9 Jan 1874

Ordinary Monthly Meeting

Shire Hall Serpentine
Friday January 9th 1874

Quorum

One hour after the time appointed for the Meeting being, there being only Mess.rs Gillespie and Mossop in attendance the President adjourned the Meeting until Friday the 23 day of January 1874

Confirmed this
13 day February
1874

John Gillespie

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Adjourned Ordinary Monthly Meeting

Shire Hall Derpenture
Friday 23rd January 1874

Quorum

Mr Gillespie being the only member present the meeting lapsed for want of a quorum.

Confirmed this 13 day July 1874

John Gillespie
President

13 Feb 1874

Ordinary Monthly Meeting

Shire Hall Derpenture
Friday 13th Feby 1874

Present

John Gillespie Esq (Pres)
Ob Edmick Esq
John Raleigh Esq
George Mossop Esq
Robert Russell Esq

Minutes

The Minutes of the previous Meeting were read and Confirmed

Upon the Notice of Motion standing in the name of Mr. Mossop that gentleman moved. That a resolution passed by this Council on the 10th day of May 1872 ordering the deviation of a road running N E through the Denicks West Preemption right be rescinded

Mr. Russell wished to know why Mr Mossop wanted to have the resolution rescinded

Mr. Edwick seconded the motion and said some of the rate payers had been refused a thoroughfare.

Mr. Mossop said that the reason he brought the motion forward was it was firstly in the interests of the rate payers, and because when the deviation was allowed Mr Heaton had promised to have a good road made round

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the preemptive right, and that this had not been done, and the consequence was that the Vote payers residing in the Tenicks had been put to great inconvenience.

Mr Raleigh said he thought the Council should be careful in rescinding any Motion carried previously arised especially as the property to be effected had changed owners since that time

Mr. Russell was of the same opinion and stated that the old road ran directly through a dam

Mr. Mossop said he would not have brought forward his motion if the oreginal agreement had been carried out, but he held that any agreement made with the Council should be strictly fulfilled.

Mr Raleigh moved an amendment That the resolution be rescinded unless the promised road round the preemptive right be made.

Mr Russell said the Government had refused to Sanction the proposed deviation.

Mr Raleigh hearing that statement would beg to withdraw his amendment

Mr. Mossop. motion was then put to the Meeting and

Carried.

Mr. Gillespie moved that the present lessee of the Tenicks West Station, receive Notice to remove any obstructions on the road running N & from Serpentine

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to Echuca through the Tenick West Station
Seconded by Mr Mossop

Carried

Correspondence

No 1 From Bendigo Hospital
Acknowledging donation £ 15
Received

No 2 From Registrar General
Acknowledging Statistics
Received

No 3 From Deaf & Dumb
Acknowledging £ 2. 2. 0
Recvd

No 4 From Revenue Inspector
Recvd

No 5 From J. Gillespie President
Referring to use of Shire Hall
Received

No 6 From Central Board of Health
Forwarding form to be filled in
by the Local Board of Health
ordered to be fill'd in
and returned Recvd

No 7 From Registrar General
Referring to annual Accounts
Received

No 8 From John Raleigh
Stating reasons for being unable
to attend days Meeting
Received

No 9 From Shire Secretary
Referring to absence from Meeting
Recvd

No 10 From Wm Turner
Enclosing accounts &c.
The Secretary was instructed to
have Turners accounts properly adjusted
Rec'd

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Correspondence

№ 11 From A & E Cheyne calling attention to the State of the road N of allot 17 Parish of Jarklair and requesting the same may be cleared.

Moved by Mr Raleigh
Seconded by Mr Mossop
That Tenders be called for clearing the road in question 1/2 Chain wide
Carried

№ 12 Roads & Bridges
Enclosing list of all Shires Districts Cities Boroughs & Towns in the Colony of Victoria
Recd with thanks

№ 13 From Treasurer Melbourne
enclosing form for Signature
Received

№ 14 From Borough Sebastapol
referring to proposed alteration in Local Government act
Received

№ 15 From Borough Daylesford
referring to the width of tires on Wheels for traffic
Received

№ 16 From Constable Revd
Asking for remuneration as Inspector of Slaughter houses
The Secty was directed to enquire the usual Course in the neighbouring Shires
Received

№ 17 From Jno Douglass & others
petitioning to have certain road cleared in the Parishes of Jaucumbe east and West.

Mr Mossop would support the petition

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Mr Russell thought that more than the fair share of money had been Spent in the Locality

Mr Edwick said as the petition was respectably signed he would Second Mr Mossops motion to have the road in question cleared.
Carried

The President requested the Engineer to include the road in his tenders

№ 18 Victorian Asylum & School for Blind
Recd

№ 19 From John Raleigh
Recd

№ 20 From Robert Russell
referring to appointment for the purpose of selecting site for bridge over the Serpentine in the Parish of Jarklaw
Recd

№ 21 From Registrar General
Enclosing Books and forms for agricultural statistics
Received

№ 22 From Revenue Inspector
Received

№ 23 From E. Boyle.
Asking the Council to remit him the £10 he had paid last year for a publicans license

Mr Raleigh moved
Mr Russell seconded
That the Secretary inform Mr Boyle that his letter cannot be entertained by the Council
Carried

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Correspondence № 24 From Chairman Shire Conference
That the Government subsidy of £2. £1. should be continued for 10 years
Mr Russell moved
That this Council cordially support the resolution carried at the conference.
Seconded by Mr. Mossop
Carried

№ 25 From Roads & Bridges
Forwarding particulars of Govt Auditors travelling expenses accounting £ £6. 6. 0.
ordered to be paid

№ 26 From Shire of Kerang
Forwarding plans & specifications of proposed Bridge over the Loddon at Fergusons
Received

№ 27 From James Baillie
Applying for Slaughtering Licence
Granted on the approval of the Inspector

№ 28 From John Lawson
Applying for ditto
granted on same terms

№ 29 From G. N. Burrowes
Applying for the Office of Collector of Agricultural Statistics
The Secretary was instructed to call for Tenders for the Office & also for the Collection of the dog tax & to be opened on the 28th Inst.

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On the report of the Engineer it was moved by Mr. Mossop.
That Tenders be called for the following works

№ 1 Draining & forming road about 1 Mile South of Goodyis on the Swan Hill road. about 80 Chains more or less.

№ 2 Draining & forming road near Russells pre-emptive right 40 Ch. M. o. less.

№ 3 Draining road about 2 Mils S of Shire Office 60 Ch. M or L.

№ 4 Grubbing & clearing road N of addl 17 Parish of Tarklaw.

№ 5 Grubbing and clearing road. from N W Angle of Loddon Pre-emptive Right thence N. about 100 Chains thence W. 150 Chains more or less.

№ 6 Erecting 2 Small Culverts Myers Creek Road.
Draining ditto 40 Ch M or less
Tenders to be opened on the 28th day of February 1874
Seconded by Mr Edwards
Carried.

Mr Russell said he did not think the Gallook Members or Mr Raleigh were getting work done sufficiently and moved.
That a half chain road be cleared along the Parish boundary between Gallook and the Serpentine

Mr Raleigh said he did not think the road required to be

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cleared as most of it was plain
what the farmers of Jallock Wanted was
a road to Raywood.
Messrs Mossop and Edwick expressed
themselves to the effect that the clearing
was not required and the Matter dropped
the being no Seconder to the resolution.

The President he wished to bring
under the notice of the Council the fact that a
bridge over Serpentine Creek in the
Parish of Eastlake was much required
and he would move that Messrs
Russell Mossop and the Mover
together with the Engineer be a
Committee to report on the best
site for its Construction
Mr Russell would wish to know
if it was the intention of the
Council to erect a bridge before
Consenting to serve on the Committee
he thought the bridge might well
be deferred for another year.
Mr Raleigh would support
the appointment of the Committee
altho he did not feel inclined
to vote for the erection of the
bridge at the present time.
Mr Russell would act on
the Committee although he
would not pledge himself to
vote for the Bridge
Mr Mossop in seconding the
Motion for a committee said
that he reserved to himself
the right to vote as he pleased
with respect to the erection of the
Bridge.

The Motion was then carried

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Mr Edwick said he had heard
of several persons within the Shire
who had not been rated and could
give the name of his informant.

Mr Raleigh objected to reports of
this sort being brought up at the
meeting, if the reports were true it was
the duty of Councillors to assist the
Secretary, but in the case now brought
up the person lived miles outside
the Shire boundary and within
the Shire of Echuca.
the matter then dropped.

