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# Ordinary Monthly Meeting

Shire Hall
Serpentine
Jaury 16th 1880

Present — Cr Denbreath Chairman
" Laird
" Coulls
" Hardy
" Edwick
" Potter
" Lethlean

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

Correspondence
No 1 Herbert Lamont Solicitor
Acknowleging receipt of Garlands cheque
Received

2 Victorian Deaf & Dumb Asylum
Acknowledging receipt of cheque for £2-2
Received

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3 Office of Lands & Survey Melbourne
Referring to B. Flynns application for the sale of certain land in the Parish of Jamm East and stating that it has been decided to excise a road as shewn on the plan herewith
Some conservation here took place upon the road in question as being that which was not pointed out by the Council. Subsequently it was
Moved by Cr Laird
Second " " Lethbean
That the Engineer be instructed to prepare a plan again shewing the road which the Council had recommended to be excised from sale and
The Secretary was instructed to forward such plan when prepared to the Office in Melbourne
Carried

4 Shire of Swan Hill
In re protection to the works at the Weir over the Loddon
Received

5 Shire of Korong
Enclosing Balance Sheet
Received



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6 Secretary for Mines Melbourne
Stating that the letter had been received and be attended to
Received

7 Shire of Echuca
Asking what steps had been taken relative to the Dam at Macks
Moved by Cr Pentreath
Sec. " " Hardy
That the Secretary write to the Shire of Echuca stating that ½ of the cost of the repairs to the Dam in question would be fair and reasonable
Carried

8 The Lord Mayor of London
Sending message re the Rowland Hill Memorial
Received

9 Caleb Anderson
Enclosing form of Transfer to be filled up by Mrs Agnes Newman
After some discussion it was decided to leave the matter in the hand of the North Riding
Carried

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10 Caleb Anderson
Referring to the same subject
Received

11 Shire of Swan Hill
Referring to the appointment of a clerk of Works for the Serpentine Weir to stand over

12 Constable Gwarthy D.L.Y.
With yearly Report and application for ½ years Salary

Reports

Secretarys Report
I have the honor to report on the amount expended by the different ridings up to the present Month making a Total of £645-1-11 this is exclusive of the Weir Account which at present amounts to £209-14-
The Joint Account up to December amounts to £310-1-2 making a grand total of £1164-16-11 against which we had a cash balance at the beginning of the financial year of £533-8-5
The amount of rates received for the present year amounts to £1039-7-6 Pub. Lic £137



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and Slaughter Lic £8-0-0 making a total of £1712-15-11 paid into the Bank of Victoria for the present year. The Total liabilities of the Shire in Contracts exclusive of the Loddon weir amounts to about £650-

Moved by Cr Lethlean
Seconded by Cr Coutts
That Secretarys report be received
Carried

The Treasurer brought up his Monthly Report & Statement shewing receipts for the Month to be £895-7 and expenditure for the same period to be £431-3-9 leaving a Balance in Bank of Victoria of £744-9
Moved by Cr Edwick
Sec. " " Hardy
That the Report be received
Carried

The Engineer reported as follows re Serpentine Weir

I have the honor to report that the expectation of an immediate supply of water to the Serpentine Creek entertained at your last Meeting has not been realised owing to a leakage at the North end of the Weir and a consequent scouring

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away of the bank at that end allowing the water which had risen to within 2½ feet of the newly cut bed of the Serpentine Creek to rapidly escape

A Meeting of some of your Councillors took place on the 29th and it was deemed expedient to come to the arrangement with the Contractor referred to by Mr Kempson with a view to repair the disaster with as little delay as possible

The execution of the weir was ordered at once also; as far as practicable, the placing an earth embankment inside the dam, and the strutting of the main piles authorized to some extent at your last Meeting.

The proposed stonework, not being urgent, is deferred for you decision. There has been a great though perhaps unavoidable delay in the arrival of the sawn timber but the contractor is making fair progress with main piles and struttings and as there are now two pile drivers on the ground as soon as the sawn timber arrives it will be quickly driven and within a week the London will be again dammed

Cr Hardy asked the Engineer if the work was likely to be substantial after the additional outlay. The Engineer replied that it would. Although the contractor had not been altogether



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blameless in the matter of the accident he thought that a great deal might be attributed to the treacherous nature of the banks

The President reported that he together with Cr Coulls had done what they could to advise in repairing the damage done to the weir

Moved by Cr Potter

That the action of the President and Cr Coulls be endorsed by the Council and that the Reports of the Engineers be received

Seconded by Cr Lethlean

Carried

In the Motion of Cr Hardy

Seconded by Mr Laird

Mr Benjamin Rider

was appointed Clerk of Works to the Serpentine Weir at a Salary of £3 per week

Tenders

The Public Works Committee then retired to open tenders and on resuming recommended the following to be accepted

Cr Roderick ~~Coulls~~ Hardy moved Mr Laird seconded That the following tenders be accepted

Sec by Cr ~~Hardy~~ Potter

Carried

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Tenders

Deposits

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | N1 | Forming Embanked roadway near [illegible] Coutts Parish of Hayanui | |
| 203 | £9 | | Donald McDonald | £59 " 10 = 0 |
| | | N2 | Drains and forming Roadway near Duncans Parish of Dungee | |
| 204 | £1 = 0 " 0 | | William Gayler | £22 " 2 " 8 |
| | | 3 | Timber Bridge on driven piles over Bullock Creek Parish of Pompapiel | |
| 205 | £20 = 0 = 0 | | William Sly | £393 " 3 " 10 |
| | | 4 | Excavating Tank 4000 yards and forming embankment | |
| 206 | £8 = 0 = 0 | | Edward Hester | £150 = 0 = 0 |

Cr Laird said he would like to know what amount the East Riding would pay towards the cost of the Bridge and dam

Cr Penbreath said

That the East Riding would be willing to pay one ½ of the cost of the Bridge and Dam and he though that was a very fair proportion



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Cr Laird said

He was surprised at the Members for the North Riding wanting to force the Members of the South Ridings to spend their money on a Bridge that would only benefit the ratepayers of the North Riding

Cr Edwick

Said that the ratepayers of the East Riding had no way of travelling East or West except over the Bridge

Cr Potter

Said that there was no crossing over Bullock Creek in winter time unless they made a Bridge

The Council then went into Committee for the purpose of appointing an Engineer

On Resuming

It was Moved by Cr Penbreath
Sec by " Lethlean

That Mr C. E. Barker be appointed to the Office of Engineer to the Shire of East Loddon at a Salary of £250 a year Mr Barker to find his own assistance and not reside in the Shire

Carried

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Moved by Cr Potter
Sec " " Lehleau
That the accounts as read be passed for payment

| | | | £ | S | D |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| J a | Secretary | ✓ | 16 | 13 | 4 |
| J a. | Engineer | ✓ | 16 | 13 | 4 |
| J a | Bendigo Evening news | ✓ | 4 | 18 | - |
| J a | J. G. Hounblower & Co | ✓ | 9 | 10 | 9 |
| J a | John Robshaw | ✓ | | 12 | 10 |
| J a | Inspector of Slaughter Yards | ✓ | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| J a | Stamp Duty | ✓ | 2 | . | 3 |
| E R | Thomas Heavy Cont 202 | ✓ | 6 | " | " |
| S R | Patrick O'Loughlin " 196 | ✓ | 16 | " | " |
| N R | W. H. Roberts Cont 183 | ✓ | 12 | 16 | " |
| J a | Patrick Flynn S. M. | ✓ | 1 | " | " |
| J a | Thomas Ivor W. L. | ✓ | 3 | 8 | " |
| S R | Thomas Gout 198 | ✓ | 20 | " | " |
| S R | Thomas Gout 197 | ✓ | 30 | 0 | 0 |
| W R | Joseph Hill 191 | ✓ | 2 | 13 | 0 |

Moved by Cr Lehleau
That notice be sent to all defaulting ratepayers that if all back rates be not paid before the next Meeting that the same be placed in the hand of the Shire Solicitor for collection

Sec by Cr Edwards
Carried



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Cr Lethleau asked that the Engineer be instructed to inspect Fishers Road and report on it at next Meeting

Cr Coutts Moved
That the Secretary write to the Swan Hill Shire and ask that body to cooperate with them in having an alteration made in the time of the Mail leaving Inglewood He thought that instead of the Mail leaving at 11 p.m. it should be be dispatched to Swan Hill on the arrival of the one p.m. train

Seconded by Cr Lane
Carried

Mr by Cr Coutts
That the Secretary write to the Shire of Korong stating that their Engineer Mr Starr over here to supervise the work of our Engineer at the Serpentine Weir was all unnecessary and called for

Seconded by Cr Hardy
Sec
Carried

Mr Burrows the Rate Collector asked the Council if when he was collecting the statistics he should collect what rates he could. The President said most decidedly

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The Engineer was instructed to obtain plans &c of the weir from Mr Hempson and to have them forwarded to Town

Notice of Motion from last Meeting

By Cr Coutts

That applications be called from persons willing to fill the Office of valuer to the Shire
Applicants to state what terms will be required

Notice of Motion

By Cr Hardy

That a Gauk be excavated about 4000 yards in the N. W. angle of allot 34 Parish of Calivil

The Meeting then closed and the President declaired the next Meeting to be held on the 3rd Friday in February

R. F. Pentreath

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# Ordinary Monthly Meeting

Shire Hall
~~Serpentine~~

Friday 20th February 1880

Present

Councillers Peubreath Chair
" Raleigh
" Coutts
" Edwick
" Laird
" Lethleau
" Gill
" Potter
" ~~Hardy~~

Minutes

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and on the Motion of
Cr Potter
Sec. by Cr Lethleau

Confirmed

Correspondence

N 1 From the Municipal Association
Suggesting questions to be asked of Candidates for the Legislative Assembly

Received



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N 2 Central Board of Health
Forwarding Report

Received

3 Victorian Life and General Insurance Company
Re Burrows Guarantee
Ordered to be paid

Received

4 Minister of Mines Melbourne

Received

5 Shire of Swan Hill
Re re alteration of Mails

Received

6 W. H Sheridan Secretary N. W. W. S. League
Soliciting Donation

Received

7 Municipal Association
Re re Subsidy

Received

8 Hugh M. Bell
Re re North Western Canal Scheme
Asking for Donation

Received

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9 Municipal Association
Forwarding Receipt for Subscription £2 = 2 -

Received

10 Melbourne International Exhibition

Received

11 Office of Lands & Surveys Melbourne
Re Government Roads

Received

12 Shire of Swan Hill
Re Water Supply

Received

13 Shire of Swan Hill
Referring to Loddon Weir

Received

14 Shire of Swan Hill
Re plans of Weir

Received

15 Municipal Association Melbourne
Asking questions to be debated in Conference

Received



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16 Shire of Swan Hill
In re payments on account of Serpentine Weir

Received

17 Minister of Mines
Acknowledging Receipt of Plans of Weir

Received

18 Grant Chalmer Sandhurst
Asking information in re the Office of Valuer

Received

19 Shire of Echuca
Re Water Supply

Received

20 Borough of Footscray
In re Rolls

Received

21 Education Department Melbourne
Asking if the Machinery of the Council would be available for compiling Roll of the East Riding of the Shire of East Loddon
The Council said it would be

Received

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22 Municipal Assotiation Melbourne
Re the Survey of Raads

Received

23 John Williams R. O.
Asking for the use of the Shire Hall for a polling Booth on the 28th Instā

Received

24 Bear & Bloomfield Contractors
Complaining about not being able to obtain timber from East Loddon Station

Received

25 R. & N. Kirwan
Complaining about overcharge of Rates and tendering Cheque for £7-14
The Secretary was instructed to reply to Messrs Kirwan stating that the Council could not accept the cheque as the full amount and to return the same

Received

26 Petition from G. White & Others
For a Gauk in Landarra
Cr. Lethlean said he would bring forward a Notice of Motion to that effect

Received



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27 Shire of Echuca
Re pe water Conservation and stating that a Meeting would be held at Rochester on the 24th inst

Received

Moved by Cr Coulls
Sec " " Gill
That the President and Councillor Raleigh be appointed Delegates to represent the Council

Carried

28 Thomas Reles
Stating that he had been charged 10/ too much as had removed his residence from off the ground
The Secretary was directed in case Reles had paid his rates to refund the 10/-

Received

Moved by Cr Lethlean
Seconded " " Gill
That a Donation of £5 be granted to the Irish Relief Fund

Carried

Cr Hardy reported on the site for the Dam in Mrs Agnes Newmans land being North West angle of Allot 3 Parish of Calivil and it was agreed that

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The following Gentlemen

William Hardy
Patrick Gill
John Potter

Be appointed as trustees for the land acting for and on behalf of the Council

Carried

The price of the two acres of land was agreed to be £6- per acre

Agreed to

Moved by Cr Pentreath
Seconded " " Edwick

That the action of the Committee be approved of

Carried

Cr Gill reported on the action of the Committee on the crossing at Welsh Lagoon and said the Committee had authorized the erection of a small Bridge

Moved by Coulls
Sec by Cr Pentreath

That the action of the Committee be confirmed



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Reports

The Secretary brought up his Report and Monthly Statement of the expenditure of the various Ridings for the Month

Moved by Cr Gill
Seconded " " Lethlean

That the Secretarys Report be Received

Carried

The Secretary brought up a Report on the Financial position of the Shire which was ordered to be held over till next Meeting

Engineers Report

The Engineer brought up a Report on the Various Contracts progressing within the Shire and stating that the Weir was now finished and Mr Thompson had been telegraphed for to join in making a final inspection and passing the same
He also Reported that the Pump & trough had been erected at Duncans also at Serpentine
Mr Benj. Pinder had completed his duties as Clerk of Works at the Weir

Moved by Cr Potter
Seconded " " Hardy

That the Engineers Repot be Received

Carried

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Mr Barker stated that he had undertaken some work for the Shire of Huntly prior to Mr James leaving. The work would occupy him about 2 days once a fortnight for about 4 or 5 visits and he asked the permission of the Council to do so

Moved by Cr Raleigh
Sec. " " Lethlean

That permission be granted to Mr Barker for 2 days once a fortnight

Carried

The Council then went into Committee for the appointment of a valuer to value the Shire

On Resuming it was

Moved by Cr Edwick
Seconded " " Raleigh

That Mr John P. Woods be appointed valuer to at the rate of £25 for the valuation of the Shire

Carried

Moved by Cr Potter
Seconded " " Hardy

That the following accounts be passed for payment

Carried



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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| J A | Secretary | ✓ | 16 | 13 | 4 |
| J.A. | Engineer | ✓ | 20 | 16 | 8 |
| E. S | J. Y. Connelly Pumps | ✓ | 10 | 10 | 1 |
| J. A. | Messenger & Pump &c | ✓ | 2 | 15 | " |
| J. A. | Charles Hutton Salary Postage Telegrams | ✓ | 28 | 16 | 11 |
| J. A. | Richard W. Grenne Repairs to Hall | ✓ | 2 | 4 | " |
| N. R | Bear of Bloomfield Work & Labour | ✓ | 16 | " | " |
| E R. | H. Crapper Work & Labour | ✓ | 8 | 11 | " |
| S. R. | John Marwick Work & Labour | ✓ | 8 | 16 | " |
| S. R. | Henry Smith Work & Labour | ✓ | 2 | 1 | " |
| W. S. | Benj. Ruder Clerk of Works | ✓ | 12 | " | " |
| S E | William Lly Cont 205 | ✓ | 20 | " | " |
| E R. | Thomas Heaver 202 | ✓ | 4 | 11 | 2 |
| S R | Louis Healy 199 | ✓ | 60 | " | " |
| S R | Thomas Yout 198 | ✓ | 34 | 14 | " |
| S R | Thomas Yout 197 | ✓ | 20 | 16 | " |
| E R | Addison Nicholl 182 | ✓ | 13 | 12 | " |
| E R | R. J. Phillips 181 | ✓ | 23 | 11 | 8 |
| NW. S. | Addison Nicholl 187 Mir 187 | ✓ | 300 | " | " |
| J A | G. N. Burrows Rate Collector | ✓ | 10 | " | " |
| E R | Patrick O'Loughlin Cont 196 | ✓ | 9 | 9 | " |
| J. A. | Burrows Guarantee | ✓ | 4 | " | " |
| J. A. | Irish Relief Fund | ✓ | 5 | = | = |
| N R | William Doody Work & Labour | ✓ | | 5 | = |
| E R | Thomas Lethlean " " | ✓ | 1 | 12 | 6 |
| N. R. | James Doolan " " | ✓ | | 5 | = |
| S R | Ellershaw Eaglestone & Co | ✓ | 10 | 15 | = |

Messrs Coulls & Pollitt were appointed delegates to attend the Sandhurst Group Meeting of the Municipal Association

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Instructions were then given to the Delegates as to the replies they should make to the several questions submitted

