township of Gloucester.

It is hereby enacted by the Council of the Municipality of the Township of Gloucester in the County of Carleton, that whereas the present system of Statute labor has now become inefficient to repair the roads of the Township and maintain them in proper condition, and as it has now become necessary to commute Statute labor to establish a system of permanent road improvements in the Township.

Therefore, be it enacted, and it is hereby enacted by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Gloucester.

1. That from and after the passing of this By-law all Statute labor in the Township shall be abolished, and in lieu thereof, all rate payers and others liable for Statute labor shall pay a commutation in money at the rate of 50 cents per day for every day of Statute labor, for which they are liable in accordance with section 102, of chapter 224, of the Revised Statutes of Ontario for 1897, as amended by By-law No. 7 of 1901, passed by this Council June 6th, 1901, for the purpose of reducing and regulating on an equitable basis the Statute labor of this Township, and the Clerk upon making the Collector's Roll shall charge to the parties therein named the amount for which they may be liable under said By-law, and the same shall be collected at the same time and in the same manner as other taxes.

2. That the money collected from the commutation of Statute labor shall be for the purpose of grading, ditching, gravelling or macadamizing the roads of the Township, for laying sidewalks, making crossings, culverts and approaches to bridges, and the general repairs to and maintenance of said works and for no other purpose, in case of culverts the material to be supplied by the Council out of the general funds.

3. In order to remedy the inequalities that at present exist through the Township in the widths of portions of its highways.

It is hereby further enacted, that hereafter, all highways shall be of a uniform standard width of roadway for vehicles of not less than 18 nor more than 26 feet (according to the importance of the road) in the centre of each highway, unless the formation of the road is such as to justify a deviation from this rule.

4. That the Township be divided into 5 divisions, as may be agreed upon by the Council, known as division No. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, and one member of the Council appointed a committee for each division, each committee-man may employ with the approval of the Council a foreman who shall do all small jobs under the direction of the committee-man, and a competent man to work the Road Grader on the roads, and teams and all extra help when required, also, to employ all men and teams from residents and ratepayers in the division, where possible to obtain them at a reasonable price, a correct account of time put in and moneys expended in the division to be rendered to the Council every month for their approval.

5. That a proper and equitable division of the commutation money, considering amount of commutation money paid in and extent and character of the work required to be done during the current year in each division, will be made for each of the 5 divisions of the Township.

6. That the committee-men shall travel over their respective divisions as early in the spring as weather and state of roads will permit, and will submit to the Council for their approval a detailed statement of all work required upon the roads in their division during the year, and the number and length of the roads, where the road grades could be used to advantage, and no work shall be performed nor expenditure ordered except with the sanction of the Council.

7. That the Township Engineer or any other person the Council may appoint, shall prepare a plan and specification of all works of a permanent character which the Council shall have sanctioned to be done in the various divisions, and shall furnish the committee-man or foreman in charge of the various works in each division, a list of all roads to be improved and the various

work to be performed and shall give all necessary lines and levels for grading and ditching.

8. That all stones drawn without charge by any person on the road opposite their property, shall be broken and placed upon the roads fronting their property out of the commutation money.

9. That the Township Treasurer shall keep a separate account of the commutation fund for each division, and shall lay before the Council at each meeting a detailed statement of all amounts expended and balance on hand, if any.

10. That each member of the committee be entitled to a fair compensation as allowed by Statute for his services, and in no case shall the remuneration of any member of the Council acting as committee-man exceed the sum of \$100, for all services of inspection for the whole year.

Passed in Council this 6th day of June, A.D. 1901.

H. B. BILLINGS,

Clerk *pro tem.*

O. A. ROCQUE,

Reeve. [L.S.]

6. Moved by Wm. Croll, seconded by T. L. Boyd, that By-law No. 8 of 1901, now read to this Council, to commute Statute labor and matters connected therewith be passed.—Carried.

7. Moved by T. L. Boyd, seconded by Wm. Croll, that the schedule of wages per day of 10 hours be as follows, namely, \$2.75 per day for grading teams, \$2.50 per day for plowing teams and road scraping, for foreman and operator of road grade \$1.75 per day, other labor \$1.25 per day, and horse and cart \$1.75 per day. And that this Council adjourn.—Carried.

Certified.

C. BILLINGS,

Tp. Clerk.

(Per H. B. B.)