Tenders

Grubbing and clearing according
to Specification in the Parish
of Jallock.
a. a. Grant @ 4/6 pr. Chain
½ Chain Wide

Mr Russell then introduced the
subject of the Telegraph Wires
and the matter was privately
discussed.

Account

On the Motion of Mr Mossop seconded
by Mr Raleigh the following accounts
were ordered to be paid

✓	Govt. Auditor	£ 6. 6. 0
✓	Ingle Advertiser	✓ 8 11. 2.
✓	Wilson T.	✓ (3) 2 15. 3
	Engineer 2 Mo	✓ 50 . .
✓	Davidson Cont 70	✓ 47. 2. 6
✓	Lepden Work'd	✓ 1. 10. 0
✓	" "	✓ 1. . .
✓	Chas Hutton W. & S.	✓ 6 14. 6

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Instructions

The President directed the Secretary to advertise the several Tenders for the 28th day of Feby on which day they would be opened

Mr Edwards moved
Mr. Mossop seconded
That the Meeting stands adjourned until Saturday the 28 February at 11. a.m.
Carried

The President declared the Meeting adjourned accordingly

Confirmed this 28 day of Feby 1874

John Gillespie
President

28 Feb 1874

Special Meeting

Shire Hall Serpentine.
Saturday 28th Feby 1874

Present

John Gillespie Esq
George Mossop Esq
Ohd Edwards Esq

The Secretary read the Notice calling a special meeting for the purpose of opening & accepting Tenders for Public Works and the Collection of Agricultural Statistics and Dog Tax.

The following Tenders according to advertisement were then opened by the President

a. a. Grant.

	No 6.	Culverts	each £ 35- 1a.
Deposit Cheque £12. 1b.-		Draining Road p.C. Yd.	. 1. 6
Returned 28/2/74	No 5	Carting Earth on Road	. . 6
		Grubbing & clearing p Ch	. 4 6

Harris & Hansen

Cheque £ 3. .	No 5	Grubbing & clearing p Ch	. 3. 11
Cheque 8. . .	No 2	Sly and Fry	
Returned 9/3/74		Draining and fencing Road at per running Chain	£ 2. 9. 3
£ 7. 7. 0	No 3	Wm Hardy	
		Draining and fencing Road. as per Specification and Plan at per running Chain	£ 2. 5. 0
		Culverts same	£ 5. . 0

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Deposit

Nil ~~£ 0 0 0~~ No 1

Sly and Fry
Chaining 60 Chains @ 1/ Chn . 9 —.

Nil No 1

Mr Davidson
Chaining @ per Gneral Ch. 10. 6
Casting Earth @ 1/2 Cub. Yard . 6
Extra Earthworks . . 1. 2

£ 10 0. 0 No 2

Patrick Gill
Chaining fencing and
rolling road @ 1/2 Chains £ 3. 8. .

Smith

Nil No 4

Grubbing and Clearing
Road 1/2 Chain Wide p/ Ch . 4. 6

£ 5. 0 0 No 6

Thomas Sly
2 Culverts each £ 14. 2.
Side Drains 1/2 Chs 9. 6
Casting Earth

No 5

A. Jephson
Grubbing & Clearing 1/2 Chn . 4. .

No 2

Thomas Sly
80 Chains @ 1/2 Ch . £ 2. 8. .
Rolling 5 . .

Moved by Mr. Mossop
Seconded by Mr. Edwards
That Thomas Sly Tender for
Contract No 6 be accepted
Carried

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Moved by Mr Edwards
Seconded Mr. Gillespie
That Harris & Hassens
Tender for Contract No 5
be accepted Carried

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Moved by Mr. Edwards
seconded by Mr. Mossop
That William Hardy's Tender for
Contract No 3 be accepted
Carried

Moved by Mr Mossop
Seconded by Mr Edwards
That Patrick Gill's Tender for
Contract No 2 be accepted
Carried

Mr. Mossop moved
Mr Edwards seconded
That Wm Turners Tender for
Contract No 4 be accepted
Carried

Moved by Mr. Mossop
Seconded by Mr Edwards
That John Davidsons Tender
for Contract No. 1 be accepted
Carried

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The Applications for the Office of
Collector of Agricultural Statistics
and Dog Tax were then opened

W. P. White Statistics £ 20 —.
Dog Tax 50 per Cent
H. Jephson Statistics £ 13 . .
Dog Tax 9/6 per head.
G. W. Benson Statistics £ 12. .
Dog Tax 40 per Ct
W. Turner Statistics £ 10 . .
Dog Tax 9/6 per head

Moved by Mr. Edwards
Seconded Mr Gillespie
That W. Turner be
appointed to the Office
Carried

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Adjournment

That being the only business to be brought forward the President adjourned the Meeting until Friday the 13th day of March 1874

Confirmed this 13 day of March 1874

John Gillespie President

13 Mar 1874

Ordinary Monthly Meeting

Shire Hall Serpentine
Friday 13th March 1874

Present — John Gillespie Esq (Pres)
George Mossop Esq
Obadiah Edwards Esq

Minutes — The minutes of the last ordinary meeting were read and confirmed
and also
The minute of the last special Meeting called for the purpose of opening and accepting Tenders Confirmed

Correspondence — The letters sent by order of the Council since last Meeting were read from the letter Books pages 395 to 428 both inclusive approved of

The President brought up a report of the last committee on the subject of a site for a bridge over the Serpentine creek in the Parish of Dardanup, and recommending the N.W. angle of Allotment 134 as the most eligible
Mr Gillespie moved
Mr Mossop seconded
That the report be adopted
Carried

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Correspondence

No 1. From Shire of Korong
respecting the payment of Slaughter house Inspectors

Received

The Secretary was instructed to communicate with the Constable stationed at Serpentine and inform him, that in case he attended to the duties of Inspector of Slaughter houses the Council would allow him 5/ for every Slaughtering licence in future taken out within the Shire. This offer to be subject to the permission of the Chief Commissioner of police

No 2 From W.P. Whittle
Asking for particulars of Collecting Statistics & dog Tax

Recvd

No 3 From Henley Campbell
Referring to attendance at the February Meeting

Recvd

No 4 From Registrar General
Forwarding Statistical Summary of Victoria from 1836 / 1872

Recvd

Ordered to be acknowledged

No 5 From G. Meriton
Asking to be informed when tenders would be called for Forgusons bridge

Recvd

The President directed the Secretary to inform Mr. Meriton that he should receive the information as soon as possible

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Correspondence

No 6 From Henley Campbell
Tendering his resignation as a Member of the Council

Received

Moved by Mr. Mossop
Seconded by Mr Edwards
That Mr Campbells resignation be accepted

Carried

No 7 From Jno. Raleigh
Asking for leave of absence for the day on urgent private Affairs

Moved by Mr. Mossop
Seconded by Mr. Edwards
That leave as requested be granted

Carried

No 8 From Under Treasurer
Endorsing account Govt. Subsidy for Signature of Shire Treasurer

Recvd

No 9 From Crown Land Survey Office Sandhurst
Asking for Suggestions as to reserves in Boroughs and Townships within the Shire

After a considerable discussion discussion it was moved by Mr. Edwards
Seconded by Mr. Mossop
That the reserve on the Serpentine Township between Mollison and Davidsons and as far back as Davidsons fence would allow should be permanently reserved.

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Moved by Mr. Edwards
seconded by Mr. Mossop
That that Block of Land 320 acres in the Parish of Cunjee known as Jang Jang Swamp, be permanently reserved for watering purposes

Carried

Mr. Gillespie moved
That the Land known as Bears Lagoon reserve be permanently reserved for water for the use of the District and for Travelling Stock

Seconded by Mr. Edwards

Mr. Mossop moved an amendment that Bears Lagoon be not included in the application

the amendment was not seconded

The original Motion was

Carried

The president directed the Secretary to convey the wishes of the Council to the Sandhurst District Surveyor

Reports No 10 From a. a Grant asking for Progress payment

Referred to Engineer

No 11 From Shire of Marong Referring to the Appointment of Inspector of Slaughter Houses

Received

The Engineer reported that Cavedish has refused to accept the Money Voted to him by the Council on Contract 71 as he considered

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he should be paid for the square chains instead of the running chains as he had misunderstood the Specification

In answer to the President the Engineer stated that both the Specification and the Tender stated "the running Chains.