Cr Potter said
That Adam Shaw had complained that Ellershaw & Co had failed to remove the obstructions on Road leading to his place asked for some time ago and he would suggest that the Secretary write to the owners of the Station on the subject and also write to the owners of Serpentine Station about a complaint made by Cheyne to the same effect

It was
Moved by Cr Gill
Seconded " " Hardy
That the Secretary get placards printed and distributed throughout the Shire warning persons and obstructing the Roads of the Shire and also against cutting down trees in the Roads

Carried

Cr Pentreath drew the attention of the Council to the fact that several Contracts within the had been neglected over the time specified to complete them and thought the matter should be enquired into



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Cr Hardy moved
" Edwick seconded
That the Secretary hand the list of Defaulting Ratepayers to Mr Millen Coffey with instructions to take proceedings against them

Carried

Cr Edwick suggested that Mr Barker the Engineer send in a report on the obstructions on Road between Bullock Creek and the 3 chain Echuca Road

Cr Coulls moved
That instructions be given to the Engineer to report on Raywood & Durham Og Road leading past Miller's

Cr Potter moved that the Secretary write to the Swan Hill Shire Engineer requesting him to visit the Serpentine Weir for the purpose of passing the same

Moved by Cr Potter
Seconded " " Gill
That a Committee consisting of the whole Council meet at 9 am. at the next Ordinary Meeting for the purpose of adjusting accounts

Carried

day of the

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~~Motion~~

~~Motion~~
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Motion

1 By Cr Hardy.
That tenders be called for excavating a Dauk 4000 in the Parish of Calivil

1 By Cr Lethlean
That tenders be called for a Dauk of 4000 yards in N. W. corner of Thomas Hockings paddock parish of Gandarra

By Cr Gill
That a lithograph plan of the Shire be obtained

Moved by Cr Lethlean
Sec. " " Gill

That this Meeting stands adjourned till the 3rd Friday in March 1880

N. L. Pentreath



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## Committee Meeting

The Council went into a Committee of Whole to consider the question in Dispute between the North and South Ridings all the Members being present except Cr Raleigh

After a good deal of Discussion on the subject it was mutually arranged and

Moved by Cr Potter
Sec " "

That the South Riding having exceed their Revenue by £248-10- up to the 30th of September 1878

"

The Secretary was instructed to bring up a detailed Report of the amount of money expended in each Riding for work & Labour for the year 1879

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# Ordinary Monthly Meeting

Shire Hall
Serpentine
March 19-1880

Present Cr Pentreath Chairman
" Lethlean
" Laird
" Potter
" Gill
" Coutts
" Edwick
" Hardy

Minutes

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and on the Motion of Cr Hardy Sec by Cr Lethlean

Confirmed

Correspondence

No 1 C. E. Stone C. E. Castlemaine
With reference to repairs to Loddon Weir and enclosing Testimonials

Received

No 2 Bendigo Easter Fair Committee Sandhurst
Asking the Council to join in the Procession on Easter Monday

Received



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3 Bendigo Easter Fair Committee
Asking the Council to grant a Donation in aid of the Fair

Received

4 Hospital for Sick Children Melbourne
Asking Donation from the Shire of East Loddon

Received

5 Shire of Korong
Explaining why their Engineer was sent to inspect the Loddon Weir and stating that the only reason was to obtain a Professional opinion of the work in question and trusting that the same would be deemed a satisfactory reply to the Councils letter of the 19 ultimo and that the good feeling which had hitherto existed between the two Councils will in no way be disturbed

Received

6 Cr W Pentreath President
Referring to the breaking away of the Loddon Weir

Received

7 Inspector of Fisheries Melbourne
Appointing the Secretary as Inspector of Fisheries

Received

No 8 H Byron Moore Melbourne
Referring to the Melbourne Exchange

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and terms of Subscription

Received

9 Eye & Ear Hospital Melbourne
Asking Donation

Moved by Cr Hardy
Sec " " Coulls
That the sum of £3=3
be granted as a Donation to the Institution

Received

10 J. W. Pemberton Rochester
Re Water Supply for the
Plains

Received

11 Shire of Swan Hill
Applying for ½ cost of
Bridge in Hayanmi on Boundary of Shire
£70=11=10
Moved by Cr Lelkleau
Sec " " Idwick
That the letter
be received and the account passed for
payment

Carried

12 Thomas Henderson S.M.R.L.
Saying that as they were going
to make a fresh effort he begged to
solicit a Donation

Received



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and it was
Moved by Cr Coulls
Seconded " " Hardy
That the matter
stand over till next Meeting

Carried

13 C. E. Barker. C.E.
In reference to London Weir

Received

14 John Burford
Complaining about the measurements
of his Contract Referred to Engineer who
reported explaining it

Received

15 H. H. Hayler Government Statist
With reference to collection of
Statistics stating that the time will
expire on the 31st of March

Received

16 Edward Hesler
Asking for extension of
time on his Contract Dam at Mc Illoys
Referred to Engineer

Received

17 G. E. Lewers
In reference to Mr Chains
complaint about gates and saying

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that Mr Chant had withdrawn his complaint and was willing to leave things as they were

Received

Mr Coultis said that as a complaint had been made about the same he should like some information given as to whether the affair was got up out of spite

If the road really wanted clearing it should be cleared whether Mr Lewthers was satisfied or not

Mr Lavin also said that in many of these cases the complaints were very frivilous and he should like a report from the Members of the North Riding on the subject

The letter was received

18 Donald M Donald

Asking for extention of time on his Contract

Referred to Engineer

19 Richard Blake

Stating that he was overrated

Referred to Collector

20 R. Y. Phillips

Asking for time on his contract

Referred to Engineer



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21 William Sly

Asking for extention of time on his Contract

Referred to Engineer

Reports

Secretarys Report

I have the honor to submit the Monthly Statement of expenditure for the different Ridings viz North £156.18.6 South £318-13-5 East £400-7-1 and Joint Account £469.16.5 the amounts are charged to the different Ridings equally as they are due.

No Government Subsidy has as yet been received so that at present I am unable to give an estimate of the Revenue of each Riding and for that reason would recommend the Council to be cautious about their expenditure particularly as we have the responsibility of the Loddon Weir. In consequence of the Court Day falling on St Patricks day proceedings against the Defaulting Ratepayers was compelled to be postponed until this Month. Several Ratepayers have since last Meeting paid their Rates and I am waiting for the Collectors Report to furnish the list.

Moved by Cr Pentreath
Sec " " Lethlean

That the Secretarys Report be received

Carried

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Engineers Report

The Engineer Reported on the damage done to the Loddon Weir in consequence of the late heavy flood and also on the several Contracts in progress within the Shire

He had written to all the contractors whose time had expired about the desirability of completing their contracts at once

He also reported on the obstructions on different Roads he had been instructed to do

Moved by Cr Coutts
Seconded " " Lethlean

That the Report be received

Carried

As several Contractors has asked for escelation of time to complete their contracts

It was

Moved by Cr Lethlean
Sec. " " Coutts

That the Contractors be allowed the time they asked for to complete their Contracts subject to the approval of the Engineer

Carried

Treasurers Report

Shewing the Monthly Statement and expenditure for the Month and a Credit Balance in Bank of £214-6-6

Moved by Cr Coutts
" " " Hardy

That Treasurers Repnt be received

Carried



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A Petition sent by Mr Pemberton Secty Shire of Echuca asking the Govermt to allow time for the payment of leases and requesting signatures to the same

Moved by Cr Hardy
Sec " " Laird

That Mr John P. Woods be requested to take charge of the Petition and obtain signatures to the same

Mr Woods agreed to take charge of the Petition

Tenders

The Public Works Committee then retired to open Tenders and on resuming recommended ~~that~~ William Taylors Tender for sinking a Tank of 4000 yards in North-West corner of allot 34 Parish of Calivil

Moved by Cr Hardy
" " " Lethlean

That the Tender of William Taylor be accepted for sinking a Tank as above according to specification at £99-17-7

Carried

The Finance Committee then examined the accounts and on the Motion of Cr Potter
Seconded " Pentreath

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That the following accounts be paid

Carried

| | | | £ | s | d |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| J.A | Secretary | | £ 16 | 13 | 4 |
| J.A | Engineer | | 20 | 6 | 8 |
| E.R | Shire of Swan Hill re Cost of Hayam Bridge | | 70 | 11 | 10 |
| J.A. | G. N. Burrows on account Salary | | 5 | " | " |
| J.A | Arnall Jackson Directories | | 2 | 2 | 3 |
| J.A | Cleaning Hall Six Months | | 9 | " | " |
| J.A | John. A. Podlech. Refreshments | | 12 | 9 | " |
| S.R | Thomas Gout R.D. in Cont 198 | | 3 | " | " |
| S.R | Cornes Healy Cont 199 | | 35 | " | " |
| E.R | R.J. Phillips " 200 | | 35 | " | " |
| E.R | D. M'Donald " 203 | | 20 | " | " |
| E.R | William Taylor " 204 | | 11 | " | " |
| E.S | William Sly " 205 | | 100 | " | " |
| E.S | Edward Hester " 206 | | 25 | " | " |
| W.S | A. Nicholl " 187 Weir | | 213 | 6 | 8 |
| W.S | A. Nicholl R.D 187 " | | 25 | " | " |
| E.R | A. Nicholl " 192 | | 60 | " | " |
| E.R. | William Firth M.L. | | 3 | 12 | " |
| | | | £667 | 1 | 9 |

A Deputation from the Swan Hill Shire Council consisting of Crs Langdon M.L.A Kemp and Kelly and Mr Kempson the Engineer was introduced by the President

Cr Kelly stated the deputation had attended at the invitation of the East Loddon Shire President



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and they as a Deputation would prefer hearing the views of that Council in connection with the works at the Weir and what was considered best to be done in the present unfortunate position before they expressed their views on the matter

Cr Kemp stated that the Weir had been already of incalculable benefit to the residents in and around Durham Ox. If no further benefit was reaped he was convinced the benefit already obtained amply repaid the money laid out

Cr Coutts suggested that the Council go into Committee along with the Deputation to consider the matter

The suggestion was agreed to

On resuming Cr Coutts stated that the Committee had agreed that a Deputation from the two Councils be appointed to interview the Government and to ask for assistance in carrying on the Work

He believed that at least £1500 would be necessary as the banks of the river were evidently too rotten to withstand the heavy flood waters that came down the Loddon

Cr Selkleau Moved

That the suggestion of the Committee be adopted and urged that the Government be pressed to undertake the work

He moved that the President and Cr Coutts form the Deputation

Sec. by Cr Laird

Carried

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In considering the matter several Councillors expressed strong opinions relative to the way in which the work had been carried out both by the Councils Engineers and Contractor

Moved by Cr Coults
Seconded " " Laird

That the accounts for the Weir so far as authorized be paid

Carried

Mr Thompson said that some one should be appointed to watch the Debris of the present weir. The President said that, that would be seen to

Moved by Cr Coults
Sec " " Laird

That the Secretary furnish the Swan Hill Council with an account shewing the expences incurred by the East London Shire and with a statement of the same to the Government

Moved by Cr Lethlean
Sec " " Laird

That M. B. Ruder be appointed Clerk of Works at the erection of the Bridge at Bullock Creek at at Salary of £3- per week



19 Mar 1880

Mr Idwick asked that the Secretary bring up a report of the cost of the Bridge near Mckhams

Motion

By Cr Gill

That a lithograph plan of the Shire be obtained on a scale of 2 inches to a mile to be delayed till the present valuation was completed

Notice of Motion

By Cr Idwick

That a Drain be cut on each side of the Road and the earth thrown in the middle for about 2 miles in the Road running N. & S. from allot 8 & 9 Parish of Yallook on the Parish boundary road running between Yallook and Pompapiel

Cr Lethlean asked permission to withdraw a notice of motion standing in his name relating to a Bank

Granted

By Cr Lethlean

That applications be called for the office of Secretary and Collector the two to be combined at a Salary of £200 per annum

19 Mar 1880

The Meeting then adjourned till the 3rd Friday in April 1880

Donald C. Cairns
Chairman

Confirmed this
16th April 1880

16 Apr 1880

# Ordinary Monthly Meeting

## Shepparton Shire Hall

## 16th April 1880

Present — Cr. D.C. Laird Chair
Cr. D. Coutts
Cr. J. Potter
Cr. P. Gill
Cr. W. Hardy

Chairman — In the absence of the President and on the motion of Cr. Potter seconded by Cr. Gill Cr. Laird was voted to the chair

Carried

Minutes — The minutes of the previous meeting were read and motion of Cr. Laird seconded by Cr. Coutts were confirmed

Correspondence

No 1 From Shire of Swan Hill
re deputation (on Water Supply) to Melbourne making appointment to interview Minister

Received



16 Apr 1880

Correspondence

No 2 John Fisher M.P.
stating willingness to meet deputation

Received

No 3 John P. Woods
referring to School Census collecting same

Referred to President

No 4 Government Statist
Re returns acknowledging same

Received

No 5 J.M. Waters Inspector of Public Houses
making enquiries about licenses

Received

The secretary said he had replied to enquiries

No 6 Shire of Swan Hill
Re water deputation

Received

No 7 W.H. Coffey
re transfer of Mrs Newmans Land

Received

No 8 Borough of Ararat
re Ararat Railway

Received

No 9 J.M. Pemberton
re deputation to Melbourne. on Water Supply

Received

Correspondence Borough of Ararat.

№10 re Deputation to Melbourne concerning Railway to Ararat

Received

№11 Shire of Swan Hill

forwarding cheque for £1411. 0. 3. on account of Serpentine Weir

Received

№12 Shire of Swan Hill

asking whether this Council would join in having photo views taken for the Melbourne Exhibition

Received

The Secty was directed to acknowledge recpt of letter. but to decline having any views taken

№13 Crisp Lewis &c.

Complaining that Sand being sunk in Wimmera at Hester is on the property of Messrs Ritchard & Co. and warning the Council of the consequences of so doing

After a discussion on the matter in which the Engineer was consulted. it was moved by

C. Harding seconded by

C. Potter

That the Engineer make particular enquiries into the matter as to whether the land in question is a Govt. Reserve or whether it is the property of Messrs Ritchard & Co as they assert

Received

The Secretary was instructed to write Messrs Ritchard to that effect



Correspondence

№14 W. H. Coffey

re defaulting rate payers

Received

№15 Wm Taylors

asking the Council to allow him for an error he had made in his contract

After referring to the Engineer the Council decided that the contract should be carried out according to the tender

Received

№16 protest from the inhabitants of the Serpentine Township against all the Trees being cut down on road opposite Shire Halls

Read

№17 by R Boucher

Applying for the Office of Collector - Secretary

Read

A reply to be sent that the Office was not then Vacant

Cr Smith reported that he had attended a Group meeting at Sandhurst and as far as he could he had endeavoured to carry out the views of the Council altho he did not believe in the way questions were put to the delegates, were answered. it was compulsory to answer them, either by Yes or No.

16 Apr 1880

Cr. Laird said he had much pleasure in moving a vote of thanks to Cr Coutts for his attendance in Sandhurst at the Group meeting
Seconded by Cr Hardy

Carried

Cr. Coutts reported that himself & Cr Potter accompanied by the members of the Swan Hill Council ~~attended~~ waited as a deputation on the Honble the Minister of Mines on the subject of the Weir in the Loddon and also a general water scheme, for the wants of the dry districts
With the result of the deputation both himself and Cr Potter expressed themselves highly satisfied
The minister stated that the Government intended sending up an Hydraulic Engineer – Mandurang and the Elmore would be reported on at once.

Cr. Hardy moved
Cr. Gill seconded
That the thanks of the town to the delegates who attended the deputation in Melbourne
Carried

Cr. Coutts moved
Cr Potter seconded
That the thanks of this Council be given to those Members of Parliament who so kindly gave them assistance to the deputation whilst in Melbourne

Cr. Gill explained that the reason why the President had not attended the deputation to Melbourne was that he did not receive the notice in due time He believed that the President



16 Apr 1880

attended a deputation (yesterday) to the Minister on the question of Water supply
the explanation was received

The Secretary reported on the expenditure of the several sidings for the past month. A list of defaulting ratepayers had been handed over to Mr Coffey and would be dealt with at next Court of Petty Sessions
The transfer of the land from Mrs Newcomb had now been completed
Moved by Cr. Laird
Seconded by Cr. Gill
That the Secretary's report be received.
Carried

The Treasurer handed in his report and monthly statement shewing a credit Balance in the Bank Victoria Inglewood of £51. 2. 0
Moved by Cr. Potter
Seconded Cr. Hardy
That the Treasurer's report be received
Carried

The Engineer reported on the several contracts within the Shire as proceeding satisfactorily The Bank at Calivil had not yet been completed as the ground had not yet been pressed
Cr. Coutts asked if the Engineer had brought up any report of the road near the Bridge
The Engineer said the whole cost would be about £200
Cr. Coutts moved
Cr. Potter Seconded
That the Engineer report be received
Carried

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Cr. Hardy moved

that the sum of five guineas each be paid to Messrs Coutts and Potter for expences in Travelling to Melbourne to attend a deputation

and a sum of £1. 1. 0 each for expences to Sandhurst

Seconded Cr. Sand

Carried

Notices of motion standing in the name of Cr Rdwick were in the absence of that Cr. allowed to lapse.

