

Lamps
Lighting

No. 120

C.S. 21/4

Governor

(SUBJECT.)

1919

28th February

Previous Papers.

Street lighting at nights to be resumed.

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(MINUTES.)

Colonial Engineer.

The Town Lamps can be lighted again as in pre war days -

What arrangements do you propose. Provision in Estimates X X.
11. Lamplighters and labourer... £100 - p.a.

28.2.19

(Signature)
Cov

Hon. Col. Secretary.

Lamps will have to be lit about 18th to 20th April.

I would suggest that the man appointed as Lamplighter should also be able to undertake linesman's duties as in my opinion the two positions would work well together.

I have had an application from J. Clarke for Lamplighter but I cannot recommend him in any way for this work as I do not think he is capable to undertake the duties.

I have also been verbally notified by Messrs F. Lellman and S. Summers that they are wishful to undertake the work. Of the above two I would recommend S. Summers as he is a young man and I am of opinion would be able to be instructed in the work.

The question of wage I fear may be brought up in that

Subsequent Papers.

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the ordinary labourer working full time obtains more than £100 p.a. The lamplighter requires a certain amount of skill and has responsibility and night work for which he may require a little extra wage. I would suggest to overcome this that an extra £12 p.a. be granted from Telephones for work done as Linesman.

R.B.B.

C. E.

4.3.19.

Colonial Engineer

It might be advantageous to give the work of lighting out to contract, the Govt supplying all materials - Please draw up a draft notice stating period, time, and conditions.

5.3.19

[Signature]

Hon. Colonial Secretary.

Draft notice herewith.

The principal items are given but there are many other matters to receive attention which the Lamplighter will have to be able to do viz. clear pipe lines, adjust air baffles and screens according to climatic conditions etc.

A careful and steady man is absolutely essential; otherwise the breakage of mantles (costing 1s.9d. each), unions, pipes, and nipples will be very heavy.

R.B.B.

C. E.

7.3.19.

Col. Eng.

Approved as amended in pencil.

Please insert number of lamps to be lighted.

I hardly think it necessary to light the lamp showing the road to the West

Slainthorpe house.

10.3.19

[Signature]

Hon. Col. Secretary.

Amended notice herewith in triplicate. - Lamp above referred to not included.

R.B.B.

C. E.

11.3.19.

Historic postal 12.3.19.

wait

Hon. Col. Sec.

Herewith two tenders, F. F. Hellman, and G. J. Meishofer. Only one is in the form of a tender, but I suppose the other is in answer to the notice inviting tenders.

R.B.B.
B.S.
18/3/19.

Colonial Engineer

I shall be glad to receive your report on the result of the tenders called for, and your recommendation in the matter of the service.

19.3.19

[Signature]
Cov

Hon. Colonial Secretary.

As a contract the rates required might not be considered high seeing that the Contractor would require to work over 300 hours per month, a great number of the hours being evening work.

Personally I am not in favour of work of this nature being given out to contract as owing to climatic conditions no indemnity can be stated in the terms of contract for failure to fulfil any terms of the said contract and in this case the work is more or less of a technical nature and requires some ability on the part of the Contractor to enable satisfactory results to be achieved.

I would again suggest my recommendation of 4/3/19 or else the post be styled as shewn in the Estimates. In the winter he would tend the lamps, in summer become the extra Carter, but in this case he must also do Linesman's work.

Since writing my minute of 4/3/19 I have calculated the possible amount which an ordinary Labourer would receive for 1919. Total working

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hours

hours 1st Jan. to 31 Decr. (holidays deducted)		
2632 hrs. 50 min. @ /9		£98.14. 8
War bonus 1 Jan. - 15 Feb.		
" " 7 wks. @ 3/		1. 1. 0
" " 17 Feb. - 31 Dec.		
45 wks. @ 6/		13.10. 0
Total:		<u>£113.15. 8</u>

I would suggest that owing to the nature of the work; the severe climatic conditions during the winter; the hours of work which are required; and to cover the ruin of clothes caused by the oil; that the Lamplighter be paid £120 p.a. with 5% war allowance, also be supplied with one suit of oilskins and long boots per annum. His duties to be to tend the lamps; learn and undertake linesman's work; in the summer to be an extra Carter and general Labourer, also Linesman.

R.S.B.
C. E.
25.3.19.

Colonial Engineer

I do not see my way to approve your suggestion as above -

I understand Meirhofer is a good workman and as you say as a contract the rates may not be considered high. I authorize the acceptance of Meirhofer's offer at rate of £11 a month on his becoming fully acquainted with the work. Payment to be made from the vote of £100 for lamplighter and labourer.

29.3.19

[Signature]

Hon. Col. Sec.

I have seen H.S. who wishes to again have the paper.

R.S.B.
25.3.19

Colonial Engineer.