Messrs Mossop and Edwards the Committee who had accepted the Tender said they had made a similar error and understood the work to be performed were by the Square Chains

The President said the Matter had better stand over for a fuller meeting

Mr. Mossop moved

Mr Edwards seconded

That the amount be calculated at per Square Chain to be measured by the Engineer

Carried

The Treasurer brought up his report and Monthly Statement shewing a credit balance in the Bank N.S. Wales of £ 172. 1. 1.

Received

Mr. Edwards stated that he was informed by Mr Lyman of Raywood that a number of persons near Kamarooka had not been rated.

The Engineer explained that the locality mentioned was not within the Shire Boundaries.

Mr Edwards would at next Meeting like to see the Gazette proclaiming the Boundaries of the Shire as altered.

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Mr Mossop brought under the notice of the Council the Annual fete in Inglewood for the Benefit of the hospital and would move that a donation be given in aid of the same

Mr Edwick objected to any money being given as they had charities enough to subscribe to

The President was also opposed to any grant being made

The Motion lapsed

Accounts

On the Motion of Mr Edwick Seconded by Mr Mossop

The following accounts were ordered to be paid

	Jas Carrick on W & L	1. 10. 3	
	" — " "	6. 18	
✓			8. 8. 3
	P.A. Irwin Will & L	2. 2. 0	
	" " "	4 10.	
✓			6. 12.
✓	a. a Grant Cart 78		10 . .
	Engineer Sal.		25 . .

Mr Edwick Moved

Mr Mossop Seconded

That this Meeting stands adjourned until Friday 15th day of April 1874

Carried

The President adjourned the Meeting accordingly

Confirmed this 10th April 1874

John Raleigh

Chairman of Meeting

10 Apr 1874

Ordinary Monthly Meeting

Shire Hall Serpentine

Friday April 10th 1874

Present — Messrs Raleigh Mossop & Edwick

In the absence of the President on the Motion of Mr Mossop seconded by Mr Edwick, Mr Raleigh was voted to the Chair

Minutes — The Minutes of the previous Meeting were read and

Confirmed

Correspondence — Letters sent by direction of the Council since last Meeting were read from Letter press Book pages 429 to 450 both inclusive and approved of by the Council

Letters received

181 Evans Brothers

Forwarding Condition of Orchard

Received

182 From Central Board of Health

Relating to the Sale of diseased Meat within the Shire

Received

183 From Shire of Rosedale

requesting information on the

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No 3 Subject of formation of Roads
referred to Engineer

No 4 From Roads & Bridges
With reference to Main Road
Construction & Main road Toll &c
Received

No 5 From Registrar General.
referring to Agricultural and
other Statistics
Received

No 6 From District Surveyor. Sandhurst
enclosing Memo from Land &
Survey Department and requesting
opinion as to the alienation of
portion of Reserve on the Main
Telegraph line of Road near
the river Loddon.
After some discussion it
was agreed that the land should
be reserved and the president
directed the Secretary to write to
that effect to the district Surveyor

No 7 From Roads & Bridges
Acknowledging receipt of
accounts
Received

No 8 From Wm Turner.
enclosing agricultural
Statistics for the Government
Recvd.

No 9 From Registrar General
referring to same
Recvd

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No 10 From Thomas Sly jnr.
Relating to work at Myers Flat
Referred to Engineer

No 11 From Constable Ryan
declining the offer of the Council to
allow him the sum of Five Shillings
for every Slaughters licence issued
as the fee payable for each Beast
Slaughtered was only one penney

No 12 From Sundry ratepayers in the
Parish of Yallook, praying for
Certain roads to be cleared and
Culverts erected.
After some discussion the
Matter was referred to the Engineer
who was instructed to furnish
a report generally and bring the
same up at next Meeting

The Engineer was also to report
on the quantity of fencing posts
required in the Shire.

Reports

The Treasurer brought up
his monthly Statement and
report shewing a balance to
the Credit of the Shire of
£ 122. 1. 1
Approved of

Moved by W Edwards
Seconded by W Mossop

That the following accounts
be approved of and passed
for payment.

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✓ Evans Bath.	Stationery	£ 12. 18. 6
✓ Turner	Herdsman	✓ 12. 10. .
✓ Grant & Contract		✓ 10 . .
✓ Hall Blower	plumbing &c	✓ 6. 16. 2
✓ Australasian		✓ 1. 8 .
Insurance	Gamaville	✓ 1. 10.
Salary	Engineer	✓ 25.

Carried

Adjournment

Mr. Edwick moved
Mr Mossop seconded.
That this meeting stands adjourned until Friday the 8th day of May 1874

Carried

The Chairman adjourned the Meeting accordingly

Confirmed this 8th day May 1874

John Gillespie
President

8 May 1874

Ordinary Monthly Meeting

Shire Hall Serpentine
Friday 8th May 1874

Present

Jno Gillespie Esq Pres.
Geo. Mossop Esq.
Obd. Edwick Esq.

Mr William Bissett the newly elected Member, having made the usual declaration took his seat as a Member of the Council.

Minutes

The Minutes of the previous Meeting were read and

Confirmed

Correspondance

Letters despatched by order of the Council since last Meeting were read from the Press Book pages 451 to 456 both inclusive and approved of by the Council.

Letters received

No 1 From Registrar General
referring to Corrigendum as published Summary

Recvd

No 2 From Patrick Gill
Referring to work on Swan Hill Road and asking for inspection of same

Refrd to Engineer

Correspondence

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No 3 From Registrar General
In the Matter of Agricultural Statistics
Received

No 4 From Roads & Bridges
Stating a cheque had been received for Auditors travelling expences and the trustees would acknowledge the same
Received

No 5 From Registrar General
In re Annual Statistics
Received

No 6 From —
Referred to Committee

No 7 From Under Treasurer
Stating that the Government subsidy had been passed for payment on 25 Ulto
Received

No 8 From Board of Health
Forwarding Circulars in cases of Typhoid Fever
Recvd

No 9 From Shire of Korong
Stating that Tenders for the erection of a Bridge over the Loddon at Fergusons would be opened at Kingower on the 16th Inst and requesting the attendance of representatives of the East Loddon Shire Council
Received

Correspondence

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Mr Gillespie moved
Mr Edwards Seconded
That Messrs Mossop, Bissett and the Mover be appointed to meet the Korong Shire Council at Kingower on the 16th Instant
Carried

No 10 From Crown Law Office
Forwarding duplicate of Lease of Shire Hall & Room for the use of Petty Sessions &c.
Recvd

No 11 Petition from Andrew Cheyne and others praying for an alteration in the Site recommended by the Committee for a Bridge over the Serpentine Bridge in the Parish of Tarnlaw
Moved by Mr Edwards
Seconded by Mr Mossop.
That the petitioners be informed, that before calling for Tenders for the Bridge, the letter of the petitioners will receive due consideration
Carried

No 12 From Wm Hutchinson
asking if the Council would offer any Objection to an application for 10 Acres of Land on Bears Lagoon to establish a flour Mill on the Cooperative principle.

The Members present all spoke favorably of the Scheme but would not take any action in the Matter until

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further particulars had been forwarded.

No 13 From Mr Saedler.

asking the Council for the Temporary use of the front room in consequence of the delay of the Government in erecting School Buildings.

After some Conversation on the subject Mr Edwick moved

Mr Mossop seconded

That the temporary use of the two rooms be granted.

Motion

Mr Gillespie moved

Mr Bissett seconded

That the use of the front room as asked for be granted to Mr Saedler for 4 Months and that the Board of advice be written to strongly on the Matter of the erection of School Buildings

There being an equal number of Votes the President gave his casting vote in favor the Amendment

Amendment

Amendment Carried

No 14 From Charles Scallon

asking permission to move partition fence and erect temporary fence for protection of Trees

Mr Mossop moved

Mr Edwick seconded

That permission as requested be granted the same to hold good only until rescinded by the Council

Carried

Correspondence

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No 15 From Mr Ferguson

After a good deal of discussion on this Matter the President & members approved of the following letter being sent to Mr Ferguson

" Relating to the Sketch forwarded by you shewing the ground recently applied for by you. I have the honor by direction of the Council to inform you that the only enquiries made about the land in question were by the Sandhurst District Surveyor and to whom a defenite reply has already been sent objecting to any of the reserves in the District being alienated from the Crown

Carried

Reports

Treasurer brought up his Monthly report and Statement shewing Cr Balance £ 106. 18. 4

Received

Instructions

The president directed the Engineer to call for Tenders for 3 Miles of Road Cleaning & Grubbing also for 2 Culverts in the parish of Yallourk.