Notice of Motion standing in the name of Cr Sellheim was in the absence of that Cr allowed to lapse

Notice of Motion

By Cr. Hardy

to erect Culvert & Drains on Heywood Road near Doodys.

By Cr. Hardy.

to erect 2 Culverts & earthworks on Road from Bridge over Serpentine to Harrison

Cr. Coutts said the Dictary had brought up the report asked for by the President viz a seperate account of the day labor for each Riding. also a joint account specifying the several Ridings

by order of the Chairman these were ordered to stand over for further consideration



16 Apr 1880

The Finance Committee having examined the accounts on the motion of

Cr. Potter

Seconded by Cr. Sand

the following sums were passed for payment

| | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| J | Secretary Sal | | ✓ | 16 | 13 | 4 |
| J | Engineer Sal | | ✓ | 24 | 16 | 8 |
| J | " " amount omitted last month | | ✓ | | 10 | |
| J | Age & Sex Hospital | | ✓ | 3 | 3 | |
| J | J. G Stonehouse Printing & Ad | | ✓ | 8 | 14 | 5 |
| E. S | Edward Hester | Court 206 | ✓ | 15 | " | " |
| E. S | Wm Sly | " 205 | ✓ | 80 | 8 | 4 |
| E | Will Taylor | " 204 | ✓ | 10 | | |
| N | Addison Nicholl | " 201 | ✓ | 70 | | |
| N | " | Work & Labor | ✓ | 1 | 3 | |
| S | John Davidson | " " | ✓ | 7 | | |
| E | R. L Phillips | Court 200 | ✓ | 15 | | |
| S | Cornelius Healy | " 199 | ✓ | 20 | | |
| E | Addison Nicholl | " 192 | ✓ | 35 | | |
| E. S | Benj Rinder | Clerk of Works | ✓ | 8 | | |
| J | G & B Messrs | Rate Co on a/c | ✓ | 5 | | |
| J | John Potter | Deputation | ✓ | 4 | 4 | |
| J | David Coutts | " | ✓ | 4 | 4 | |

Referred to Treasurer £1. 1. 0

The Council then adjourned and the next was ordered to be held on the 3rd Tuesday in May 1880

R. T. Pentreath

President

16 May 1880

# Ordinary Monthly Meeting

May 14th 1880

Present Cr. Pentreath Chair
Cr. Hardy
Cr. Edwick
Cr. Laird
Cr. Potter
Cr. Lethlean
Cr. Coutts
Cr. Gill

A Special Meeting which was to have been held at 12 A M Lapsed for want of a quorum

Correspondence From Minister of Mines
No 1 Forwarding a proposed scheme of Water supply for the summer months for the Shire of East Loddon and asking to be supplied with certain information on the subject
Moved by Cr. Coutts
Second by Cr. Laird
That the required information be forwarded
Carried

No 2 Inglewood Hospital
Asking for a donation towards the fund of the institution
Moved by Cr. Lethlean
Seconded Cr. Potter



16 May 1880. That the sum of Ten pounds be granted
Carried

No 3 Eye and Ear Hospital
Acknowledging receipt of Cheque with thanks
received

No 4 Vn
Board of Health Melbourne
enclosing sanitary regulations
Received

No 5 C. & Parker
with explanations as to tank on Bullock Creek
Received

No 6 Byron Moore
Re Melbourne Exchange.
Moved by Cr. Pentreath
Seconded " Hardy
That the annual subscription be paid amounting to £5.5.
Carried

No 7 Robt Gale Sec. to Conservancy Board
Stating that the Members of the Board viz Messrs Gordon & Black will be at the Shire Hall on the 4th Instant
Received

No 8 J. D. Mills Bank Victoria
Acknowledging receipt of Cheque for £80.8.7 by ~~Bracknell~~ for W. Shy. Re Bridge at Pompapiel
Recd

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No 9 Secretary for Mines
re application for boring Machine
Recd

No 10 Minera Shire
re re engaging the labor of the unemployed
recd

No 11 Royal Insurance Co.
insurance of Shire Hall £4. 0 0
ordered to be paid

No 12 Joseph Hutchinson
as to Valuation of Land
Recd

No 13 J Pemberton, Rochester
Water Conservation on the Plains
Recd

No 14 Joseph Briggs
Asking for time any until the end of
the year to pay his rates
Moved by Cr. Laird
Seconded by Cr. Hardy
That time asked for be allowed
Carried

No 15 Crabbe & Kirby.
re ground in dispute in Bullock Creek
to stand over.



No 16 Hospital for Sick Children
Asking for Donation
to stand over

No 17 Petition from
Mc. Lead and others
Asking for drain across Road
a discussion here ensued some Members being unwilling
to spend the Public funds for the purpose of benefiting
one individual
finally it was
Moved by Cr. Coutts
Seconded by Cr. Laird
That the matter be left in the hands of the
Members for the North Riding
Carried

No 18 Mary Mc. Donough
re rates
refund to the Collector
Recd

No 19 Petition
for G. and Clearing
Cr. Lethlean said he had a notice of Motion
that would meet the case
Recd

No 20 From W. Sly.
asking for the return of his deposit as the Bridge
was nearly finished &c
Refund to Inquiem

16 May 1880

Reports

## Secretarys Report

The Secretary brought up his report and Monthly Statement shewing the expenditure of the several Rdways for the Month ending April 1880 viz.

North Riding £71.3.0
South " 73.14.8½
East " 111.14.3½
Joint Account 67.12.5

The Endowment money had not yet been received

Messrs Gordon Black paid a visit to the Serpentine Weir and had an interview with Messrs Penbreath Coulls Laird, on their departure for Swan Hall Mr Gale remained and was for several days engaged taking Levels from the Serpentine to the Railway Crossing at Yerrick Yerrick Preemptive Right

A Report was also appended from the Minister of Mines signed by Mr Bagge as to the conservation of water for the Shire of East London

Moved by Cr Penbreath
Sec. " " Lethlean
That the Secretarys Engineers Report be Received

Carried



16 May 1880

## Engineers Report

The Engineer reported on the progress of the several Contracts within the Shire

The works on Contract 201 had been nearly completed when the heavy rains carried away portion of the approaches and it is now impassible

I have stopped My Contract as he persists in pulling in timber in the Bridge to which I object

Cr Laird referred to the letter received from My in which he complained of the Engineer and asking for a Committee of the Council to be appointed to investigate the matter

He Cr Laird objected to a Committee being appointed and said the Council were willing to take the Engineers version of the matter. It was a subject in which the Council should support their Engineer

Cr Coulls seconded the motion as he did not see the force of employing an Engineer and allowing the Contractors to have their own way

After a long discussion between Crs Hardy Yarwick. Coulls & Laird as to the best means of selling the dispute between

16 May 1880

The Council & Messrs Ettershank &c
It was moved by the
President
Seconded by Cr Lethleau
That the
matter stand over till next meeting
Carried

It was
Moved by Cr Coutts
Seconded " Cr Hardy
That the Engineers
Report be received
Carried

Treasures Report

The Treasurer brought up his report and
Monthly Halfyearly Statement shewing a debit
balance in Bank of Victoria Inglewood
of £236=17=0

Moved by Cr Coutts
Seconded " " Hardy
That the Report
be Received
Carried



16 May 1880

Instructions to Officers

The Engineer to report
on the state of the footpath near the Schoolhouse
Serpentine

To Report on what fingerposts wanted
repairing in the Shire

To prepare to have estimate made out for
July. Secretary to inform Mrs Newman
about removing fence

The following Accounts on the motion
of Cr Potter Sec. by Cr Laird
were ordered to be paid

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| J a | Secretary | ✓ | 16 | 13 | 4 |
| J a | Engineer | ✓ | 20 | 16 | 8 |
| J a | H. Byron Moore | ✓ | 5 | 5 | - |
| J a | John Podlech Refreshments | ✓ | 9 | 16 | 6 |
| S R | Cr Mrs Healy Cont 199 | ✓ | 43 | - | - |
| J a | G & Burrows R.C. | ✓ | 5 | - | " |
| J a | Royal Insurance | ✓ | 4 | " | " |
| S R | G. Hunter Cont 195 | ✓ | 16 | 12 | 6 |
| J a | C.P. Barker Postage Telegrams & alayton | ✓ | 3 | 6 | 9 |
| E R | R L. Phillips Cont 200 | ✓ | 15 | " | " |
| E R | William Taylor Cont 204 | ✓ | 2 | 2 | 8 |
| E R | M. O. Vincent W. L. | ✓ | 9 | 14 | " |
| E R | Henry Capper W. L | ✓ | 1 | 16 | " |
| J a | John Raleigh Deputation Expences | ✓ | 2 | 2 | - |
| E R | D. McDonald Cont 203 | ✓ | 42 | 10 | " |
| J a | Inglewood Hospital | ✓ | 10 | " | " |
| N R | Agnes Newman | ✓ | 12 | " | " |
| J a | R. Robertson W. L. | ✓ | 1 | " | " |

16 May 1880

Motions

By Cr Hardy
That tenders be called to be in at nexct Meeting for Culvert & Earthwork on the Raywood Road near Joseph Doodyjgw

1

By Cr Hardy
That tenders be called for Two Culverts & Earthwork near Harrisons

2

By Cr Hardy
That tenders be called for 40 chains of Gole near Cheynes

3

By Cr Potter
That tenders be called for repairs to bridge Earthwork over Welsh Lagoon on Road leading West from Lake Blue

4

By Cr Hardy
That Tenders be called for G.C 50 chains on the bottom of Millars Paddock

5

Notice of Motion

By Cr Raleigh
I here give notice that at the nexct ndenary Meeting of the Shire Council I will move that Tenders be called for 60 chains more

1



16 May 1880

n less of clearing in the Parish of Gaudarra as described in petition annexed

By Cr Gill
That notice that I shall at the nexct ordinary Meeting of this Council move that the Secretary receive notice that after a certain date his services be dispensed with and that a Special Meeting be convened for that purpose
Also that applications be received from persons willing to undertake the duties of Secretary & Rate Collector combined at a Salary of £200 per annum

2

R. T. Reibeath
President

East

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| J Raleigh | Ch | 10 | ✓ | |
| J. L Tollison | Chy | 10 | ✓ | Ret |
| G. L Hiatt | " | 10 | ✓ | Ret |
| B. Flynn | " | 10 | ✓ | Ret |
| H. Banks | " | 10 | ✓ | |

North

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Geo Harrison | " | 10 | ✓ | |
| John Potter | " | 10 | ✓ | Ret |
| W Hanks | " | 10 | ✓ | Ret |
| Robt L Flynn | Asst Ch | 10 | ✓ | Ret |
| John Gillespie | Ch | 10 | ✓ | Ret |

South

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| David Cook | Ch | 10 | | Ret |
| O Schwenck | Cir | 10 | | |
| A C Land | Ch | 10 | | Ret |

Indian Lemon Hunt — Ch 10 Ret

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# Shire of East Loddon

# Minute Book

## 18-06-1880

## to

## 21-11-1884

18 Jun 1880

# Ordinary Monthly Meeting

Shire Hall
~~Serpentine~~
June 18th 1880

Present — Cr Penbreath — Chairman
Cr Coulls
" Hardy
" Laird
" Raleigh
" Lethlean
" Potter
" Gill

Minutes — The Minutes of the previous Meeting were read and

Confirmed

Correspondence
Letters Received

No 1 Municipal Association

Applying for the sum of £1-0-0 to cover the yearly expenditure as the present sum was insufficient to cover the yearly expences

Moved by Cr Coulls
Seconded " " Laird

That the amount be paid

Carried

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No 2 Central Board of Health
Forwarding circulars in case of Diphtheria

Received

3 Government Statist
Forwarding Agricultural Statistics

Received

4 James Gray Electoral Registrar
Asking for certain information respecting the Electoral Rolls
The Secretary said he had already furnished the information

Received

5 Chief Secretary Melbourne
Requesting to be furnished with information required in the enclosed form as early as possible to enable the Government to comply with an order made by the Legislative Council

Received

The Secretary said he had already furnished the information required

6 William Manning Williams
Making a complaint about the dog nuisance

Received



18 Jun 1880

7 The Balaclava Memorial Fund
Asking for Donation

Received

8 Shire of Belfast
Re Railway Conference

Received

9 Municipal Association of Victoria
Enclosing Report of Proceedings

Received

10 R. C. Blunden
Applying for the Office of Secretary to the Shire

Received

And the Secretary was instructed to reply to Mr Blunden that the Office was not vacant

11 W. H. Offey
Re defaulting Ratepayers

Received

12 Byron Moore
Acknowledging receipt of cheque
Forwarding subscription

Received

13 Royal Insurance Company
Forwarding Receipt for
insurance Office in the Royal

Received

14 Shire of Benalla
Recommending the attention
of the Council to Mr Sharpes Bill with
reference to the Licensing Act No 566
Moved by Cr Coutts
Sec " " Laira Received
That the Bill be supported

Carried

15 H. W. Stone C.E. Melbourne
Notifying that he had
commenced practice in Melbourne

Received

16 Secy. Flinders Rm S.S.Y. Committee
Asking for the use of the
Hall for a Concert and Ball to be
given on the evening of the 24 inst

Moved by Cr Laira
Sec " " Lethlean
That the use
of the Hall be granted

Carried

17 Inspector of Slaughter Yards
Making returns and applying for £



years Salary
The account was ordered to be Paid

## Secretarys Report

I have the honor to submit the
usual Monthly Report of the expenditure
of the several Ridings for the Month
North Riding £12:0:0
South Riding 59:12:6
East Riding 41:12:8
Joint Account 78:0:3
The amount of Rates received for
the month amount £81:16:0 being
for the North Riding £41:5:0
South Riding 20:17:0
East Riding 19:16:0
We have also received an intimation
from the Government that the 1st Moiety
of the Government Subsidy for the year
1880 is about to be paid the amount is
£700:0:11 being at the Rate of about
£1:9:5 in the £
We have as yet had no answer to the
application to the Minister of Mines
for a Grant in aid on account of the Weir
although a Deputation that went to
Melbourne was promised the sum of £250

Moved by Cr Coutts
Seconded " " Peubreath
That the Secretarys
Report be received

Carried

## Engineers Report

I have the honor to report that I have prepared plans and specifications for the works, to be opened this meeting

I have certified for a balance of £1..2-0 for Addison Nicholl on his Contract at Welsh Lagoon. I escpect Phillips will have completed his Contract at the Yaug Yaug Swamp by the nexet Meeting of the Councie

Men are engaged in putting on earth and repairing the approaches to the Culverts at Blackfellows Clump at the ~~Clump~~ cost of ~~Mr~~ Nicholl. William Sly claims to have completed his contract for Bridge over Bullock Creek, Pompapiel, but it is impossible to inspect it without a boat or until the water subsided. R. Hester is about to remove the excavated material lying round this ~~Bridge~~ the Yaug to back up this Bridge. Taylor has commenced the Public Yaug at Calivil

Moved by Cr Peutreath
Seconded " " Raleigh. That the Engineers Report be received

## Treasurers Report — Carried

The Treasurer brought up his Monthly Report and Statement shewing a Debit Balance in Bank of Victoria of £378.0.5

Moved by Cr Peutreath
Seconded " " Raleigh
That the Treasurers Report be received

Carried



Cr Laird stated in reference to the Bullock Creek Bridge that he had objected to a Committee being appointed to report on the Bridge at last Meeting as he believed the Engineer was the proper person to judge and not the Councie

He now considered he had been too hasty and wished the Councie to hear the Contractors statement

Mr Sly was then called and stated that the Engineer had not found fault with any of the timber until long after the specified time and then promised to see it again before it was used but did not do so, also that the Engineer had not been within a hundred yards of the as it was surrounded by water

Cr Coutts condemned the action of the Engineer in not using more energy in inspecting the timber and workmanship

Cr Laird and himself had inspected the Bridge and did not see anything to find fault

Cr Laird also spoke strongly against the action of the Engineer in not previously inspecting the timber. In reference to his statement that he was unable to inspect the work from the quantity of water lying in the Creek Cr Coutts had gone under the Bridge to do so and saw nothing to condemn. in his opinion it was the best Bridge in the shire

Cr Potter

Considered the Council should appoint a Committee to inspect the work

Cr Raleigh
Agreed with believing there were faults to be found on both sides

Cr Potter moved
That a Committee consisting of the President - Crs Raleigh Coutts Laird and the mover be appointed to inspect the Bridge and report thereon
Seconded by Cr Lethlean

