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[Despatch Abstract.]

Proceedings of the Harbor Trust Board's meeting
Copy of the minutes of the same held on 6 December
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BOARD,
MADRAS.

Public Works (Marine) Department,
Madras.

3rd Jan'y '96

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NOTIFICATION.

Fort St. George, December 20, 1895.

No. 83.—The following Minutes of the Proceedings of a Meeting of the Trustees of the Madras Harbour, held at the Board's Office on Friday the 6th December 1895, are published:—

Present:

Mr. Ware Austin, I.C.S., Chairman.
The Hon'ble Mr. G. L. Chambers.
Mr. R. J. Black.
Mr. W. S. Shaw.
Mr. F. W. Ashpitel, A.M.I.C.E.

Mr. J. F. Davies.
Mr. Cowasjee Eduljee Panday.
Mr. Mirza Mehdy Ispahani.
M.R.Ey. G. Subrayalu Chetty Garu.

Read G.O., No. 353, Marine, dated 26th November 1895, directing publication in the *Fort St. George Gazette* of a notification appointing Mr. W. S. Shaw, of Messrs. Parry and Co., to act as a Trustee of the Harbour of Madras during the absence of Mr. H. Scott, or until further orders.

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2. Read and approved the minutes of the proceedings at the last meeting held on Friday, 22nd November 1895.

Ordered to be recorded.

3. With reference to the notice given by the Hon'ble Mr. Chambers at the last meeting, that he wished to bring up for consideration whether it is necessary to continue the capping of the south arm to the shore end, the Chairman called upon the Board's Engineer, who was present, to explain to the Trustees the necessity or otherwise of so doing. After hearing the reasons given by Mr. Pogson, that the capping should be continued, in a slope, as at the north pier, the Trustees agreed with him as to the necessity of strictly adhering in this particular to the sanctioned design.

4. The Hon'ble Mr. Chambers proposed, with reference to his notice that the Trustees should take into consideration the question of a reduction of the Harbour dues upon coal, that a committee be appointed, under section 17 (3), Act II of 1886, to discuss and revise the scale of rates framed under section 45; also to report upon Mr. Ashpitel's suggestion, that, as the construction estimate for the Madras Harbour will shortly be closed, the question of allocating charges between capital and revenue should be considered.

Seconded by Mr. Black and carried.

The following gentlemen were appointed members of the committee:—

Mr. F. W. Ashpitel, A.M.I.C.E.
Mr. R. J. Black.
The Hon'ble Mr. G. L. Chambers.

Mr. J. F. Davies.
Mr. Cowasjee Eduljee Panday.
Mr. W. S. Shaw.

5. Read G.O., No. 350, Marine, dated 25th November 1895, agreeing in the opinion of the Harbour Trust Board that the cost of putting down certain screw-moorings inside the Madras Harbour should be charged to capital, and stating that the question of granting a bonus to the Engineer and the two Foremen may be resubmitted after the work has been completed.

Recorded.

6. Read letter No. 2160, dated 19th November 1895, from the Deputy Port Conservator requesting sanction to the entertainment of a permanent crew for the Harbour Master's steam launch, and submitting a proposition statement.

Read minutes by Trustees.

Resolved that the matter stand over until the return of the Presidency Port Officer from leave, and be brought up again at the next meeting.

7. The Audit Report of the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, No. 4142 B, dated 25th November 1895, upon the Harbour construction accounts for the year 1893-94 having been circulated, was ordered to be recorded.

8. Read G.O., No. 347, Marine, dated 21st November 1895, intimating that His Excellency the Governor in Council accepts the Presidency Port Officer's revised valuation of the dredger "Wenlock" amounting to Rs. 1,19,000; and its transfer to the Harbour Trust Board at that price, in part payment of the debt due by the northern ports to the Madras Port Fund; also inviting the attention of the Board to the delay which has occurred in dealing with the question of Harbour improvements.

Read letter from the Board's Engineer, No. 682, dated 30th November, replying to the last paragraph.

Resolved that the Board will take the question of the purchase of the dredger "Wenlock" into consideration when orders are received from Government regarding the proposed Harbour improvements approved at the meeting of 1st November and submitted to Government with the Chairman's letter No. 3258, dated 20th idem.

9. The following Government Orders having been circulated were laid upon the Board's table and ordered to be recorded:—

No. 909, Financial, dated 20th November 1895, communicating letter from the Government of India sanctioning, under section 34, Act II of 1886, an advance to the Board, during the current year, of Rs. 3,73,000, in addition to Rs. 82,000 already authorised in letter No. 1970 A, dated the 27th April 1895, for expenditure on the Harbour works.

No. 334, Marine, dated 14th November 1895, reviewing the Administration Report of the Madras Port Department for the year 1894-95.

No. 310, Marine, dated 16th November 1895, directing the publication in the *Fort St. George Gazette* of the revised Cyclone Code for guidance in supersession of all previous editions.

10. Madras Bank pass-books were laid upon the Board's table showing to credit the following amounts:—

					RS.	A. P.
Revenue	Account	..	..	..	34,753	2 7
Engineer's	do.	..	..	..	29,028	7 0
Deposit	do.	..	..	..	2,806	1 5
Biden Home	do.	..	..	..	1,625	7 11
Petty Cash	do.	..	..	..	445	4 0
Provident Fund	do.	..	..	..	2,631	11 0
Cooly Provident Fund	do.	..	..	..	614	6 5

J. PENNYCUICK, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

Madras Harbour Trust,
SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

3rd January 1896.

No. 3750.

FROM

Ware Austin Esq D. L. & S.

CHAIRMAN, HARBOUR TRUST BOARD,
MADRAS.

TO

The Honble Col. John Perryer Esq. R.E. & S.

Secretary to Government,
Public Works (Marine) Department,
Madras.

SIR,

I have the honour to
submit herewith for the information
of Government, a printed copy of the
minutes of the proceedings of the
Harbour Trust Board's meeting
held on 6th December 1895.

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your obedient servant

W. Austin

Chairman
Harbour Trust Board