Also for finger posts as may be required

Tenders to be opened at next Monthly meeting

Accounts

The following accounts were ordered to be paid

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✓	Contract	71.		£ 50 . .
✓	Contract	72	W + S.	£ 32 . .
✓	Contract	73		£ 25 . .
✓	"	74	W + S.	£ 30 . .
✓	"	75.		£ 12. 17. 6
✓	"	76		£ 40 . .
✓	"	77		£ 40 . .
	"	78		£ 24 . .
✓	Mc Kay & Co.	P. Account		£ 3 1 .
	Engineer			£ 25 . .

Adjournment — Mr Edwick moved Mr Mossop Seconded That this Meeting stands Adjourned till Friday the 12th day of June 1874

Carried

The President declared the Meeting adjourned accordingly

Confirmed this 12th day of June 1874 } John Gillespie President

12 Jun 1874

Ordinary Monthly Meeting

Shire Hall
Friday 12 June 1874

Present — John Gillespie Esq. (Chair)
John Raleigh Esq
George Mossop Esq
Chadrick Edwick Esq
William Bissett Esq

Minutes — The minutes of the previous Meeting were read and Confirmed

Correspondence — The letters sent by direction of the Council since last Meeting were read from the letter Book pages 467 to 472 both inclusive and approved of by the Council

Letters received

No 1 — From Registrar General
Forwarding Copy of Agricultural Statistics for use of Council
Received with thanks

No 2 — From William Hardy
Referring to work on Road near four posts
Refd to Engineer

Correspondence

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№3 From Cty of Sandhurst
Inviting the President and Secretary to attend Meeting of the Railway League at Sandhurst on Wednesday the 20th Inst.
Received

№4 From Shire of Korong
Stating that at the ordinary Meeting of the Council on the 4th May the Contract for the erection of a Bridge over the Loddon at Fergusons was let to James Nicholas for the Bulk Sum of £2343-18. and asking whether this Council would make fortnightly payments, and pay on Vouchers being forwarded and asking as to payment of Cost of preparing plans, advertising &c. and the Salary of Clerk of Works
After some discussion on the subject it was
Moved by W. Paley
Seconded by W. Mossop
That the Korong Shire be informed
"That as the Meetings are Monthly
"this Shire will make Monthly
"payments as the Works progress
"on Vouchers being forwarded
"previous to the 2nd Friday in
"each Month" and that the Secretary enquire what the professional Charges will be be also the Salary of the Clerk of Works and all other incidental expences connected with the Bridge exclusive of the Bulk Sum for which the Contract was let by £2343. 18
Carried

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Correspondence

The President directed that a copy of the Resolution be forwarded to the Shire of Korong

№5 From Roads & Bridges
Alluding the Scale and papers on which tracings are made and forwarded to the Department
Received

№6 From Shire of Huntly
Asking that this Council would not oppose a petition to alienate a portion of the Shire of East Loddon and annex it to that of the Shire of Huntly
The whole of the Council were opposed to any territory being taken from East Loddon and it was Moved by W. Paley
Seconded by the President
That this Council oppose to the uttermost any attempt to curtail the boundaries as laid down by the Gazette of 24 Nov 1871 and that the Huntly Shire be informed that the Sketch plan forwarded does not at all shew such boundaries correctly
Carried

№7 From Thomas Lily
Referring to work Myers Creek
Received

№8 From C. P. S. Inglewood
Asking for Copy of Agreement &c
Received

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No 9 From Chief Secretary Melbourne
Asking for a Return shewing the number of Electors left off the Shire Roll for non payment of Rates
received
and ordered to be furnished

No 10 From G. N. Burrowes
Asking for £5 due for rolling Road at Turners
Recd
The Secretary to inform Mr Burrowes that the work is not performed, and that Cardson holds Mr. Burrowes order for the amount on completion of the work

No 11 From Same
Application for a Slaughtering Licence on his premises
Licence granted

No 12 Petition from Rate Payers Yallourk
Praying to have certain roads in the Parishes of Yallourk and Wintworth Cambbed and cleared.
to stand over

No 13 From Patrick Flynn
Asking for permission to enclose 3 Chains frontage to Swan Hill Road. in allotment 16 a and asking the Council to recommend the sale of that part of the allotment as it is not required for Public purposes.
Recd

Correspondence 12 Jun 1874

No 13 Mr Raleigh said that he thought the Council would exceed its functions by recommending any land for sale for private purposes.
After some discussion Mr Flynn being present on the Motion of Mr Moorhouse it was resolved that the President & Messrs Edwards Bennett and the Mover, visit the land in question, and report at next ordinary Meeting

Reports

Mr Bennett said he had as requested by the Council, attended the Meeting of the Rerong Shire Council at Kerrgower, on the opening of Tenders for the Bridge at Ferguson and that the following Tenders were opened.

J. J. Fitzgibbon	£ 2348	18
Mottons Brothers	2372	6
James Hannan	2289	19
Dobson & Co	2316	

The estimate was 2224.
The Tender of Nicols was accepted

The Report was received and on the motion of Mr Edwards
Seconded by Mr Moorhouse.
a Vote of thanks was passed to Mr Bennett.

Mr Gillespie reported that he had agreeable to an invitation from the Mayor of Sandhurst together with the Secretary attended a Meeting of the

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Railway League held in that City but had done little good as they found that beyound urging the Government to hasten the work the question of deviating the line solely concerned the Cape Nook & Tatamagouche members.

The report was received

Police Constable Brown here addressed the President asking if his resignation as Inspector of Slaughter Houses had been accepted, as he had received no letter from the Council, nor had he seen it published in the Gazette he declined the Office made by the Council, and refused to act any longer unless compelled to do so by the Police department.

The President informed him the his letter had been received as his resignation and accepted as such.

On the Motion of Mr Raleigh the Secretary was instructed to write to Mr Chorley informing him of the facts, and asking that gentleman if he could name any other Constable who could perform the duties in the Office who would be recommended

Tenders

Deposit		
Returned 12/6/74 £3. 0. 0	William Tonkin	Culverts £13 ea
		Earthwork 3/- 1/3d
£2. 10.	Grubbing Gallock	2/9d
	Wentworth	3/3

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Tenders

Deposit			
	A Smith		
Returned £2. 15.		Grubbing &c	3/11
		Culverts	£19. ea
		Earthwork	1/11d yd
	John Stevenson		
Returned £1. 0. 0		Grubbing &	3/9 yd
	A. A. Grant		
		Grubbing Gallock	3/3
		" Saudana	3/10
		Culverts	£13- ea
Returned CK 5. 0. 0		Earthwork	1/10d yd
	J Woods		
Returned £4. 0. 0		Culverts ea	£40—
		Earthwork	1/- yd
	Thomas Sly		
		Culverts	£15 — —
		Grubbing	3/3
Returned £3. 10		Earthwork	1/11d
	C W Stock		
Nil		Erection Boards	5/ ea

Moved by Mr Mossop
Seconded by Mr Raleigh
That C W Stock tenders for Erection Boards be accepted
Carried

On the consideration of the Tenders it was moved by Mr Mossop that Messrs Raleigh Bissett and Edwick visit the locality and decide upon the work required, and that they be

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empowered to accept the Tender of Wm Jonkin for Grubbing and of a a. Grant for Culverts & earthwork if the same be thought necessary

Mr. Raleigh did not think the Wentworth clearing had been brought befor the Board.

Mr. Gillespie coincided, but after some Conversation it was resolved to leave the Matter in the hands of the Committe.

Report to be brought up at next Meeting

On the Motion of Mr Moscop
Seconded by Mr Raleigh
The Engineer was instructed to report as to a Culvert being required near Mc Leans and also those required on the road between Aitkins and Frakes

The Secretary was instructed to write to the Land Office at Sandhurst and Echuca to obtain the names of Selectors within the Shire

The President said that it would be necessary that a new Valuation should be made before next years estimate was laid before the Council

Accounts

On the Motion of Mr Moscop
seconded by Mr Burns
The following Amounts were passed for payment

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✓	Contract	96	£ 30	
✓	"	71	✓ 40	
✓	"	77. 71	✓ 40	
✓	"	71. 77	✓ 40	
✓	"	71. 77	✓ 30	
✓	"	72	✓ 19.	17. 11
✓	"	73	✓ 27	..
✓	"	73	✓ 30	..
✓	"	74	✓ 40	..
✓	"	74	✓ 30	..
✓	"	76	✓ 30	..
✓	"	76	✓ 45	..
✓	"	78	✓ 39	5.
✓	Insurance		✓ 4	..
✓	Exp on Sandhurst Bridge			3 ..
	Hutton Jet.		✓ 15	..
	Hutton Treasurer		✓ 15	..
✓	Refund Police Ct.		✓ 5	1.
✓	Horn blower P. a.		✓ 9	.. 6
✓	Wm Dusin Wd.		✓ 4.	10
	Engineer Sal.		✓ 25	..