Carried

Mr Woods reported that the East Riding contained 117,609 computed at a net annual value of £14,091.15, and at rate of 1/- would return a Revenue of £704.11.9. The North Riding comprised 73,523 acres of land which will give a return of £415.18. The South Riding has an area of 85,044 acres the net annual value of which is £9650.5.0 reckoned at the same rate which will bring in a revenue of £482.10.3 or a total of 276,176 acres of improved land in the Shire together with private dwellings and business places the net annual value of which amounts to £32,060-0-0

Moved by Cr Penbreath
Seconded " " Lethlean

Carried

That Mr Woods report be Received



Cr Coutts suggested that the Committee previously appointed to inspect the Bullock Creek Bridge be authorized to decide upon the dam and earthwork necessary to complete the approaches thereto and have power to order the contractor to proceed with the work or otherwise
He moved in accordance with his suggestions
Seconded by Cr Lethlean

Carried

Cr Lethlean moved
That £5 be paid to William Taylor for extra work to his contract in the East Riding

Seconded by Cr Hardy

Carried

Cr Coutts introduced Mr James Bailie who requested that the Council would support his application that a piece of land situated on the Serpentine Creek between it and the land lately held by Mr P. Glynn and near the Boundary of the East Loddon Estate, should be put up for sale

Moved by Cr Potter
Seconded " " Raleigh

That the Council have no objection to the Sale of the land in question

Carried

18 Jun 1880

Cr Raleigh

Brought under the notice of the Council a matter of overcharge in Rates in the case of a ratepayer named O'Donohue in the Parish of Gaudarra and moved

That their rates be amended accordingly to the new valuation

Seconded by Cr Lethlean

Carried

Cr Hardy Reported on behalf of the Committee appointed at last meeting to enquire into Mr Leods case

That they had seen Mr McLeod with reference to the drain across the Road near his property and the Committee had agreed to pay ½ the cost of conveying the water across the Road

Moved by Cr Coutts
Seconded " " Pentreath

That the matter be left in the hands of the Committee

Carried



18 Jun 1880

Tenders

The Public Works Committee then retired to open Tenders and on resuming Cr Raleigh recommended the following as being the lowest

Deposit

nil — No 1 Erection of Timber Bridge over Welsh Lagoon Parish of Larkhan
No Tender in

No 2 Two Culverts & Earth work on same Road East of the above Bridge Parish of Larkhan

N 208 — £3 "10 . 0 — H. A. Tephson — £70 "0 "0

No 3 Culvert & Earthwork on 3 chains Durham Ox Road

nil — No Tender in

No 4 Grubbing and Clearing 40 chains of Road 4 chains wide near Cheynes Larkhan

5/- — Joseph Hiel at 1/11 per chain

No 5 Grubbing and Clearing 50 chains of Road near Millars Parish of Larkhan

5/- — Joseph Hiel at 2/- per chain

Moved by Cr Coutts
Seconded by Cr Pentreath

That the Tenders as recommended be accepted and that fresh Tenders be called for No 3

Carried

18 Jun 1880

Moved by Cr Hardy
Seconded " " Raleigh

That tenders be called for N 1 to be opened in a fortnight by the members of the North Riding at 4 Posts

Carried

Moved by Cr Raleigh
Seconded " " Hardy

That the Maps used by Mr Woods in the valuation be purchased by the Shire for the sum of £3-0-0

Carried

Cr Potter brought up a matter which had been often before the Council viz the deficiency between the North and South Ridings asserting that that the arrangement made between the two Ridings in February in Committee had not by some oversight been confirmed by the Council

Cr Potter then moved

That at the end of the year 1878 the South Riding was indebted to the North Riding in the sum of £248

Seconded by Cr Hardy

Carried



18 Jun 1880

Motions

By Cr Raleigh

That tenders be called to be in at next Meeting for Grubbing & Clearing 60 chains of Road in the Parish of Jandarra

Seconded by Cr Penbreath

Carried

Cr Gill brought forward the motion standing in his name for giving the Secretary notice of dismissal.

He Moved

That the Secretary receive notice that his services would be dispensed with on the 16th of July next and that applications be called for a Secretary and Rate Collector combined at a salary of £200 per annum

Seconded by Cr Potter

Cr Raleigh considered that the motion was at present inopportune several of the Councillors being about to retire by effluxion of time. He believed there was ample room for improvement but moved that the matter stand over till after the Election in August

Seconded by Cr Hardy

Cr Coutts did not agree with either the amendment or resolution. he believed that the feeling among the ratepayers was that the Secretary should not be dismissed

He was as much in favour of retrenchment as any councillor and would reduce the Secretarys Salary to £150 a year

As to the Collector he had heard no complaints against him

Cr Laird
Supported the views of the last speaker as far as retrenchment was concerned and was convinced that the Ratepayers as a body were not in favour of the Secretarys dismissal

Cr Hardy
Presented a petition against the dismissal of the Secretary signed by a number of Ratepayers

Cr Potter considered it was not the duty of the Council to keep an Officer when he was not capable of fulfilling his duties

The amendment by Cr Raleigh was then put
Cr Raleigh Hardy Laird and Coults voting for and Cr Pendreath Gill Leithlean and Potter against it
The President gave his casting vote against and the amendment was lost

Cr Coults Moved
As a further amendment that the Services of the Secretary be retained at £150 per annum and that he find his own quarters
Seconded by Cr Laird and lost the voting being as before



Cr Coults then moved as a further amendment that the motion stand over till the Meeting of the Council in August
Seconded by Cr Laird
and Carried
Cr Leithlean who had previously ~~supported~~ voted on the other side supporting the amendment

Notices of Motion

1 By Cr Laird
That tenders be called for improvements to Raywood Road from Millars to Priestlys also on Boundary Road between South and East Riding

2 By Cr Laird
That tenders be called for clearing fallen timber and stumps off Road leading from Serpentine Bridge to Mossops Farm

3 By Cr Laird
That tenders be called for painting and repairing finger posts throughout the Shire

4 By Councillor Raleigh
That tenders be called for the necessary repairs to the Williamo Road consisting of about 60 chains of draining, earthwork and a pipe culvert &c near Yondas Selection

18 Jun 1880

Notices of Motion

5 By Cr Lethleau

That tenders be called at next Meeting for Grubbing and Clearing 120 chains ½ chain wide to commence from James Lachmans and go North as far as the Plains in the Parish of Yallock

6 By Cr Pentreath

That tenders be called for Grubbing and Clearing 40 chains ½ chain wide on East and West Road next South of Mr Bawards and Y. Woods blocks Parish of Yalambe

7 By Cr Pentreath

That tenders be called for Culvert and Earthwork on North and South Road between Duffys and Silbys Selections. Hayanmi

8 By Cr John R. Lethleau

That tenders be called for one extra Culvert on the 3 chain Road by Mrs Fishers

Also 2½ miles of Drains upper side of the Road by James Bennetts running North as far as the swamp in the Road



18 Jun 1880

By Cr Gill

That I shall at the next Meeting of this Council move that a Rate of one shilling in the £ be struck upon the net annual value of all rateable property within the Shire of East Loddon

Instructions to Officers

The Engineer was instructed to prepare plans and specifications for approval at next Meeting of improvements to Raywood and Durham Ox Road between Millars and Priestlys and also on Boundary Road between South and East Ridge

Moved by Cr Potter
Seconded " " Hardy

That an agreement be drawn out for the Engineer

The Accounts as Read were on the motion of Cr Potter ordered to be paid

| | | £ | S. | D. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| JUDGE | Secretary | 16 | 13 | 4 |
| JUDGE | Engineer | 20 | 16 | 8 |
| JUDGE | L. G. Hounsbloweroke Printing & Advertising | 5 | 8 | 6 |
| JUDGE | Mackay & Co Printing and Advertising | 6 | 13 | 0 |
| JUDGE | Inspector of Slaughter Yards 1 Year | 5 | " | " |
| JUDGE | George. N. Burrows Rate Collector | 5 | " | " |
| JUDGE | Government Act No 566 | 6 | 15 | " |
| ENGINEER | Addison Nicholl Cont 201 | 1 | 2 | " |
| ENGINEER | R. L. Phillips " 200 | 20 | " | " |
| ENGINEER | William Taylor " 207 | 20 | " | " |
| ENGINEER | William Mummy Work and Labour | 1 | 10 | " |
| ENGINEER | John. P. Woods Valuer | 25 | " | " |

18 Jun 1880

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| S | William Corby Mt Nebo Labourer | 1 | " | " |
| E | William Taylor Cont 204 contra | 5 | " | " |
| J | John P. Woods. Maps. | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| E.S | William Sly Cont 205 | 50 | " | " |

The Revision Court for the revising of the Voters Roll for the Shire of East Loddon was ordered to be held on the 16th inst at 12 o'clock

The Meeting then closed and the next Meeting was ordered to be held on the 3rd Friday in July 1880

N. L. Pentreath
President

# Annual Monthly Meeting

Shire Hall
Serpentine
July 16th 1880

Present

Councillor Peubreath Chairman
" Raleigh
" Lethleau
" ~~Hardy~~
" Coulls
" Laird
" Potter
" Gill

Minutes — The Minutes of the previous Meeting were read and on the motion of Cr J. R. Lethleau Seconded by Cr Coulls

Confirmed

Correspondence

Letters Received

No 1 N. F. Peubreath. Williamstown
Re Voters Rolls

Received

2 William Hardy
Referring to Culvert in Larkham and desiring Secretary to call for fresh Tenders at next Meeting

Received



3 Town Clerk. Melbourne
In re Main Roads Maintenance

Received

4 Caleb Anderson. Melbourne
Asking what rates were due on Allot: 16 a. and 23-24 B. Parish of Calivil

Received

~~And~~ the Secretary said that he had already replied

5 J. Hederick Government Auditor
Asking to be supplied with a Copy of the Roll

Received

6 Secretary for Water Supply
Referring to Tanks suggested by the Government

Received

7 Thomas Rubling
Requesting Donation for the Hospital for Incurables. Melbourne

Received

8 R. Balderson Mayor of St Kilda
In Re Polls

Received

9 School of Mines Sandhurst

Forwarding Drawings of Drills and requesting Subscription to the School of Mines

Received

10 Joseph Heil

Asking for Balance due on Contract

Received and Balance ordered to be paid

11 Petition from Thomas Old & others

Asking for a Footbridge over Swamp near Eaglen Hill School

Moved by Cr Coutts
Seconded " " Hardy

That the matter be left in the hands of the Members of the East Riding and the Engineer

Carried

12 William Taylor

Asking to be allowed to throw up his Contract and offering to forfeit his Deposit

Held over for further consideration

Eventually this Council allowed the Contract to be thrown up - Taylor to forfeit his deposit



13 Petition from Grills and others

Asking that something may be done to prevent the overflow of water from the Long Gully Swamp

Moved by Cr Raleigh
Seconded " " Penbreath

That the matter be left in the hands of the Members of the East Riding and the Engineer

Carried

14 William Thomas

re Drains on the Williams Road

Moved by Cr Raleigh
Seconded " " Gill

That the matter be left in the hands of the Members of the East Riding and the Engineer to bring up a Report at next Meeting

Carried

15 Office of Mines Melbourne

With Messrs Gordon and Blackie's Report re Water Conservation

Received

Held over for Discussion

16 Jul 1880

Reports

## Secretarys Report

I have the honor to lay before you the usual Monthly Statement and Report of the Expenditure of the various Ridings during the past Month as follows

| | |
|---|---|
| North Riding | £ 21 " 2 " 0 |
| South " | 26 " 0 " 0 |
| East " | 51 " 10 " 0 |
| Saint-Account | 94 " 6 " 6 |
| Total | £ 192 " 18 " 6 |

The Amount of Rates Received since last Meeting is as follows and amount to £ 14 " 14

South Riding £ 1 " 13 .
East " 13 " 1 .

The Voters Rolls are completed to the 10th of June but I have a few applications to be added to the list which will of course be dealt with by the Revision Court to be held on the 16th and at which I will submit the names

The list of the proposed rate for 1880-81 is now ready and lying at the Office for inspection and to which I have invited the inspection of the Ratepayers by Advertisement

It will be seen by the correspondence that the government contemplate repairing the Loddon Weir and also making several large Cuts within the Shire which will be beneficial to the ratepayers

The Voters Rolls have been lying in the





North Riding in the State School Calivil and at the Post Office Carlsbad — in the East Riding in the State School Yaelcott and the State School Hayanmi and in the South Riding in the Shire Hall Serpentine from the 30th of June to the 7th day of July in accordance with the act viz for inspection by any person interested therein

Moved by Cr Potter
Seconded " " Pentreath
That the
Secretarys Report be received

Carried

## Engineers Report

I have the honor to report that I have prepared plans and Specifications for Works on the Pyramid Road South of the Pompapiel Hotel according to Cr Edwards instructions, also plans and specifications for works in the Raywood and Durham Ox Road from Priestlys about 2 miles North West

A. Nicholls contract near Blackfellows Clump is now completed

R. J. Phillips Contract at the Gaug Gaug Swamp is nearly Completed

William Taylor informs me he does not intend to proceed with his Contract for Public Vault in Calivil. The work already done is under water

William Sly has made a charge for cambering the Bridge at Pompapiel of £5— This was unexpected by me

and I think it is not a legitimate one

There are other items as esbras amounting to £8"4"0 which I value at £4"6"0

H. A. Jephson has commenced his contract at Parklan and Joseph Neil two clearing Contracts at Parklan are all but completed

I have inspected the Raywood Road near Fishers while Myers Creek was in flood and to remedy the overflow on the Road in some degree. I recommend an additional Culvert in the Bank across the Creek of 40ft opening at an estimated cost including earthwork of £115 also draining the school lane and the next cross road North to divert any unavoidable overflow Eastwards to rejoin the creek at an estimated cost of £140

I wish to receive instructions relative to the Banks referred to in the memo of the Water Conservancy Board viz as to sides and as to area of land required in cases of private property

Moved by Cr Pentreath
Seconded " " Raleigh

That the Engineers Report be received

Carried



## Treasurers Report

The Treasurer brought up his report and Monthly Statement shewing a Debit balance in Bank of Victoria of £558"3"11

Moved by Cr Pentreath
Seconded " " Lethlean

That the Treasurers Report be Received

Carried

The Committee appointed to examine and report on the Bullock Creek Bridge then reported as follows

We the undersigned deputed to examine the Bridge over Bullock Creek and to decide as to the settlement to be made with the Contractor to report that on the 10th inst we carefully examined the Bridge and are of opinion that the Contract has not been carried out strictly in accordance with the specifications as several of the beams are not of the specified size. Had this Contract been let at a high figure we should certainly recommend that a fine be inflicted but as the price seems a very reasonable one and the rest of the work well and faithfully carried out we recommend that the Balance of the Contract be paid and that the Council let it be distinctly understood that in all Contracts the specifications and Engineers instructions must be strictly adhered to and

and carried out

Moved By Cr Pentreath
Seconded " " Lethleau

That the Report of the Committee be received and acted upon

Carried

Cr Coulls
Reported on behalf of the same Committee
That they had seen the Contractor for the Dam at Bullock Creek with reference to the earth for the approaches to the Bridge and had instructed him to get to obtain earth for the same at the rate of 9/- per cubic yard

Moved " Cr Lethleau
Seconded " " Hardy

That the action of the Committee be confirmed

Carried

Re Engineers Report

Moved by Cr Coulls
Seconded " " Potter

That Mr Sly's claim for £5- for ~~Champion~~ Quarry Bullock Creek Bridge be disallowed

Carried



Moved by Cr Hardy
Seconded " " Gill

That the Engineer be instructed to survey all the sites for the proposed Gaols within the Shire on private land 5 acres for each Gaol

Carried

Re Gaylor's Letters

Moved by Cr Gill
Seconded " " Hardy

That William Gaylor's letter be received, his deposit retained, and in the event of his tendering again for any work he be debarred for 12 months

Carried

Cr Laird
Said - That the Engineer should set out the work of the accepted tenderers immediately after the Contract had been accepted

Moved by Cr Lethleau
Seconded " " Pentreath

That Cr Coulls be appointed to confer with Mr Ettershank with reference to the Dam at Bullock Creek and to use his own discression in the matter

Carried

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Mr D. Dow

Was introduced to the Council by Cr Hardy

And stated that the Contractor for the dam had thrown down the fence and his cattle were always getting out

He thought that the Council should see that it was put up again

The Matter was left in the hands of the Members of the North Riding who would arrange about putting a fence up

Cr Gill brought under the notice of the Council the dangerous state of the Culvert near Shaws

Cr Laird said he should ask the Council to call for tenders at next Meeting for repairs to same

Moved by Cr Lethlean
Seconded " " Coutts

That a piece of Embankment between Phillips and Youngs lands be left in the hands of the Members of the East Riding



16 Jul 1880

Tenders

The Public Works Committee then examined the tenders and on the motion of Cr Hardy Seconded " " Potter