Yes. In further consideration of your minute of the 4th March 1919 I authorize the temporary employment of S. Summers, as lampfitter, labourer, and lineeman with pay at the rate of £112 p.a. until the end of Sept next when the position can be further considered.

2.4.19

[Signature]
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Hon. Colonial Secretary.

Noted.

I have made the necessary arrangements with S. Summers and he will commence work in connection with the Street Lamps on Monday next, the 7th inst.

[Signature]

[Signature]
3-4-19

Seen. *[Signature]*

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2.4.19

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Minute from Col. Engineer, 15.4.19

Foreman of Works.

vide Gwynne's minute of 2.4.19.

Perhaps you have some recommendation
to make.

T.R.

9.10.19.

Hon. Colonial Secretary.

The lamps were lit on 27th September for
the last time this season. Since then Summers
has been engaged bringing in lamps, tanks,
and fittings, and thoroughly cleaning and
overhauling same. The lamp posts also
require to be painted.

There is about a week's work on various
telephone lines which require tightening and
re-adjusting.

I would therefore suggest that S. Summers
be employed as lamplighter, linesman etc
until the 31st October.

10.10.19

J.M.
7/10.

Approved.

T.R. - 8th Division
Adm.

Oct 10/19

Foreman of Works

To note.

T.R.

10.10.19.

Hon. Col. Sec.

Noted.

The question of lamplighter etc. for next season
might be brought up early next year.

J.M.
11.10.19

B.U. 20.2.20.

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TENDERS FOR THE CARE AND LIGHTING
OF STREET LAMPS, STANLEY.

Tenders are invited for the above. The following are the principal duties to be undertaken; for fuller details apply at the Office of the Colonial Engineer.

1. To light 17 Kitson Street Lamps in Township, on the third night after each full moon and for every night until the third night after the new moon.
2. Lamps to be lit and burning brightly before dark and to continue so until 10.30 p.m. when the lamps shall be extinguished, lamps in Ross Road being extinguished last.
3. First lighting for this season to be on the 18th April, and last night of lighting on the 27th September.
4. Lamps and all working parts thereof to be attended to and cleaned daily.
5. Vaporisers to be changed every third night. (Two sets will be supplied). Those replaced to be disassembled, examined, cleaned, and assembled ready for service as soon as possible.
6. Cylinders to be oiled and charged daily.
7. Globes and reflectors to be cleaned daily.
8. During nights the lamps are lit the Contractor shall frequently visit same to see that the lamps are not flaring and are burning brightly and working correctly; any lamp found flaring to be extinguished and re-lit.
9. One set of mantles will be supplied for each lighting. Extra mantles will be provided free of charge to cover breakage should the cause of same be satisfactorily accounted for, otherwise charge of one shilling per mantle will be made and deducted from next payment.
10. After each lighting period all lamps to be returned to shop, overhauled, cleaned, and prepared for next lighting. Contractor to do all small repairs as required.
11. All lamps to be in place but not mantled one day prior to the day of lighting in each period.
12. At end of lighting season all lamps and cylinders to be returned to shop.

The Government will supply all necessary material and cover a reasonable amount of unavoidable breakage. The whole work to be done to the satisfaction of the Colonial Engineer or other person acting for him.

Tenders will be received at the Office of the Colonial Engineer up to noon of the 18th March 1919.

The Government do not bind themselves to accept any tender.

R. S. Sauley.
Colonial Engineer.

Colonial Engineer's Office,
Stanley, Falkland Islands,

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Stanley.

March 17th 1919.

To
The Colonial Engineer.

Sir.

In reference to your notice
asking for Tenders for the lighting
of lamps in the town of Stanley.
I beg to state that I would be willing
to undertake the work for \$40.00 in the
period April 1st - Sept 30th.

I beg to remain,

Yours Respectfully,
W. W. Bellman.

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Ross Road

Port Stanley

Sir

As I see that you are wanting a Lamp-lighter, I should be only too willing to be at your service at eleven-pounds per month.

Yours Obediently
G. J. Meirhofer.

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MINUTE.

15th April 1919.

Hon. Colonial Secretary.

S. Summers the labourer employed as Lamplighter has applied for suit of oilskins and pair of knee boots.

Seeing that he requires to be out in all weathers, I recommend that approval be granted.

C. E.

C. E.

Foreman of Works

At what cost and to what vote to be charged.

17. 4. 19

C. E.

Hon. Colonial Secretary.

Cost of oilskin coat ... £1.4.0

" " knee boots ... 2.10.0

£3.14.0

This could be charged to F.R.T. 7. Street Lamps.

C. E.

Foreman of Works.

Approved the oilskins and boots to remain the property of the Govt.

C. E.

19. 4. 19

Hon. Colonial Secretary.

oilskin and knee boots have been supplied. The Lamplighter fully understands that these are the property of the Govt. to be used during the lightning period only.

Mrs.
23/4/19

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24-4-19

Fills