Adjournment

There being no other business before the meeting it was moved by Mr Edwards
Seconded Mr Moscop
That this meeting stands adjourned until Friday 10th day July next
Carried
The President declared the Meeting adjourned accordingly

Confirmed this 10th day July 1874

John Gillespie
President

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Ordinary Monthly Meeting

Shire Hall.
Friday 10th July 1874

Present — Jno Gillespie Esq Pres.
Obt Edwick Esq
William Bissett Esq

Minutes — The minutes of the previous Meeting were read and Confirmed

Correspondence — Letters sent by direction of the Council since last meeting, pages 473 to 500 both inclusive were read from the letter book and approved.

Letters received.

No 1 — From Clark & Appleton
Tender for painting directions Boards
Recvd

No 2 — From B. M. John
do do
Received

No 3 — From Sup. Police Sandhurst
Informing the Council that at present no other Constable was available as an Inspector of Slaughter houses

it was moved by Mr Edwick
seconded by Mr Bissett
That the Secretary communicate with the Chief Commissioner of Police requesting that he be good enough to direct the Police Constable at Serpentine stating that he had been offered a fee equal to that paid by the neighbouring Shire but had refused to act unless directed by his superior officer
Carried.

No 5 — From Revenue Officer
In the Matter of Sly grog Selling
Recvd

No 6 — From Police Magistrate
Referring to an account for rent of the Shire Hall.
Recvd

No 7 — From Wm Tonkin
Referring to Contract for grubbing
Recvd.

No 8 — From A. A. Grant
do do
Recvd

No 9 — From W. Tonkin
do do
Recvd

No 10 — From R. C. Bryant
Asking for copy of last balance Sheet
Recd
The Secty said he had already forwarded one.

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Correspondence

№ 11 From Roads & Bridges
Bringing under the notice of the Council the subject of fences posts
Recvd
The Matter had already been dealt with by the Council

№ 12 From Survey Office Sandhurst
Stating that in consequence of the pressure of business the list of Selectors asked for could not be furnished by the office would give every facility to any person deputed by the Council to do so.
Recvd

№ 13 From Shire of Melton
forwarding Copy of Memorial to Parliament for increase of Immigration and asking this Council to cooperate
Recvd
The President signed the memorial and requested the Secretary after he had signed it to forward the same to the Members for the district

№ 14 From Chief Secretary
Asking for a return shewing the number of Voters omitted from the Roll through non payment of Rates.
Recvd
The Secretary informed the Council that the information had already been furnished.

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Correspondence

№ 15 From J. L. Irwin
Stating that the sum for list of Selectors in Echuca Office would be £ 5. 5.
agreed to.

№ 16 From F. R Orme
In the Matter of rent for Shire Hall
Recvd

№ 17 From J Shadbolt
Refering to payment of fees for Special licence in error.
Recvd
The Secretary that he had forwarded the Amount to Swan Hill.

№ 18 From L M Saunders
Requesting return of Cards of Membership of North Western Agricultural Society
Recvd
The Secretary had already done so

№ 19 Petition from A. Leahy & Others
Asking that the Council would object to the alienation of a piece of Land North of the East Loddon Pumpkin right and on the West Bank of the Serpentine Creek. being required for a Water Reserve Recd

The President was deputed to visit the Land and take action in the Matter

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Correspondence No 29

From Jno. Davidson
Asking for the return of £5. 0. 0
on behalf of G. A Burrows for
rolling road at Turners

Application refused the work not
having been performed.

Reports

The Secretary reported that the
committee had on viewing the
ground accepted the Tender of
William Tonkin for grubbing
and clearing road in Yallock
and Tandara and had also
directed Tenders to be called for
for draining & crossing on road
between Fishers & Ah Kins

The Council received and adopted
the report of the Committee

The Treasurer brought up his
monthly Statement and report
showing a debit balance in
the Bank of New South Wales
of £ 387. 10

Accounts

Mr Bissett apologized for the
absence of Mr John Raleigh
The apology was record

The application made by
Mr P. Flynn to recommend
the sale to him of a frontage
to the Twin Hill Road 3 chains
wide was then taken into Con

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sideration after some discussion it was
Moved by Councillor Edwards
seconded by the President
That the Council take no action in
the matter as it was considered a
four chain reserve was necessary
An Amendment by Mr Bissett
was not seconded
the original motion was
Carried

The Secretary stated that Mr Nicholas
the Contractor applied to enclose
a portion of the reserve near where
he was building the bridge
The Council agreed not to oppose
the temporary use of a portion
5 Rods to be enclosed

A Slaughtering Licence was
granted to John Mc Lean of
Boxwood plains near Caldwell.

The Revision Court for the Voters
Roll for the Shire was fixed for
Friday 17th July 1874

The Secretary was instructed
to take the necessary steps
with reference to the forthcoming
elections

The Secretary was authorized
to expend the sum of five
pounds on each of the two
Culverts on the Twin Hill
Road between the Serpentine
and Yarraynne

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Tenders.

Tenders for the work on the Road near Tuckers were then opened

Thomas Sly £99.

W. Fysse. per Yard Earth 1/2 per
Cartage. -/6.
Culverts as £15—

Moved by Mr. Idwick
Seconded by Mr Bissett
That the Tenders of Fysse be accepted

Carried

The a/c for Engineer £25—
was passed for payment

Mr Idwick Moved
Mr Bissett seconded
That this meeting Stands adjourned until Friday the 14th day of August

Carried

The President adjourned the meeting accordingly

Confirmed this
14 day August
1874

P Gillespie
President

14 Aug 1874

Ordinary Monthly Meeting

Shire Hall Serpentine
Friday 14th August 1874

Present — P Gillespie Esq P.M.
Geo. Mossop Esq
D. C. Laird Esq
Jno Raleigh Esq

Minutes — The Minutes of the previous Meeting were read and

Confirmed

Correspondence — The letters read from the pass book & sent by direction of the Council Since last Meeting £97 were & 513 approved of

Letters received

No 1 — From Roads & Bridges forwarding return of Main Road Construction & Main road toll fund approved of

Received

No 2 — From Registrar General Enclosing Copy of Census for Victoria for 1871

Received

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Correspondence	№ 3	From Shire Conference Omeo Forwarding resolutions taken and requesting Cooperation Received
	№ 4	From Shire of Belfast Suggesting alterations in Lunacy Statute & that the costs of securing lunatics should be borne by the Consolidated Revenue Received
	№ 5	From ~~Consolidated~~ Thompson Moon Acknowledging receipt of Memorial in favor of assisted immegration Received
	№ 6	From Swan Hill Shire Acknowledging receipt of £2. 0. 0 for Special license to Edwin Boyle Received
	№ 7	From Shire of Korong enclosing Statement as to the preliminary costs, professional Costs Connected with the Bridge at Fergusons Crossing Received The President directed the Secretary to call the attention of the Korong Shire to letter dated April 4th 1873 agreeing to provide the sum of £640 towards the Construction of the bridge and to state that the sum could not be acceded

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Correspondence	№ 8	Thomas Slay asking work at Myers Creek to be inspected Referred to Engineer
	№ 9	From Royal Insurance Office notifying Removal of Office Received
	№ 10	From R. Russell Forwarding his resignation as a Member of the Council Received
	№ 11	From Shire of Wenchelsea Forwarding Amendments in the dog acts, and Regulations as to the Width of Tires on Waggons. Received
	12	From Raywood Borough Council Asking this Council to have the Roads cleared and thrown open between Raywood & Sapustein and Raywood and Durham Ox Received Moved by Mr Raleigh Seconded by Mr Laird That the Mayor of Raywood be requested to state which particular roads & what obstructions are required to be cleared and removed Carried
	№ 13	From Harris & Hansen Asking return £3. 0. 0 Received

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Correspondence

Shire of Rosedale
Stating that the Secretary had been instructed to write to Minister of Railways approving clause abolishing Construction in dues and subsidising increased endowment.