The following tenders were accepted

No 1 Erection of timber Bridge over Kelsh Lagoon Parish of Larkrow

Too high Fresh Tenders were ordered to be called for

Deposit £2 : 0 : 0

& Culvert and Earthwork on 3 chains Haywood and Durham Osc Road
Hugh Cheyne £43 : 8 : 4

13/-

3 Grubby and Cleary 60 chains more or less near Jacob Gentners Parish of Gundowra
Patrick R McMahon 4/6 per Chain
Chain wide

The following Accounts were on the motion of Cr Potter seconded by Cr Laird ordered to be paid

| | | £ | S | D |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| J.A | Secretary | 16 | 13 | 4 |
| J.A | Inquirer | 20 | 16 | 8 |
| J.A | Rate Collector | 5 | " | " |
| J.A | William H. Coffey Law Costs | 7 | 2 | 10 |
| S.E | William Sly Cont No 205 | 100 | " | " |
| S.E | " " " " " | 13 | 2 | 6 |
| J.A | Crabbe and Kirby Law Costs | 4 | 2 | " |
| S.K | Isaac Hird Work & Labour | 1 | 1 | " |
| N.K | Joseph Heil Cont No 210 | 4 | " | " |
| N.K | " " " 209 | 3 | 10 | " |
| E.R | R. L. Phillips " " 200 | 50 | " | " |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| E | Addison Nichols Cont- N° 192 | | 13 | 11 | " |
| S.R | Thomas Connaughton Work & Labour | | 27 | 13 | " |
| N.R | David Mishart | " " | 3 | " | " |
| S.R | Henry Smith | " " | 2 | 2 | 3 |
| E.R | W. J. Lethlean | " " | | 7 | " |
| E.R | D. McDonald | " " | 2 | 15 | " |
| E.S | William Sly Contract N° 205 | | 56 | 18 | 9 |

Motions By Cr Pentreath

That tenders be called for Grubbing and Clearing 40 chains more or less 4 chains wide on East and West Road nearest South of McCannons and 4 Woods blocks Parish of Yalambe

Seconded by Cr Hardy

By Cr Pentreath Carried

That Tenders be called for Culvert and Earthwork on North and South Road between Duffys and Silbys Selections Parish of Hayanmi

Seconded by Cr Hardy

By Cr Raleigh Carried

That tenders be called for the necessary repairs to the Miliamo Road consisting of about 50 chains of Draining Earthwork and Pipe Culvert near Fords selection

Seconded by Cr Coutts

Carried

Moved by Cr Laird

That tenders be called for painting and repairing finger posts throughout the Shire

Seconded by Cr Coutts

Carried



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Moved by Cr Laird

That tenders be called for improvements to Ruywood Road from Millars to Priestlys - Also on Boundary Road between South and East Riding

Seconded by Cr Coutts

Carried

Moved by Cr Laird

That tenders be called for clearing fallen timber and stumps off Road leading from Serpentine Bridge to Mossops Farm

Seconded by Cr Potter

Carried

Moved by Cr Lethlean (per Cr Pentreath)

That tenders be called for Grubbing and Clearing 120 chains long by 4 chains wide to commence from James Lachmans and go North as far as the plains in the parish of Yallourk

Seconded by Cr Coutts

Carried

A Notice of Motion by Cr Lethlean for Culvert by Mrs Fishers and 2½ miles of Drains near James Bennells was h[illegible]er till next Meeting

Moved by Cr Gill

That to raise the sum requried viz £1603 this Council make and levy a general rate of one shilling in the pound on the net annual value of all rateable property within the Shire of East Loddon for the period commencing this 16th day of July 1880 and ending the 16th day of July 1881 and that the said rate be due and payable on and after the 17th day of July 1880

Carried

16 Jul 1880

By Cr Coults

That this Council do adopt and Confirm the net valuation submitted of Rateable property in the Shire of East Loddon amounting to £1603 net valuation made by John P. Woods valuer

Carried

Moved by Cr Poultreath
Seconded .. " Laira

It was resolved that a new polling Booth be established at the State School Kamarooka in the East Riding

Carried

Moved by Cr Sethlean
Seconded .. " Gill

That Cr Poultreath be the Returning Officer for the East Riding at the Election to be held on the 12th day of August 1880
Cr Potter for the North Riding and
Cr Coults for the South Riding

Carried

On the Motion of Cr Coults the proper Officers were deputed to collect the Rates

Carried



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The Meeting then closed and the next Meeting was ordered to be held on the 3rd Friday in August

John Potter
President

# Revision Court

Shire Hall
Serpentine
July 16th 1880

The Revision Court for revising the Voters Roll for the Shire of East Loddon was held at 12 o'clock

Dr Peutreath as President took the Chair

The following Gentleman were on the Bench

Dr Coutts ~~PC~~
" Potter
" Gill
" Hardy ~~PC~~
" Lethlean

The Secretary read and submitted the Rolls to the Bench

Several names which were transferred were added to the Roll

Several names were submitted of addition but in as much as they had not paid their rates by the 10th of June the Bench refused to place them on the Roll

The Rolls after being signed by the Bench were handed to the Secretary for the purpose of having them printed

The Court then adjourned sine die



# Annual Elections

North Riding

At a Poll taken in the North Riding of the Shire of East Loddon on Thursday the 12th day of August 1880
the number of votes recorded for each candidate were

| | |
|---|---|
| William Hardy | 42 |
| James Mahoney | 56 |

I therefore declare William Hardy Esq duly elected a member of the Council of the Shire of East Loddon for the North Riding

John Potter
Returning Officer

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South Riding

William Bissett jun Esq being the only candidate nominated I therefore declare him duly elected a member of the Council of the Shire of East Loddon for the South Riding

Aug 12/5/80

David Coutts
Returning Officer
South Riding

East Riding

John Raleigh Esq being the only candidate nominated I therefore declare him duly elected a Member of the Council of the Shire of East Loddon for the East Riding

N. F. Peutreath
Returning Officer

16 Jul 1880

## Election of Auditor

At a Poll taken through the Shire for the Election of one Auditor the number of votes recorded for each candidate were

James Hird 139
Thomas Connaughton 64

I therefore declare James Hird Esq duly elected Local Auditor for the Shire of East Loddon

N. F. Penfreath
Returning Officer

John Potter
President

20 Aug 1880

# Ordinary Monthly Meeting

Shire Hall
~~Serpentine~~
August 20th 1880

Present

Councillor Peubreath
" Raleigh
" Lethbean
" Hardy
" Potter
" Gill
" Laird
" Coutts
" Bissett

Election of President

The President upon taking the Chair stated that his term of office had now expired

He then gave a brief statement of the present financial position of the Shire shewing that he closed his presidental year with the funds in a fair position and if the Government Subsidy had been paid he would have left the chair while the Council had a Credit Balance

The new Councillors Messrs Raleigh Hardy and William Bissett-jnr were then introduced and took their seats at the table after making the necessary declaration

20 Aug 1880

N° 6 William Hardy
In re Calivil Gaol

Received

7 Central Board of Health Melbourne
Calling attention to the careless deposit of nightsoil in or near running streams of water

Received

8 William Hardy Jarklau
In re Public Gaol at Calivil

Received

9 Public Works Melbourne
Stating that a Polling Booth had been Gazetted at Kamarooka State School

Received

10 Shire of Swan Hill
Asking what steps had been taken in the matter of the Lodden Weir

Moved by Cr Coutts
Seconded " " Hardy
That the Secretary write to the Government asking them for the promised subsidy for the Weir and to complete the Weir

Carried



20 Aug 1880

11 R. J. Phillips Williams
In re Contract

Received

12 Professor Jacobs
Asking for the use of the Shire Hall to hold an entertainment in

Granted on the usual terms

13 Petition from Patrick Smith & Others
In re Clearing Boundary Road between this Shire and Shire of Marong

Cr Lethlean said he had a notice of Motion bearing on that question

Reports of Committees

Cr Coutts reported
That he had met Mr Ellershaw according to arrangement about the land for the Public Yard at Bullock Creek and asked him what he would take for the land in question
Mr Ellershaw would give no decided answer but asked that might be furnished with a tracing of the land in question and wished the Council to state how much they were willing to give for it the Council having to fence the same in

After some further discussion the matter was left in the hands of Cr Coutts and the Engineer was

Cr Poultreath moved
That Cr Potter be elected President for the ensuing year

Cr Raleigh Seconded the motion
And spoke highly of Cr Potters abilities as a Councillor

Cr Coutts had great pleasure in supporting the motion having known Cr Potter for a great number of years

Cr Potter having taken the chair suitably acknowledged the honor conferred upon him and proposed a vote of thanks to the retiring President for his able conduct while in the Chair

Seconded by Cr Gill
and Carried

Cr Poultreath thanked his colleagues for the expression of their good opinion and also for their uniform courtesy towards him during his term of Office

Minutes — The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and

Confirmed



Correspondence

Letters Received

No 1 William Haray Jarman
In re Public Vault in Calivil
asking enquiries to call at Calivil

Received

2 Garnet Walsh Office of Victoria 1880
asking for subscription

Received

3 Shire of Marong
Re repairs on Raywood Road -
stating that the same would receive the attention of the Council

Received

4 Brown Ellison Solicitors, Sandhurst
In re Rates on Hymns property

Received

5 Shire of Swan Hill
Returning plans in re Water Conservancy

Received

20 Aug 1880

Reports of Committees

instructed to prepare at tracing of the land in question and hand it to Mr Coultis

The Report was Received

Carried

Mr Hardy reported

That the Public Gaol at Calvert had been fenced in a Cost of £9-0-0 by D. Dow also that the Culvert at McLeods had been finished at a cost of £3 McLeod to pay ½ the cost

The Report was Received

Moved by Mr Coultis
Seconded " " Laird

That the amounts be paid

Carried

Mr Raleigh reported on the works in the East Riding also that the Drain near Thomas was not at present required

Report Received

Mr Lethbeau Reported

That the work at Gay Gay which the East Riding Members had been authorized to get done at last Meeting had been let at 9d a cubic yard

and also Foot-bridge near Dugan Hall School had been let to Thomas Old for the sum of £5

also some earthwork near Melliamo had been let to R. L. Phillips at 10½ a cubic yard



20 Aug 1880

Moved by the President

Seconded by Mr Laird

That the action taken by the East Riding Committee be confirmed

Carried

## Engineers Report

I have the honor to report that R. L. Phillips Contract at the Gay Gay Swamp and J. Heils two Clearing Contracts at Jarklau are completed

R. Hester has made the Bridge at Pompapiee passable for light traffic with material from side cutting and some of that previously placed around the Bank.

Further instructions are required from you as to the prosecution of his contract

H. A. Jephson is making fair progress with his Contract for two Culverts and Earthwork on Harrisons Road Parish of Jarklau

I find it is necessary to have an extra log Culvert on that Road, the cost I estimate at £12

P. McMahon has nearly completed his Contract for Clearing near Gentners and H. Chaine is making fair progress with his contract for a Culvert and Earthwork near Doodys on the Ruywood and Durham Dec Road

I have let the execution of the embankment near Phillips to Phillips at 10½ per cubic yard and estimate the quantity at 300 c.y. costing £13-2-6

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Cr Lethleau has agreed with Thomas Old for a Footbridge near the Dingee School for cost £5 and Keast and others for a Dambank at the Yang Yang Swamp at 9d per cubic yard

The Cost will probably amount to £15

I have employed R. Woods and two others (5 days in all) to assist in taking Levels about Myers Creek

The Committee of Councillors appointed for that purpose have received Tenders for completing the Public Yard at Calivil and accepted that of Davis Daw at 9½ per cubic yard amounting to £126"13"4

I found that a new culvert opposite Shaws at Bears Lagoon was required and the Cost will be from £30-to £35-

I have had a Barricade placed at each end of the present Culvert to prevent accidents

I have repaired the approach to Culvert near Fishers on the Raywood Road at a cost of 18/- and the approaches of a Culvert near Bennett on the same Road at a cost of £2-0-0

I have prepared plans and specifications for works to be tendered for as instructed

Moved by the President

Seconded by Cr Lethleau That the Engineers Report be received

Carried



20 Aug 1880

## Secretarys Report

I have the honor to submit the statement of the expenditure in the various Ridings for the Month ending 20th of August 1880 shewing amount spent in work as follows

| | |
|---|---|
| North Riding | £10"10"0 |
| South " | 115"16"10½ |
| East " | 151"13"7½ |
| Joint Account | 53"14"10 |

According to the Bank Book we have now an overdraught of £168- and the amount we owe on the Floating Contracts according to the Engineers estimate is about £450

The Current expences for the next two months will be about £100 which together will make a sum of £218- which will just be enough to balance the accounts to the end of the financial year provided no new works are let till the 1st of October

To this sum will have to be added the election expences Returning Officers &c.

Moved by Cr Penbreath

Seconded " " Lethleau That the Secretarys Report be received

Carried

20 Aug 1880

N 6

Deposit — Grubbing and Clearing near Woods Parish of Talamba

£ 5 : 0 — Joseph Heil — £5 : 0 : 0

2 2 0 — 7 — Culvert & Earthwork near Duffys Parish of Hayaami

£2 : 0 : 0 — Edward Wood — £35 : 12 : 0

2 2 1 — 8 — Pipe Culvert & Earthwork near Woods Parish of Dingee

£3 : 0 : 0 — William R. Lethlean — £76 : 13 : 4

9 Repairing and Painting Finger Posts throughout the Shire

Tow high Fresh tenders ordered to be called

The Council then adjourned for Lunch

On Resuming it was moved by

Cr Penbreath

Seconded by Cr Potter

That the Secretary be



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instructed to request the Inspector of Nuisances to report on any cases where nightsoil had been emptied into creeks

Carried

Mr Barker was asked why he had not called for tenders for Culvert at Shaws

Mr Barker said it was no use repairing the old one as it wanted a new on entirely

He was instructed to call for tenders to be in at nesct meeting

Cr Gill asked

In reference to tolls if the Engineer could conveniently meet the members at Millars Hotel Pompapiel on Friday the 27th

Permission was given to the South Riding Members to Clear away the Dead Timber lying on Road leading from Turners to the London and also on the Cemetary Road

Moved by Cr Laird

Seconded Coutts

That the following accounts be paid

Carried

20 Aug 1880

6 By Cr Hardy That tenders be called for 9 chains more or less Jonny Road from Doolans corner on the 3 chain Haywood Road in the Direction of H. Cheynes Contract also up the one chain Road leading to the School

Sec by Gill

Carried

7 By Cr Lethlean That tenders be called for a small Culvert and Earthwork on Taylors Road running North and South opposite J. Kleinjans in the Parish of Yallock

Sec by Cr Hardy

Carried

Postponed 8 By Cr Hardy That Cr Pentreath Potter Laird and Coutts form a Committee to investigate the alleged charge of altering the printed Voters Roll for the North Riding of the Shire from the manuscript copy returned with altering the number of votes in some cases, giving less votes than they were entitled to and placing others to more than they should have and putting persons on the Roll who had not paid their Rates

The Council then adjourned and the next Meeting was ordered to be held on the 3rd Friday in September 1880

John Potter
President



Sec by Pentreath See Min Book ago
Cr Lethlean

20 aug 1880

| | | £ | s | d |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Secretary | | 16 | 13 | 4 |
| Engineer | | 20 | 16 | 8 |
| Bendigo Weekly News P.A. | | 6 | 4 | 3 |
| William H. Coffey Law Costs | | 3 | 1 | " |
| G. H. Burrows Rate Collector | | 5 | " | " |
| R. Robertson re R.R. with Ballot-Box | | 1 | " | " |
| John A. Poolech Office expences | | 12 | 3 | 6 |
| Nicholas Howells Repairing Bench | | | 9 | " |
| J. G. Houblower & P.A. | | 21 | 9 | 4 |
| James Taylor Work & Labour | | 3 | " | " |
| William Turvey " " | | 3 | 17 | 6 |
| H. A. Jephson Contract | 208 | 25 | " | " |
| R. L. Phillips " | 200 | 16 | 12 | " |
| Edward Hesler " | 206 | 25 | " | " |
| Joseph Heil " | 209 | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| Hugh Cheyne " | 211 | 10 | " | " |
| R. L. Phillips Work & Labour | | 4 | 10 | " |
| Joseph Heil Contract | 210 | | 13 | " |
| P. McMahon " | 212 | 4 | " | " |
| R. Robertson Deputy R. O. South R. | | 2 | 2 | " |
| George Bloomfield W. L. | | 6 | 13 | " |
| R. Woods " " | | 4 | 8 | " |
| Returning Officer R.R. | | 4 | 6 | " |
| D. Dow Deputy Public Vault Rat Calivil | | 9 | " | " |

The Secretary was instructed to discontinue the usual notices to Members



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Notices of Motion

Slaw over work N. of R.S.