Received

15 From Supt Chorley
Stating that the matter of the Constable in Charge at the Suspension accepting the Office of Inspector of Slaughter houses, would be left by the Chief Commissioner at his own option
After the necessity for appointing such an Office was assented to.
It was moved by Mr Raleigh
seconded by Mr Mossop
That the sum of £10- per annum be fixed as the Salary of such Office, and that Constable Bain be offered the appointment

Carried

16 From Thompson Mac
returning immigration petition to be amended.
The Secretary was instructed to have same amended

Reports

The Engineer reported on the several Contracts within the Shire and stated they were nearly all completed with the exception of Pontons & Fences

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The Treasurer laid his monthly statement before the Council shewing a debit balance in the Bank New South Wales of £403-

Accounts

Moved by Mr Raleigh
Seconded by Mr Laird
That the following accounts be passed for payment.

✓	Thomas Sly Cont. 72. 13. 8		
✓	" R O 5	£77. 13. 8	
✓	Levey for A. Hansen	£ 3. "	"
✓	Fenton 79	£ 8. "	"
✓	P Gill Cont 76	£ 57. 9.	"
✓	Hardy 74	£ 20. "	
✓	Evans Bros	£ 3. 2. 6	
✓	Hornblower P.M.	£ 11. 9. 0	
✓	Cont. McCarthy 50 ✓		
✓	" " 50 ✓		
✓	" Cont 77 " 40 ✓	£ 157. 3.	"
✓	" " 17. 3 ✓		
	Engineer Salary	£ 25-	"

Carried

Instructions

The President instructed the Secretary to write to the Manager of the Bank New South Wales requesting a further overdraft of the Shire account of £750- and to ask him to forward the necessary documents in time for the next meeting

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Notice of Motion

W. Raleigh gave notice that a special meeting be called for striking a rate for the ensueing year, and that the rate be 6/ in the pound on the new Valuation

Mr. Mossop moved
W. Raleigh seconded
That this Meeting stands adjourned until Friday the 11th day of September 1874

Carried

The President declared the Meeting adjourned accordingly

Confirmed this
day of Sept 1874

John Sinclair
President

I John Sinclair Robertson Valuer for the Ward of East Loddon hereby Solemnly and sincerly declare that I will make the said Valuation fairly and impartially according to the best of my skill and judgment and I make this solemn declaration by virtue of an act of Victoria rendering persons making a false declaration liable to be punished for Wilful and corrupt perjury

John S Robertson

Declared before
me One of Her Majesty's
Justices of the Peace
at Inglewood this
8th day September
1874

H Adamson J.P.

11 Sep 1874

Ordinary Monthly Meeting

Thrie Hall Superintendence
Friday 11 Septr 1874

Present — Jno Gillespie (Pres.)
George Mossop
Obadiah Edwick
Jno Raleigh
Daniel Laird Esqr.

Minutes — The minutes of the previous meeting were read and Confirmed

Letters sent by direction of the Council since last meeting were then read from the press Book pages 514 to 532 Inclusive and approved of by the Council

Correspondence — Letters received

No 1 — From J. S. Inwin
Referring to list of Selectors within the Thrie
received.

No 2 — From Thrie Wanganga
Asking this Thrie to cooperate in obtaining an amendment of the dog act
read.

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Correspondence

No 3 From Shire of Echuca.
Asking for balance Sheet of this Shire for last year.
The Secretary stated that he had already forwarded one.
Recvd

No 4 From Shire of Korong
Forwarding Engineers Certificate for progress payment on Ferguson Bridge for £225.— & requesting Cheque for half the Amount.
Recvd

No 5 From Shire of Korong
Asking for information as to Crossing at Major Lane & Communication with Swan Hill Road

No 6 From Roads Bridges
Requesting to be informed of name of Local Auditor.
The Secretary said he had already furnished the information asked for
Recvd

No 7 From James Doharkell
Referring to Echuca list
Recvd

No 8 From Wm Pontelin
Referring to Grubbing & Clearing in Gadsook & Pandana
Recvd

Correspondence

No 9 11 Sep 1874
From James Dharkell.
Tel. in Echuca List
Recvd

No 10 From Thompson Moore.
Respecting amended Memorial to House of Assembly
Recvd
The Secretary informed the Council that he had forwarded to Mr Moore who had promised to present it.

No 11 Bank of New South Wales
Forwarding Acceptance for Signature of Members
Recvd
The Acceptance for the Sum of Fifteen hundred pounds £1500.— was signed by all the Members and the Secretary was desired to forward the Same and ask for the return of the original Note of £750.—

No 12 From Board of Health
Calling attention to the Nuisance caused by tanning Hides
Recvd

No 13 Roads & Bridges
Petition forwarded by Shire of Heathcote asking that certain portion of Shire Merits should be severed from East Goulburn and added to Heathcote.
The Secretary informed the Council that this Shire did not include any portion

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of the Shire of Heidelberg.
After some discussion on the subject the Secretary was directed to inform the Hon. Commissioner Roads & Bridges that the Shire strongly objected to any severance whatever and that no tracing of the desired severance had been forwarded and that the parish of Heidelberg was altogether outside the Boundaries of the Shire

No 14 From Roads & Bridges
Informing the Shire as to the date limited by the Government for the appropriating of the Vote for Bridges &c
Received

No 15 From Charles Metcalf
Applying for a Slaughtering Licence on his premises
Granted

No 16 From Treasury Melbourne
Asking to be furnished with a Statement shewing sums of Shire based upon a rate of £2. 2. . in the pound.

No 17 From W. Lascelles
Late School Teacher
Asking for further use of the Rooms in the Shire Hall pending the erection of grant by the Government

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It was moved by Mr Mossop
Seconded by Mr. Edwards
That the use of the premises be continued to Mr Lascelles for three months
Carried

18. Reply from Constable Brien accepting the Office of Inspector of Slaughter houses at a Salary of £10 per annum and requesting the Council to date his appointment from the 1st January 1874 as he had performed the duties
Moved by Mr Mossop
Seconded Mr Raleigh
That Constable Brien be appointed and his appointment date from the 1st Jany 1874.
Carried

Tenders

A Tender the only one was opened, from Thomas Aird to put up finger posts & fix direction Boards, as called for at the rate of £2 5/ per Station or post
Moved by Mr Raleigh
Seconded by Mr Bissett
That Mr. Aird's Tender be accepted
Carried

Reports

The Engineer reported on the several works progressing and recommended a progress payment of £20 to Contractor

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Notice of Motion

Mr Raleigh in accordance with Notice moved

That under the new Valuation a rate be struck for the ensueing year of 1/6d in the pounds as that amount would satisfy the estimate for the new works required.

Seconded by Mr Mossop

Carried

The Secretary was directed to call a Special Meeting for the 17th Inst in accordance with the Act, for the purpose of striking a rate.

The Treasurer brought up his Monthly Statement showing a debit Balance in the Bank of £765. 17. 2.

Received.

Mr Mossop said that he had been informed that accounts had been paid to Shire Contractors by his own Cheques, & would ask for an explanation of the Secretary of the Affair.

The Engineer stated that he had done in one or two Cases, but only to pay such Contractors, all Cases of which he could point out.

Mr Raleigh & Mr Edwick agreed with Mr Mossop that it was a practice that would be better abandoned. but if Mr Mossop had any charge to make

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it would be better that he do so in writing and give the engineer time to give an explanation.

Mr Mossop said he had no charge to prefer. nor did he say any thing was wrong. he would simply give Notice of Motion that the practice was wrong in principle.

Mr Mossop also gave Notice that at the next ordinary Meeting he would move for an enquiry into No 71 Contract.

Notice of Motion

Accounts.

Moved by Mr Raleigh
Seconded by Mr Mossop
That the following accounts be passed for payment

✓	Mr Perkin Contr. 79 4/6	£ 20 — s. — d.
✓	Shire of Korong Engineer	112. 10. 4
✓	Mrs Preece	35 — —
		£ 4 10 —

Carried

Mr Raleigh moved
Mr Edwick seconded
That this Meeting stands adjourned until Friday 9th day of Oct. 1874.

Carried

The President adjourned the Meeting accordingly

John Gillespie
President

17 Sep 1874

Special Meeting

Called by Advertisement in accordance with the Act. for the purpose of Striking a rate for the ensueing Year

Shire Hall
17th Sept. 1874

Present.

Jno Gillespie — President
Danl Laird
William Bissett.