By Cr Lethlean

1 That tenders be called for Clearing the South Boundary Road of the Shire one chain in width from the South West angle of allot 33 Yandarra Eastward to the South East angle of allotment 125 Parish of Ramarooka

By Cr Raleigh

2 That tenders be called for about 80 chains of Drainy on the Road running East from Eastmans Blacksmith shop in the Parish of Yandarra between Careys and Hicks property on the North and Evans and O'Neils on the South

Lethlean Sec Poole

By Cr N. Y. Penbreath

3 That tenders be called for Culvert and Embankment on Moonheads Road between allot ~~123 & 120~~ Parish of Yalambe

Sec by Lethlean Carried

104 to 100

By Cr Hardy

4 That tenders be called for 2 small Culverts and five chains of Earthwork on the 3 chain Raywood Road from the boundary East Moore's selection

Sec by Cr ~~Price~~ Potter Carried

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By Cr Penbreath

5 That tenders be called for Culverts and approaches on Moonheads Road between allot ~~120~~ 100 & 47-62 Parish of Yalambe

Sec by Lethlean Carried

96 10

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## Treasurers Report

The Treasurers brought up his Report and ~~Monthly Stale~~ shewing a Debit Balance in the Bank of Victoria of £168.4.4

Moved by Cr Hardy

Seconded " " Penbreath

That the Treasurers Report be received

Carried

Cr Hardy Reported that the Members of the North Riding had let the Contract for the ~~Bridge~~ at Calvert at 9½ per cubic yard to Davis Dow £126.13.4

Deposit
Cont 213 £7.2.6

Moved by Cr Coulls

Seconded " " Raleigh

That the whole Council go into Committee to open Tenders and on resuming it was

Moved by Cr Raleigh

Seconded " " Lethlean

That the following tenders be accepted

Carried



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Cont Deposit

214 £

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | N 1 | Esclenlion of Bridge on Kelsh Lagoon in the Parish of Jarklau | | |
| £3.0.0 | | William Hyde | | £65.2.8 |
| 215 | 2 | Five Culverts and a Earthwork near Priestlys on Raywood & Durham Ox Road Parish of Pompapiel | | |
| £10.0.0 | | Benj. Bowiller | | £215.17.6 |
| 216 | 3 | Culverts and a Earthwork on Pyramid Road Parish of Pompapiel | | |
| £9.0.0 | | Thomas Teles | | £176.10.0 |
| 217 | 4 | Grubbing & Clearing from Serpentine Township to Moorefs Parish of Jamieumber East | | |
| £1.0.0 | | Robert Howard | | £19.3.4 |
| 218 | 5 | Grubbing and Clearing near Jacksmans Parish of Jallbolk | | |
| £ 9.3 | | Richard O'Neil | | £9.10.0 |

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# Ordinary Monthly Meeting

Shire Hall
Serpentine
September 17-1880

Present — Councillor Potter President
" Haray
" Laird
" Rattreath
" Coutts
" Bissett
" Gill
" Lethbean

Minutes — The Minutes of the previous Meeting were read and

Confirmed

Correspondence — Letters Received

No 1 W. A. I. Wenborn Sandhurst —
Re Bendigo Local Almanac

Received

2 Chief Secretarys Office Melbourne
Re preparation of Lists and Rolls of
Rate paying Electors

Received

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3 William Hardy Yarklan
Re David Dows Contract at Calivie

Received

4 Shire of Swan Hill
Inclosing Cheque for ½ share of Contract 174 and 183

Received

5 James Gray Marong
Asking Secretary to forward List of Ratepaying Electors for the Pyramid Creek Division of the North Western Province

The Secretary said he had already furnished them

Received

6 J. W. Pemberton Rochester
Re pre Water for the Plains Conference

Received

7 W. H. Coffey Inglewood
Acknowledging Receipt of Cheque

Received



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8 J. W. Pemberton Rochester
Re Water for the Plains Conference

Received

9 Horwood Bros Castlemaine
Soliciting order for Roller

Received

10 Municipal Association of Victoria Sandhurst
Applying
Group Meeting in Sandhurst on the 22nd inst

Moved by Cr Coulls
Seconded " " Pentreath
That the President be appointed a Delegate from this Shire to attend the Conference

Carried

11 Minister of Mines
Acknowledging Receipt of Secretary letter for the application of Goverment Subsidy in re the Loddon Weir

Received

12 Samuel Moore Yandarra
Complaining that he had been rated too high and asking the Council to reduce his Rates
Moved by Cr Lethlean
Sec. " " Pentreath. That the matter stand over till next Meeting

Carried

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13 Homoeopathic Hospital Melbourne
Asking for
Donation
Received

14 Melbourne Orphan Asylum
Asking for Donation
Received

15 Central Board of Health Melbourne
In re
the spread of measles
Received

16 L. W. Pemberton Re-chester
Telegram in Re Water for
the Plains Conference
Received

14a In re the Same approaching Meeting for the
22nd Inst and stating what Business would
be required to be done
Received



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14 William Hardy Darkham
Asking for a ticket for the Inglewood
Hospital for Michael Martin
Received

18 David Dow
Asking for an extention of time on his
Contract for Public Gaol at Calivil

Moved by Cr Hardy
Seconded " " Gill
That Dow receive 1 months
esclention of time
Carried

19 L. W. Pemberton
Telegram that Deputation had
been altered
Received

20 John Slattery Sec. Calivil R. League
In re the Meeting at
Calivil and asking the President to bring
the matter under the notice of the Minister of
Railways on his visit to Melbourne
Received

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No 21 Minister of Justice Melbourne

Stating that a letter had been addressed to Graham Webster P. M. of Sandhurst Directing him to administer the oaths in respect of the Office of Justice of the Peace to the President of the Shire of East Loddon

Received

22 Thomas Henderson Sec. L. & K. Railway League

Asking for Donation

Moved by Cr Gill
Seconded " Hardy

That the sum of £10 be granted as a Donation to the funds of the League

Carried

23 Hugh Cheyne

Asking for esclention of time to Complete his Contract near Dordys

Moved by Cr Gill
Seconded " Hardy

The 3 weeks esclention of time be given him

Carried



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24 Thomas Henderson

Stating that Deputation had been arranged for the 22nd at 11 o'clock at Gunlays Hotel Flinders St Melbourne

Received

Moved by Cr Coutts
Seconded " " Lethleau

That two Delegates be appointed to go to Melbourne on the 21 and 22 inst viz
The President
and Cr Hardy

Carried

Reports of Committees

Cr Hardy reported that the Members of the North and South Riding had met at Millars according to agreement to fix upon a site for a Public Yard in Pompapiel and had decided upon a corner of Lawsons land as the most suitable place for it and it was then left in the hands of Cr Coutts to arrange with Mr Lawson about the Land

Cr Coutts Reported that he had written to Lawson asking him how much he would take for 2 acres of ground and he read a reply from Lawson stating that he would £2-10 per acre but he must be allowed certain privileges including a slip rail in the fence
But upon Cr Coutts informing him that he could not have any privileges he had received the following reply from Lawson

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Sir

Yours to hand of the second inst- about Gault sale. As I see by your rules I cannot have any privileges I would not cut off 2 acres of the best part of the paddock; in fact I would not think of selling it at all for any other purpose. As it is I want £4 per acre which I think is not unreasonable the Land in question is leasehold

It was eventually arranged to purchase 2 acres of the Land at £4- per acre)

The Secretary was instructed to have the necessary papers to Mr Coffey to make the transfer

Cr Coutts said he had received the tracing for the Gault at Bullock Creek but had not been able to see Mr Ettershank

The Reports were Received

## Engineers Report

I have the honor to report that I have prepared plans and Specifications for a Small Bridge opposite Shaws at Bears Lagoon and tenders have been advertised for that and for work to Finger Posts

Progress has been slightly delayed with the Contracts by the last rain and some earthwork carried away on Jephsons Contract but the loss is very slight with regard to the



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extra Culvert I recommended for this work I applied to the Contractor for an estimate of the extra Cost of that and an enlargement of one of the other Culverts he has sent me an estimate of £55 which I consider £20 too high unfortunately he has filled up the schedule to his tender such a way that it would be difficult to value the proposed work under his Contract

It may be ordered to be done and paid for at current Rates

I am told that some damage has been done (yesterday) to the approach to the Bridge near Fishers on the Raywood Road which requires immediate repairs and about 26 chains of Drains on the same road requires cleaning out as an overflow on to privati property has been caused by it during the late rains

The Dam Bank at the Yang Yang Swamp is completed the cost has been £16"10 and the execution of bank near Phillips has been made at a cost of £16"0"10

The Foot Bridge near the Dingee School has been begun a week ago

Moved by Cr Potter
Seconded " Cr Penlreath

That the Engineers Report be received

Carried

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# Secretarys Report

I have the honor to lay before the Council the usual Monthly Statement shewing the expences incurred in the several Ridings within the Shire as follows—

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| North Riding | £ | 52"9"2 |
| South " | | 21"9"6 |
| East " | | 56"6"0 |
| Joint Account | | 86"0"1 |

I shall just be enabled to close the financial year pretty near as far as the Shire is concearned I have not as yet heard who the Government Auditor is but I suppose I shall know in a day or two

We have not yet received the 2nd Moiety of the Goverment Subsidy which is now overdue until which time I cannot close my accounts we have now an overdraught of £300

I annex a Statement of the Financial position of the Shire

| Receipts | | Expenditure | |
|---|---|---|---|
| North Riding | £828"3"8 | | £324"2"8 |
| South " | 913"4"8 | | 807"16"10 |
| East " | 1276"1"1 | | 1105"17"6 |
| Shire of Swan Hill | 441"0"3 | Joint Acc | 831"13"0 |
| Dep. on Heir | 25"0"0 | Heir Acc. | 450"6"8 |
| | £3483"9"8 | | £3819"16"8 |

Moved by Cr Coulls
Seconded " " Peultreath

That the Secretarys Report be received

Carried



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# Treasurers Report

The Treasurer brought up his Report and Monthly Statement shewing a Debit Balance in the Bank of Victoria of £296"4"4

Moved by Cr Coulls
Seconded " " Lethleau

That the Treasurer's Report be received

Carried

Moved by Cr Hardy
Seconded " " Coulls

That Stephsons Contract be carried out accordg to the Specification

Carried

Moved by Cr Coulls
Seconded " " Hardy

That Cr Laria Peultreath and Potter be a Finance Committee

Carried

Cr Peultreath moved

That a Refreshment committee be appointed

There being no seconder the motion lapsed

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Tenders

The following Tenders were then opened

No 1 Repairs to and renewal of Finger Posts and Boards in the Shire

922 Deposit-

Y/- Nicholas Howells £6 " 15 " 0

Moved by Cr Coulls
Seconded .. .. Lethbean

That Howells tender be accepted

923 No 2 Construction of Culvert part old Material near Bny. Shaws Bears Lagoon

Jephson This Tender being too high fresh tenders were ordered to be called in a fortnight to be opened on the 1st of October

The following accounts were passed for payment

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Secretary | 16 | 13 | 4 |
| Engineer | 20 | 16 | 8 |
| MacKay & Printing Advertising | 11 | 1 | 6 |
| John R Bashaw | 2 | 2 | 5 |
| Rate Collector | 10 | " | " |
| Shire of Swan Hill Repairs to Hayami Bridge | 2 | 10 | " |
| Cleaning Hall | 9 | " | " |
| Robert Cannon Work & Labour | | 5 | " |
| Hugh Cheyne Contract No 211 | 10 | " | " |



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| | | £ | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Reward Heslin Contract No | 206 | 10 | " | " |
| P. Mc Mahon " | 212 | 4 | " | " |
| David Dow " | 213 | 25 | " | " |
| Wilson & MacKinnon | | 1 | 6 | " |
| J. Henderson Secty R. Swan Hill Racing Club | | 10 | " | " |
| Returning Officer North Riding | | 3 | 12 | " |

The President read a Telegram from Dr Hearn of the Dunlewood in reply to one from the Secretary stating that Michael Martin at present an inmate of the Hospital was not suffering from Diptheria but from inflamed tonsils

A. Telfer was received from J. S. Roberts in reply to a communication from the President stating that he was compelled to offer his resignation to the Council at the end of the present year on certain conditions as stated

The President said he could not allow the matter to lapse he would therefore move That the resignation be accepted and Mr Roberts receive £150- as a bonus

Cr Hardy
Moved an amendment that the resignation be not accepted
So long as Mr Roberts did his duty it was all that could be expected

Cr Gill
Seconded the motion

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and
Cr Laura
Seconded the amendment

On the Motion being put it was declared
Carried

Cr Coulls Moved
Cr Lethlean Seconded
That the Rates be
amended as follows
Wm Adams reduced from 15/ 0 10/-
Henry Smith raised " 5/- 0 10/-
and Samuel Moore and
Thomas Smith

Cr Coulls asked the Council to suspend the
Standing Orders

Seconded by Cr Laura

Carried

As a Consequent to that he would move

1 That Tenders be called for a 3000 Yard in
the Parish of Pompapeil

2 Grubby & Cleary 60 more or less between allot 162 & 163
Parish of Lauriember East

3 G & C. 60 Chains More or less bet: Davidsons & Hoeys

4 Grubby & Cleary near Mellars



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Seconded by Cr Gill

Carried

5 Moved by Cr Pentreath
Sec. " " Lethlean
That tenders be called for
Pipe Drain and Earthwork near the Hayanui State
School

Carried

6 Moved by Cr Hardy
Sec " Cr Potter
That a Bridge be erected at
the Mayors Line and that it be put on the
estimates for next year

Carried

Moved by the President
Sec. " " Pentreath
That the Secretary write
to the Shire of Korong asking that Council to
join in erecting a Bridge over the Mayors Line

Carried

Cr Coulls suggested that help might be claimed
from the Government by the Deputation that
was going to town

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Cr Haray Instructed the Secretary to write to L. M.c Leod asking him to pay ½ the cost of the Culvert near his House

Cr Lethleau moved That the late President receive £25 as travelling expences during his term of office as President

Seconded by Cr Gill

Carried

7 By Cr Lethleau That tenders be called for an extra Culvert by Mrs Fishers also 2½ Miles of Drains on the same Road

Sec. by Cr Penbreath

Carried

A. Notice of Motion by Cr Lethleau was held over till next Meeting

8 By Cr Raleigh For 80 chains of Drainy on the Road running East from Hartmans Blacksmith shop in the parish of Tamaarra

Sec. by Cr Lethleau

Carried



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9 By Cr Penbreath For Culvert and Earthwork on Moorheads Road between Allot 100 and 101 Parish of Talamba

Seconded by Cr Lethleau

Carried

10 By Cr Hardy Two Small Culverts and five chains of earthwork on the 3 chain Raywood Road East Moors Selection

Seconded by Cr Potter

Carried

11 By Cr Penbreath For Two small Culverts and approaches on Moorheads Road between Allot 47 & 100 Parish of Talamba

Seconded by Cr Lethleau

Carried

12 By Cr Haray That tenders be called for 9 chains more or less Jonny Road from Doolans corner on the 3 chain Raywood Road in the Direction of Hugh Haynes Contract also on the one chain road leading to the School

Sec. by Cr Gill

Carried

17 Sep 1880

13 By Cr Lethlean

That tenders be called for a small Culvert and Earthwork on Gaylors Road running North and South opposite T. Reles jnr in the Parish of Yallourk

Seconded by Cr Hardy

Carried

The Secretary was instructed to send notices in future

On the motion of
Cr Coutts
Sec " Lethlean

The Meeting was adjourned till the 3rd Friday in October 1880

John Potter
President

# Ordinary Monthly Meeting

Shire Hall
Serpentine
Oct 15-1880

Present — Councillor Potter Chairman
" Coutts
" Birrell
" Gill
" Pentreath
" Lethlean
" Harvey

Minutes — On the Motion of Cr Lethlean
Seconded " " Pentreath

The Minutes of the previous Meeting were read and C

Confirmed

Correspondence

Letters Received

N°1 John McLeod Parkham
Enclosing Cheque for £1"10
being ½ Share of Crossing on Road

Received



N°2 Under Treasurer Melbourne
Stating that a practice had existed of including monies which had been refunded by the Shire Council and enquiring whether this Council had followed this practice

The Secretary stated that since 1865 the Statement of Rates had been furnished strictly in accordance with Section 348 Act N°506

Received

N°3 Shire of Korong
Stating that the proposal to erect a Bridge at the Majors Line over the Loddon had been postponed till the 19th inst

Received

4 Central Board of Health Melbourne
Asking the Local Boards of Health to report upon what provision had been made for carrying out the Public Health Amendment Act in the case of any person suffering from contagious Diseases

Received

5 Shire of Echuca
Asking for payment of £104"17"8
being the amount of this Shires share of the cost of erecting a Bridge at Militamo

Moved by Cr Pentreath
Seconded " " Lethlean

That the amount be paid subject to obtaining vouchers

Carried

6 David Dow Parkhan

Asking Secretary to Jowara

Cheque passed at last Meeting

The Secretary said he had already complied with the request

Received

7 Garnet Walsh. Melbourne

Soliciting Subscription for Victoria in 1880

Receivd

8 Arnall Jackson. Melbourne

Asking to obtain if practicable a Wax impression of this Councils Seal in order to place an impression of the same in a Show Case in the Exebition

Receivd



9 W. M. Harcourt. Lamahurst

Stating that he had received an order to insert advertisements for tenders once in the Ivenny News and that other papers have it so then

The Secretary stated that he had consulted the President and that he had received instructions that all the papers should be treated the same

Received

10 Chief Secretary's Office Melbourne

Stating that Mr Scoullar had been appointed Auditor on behalf of the Government of the Shire's Municipal Accounts for the year ending 30 of September 1880 and Fixing the fees of both Government and Elected Auditors

Receivd

11 J. Scoullar Melbourne

Stating that he has been appointed Govt Auditor to this Shire and that his address was Swan St. Melbourne

Receivd

12 Thos Henderson Lamahurst

Acknowledging receipt of Cheque for £10.