The Secretary having read the advertisement calling the Meeting and laid on the Table the estimate in the usual form

It was Moved by Mr Laird
Seconded by Mr Bissett

That a rate of 16d. in the pound Sterling on all rateable property in the Shire, according to the amended Valuation, be struck for the ensueing Year.

Carried

The Meeting then adjourned sine die

Confirmed
9th October 1874

John Gillespie
President

9 Oct 1874

Ordinary Monthly Meeting

Shire Hall Superintendents
Friday 9th October 1874
~~September~~ 1874

Present	Jno Gillespie Esq D C Laird " O Edmick "
Minutes	The Minutes of the previous Meeting and also a special Meeting were read and confirmed
Correspondence	Letters sent by direction of the Council were then read from the press Book pages 533 to 532 to 542 both inclusive and Confirmed

Letters received

No 1 From Bank N.S.W. Adv.
Forwarding original acceptance for £ 750. Cancelled.
The President then destroyed the document

Received

No 2 From Under Treasurer.
Forwarding account of balance of Endowment for 1874 for the signature of Shire Treasurer

Received

The President directed the account to be signed and returned

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Correspondence

No 3 From Bank N S Wales
Enclosing acceptance for £1500 to be signed by the members
Received

No 4 From Roads Bridges
Forwarding acquittance of Mr Learmonths fees as Auditor
Received

No 5 From G G Claughton
Forwarding list of Selectors in Echuca Land Office
Received

No 6 From G G Claughton
Enclosing an amended list of Selectors in Echuca Office
Received

No 7 From Secty School for Blind
Asking for donation in aid of the Institute
It was moved by Mr Edwards
seconded by Mr Sands
That the usual donation of £2.2.0 be forwarded to the Institute
Carried

No 8 Telegram
Referring to list of Selections
Received

No 9 From Hugh Mc Coll.
Forwarding Prospectus of the Grand North Western Canal Company and asking the assistance of the Council
Received

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Correspondence

No 10 From J Hardy Govt Auditor
Asking for information with respect to route to Shire
Received

No 11 From Treasury Melbourne
Asking for a return of the Net income of the Shire, based upon a rate of Two Shillings and Six pence in the £ Sterling
Received
The Secretary informed the Council that the return had already been forwarded to the Government

No 12 From Shire of Korong
Forwarding Engineers certificate for progress payment for Fergusons Bridge for £300
The President directed the Secretary to forward the sum of £150 being the Moiety due by this Council
Received

No 13 From Wm Pontin
Asking for an inspection of his Contract at Yallook & Pandarra
The Engineer stated he had already done so and recommended a progress payment of £10-0-0
Received

14 From Legislative Council
Asking for a return of ratepayers under £25 per annum and also a return of those rated at and over £25 per annum
Received

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Correspondence

14 The Secretary was requested to furnish the Government with the information required

15 From Roads & Bridges
Notifying the Appointment of Auditors, and Scale of fees allowed
Received

16 From the Legislative Council
Asking to be furnished with a return of the Number of Ratespayers at and £250 per annum
Received
The Secretary was instructed to furnish the information required

17 From Registrar General
Furnishing Statistics concerning the amount due by parents of children in the Industrial Schools in the Colony
Received

18 Petition from Ratepayers
Asking for Repair to 3 Chain Road between Bullock Creek and Raywood.
Opened to Engineer for Report

19 From George Mossop
Stating that he was unavoidably detained from attending the Meeting and asking that the consideration of the Motion standing in his name might be postponed until next Meeting
The request was acceded to

Report
The Engineer reported the works were proceeding Satisfactorily and recommended a progress payment to Tomkin of £10. 0. 0

The Treasurer laid his Monthly Statement and report before the Council, shewing a debit balance in the Bank of £921. 17. 2
Received

Accounts
On the Motion of Mr Edwick
Seconded by Mr Laird
The following accounts were passed for payment

Inglewood Advertiser	£ 6.	16.	6
J Davidson Stable	3.	2.	8
C Fisher W. L.	2.	5.	0
P Quaile W. L.	5.	4.	0
G Claughton W. L.	5.	5.	0
Ch. Hutton W. L.	1	12.	4
Turner Lud. Dog Collector	20.	17.	6
Sal. Engine	25.	0.	0
School for Blind	2.	2.	0
Tomkin contract 79	10	0.	0
Fergusons Bridge	150.	0.	0
	232	4.	6

The Secretary informed the Council that on the 3rd Wednesday in next Month the Annual Meeting would take place and as the next Ordinary Meeting would be a few days previous he requested instructions

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Instruction.

The Secretary was instructed to anno
that the next ordinary meeting
should take place on the same day
as the Annual Meeting namely
Wednesday the 18th day of November
on which day the election of
President for the ensueing year
would take place

To inspect on 3 Chain road crossing
Bullock Creek to Green Hill &
petition from Yallourk

To inspect & report on state of
Swan Hill Road near eastern
boundary of Shire

To inspect Road Mc Keans

To " " report on Construction
of Bridge over Lagoon on Tel.
Line of Road.
To " on Bridge over Serpentine
To " on Mastermans Crossing
over Bullock Creek

Moved by Mr Edwards
Seconded Mr Laird
That this Meeting Stands adjourn
until the 3rd Wednesday in the month
being 18th November 1874.

Carried

John Gillespie
President

Confirmed
18 Nov 1875

18 Nov 1874

Ordinary Monthly Meeting

Shire Hall Serpentine
Wednesday 18th Nov 1874

The Meeting had been adjourned by the Secretary from Friday 13th Instant

Present — Jno Gillespie (Pres)
Jno Raleigh
Chs Edwards
George Mossop
William Bissett
D C Laird Esqrs

Minutes — The Minutes of the previous Meeting were read and

Confirmed

Correspondence — Letters sent by direction of the Council since last meeting were read from Letter Book pages 543 & 544 both inclusive

Approved of

No 1 — From Road & Bridges
Referring to an adjustment of the various Shire boundaries with a view to having the same inserted in a Schedule to the Amending Road Government Bill now passing through Parliament

Received

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Correspondence

No 2 From P. C. Davis
Referring to the Valuation of his property in the Shire
Recvd

No 3 From Collector Bendigo Asylum (Bnn)
Asking for a donation in aid of the funds of the Institution
Recvd
It was moved by Mr Mossop
Seconded Mr. Raleigh
That the usual donation of
Five pounds be granted.
Carried

No 4 From Clerk Legislative Council
Asking to be furnished with a return of the number of Rate payers in the Shire as under rated at
75 and under 100
100 " " 200
200 and over
Received
The Secretary stated that the information had already been forwarded to the Government

No 5 From Shire of Marong
Referring to Shire Boundaries
Recvd

No 6 From George Harrison
Forwarding Appeal against Rate
referred to Valuer

No 7 From P. C. Davis
Appeal against Valuation
Recvd

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Correspondence

No 8 From Borough Clerks
Asking Cooperation in getting the Government to insert the clause disfranchising Rate payers who had failed to pay rates before June.
Received.

Messrs Wilson & Stevenson with the permission of the President stated that they were appointed as a deputation from the Rate payers of Talbrook and its vicinity to ask the Council to have certain alterations made in the assessment Notices with which they had been served. as in many cases they did not bear a fair proportion one to another. They knew they were too late to appeal to law, but would leave the matter in the hands of the Council.
After considerable discussion the deputation were informed that on a list being forwarded the Valuer would again visit the locality and any error as to area of land would be rectified but the Valuation and rate could not be altered
The deputation then after thanking the Council withdrew

Moved by Mr Raleigh
Seconded by Mr Mossop
That the Valuer visit and inspect the holdings of those persons named in a list to be forwarded. & who thought themselves aggrieved and report at next Meeting.
Carried

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Correspondence

№9 From John Laurie
Referring to Culvert and Spouts to road near Mr Lees
Received

10 From Borough of Raywood
Asking this Council to remove obstructions on road to Durham Ox and Cross road to Serpentine and forwarding tracing of same
On consideration by the Council it was moved by Mr Bissett
seconded by Mr Laird
That the Engineer give notice to all persons having fences across the roads in question to have the same opened, and to state that on application for existing Gates will be entertained

11 From Registrar General
Forwarding Copy of Agriculture Statistics for the Colony of Victoria for the year 1874
Received
to be acknowledged

12 From Shire of Kyneton
On the Subject of allowing defaulting rate payers 6 Vote
Record

13 From Govt Statist
asking for certain returns and enclosing form to be filled in and returned
Record
The Secty was instructed to comply with the request

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Correspondence

№14 From C. W. Stocks
Referring to direction Boards
Received

№15 Petition from Certain rate payers
Praying that a bridge may be erected over Lagoon on Telegraph Road leading to Raywood
Received

№16 From C P Davis
Referring to Valuation and asking for a reduction of the Assessment
On discussing the subject the Council decided that as Mr Davis had been rated on the same scale as all the other ratepayers, it would not alter the assessment
Read

Notice of Motion

Mr Moss[illegible] in accordance with notice moved
That all Contractors cheques in future be paid to the Contractors on personal application
Seconded by Mr Edwards
Carried

Mr Moss[illegible] with the leave of the Council withdrew the Motion standing in his name with reference to Culvert Contract
№ 7

Reports

The Engineer reported that the works now in hand or Contract were proceeding Satisfactorily and that as he had found

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Reports

Some of the Culverts damaged by the heavy loads of Wool proceeding to Town and recommended the double planking of the Western Culvert

The President said he agreed and instructed the Engineer to take steps to prevent any loss occurring to the Council.