Receivd

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13 J. Burness Williams
Complaing about being rated
too high
Do. stand over

14 Mary Priestly
In re the same
Do Stand over

15 William Priestly
In re the same

On the Motion of Cr Pentreath
Seconded " " Lethlean
That the Matter
stand over till next Meeting and in the mean
time the Secretary write to Mr Woods asking
him to attend at next Meeting

Carried

16 William Lethlean Williams
Asking for a fortnights
escleution of time on Cont 221

Moved by Cr Coulls
Sec " " Pentreath
That the escleution of time
be granted

Carried



15 Oct 1880

17 R. O'Neill
Asking for 1 Months escleution of time
Granted

18 Thos. Reles
Asking for one Months escleution of time

Moved by Cr Lethlean
Seconded " " Hardy
That the request be granted

Carried

19 Shire of Darwon
Asking this Council to request
the Parliamentary Representatives to support a
Bill in Parliament giving Local Bodies the power
to reestablish Toll Gates were deemed necessary

Cr Coulls moved
That the Secretary write to the
Members for the District asking them to support
the Bill as he thought it a just one

Seconded by Cr Lethlean

Carried

20 Benj Rowiller
Asking one Months escleution of time
on his Contract as the late rains had made the
roads very

Granted

15 Oct 1880

21 William Slyfe

Asking for 14 days esclention of time on his Contract on account of the late rains

Moved by Mr Hardy
Sec " " Gill

That the time asked for be granted

Carried

22 Nicholas Howells

Referring to Contract for Auger Pools

Stating that had not been able to complete the Contracts in consequence of the Engineer delay in furnishing information

To Stand over

23 Telegram from Thos. Henderson

Stating that the Minister of Railways proposed inspecting the Raglehawk & Kerang Line on Friday next

Received



15 Oct 1880

Reports of Committee

The President reported

That Mr Hardy and himself had attended as a deputation to the Chief Secretary on water conservation for the Shire

He considered the Deputation was well received and that the Chief Secretary would favourably consider the report of Messrs Gordon & Black when the full report was sent to the Department

The President considered from the Report he was shown that the East Loddon Shire was very favourably referred to

He believed that the Weir at the Serpentine would be repaired and that the Loddon water would be conveyed from Bridgewater through the Eastern portion of the Shire

Mr Hardy Reported also

On the success of the Deputation Railway Exclension through the Shire

He believed that the line to Kerang would ultimately start from Raglehawk and follow the route now surveyed

He also reported on their success with the Minister of Public Works re the Bridge over the Loddon at Mayors Crossing

The Minister promised that ⅓ of the cost of the Erection of the Bridge would be granted by the Department and that the Council could depend on the money being forthcoming when required

On the Motion of Mr Coutts
Seconded by Mr Tethleau

A Vote of thanks was passed to the Deputation and their expences ordered to be paid

Carried

15 Oct 1880

Cr Coutts Reported
That the Members for the South Riding had let the Culvert at Shaws Co. W. Ely for the sum of £

He also stated that he had seen Mr Ettershank relative to the Dam at Bullock Creek

They had not come to a final arrangements but hoped to do so before next Meeting

Cr Hardy moved
That a Cordial Vote of thanks be given to Crs Coutts Pentrath for their assistance to the Deputation during their visit to Melbourne

Seconded by Cr Telfer

Cr Potter moved — Carried
Sec. by Cr Hardy. That the action of the S. Riding members be confirmed in re the letting of the Culvert at Shaws

Carried

Engineers Report

I have the honor to report that I have found it impossible to carry out the whole of my instructions with regard to the preparation of Plans & Specifications for Tenders which required 29 originals and Copies. I was obliged to hold over three works for a future Meeting and to omit sending Copies of Plans & Specifications to Williams, and, in one case, to Talbot
Tenders for 10 works have been invited
The Tenders deferred are. Pipe Culvert and Earthwork at Hayanui a 2nd length of Formation & Culverts North of Moorheads. Talamba and 1 Mile of Draining in Tandarra



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The works required on the Road South of James Walsons Parish of Tandarra are 1 Culvert £20 and 3600 c. y. of Earthwork £13"10"0 Total £33"10"0

Hugh Cheyne has completed his Contract on the Durham Ox Road Parish of Talivil, the extra earthwork is 424 cubic yards costing £1"13"4.

Benj. Bourchier was late in commencing his Contract but has now started and is likely to get quickly through if as I understand he has most of the timber for the Culverts cut and ready for delivery.

R. Howard has also completed his contract

With regard to other contracts there has been delay from the soft nature of the ground

Moved by Cr Potter
Seconded " " Telfer

That the Engineers Report be Received

Carried

Secretarys Report

I have the honor to submit the usual Monthly Statement shewing the position of the various Ridings up to Sept 1880 the outlay for the Month being as follows

| | |
|---|---|
| North Riding | £38"12"0 |
| South " | 5"0"0 |
| East " | 11"10"0 |
| Total Account | 80"19"11 |

And for the year ending 30th of Sept-1880.

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| | |
|---|---|
| North Riding | £ 362 " 14 " 8 |
| South " | 813 " 1 " 10 |
| East " | 1117 " 7 " 6 |
| Joint Account | 912 " 12 " 11 |

We have not as yet received the 2nd Moiety of the Government Subsidy now so long overdue and my yearly accounts will have to be submitted exclusive of that sum

I have received an intimation from Mr Scoullar of Queen St Melbourne that he has been appointed Government Auditor and I have accordingly informed Mr Hird of the same and shall be prepared to submit the Balance Sheet to those gentlemen

We have received the account of the cost of the Bridge at Mitiamo our share of which will come to £104 " 14 " 8

I have included it in my payments for the month I beg to annex a List of Contracts already taken which amount to £970 = 0 = 0 and also a List of those passed but which Mr Baskus has not had time to complete amounting to £231 = 0 = 0 making altogether a sum of £1200 " 0 " 0 to which must be added our present Bank overdraught of £350 against which we have the Govt Subsidy of £700 " and this is the only sum we can depend on with anything like a certainty

Under the circumstances and considering the very precarious manner in which the question of the Government Subsidy stands at present I would recommend the Council seriously to consider the question of making up that amount or something equivalent to it



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The Secretary also laid on the table a List of the Weekly Contracts and amount due upon them up to 30 Sept 1880

Moved by Cr Coutts
Secnd " " Lethlean
Be Received That the Secretarys Report

Carried

Treasurers Report — The Treasurer brought up his report & Monthly Statement shewing a Debit Balance in Bank of Victoria of £ 380 " 4 " 11

Moved by Cr Lethlean
Seconded " " Pentreath
That the Treasurers Report be Received

Carried

Tenders — The Council then adjourned to open Tenders

No 1 Public Vault 3000 cubic yards Parish of Pompapiel

R. H. Roberts £ 92 " 10 " 0

No 224 Deposit £ 2 " 12 " 0

Moved by Cr Coutts
Seconded " " Lethlean
That Roberts tender be accepted and that the cost of the Vault be charged to the North & South Ridings equally

Carried

15 Oct 1880

Moved by Cr Coutts
Seconded " " Pethbean
That the following Tenders
be accepted
Carried

N° 225 82 Grubbing & Clearing Parish of Daienber East
60 chains more less ± chain wide
Deposit
10/- Arthur Burrows £5=0,0.

3 Grubbing & Clearing Parish of Pompapiel 60 chains
more or less ± chain wide
226 4/ P. Mc. Mahon £6"15"0

4 & 5 Withdrawn

6 Draining & Forming 1 mile & open Crossing near
Fishers Parish of Yandarra
227 £3"0.0 Richard O'Neil £58"15"0

7 Three Culverts & Draining & Forming North of Monkeads
228 Parish of Galamba
H. A. Jephson £64"0"0



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8 Culvert & Formation Raywood & Durham Ore Road
Deposit Parish of Jarklan
229 £3"0"0 R. H. Roberts £55"14"8

9 25 Chains of Formation on same Road near Doolans
230 corner Parish of Calivil
£3"0"0 R. H. Roberts £40"16"8

231 10 Culvert & two chains of Formation near L. Reles pine
Parish of Yallook
Thos Reles £37"10"0

The following Accounts were on the motion of
Cr Pentreath
Sec. by Cr Coutts
Passed for Payment

| | £ | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Secretary | 16 | 13 | 4 |
| Engineer | 20 | 16 | 8 |
| Shire of Echuca ± share of Williams Bridge | 104 | 17 | 8 |
| Special Messenger | 1 | " | " |
| Presidents travelling allowance | 25 | " | " |
| David Dow Contract N° 213 | 40 | " | " |
| Hugh Cheyne " " 211 | 43 | " | " |
| H. A. Jephson " " 208 | 50 | " | " |
| R. L. Phillips Work & Labour | 8 | 10 | 10 |
| William Hyde Cont N° 214 | 40 | " | " |
| W. R. Pethbean " " 221 | 30 | " | " |
| Thomas Connaughton W. L. | 8 | 18 | 3 |
| R. Woods Cont 220 | 10 | " | " |

15 Oct 1880

Amount Forward £

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Joseph Deil Contract № 219 | 4 | " | " |
| Richard O'Neill " " 218 | 11 | 18 | 10 |
| Thomas Reles junr " " 216 | 20 | " | " |
| Benj Keast & Co Wk & Labour | 16 | 10 | " |
| William Gurney " " " | 3 | 18 | " |
| James Taylor " " " | 2 | 12 | " |
| John Duncan " " " | 1 | 15 | " |
| Cancelled Mitchell | 2 | 2 | " |
| Benj. Keast " " " | 3 | " | " |
| H. A. Jephson " " " | 1 | 5 | " |
| P. Mc Mahon " " " | | 12 | 6 |
| R. Howard Contract № 217 | 21 | 15 | 11 |
| Joseph Bruse Wk & Labour | 4 | 10 | " |
| James Mulley " " " | | 14 | 6 |
| John Burford " " " | | 9 | " |
| Hugh Cheyne " " " | | 5 | " |

Cr Hardy Moved

That a Depulation consisting of Cr Coulls the President & the mover be appointed to interview the Kerang Council on Tuesday next and request its assistance in Building the Bridge over the Loddon at Mayos Line

Seconded by Cr Selthleau

Carried



15 Oct 1880

The President brought under the notice of the Council the fact that the Minister of Railways would pass through the Shire on his road to Kerang and thought it advisable that the Council should show him some courtesy and meet him in some part of the Shire

Cr Hardy

Would like to know the route the Minister was going to take

Cr Pentreath moved

That the Secretary write to the Secretary of the League and obtain all the necessary information. The Committee to consist of

The President
Cr Coulls
" Hardy
" Pentreath
" Gill
" Selthleau

for the purpose of arranging what reception should be given to the Minister on his arrival in the Shire

Cr Selthleau moved

That the several applications for the reduction in the amount of Valuation be referred back to the valuer and that he be requested to attend at next Meeting

Seconded by Cr Coulls

Carried

15 Oct 1880

On the Motion of Cr Coulls
Seconded " " Hardy
Cr Gill was authorized
to have certain work done in the North Riding

Notice of Motion

By Cr Gill
That applications be received from
persons willing to undertake the duties of
Secretary to this Shire at a Salary of £150
per annum.

Moved by Cr Coulls
Seconded " " Penbreath
That the next Meeting
be held on the 3rd Tuesday in November 1880

John Potter
President

16 Nov 1880

# Ordinary Monthly Meeting

Shire Hall
Serpentine
Nov 16 = 1880

Present

Councillor Potter President
" Hardy
" Coutts
" Laird
" Pentreath
" Lethlean
" Gill
" Bissett

Minutes

The Minutes of the previous Meeting were read and on the Motion of Cr Lethlean
Seconded " " Peutreath
Confirmed

Cr Coutts read a Telegram from Cr Raleigh saying he was detained in Melbourne by illness and he would move
- That his absence be excused that day
Seconded by Cr Lethlean
Carried

Correspondence
Letters Received

No 1 Thomas Henderson. S. K. Railway League
Re the Meeting of the Ministers within the Shire
Received

16 Nov 1880

N°2 David Dow. Calivil
Asking that the Cheque passed at last Meeting may be forwarded to him at Tarklau

The Secretary said he had already complied with the request

Received

3 John Potter Tarklau
Re Ministerial visit

Received

4 Secretary Shire of Marong
Stating it was too late in the season to grubb & clear Roads

Received

5 Hugh Mc Coll M.P.
Stating that he would willingly support in his place in Parliament a Bill vesting in the power of Local Bodies the Discression of Tolls within the Shire

Received

6 Shire of Echuca
Acknowledging Receipt of cheque for £104"17"8 as ½ share of Bridge at Milians

Received



16 Nov 1880

7 Minister of Mines Melbourne
Stating he had received a note on the subject of Tolls and the same would receive his earnest consideration

Received

8 Treasury Melbourne
Re Subsidy £693"19"0

Received

9 Shire of Marong
Re the Bridge over the Loddon at the Mayors Line

Received

10 The Honble Wm Bright
Asking for a Donation for the Victorian Infant Asylum

Received

11 William Bourke
Re Rates

Received

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12 Victorian Deaf & Dumb Institution
Asking for Donation.

Moved by Cr Coutts
Seconded " " Laird
That £1"1"0 be granted
as a Donation

Carried

13 Municipal Association
Re Closed Roads

Received

14 Auditors Report

Received

15 Charles Medcalf
Complaining of excessive Valuation
P
Referred to Valuer

16 Thomas Henderson S.I.R. League
Asking for Donation as it was
the Intention of the Committee to wind up
the affairs of the League

To stand over for 1 Month



16 Nov 1880

17 Thomas Lloyd
Asking Council to retain the sum of £18-0-0
for Deposits

Received

18 Thos Reles Gallooh
Asking for 3 weeks exclusive of time on Cont
No 3

Moved by Cr Potter
Seconded " " Sethlean
That Reles request be granted
and that one months exclusion of time be granted
to all contractors if wanted

Carried

19 Robert Rankin
Complaining about money due him
by Jephson

Received

20 Chas Kirley
Re Rates

Received

21 Telegram from T. Henderson
Re Petition

Received
And the Secretary was instructed to see a petitions
2 to R. Riding 1 to North & 1 to S. Riding

16 Nov 1880

Reports of Officers

## Engineers Report

I have the honor to report that I have prepared plans specifications for works proposed to be tendered for as directed

There has again been occasion to repair the covering of the culvert in footpath near the State School broken by the heavy traffic

I have let the fencing of the North and East sides of the land, purchased by the Council from Mr Lawson for Vault at Pompapiel to R.H. Roberts at £5-0- per mile for all new material and £3 0- per mile for new posts and old wire the total length is 9¼ chains

R. Hesler has completed the west approach of the Bullock Creek Bridge Pompapiel. He is anxious to have the Vault at that spot measured and no satisfactory measurement can be made without the aid of a boat the expense of which I hesitated to incur without the sanction of the Council

R. Woods Contract for Culvert ect at Hayanui has been completed, there is a deficiency in the quantity of Earthwork specified but as this was tendered for in a lump sum which gives a price of 2 ¾ per cubic yard I venture to recommend no deduction should be made for the 80 c.y. deficient

W. R. Sethlean has completed his Contract for Pipe Culvert at Dingee, in this case also there is a deficiency of 100 cubic yards but as the measurements were taken under constant protest that allowance should be made for the action of the weather upon



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upon the newly exposed surface of the side cuttings and as the deficiency amounts to barely 5 per cent on the quantity and as he supplied 3 lengths of pipes in addition to the quantity specified I submit that the Contract might equitably be treated as completed

A. Burrows has completed his Contract for Grubbing Clearing in December last

P. McMahon has also completed his Contract for Grubbing Clearing at Pompapiel

Moved by Cr Coutts
Seconded " " Peubleath

That the Engineers Report be received

Carried

## Secretarys Report

I have the honor to lay before you the usual Monthly statement shewing the position of the various Ridings as follows

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| North Riding | £ | 177" 14" 0 |
| South " | | 39" 8" 8 |
| East " | | 216" 16" 10 |
| Joint Account | £ | 63" 10" 0 |
| | £ | 494" 9" 6 |

We have received an intimation from the Government that the Subsidy £695" 19" 0 is now available but the Bank has not yet received the same

Moved by Cr Coutts
Seconded " " Laird

That the Secretarys Report be received

Carried

16 Nov 1880

Reports

## Treasurers Report

The Treasurer brought up his Report and Monthly Statement shewing a Debit Balance in Bank of Victoria of £856"8"11

Moved by Cr Potter
Seconded " " Laird.
That the Treasurers
Report be received

Carried
"

The President reported
Having met the Members
of the Ministry during their Tour through the the district and that they had been received in a becoming manner
He must say that the Minister of Railways had however changed his mind however as to routes after he returned to Melbourne

Cr Coutts and himself had also an interview with the Kerang Shire Council re the Majors Lane Bridge and Cooperation had been promised

Cr Hardy Reported
That as one of the Deputation to Melbourne re Railways that no stone had been left unturned to secure the Eaglehawk Route but he thought that the efforts would prove futile





Cr Laird thought this Council should as a body raise its voice against the Elmore Route

Moved by Cr Laird
Seconded " " Coutts
That a vote of thanks be passed to Cr Lethlean & Hardy for their efforts in the matter

Cr Coutts moved
That the Secretary write to the Minister of Mines asking for the Government Grant promised for the Serpentine Weir and also to write to Mr R. Clerk M.L.A. on the same subject
Seconded by
Cr Hardy
Carried

The Secretary was instructed to write to the Inspector of Nuisances drawing his attention to the nuisance caused by certain dogs within the Shire

On the Motion of Cr Hardy
The Secretary was instructed to write to Bryon Moore asking him to be good enough at the Meeting of the Municipal Association to introduce a Clause into the Bill about to become Law giving the Local Bodies power to borrow money for the purpose of making Tramways

The Engineer was instructed to confer with Mr Starr about the site for the Bridge at Mayors Lane and arrange about a Meeting and inform the Secretary

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Cr Coults moved
That the Council take action
in the Matter of Endowment
and the Secretary be instructed to prepare
& petitions for signature and forward thereunto

Mr Hardy !
" Coults !
" Lethlean !
" Peubreath !