The Treasurer brought up his monthly report and Statement shewing a debit balance due Bank N. S. Wales (when outstanding cheques paid) of £720. 17. 10

the report was received

Accounts

On the motion of Mr. Raleigh seconded by Mr. Mossop

The following accounts were passed and ordered to be paid

Bendigo Benev. Asylum	£5	0	1
Engineer	25	0	1
Govt. Auditor	15	15	1
Local Auditor	9	9	1

Adjournment

Moved by Mr. Edwick seconded by Mr. Mossop

That this meeting stands adjourned till Friday 11th day Decr. 1874

Carried

The President adjourned the Meeting accordingly.

D. C. Laird
Chairman of the Meeting

Confirmed
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Annual Meeting

Shire Hall Serpentine
Wednesday 18th Novr 1874

Present

Jno Gillespie (Pres)
Jno Raleigh
George Mossop
Ob. Edwick
William Bassett
D C Laird Esq.

The Secretary read the Advertisement calling the Meeting in the terms of the Act and produced the Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the year examined and signed by the Auditors.

After inspecting the same the President put it to the Meeting That the Annual account be passed

Carried unanimously

After a short adjournment

The President said that as this was the day on which his year of Office expired it would be necessary for the members to elect a President for the ensuing year. he was glad that it was a full meeting today as before leaving the chair he wished to express his obligations to all the members for the kind consideration and assistance he had received at their hands during his term of Office as President

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Election.

Mr. Mossop nominated Mr John Raleigh as president for the ensuing year.

No other member being nominated the Chairman called for a show of hands, when Mr. Raleigh was unanimously elected.

Mr. Raleigh on taking the chair said he begged to thank the members for the distinction conferred on him that day as he looked upon the vote as an expression that his former terms of office in that position had been approved of. He had a duty now to perform and he was glad to say it was a pleasure as well. and that was to call upon the members to join him in giving a cordial vote of thanks to the late President for the impartial and straight forward manner in which he had carried out the duties of President during the past year.

The vote of thanks was carried unanimously

After Mr Gillespie had briefly returned thanks

The President adjourned the Meeting sine die.

D. C. Laird
Chairman of the Meeting

Confirmed this
11th day of December
1874

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Ordinary Monthly Meeting

Shire Hall Serpentine
11th Dec. 1874

Present — D. C. Laird Esq
Wm Bissett "
Geo Mossop "

Chairman — In the absence of the President who was unavoidable detained Cr. D. C. Laird was voted to Chair

Correspondence — Letters sent by direction of the Council since last Meeting were read from Press Book pages 545 & 562 both inclusive and approved of.

Letters received

1861 — From Roads & Bridges referring to a petition presented by the Shire of Huntly praying for a severance of parts of the Shires of Eaglehawk, Marong and East Loddon and stating that the Minister would hear the case in Melbourne on the following Monday 14th Instant

The Secretary that he had seen the President who said he could not possible attend in Melbourne on that day. But he thought it desirable that this Council should be represented in Town.

It was moved by Mr Mossop

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Correspondence

seconded by Mr Bissett

"That the Engineer proceed to Melbourne and explain the matter to the Department and urge the dismissal of the request

Carried

№ 2 From Shire Warrnambool

Asking this Council to assist in having several Clauses of the New Local Govt Bill amended, as the Bill at present will materially affect the revenue of Shires in general

Received

№ 3 From Evans Brothers

Enclosing form to be filled in for Shire Directory, and asking what number of Copies the Shire would be disposed to order

After some conversation upon the usefulness of the Book the Secty was directed to order 8 Copies

Received

№ 4 From Shire of Korong

Forwarding duplicate Certificate for £900 as progress payment for Fergusons Bridge

In reply to the Chairman the Secretary stated that the moiety of this certificate together with sums already paid would exceed the £640 originally voted as this Shire's share of the cost of the Bridge

Councillor Mossop said it was distinctly understood

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Correspondence

at the time and the Korong Shire had been several times since been reminded of the fact that this Shire was only to pay one fourth of the Cost of the Bridge on an estimated value of £2500. The Contract was however taken at a less sum the ¼ of which would only be £587

The letter to Stand over

№ № 5 From Eye & Ear Hospital

Asking for a donation towards the funds of the Institute

Received

№ 6 From Colonial Labor Institute

Forwarding Pamphlets

Received

№ 7 From Shire of Echuca

Alluding to Meeting in Melbourne in the 4th & urging Council to send a representative

Received.

№ 8 From Deaf & Dumb Asylum

Soliciting donation in aid of the funds of the Institute

to Stand over

№ 9 From Borough of Clunes

Forwarding Copy of Memorial to Parliament in favor of the Amendment in the Local Govt Bill to the effect that defaulting rate-payers, should not be allowed to vote at Shire or Borough Elections

Received.

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Correspondence

№ 10 From Jno Raleigh Resident
Stating his inability to attend Shire meeting that day & asking leave
Granted Record

№ 11 From Shire Korong
Referring to progress payment on Fergusons Bridge, stating that the Korong Council expected the East Loddon Council to pay up one half of the Cost of the Bridge in full the difference to be refunded, so soon as the Bridge shall have been passed by the Government Engineer and the Subsidy received from the Government
Mr Mossop considered that as the Korong Council had taken upon itself the entire management of the affair they must have been perfectly aware of all their liabilities and it was not fair at this time to ask this Council to go outside its limit he would move that the sum of £250 be forwarded on account
Seconded by Mr Bissett
Carried

№ 12 From Echuca Shire
Making appointment for meeting in Melbourne
Received

№ 13 From Wm Lascelles
Asking for the further use of Shire rooms, pending the erecting of State School &c 1233
In reply to the Chairman the

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Correspondence

№ 13 Secretary stated that the room had in the first place only been lent for two or three weeks, but had now extended from time to time for a period of over 15 months.
Mr Mossop moved
Mr Bissett seconded
That the Secretary inform Mr Lascelles, that before giving any reply to his application, the Council would wish him to obtain a definite reply from the Educn. Department, as to when the School in question would be erected
Carried

The Secretary was also directed to state to the Minister of Public Instruction that as there seemed to be no prospect of a State School being erected at the Serpentine, this Council was desirous of putting a termination to the present very inconvenient state of affairs
Mr Mossop suggested that the Sec. state the Councils views plainly & strongly

№ 14 From Roads Bridges
Enclosing form to be filled in with the Signature of President & Treasurer
ordered to be returned Completed

Reports

The Treasurer brought up his report & monthly Statement shewing a debit balance in the Bank N.S. Wales of £422. 13. 10

The Engineer reported on the several works within the Shire at present going on
Both reports were received

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General.

Mr. Mossop moved
Mr Bissett seconded
That the Engineer prepare plans
and specifications for Budge over
Pon Pon Lagoon on the Telegraph
Line of Road and call for Tenders
for the same to be opened at the
next ordinary Meeting on the 8th
January next

Carried

After the Council had gone into
Committee to discuss the matter on
which the Secretary was about to
proceed to Melbourne

The following accounts were
passed for payment

Mr Irvine M L C.	4	10 -
Collecting rate roll	14	"
Engineer Sal.	25	"
Fergusons Bridge	250	"
C. Sutton Telegraph.	15	"

Adjournment

Mr. Mossop moved
Mr. Bissett seconded
That this Meeting
stands adjourned till Friday the
8th day of January 1875

Carried

The Chairman declared the Meeting
adjourned accordingly

Confirmed this
8th day of
January 1875

George Mossop Chairman
of [redacted]