Tenders — The following Tenders were then opened

232 — No 1 — Pipe Culvert & Earthwork near the State School
Parish of Hayaumi
Dep £1 " 5 " 0 — Phillip McMahon — £25 " 0 " 0

No 2 — Two Culverts & Earthwork on Moorheads Road
Parish of Talaumbe
233 — £8 " 0 " 0 — Patrick O'Loughlin — £151 " 5 " 0

No 3 — One Mile of Draining & Formy near Mr Watts
Parish of Saudavra
234 — £1 " 15 " 0 — Benj Keast & Co — £33 " 15 " 0

Moved by Cr Coults
Seconded " " Lavia
That No 1, 2, 3. be accepted

Carried



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No 4 — No Tenders

No 5 — Timber Bridge & Earthwork over Myers Creek near Fishers
Parish of Saudavra
235 — Dep £ money in hand — William Slyde — £181 " 2 " 9

Moved by Cr Coults
Seconded " " Lethlean
That William Slyde's tender
be accepted on condition that no payments be made
for 6 months

Carried

The Valuer Reported on the following Rate Cases which
were amended as follows

J. Burness — approved of
M Priestly — reduced to 18/-
W. Priestly
S. Priestly — not heard from Valuer
W. Burke
S Moore
C. Meaney — approved of
J Reilley
— Griffin

Moved by Cr Peubreath
Seconded " " Coults
That fresh tenders be called
for Telephone Contract

Carried

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The following Accounts were on the motion of
Cr Penbreath
Seconded " Cr Sethleau

Passed for Payment

| | £ | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Secretary | | 16 | 13 | 4 " |
| Engineer | | 20 | 16 | 8 " |
| Robert Howard Work & Labour | | 1 | 1 | " |
| H. A. Jephson Cont & 208 | | 14 | 10 | " |
| E. Robertson Special Messenger | | 2 | 10 | " |
| Bendigo Agricultural Society | | 2 | 2 | " |
| Government Auditor | | 12 | 5 | " |
| Local Auditor | | 9 | 9 | " |
| Thomas Duffy Refreshments | | 6 | " | " |
| David Dow Contract & 213 | | 64 | 16 | 8 |
| James Bennett Work & Labour | | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Thomas Old " " | | 5 | " | " |
| Thomas Reles jnr Cont & 216 | | 60 | " | " |
| Edward Heeler " 206 | | 15 | " | " |
| William Flyde " 214 | | 28 | 2 | 8 |
| Benj Bowiller " 215 | | 100 | " | " |
| William Flyde " 223 | | 30 | " | " |
| P. McMahon " 226 | | 5 | 10 | 6 |
| ~~A. Burrows 225~~ Cancelled | | ~~4~~ | ~~16~~ | ~~8~~ |
| Deaf & Dumb Asylum | | 1 | 1 | " |
| R. Woods Contract & 220 | | 24 | 12 | " |
| W. R. Sethleau " 221 | | 49 | 13 | 4 |
| Joseph Heil W. L. | | 1 | " | " |
| G. A. Burrows Salary | | 10 | " | " |



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The Engineer was instructed to place the pump in a more convenient place than the present for which purpose he was to consult the inhabitants of Serpentine

Motion — By Cr Gill

In conformity with notice of motion tabled at last Meeting I hereby move that applications be received at next Meeting of this Council from persons willing to undertake the duties of Secretary to this Shire at a Salary of £150 per Annum
Testimonials to accompany applications

Seconded by Cr Penbreath
and Carried

Notice of Motion — Cr Laird
By Cr Hardy

That tenders be called for a Culvert to be erected on the Road between the Serpentine Bridge & Mr Harrisons also about 20 chains of formation
Seconded by Cr Gill
Carried

The Meeting then closed and the next Meeting was ordered to be held on the 3rd Friday in December 1880

Confirmed
17. 12. 80

John Miller
President

16 Nov 1880



# Annual Meeting

Shire Hall
Serpentine
Nov 16-1880

12 p.m.

The same members being present

The Secretary brought up his Annual Report and Balance Sheet signed by L. Scoble Govt Auditor and James Flint Local Auditor as correct in consequence of the Government not having paid the second Moiety of the Subsidy he had been obliged to close his accounts with a Debit Balance of £380.4.5

After the Balance Sheet had been examined and approved of it was

Moved by Cr Coulls
Seconded " " Laird

That the same be signed by the President as correct and the Secretary be instructed to get the same printed with such papers as may be necessary for the information of the Council

Carried

The Meeting then adjourned Sine Die

Confirmed this
17th Dec 1880

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# Ordinary Monthly Meeting

Shire Hall
Serpentine
Dec- 17- 1880

Present. Councillor's Potter — Mayor
" Coulls
" Harvey
" Peubreath
" Raleigh
" Bissett
" Giee
" Lethlean

Minutes

The Minutes of the previous Meeting were read and on the Motion of Cr Peubreath
Seconded " " Lethlean
Confirmed

Correspondence Letters Received

No 1 Thomas Henderson S. K. R. League

1 Moved by Cr Raleigh
Seconded " " Peubreath That the Engineer bring up a Report on Crossing at Bullock Creek.

No 1 Wright & Co
Private enquiry Office

Received

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13 Minister of Mines
Acknowleging receipt
of letter

Received

14 William Glyde Inglewood
Stating he was willing
to accept contract on stated terms

Received

15 Thomas Henderson S.K.R. League
Re
Petition

Received

16 A. Burrows
Re Contract in Law^n East

Received

17 Edward Hester
Re Crossing over Bullock
Creek
Engineer to report



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18 Nicholas Kirwan. Calivil
Asking Council to pay his
expences to Melbourne re Railway

Postponed over till next Meeting

19 John. Slattery
Asking for Donation for
Calivil Railway League

Postponed over till next Meeting

Reports

Secretarys Report

I have the honor to lay before you
any report shewing the amount expended by
the different Ridings during the past
month viz

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| North Riding | £ | 111 " 9 " 4 |
| South " | | 148 " 17 " 2 |
| East " | | 120 " 15 " 4 |
| Court Account | | 80 " 14 " 0 |

Moved by Cr Pendreath Seconded by Cr Gill

Treasurers Report

Received

The Treasurer brought up his report and
Monthly Statement shewing a Debit Balance
in the Bank of Victoria of £ 476 " 14 " 6

Moved by Cr Coutts
Seconded " Cr Hardy
That the Treasurers Report Be
Received

Carried

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2 Treasury Melbourne
Stating that the Subsidy had been passed for payment at the Inglewood Pay Office

Received

3 Shire of Echuca Rochester
In Re Endowment

Received

4 Office of Mines Melbourne
In Re Weir

Received

5 Thomas Morrow Inglewood
Enclosing an order for £30 – by R. H. Roberts on the Council

Received

6 William Hardy Yarrawalla
Forwarding petition to the Legislative Council in re Kerang Railway

Received



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7 Arnall & Jackson Melbourne
Soliciting order for Directories

Received

8 Minister of Mines Melbourne
Relating to the Loddon Weir

Received

9 Thompson Moore
Asking for a copy of the Rate Roll

Received.

10 Chief Secretarys Office
re Electoral Registrar at Echuca

Received

11 Shire of Gleneyon
Enclosing Mr Wheelers Speech Re Tolls

Received

12 Municipal Association
Re. Endowment

Received

## Engineers Report

I have the honor to report that I have prepared a design for the proposed Bridge over the River Loddon at the Mayors Line

The drawings are not complete until the design has been approved of by you and by the Korong Shire Council and agreed to by the Engineer of the Council

The length of the Bridge exclusive of the wings is 163 feet the width between the hand railings is 17ft giving a clear Roadway between the Gravel Beams of 15 ft in width

The length of the Embankment approaches East & West are 6 ch 13 and 6 ch 83 respectively the length of Metalling 15ft wide and 9in thick is 21 ch

It is proposed to fence both approaches on both sides with 2 rail post and rail fencing also a bend of the River on the East side. the total length of fencing included in the estimate of cost is 60 rods

The Total Estimated cost is £1085

I find the quantity of side cutting scheduled in Rawillers Contract on the Durham Ox Road is not sufficient for the formation and that 1000 c.y in excess of the scheduled quantity will be required to make up the embankments to a sufficient height

The writer on N. Howells Jinger boards is of a very inferior quality



and I do not feel justified in passing it without bringing the matter under the notice of the Council

There has not been much progress made with the various Contracts during the past month on account of harvesting operations and the scarcity of Labour

Moved by Cr. Gill
Seconded " Cr. Lethlean

That the Engineers Report be received

Carried

General Business

Cr Hardy moved

That application be called again for the Office of Secretary the advertisement not being explicit enough

The Motion was withdrawn for the present

Tenders

The Council then retired to open tenders and on resuming it was

Moved by Cr Raleigh
Seconded " " Hardy

That the tender of R. H. Roberts for £140 " 7 " 8 be accepted for

3 culverts and 2000 cubic yards of Earthwork on Moorheads Road Parish of Calambe

Cr 236
Dep. £7 " 0 " 0

Carried

17 Dec 1880

The Council then went into Committee to open applications for persons willing to fill the Office of Secretary to the Shire at a Salary of £150 per annum. and on Resuming it

was Moved by Cr Coutts
Seconded " " Pentreath

That
John Pennington Woods be appointed Secretary at a Salary of £150 per Annum.

Carried

Previous to the applications being opened the matter of the advertisement for applications for the Office of Secretary was reintroduced by Cr Hardy who was still in favour of a fresh advertisement
He moved to that effect

The motion was seconded by Cr Pentreath for the purpose of discussion

Cr Coutts said he was in favour of fresh applications being called

The motion was lost



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The Engineer was instructed to attend the next Meeting of the Borong Shire Council to confer with them relative to the Bridge over the Loddon at the Mayors Line

On the Motion of Cr Pentreath
Seconded by Cr Coutts

The following
Accounts were passed for payment

| | | £ | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| J | Secretary | 16 | 13 | 4 |
| J | Engineer | 16 | 13 | 4 |
| J | John A. Podlech. Refreshments | 14 | 4 | 6 |
| J | Bendigo Evening News | 2 | 13 | 6 |
| F | T. G. Hornblower & Co | 13 | 10 | 7 |
| J | MacRae & Co | 4 | 6 | " |
| N. M. S | Francis Lawson Sand for Dam | 8 | " | " |
| J | James McNamara M.L. | | 8 | " |
| J | Cleary Hall 3 Months | 4 | 10 | " |
| S | James Mulley M.L. | 2 | 14 | " |
| E | Phillip McMahon Cont 232 | 7 | 10 | " |
| N | R. H. Roberts " 230 | 30 | " | " |
| M S | " " " 224 | 45 | " | " |
| S | William Slyth " 223 | 24 | 8 | 3 |
| S | " " " " | 9 | " | " |
| S E | Thomas Reles " 216 | 50 | " | " |
| S | Benj. Rowiller " 215 | 40 | " | " |
| N | William Slyth " 214 | 5 | " | " |
| M | H. A. Stephson " 208 | 15 | " | " |
| M | H. A. Stephson " 208 | 3 | 4 | " |
| N | H. A. Stephson " 208 | 6 | 10 | " |
| E | John Duncan Refreshments | 5 | " | " |
| S | A. Burrows Cont 225 | | 13 | 4 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| John L. Lethlean Dep. To Melbourne | £ | 7 | " " |
| William Hardy " " " | | 7 | " " |
| George S. Burrows Sal. | | 5 | " " |
| Nicholas Howells Cont 222 | | 4 | " " |

Moved by Cr Coutts
Seconded " " Pentreath

That Tenders be called To be in at next Meeting for cabe Tatter for the Shire Hall

Carried

Re the Weir over the River Loddon

The Secretary said he had already written a letter To the Government on the subject and he had received an answer but that it was not at all satisfactory

Cr Coutts brought under the notice of the Council the long standing promise made by Major Smith when Minister of Mines that the Government would assist the Council in erecting the Serpentine Weir to the amount of £250 - The promise had been renewed by Mr R. Clark the late Minister and the present Minister Mr Williams was the Member who introduced the deputation when the Subsidy was asked for and who promised to assist the Council in obtaining the amount by every means in his power but who now as Minister threw every obstacle in the way of the Council obtaining the money



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Cr. Coutts moved

That a strongly worded letter be sent to the remundry him of his promise and requesting that the amount be immediately forwarded as the Council had paid the money months ago on the faith of the promise made

He thought the Council had been treated by the present Mining Department in a very unbusinesslike manner in fact he had no hesitation in saying the Department was trying To evade the promise made

Seconded by Cr Hardy

Carried

Cr Coutts moved

That a letter be forwarded To the Municipal Association stating that this Council strongly objects to the proposed reduction in the Municipal Endowment and is adverse To any foreign matter being introduced into the question of Endowment but contends that the matter should be considered on its merits

He hoped that the Council and the ratepayers would speak out plainly on the matter and urge upon their representatives to oppose every attempt To reduce the present Endowment

Seconded by Cr Pentreath

and Carried

Cr Hardy dissenting

Who doubted the policy

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of attachy. a Ministry so strongly when a favour was beng asked

Moved by Cr Coutts
Seconded " " Hardy
That the
President be empowered, to purchase certain articles from Mr Robertson at present in the Shire Hall

Carried

Motion

By Cr Hardy
That tenders be called to be opened at next meeting for a Culvert and 20 chains of formation more or less on the Road between Serpentine Bridge and Mr Harrisons

Seconded by Cr Gill

Carried

Notice of Motion

By Cr Raleigh
I hereby give notice that at the next Meeting of this Council I will move that tenders be called for metal or timber crossings one on the road running East from Coopers selection and one on the road running East from Watsons selection both in the Parish of Tandarra



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H. A. Stephson applied to the Council asking them to allow his deposit to be returned as he had made a mistake

After hearing Cr Hardy who was in favour of returning the deposit the Council decided that the deposit be forfeited

Carried

The Council then adjourned and the next Meeting was ordered to be held on the 3rd Friday in January 1880

John Potter
President

31 Dec 1880

# Special Meeting

Serpentine
Shire Hall
December 31st 1880

Present

Councillor Potter — President
" Laird
" Gice
" Haray
" Coutts
" Penbreath
" Bissett
"

The President opened the business of the meeting by reading the notice, (but before doing so a discussion took place as to whether the meeting was legally called as the notice to the Councillors calling this Special Meeting was delivered on Sunday

The Council ultimately decided that the meeting was legally called & clear days having been given

Notice. That a Special Meeting of the Council be held on Friday 31st December 1880 at 11 a.m. at the Shire Hall Serpentine for the purpose of deciding whether the appointment of Mr L. F. Woods to the Office of Secretary to the Shire of East Toodow at the ordinary Meeting of the Council held in the Shire Hall on the 16th Dec. 1880 was a legal Appointment or not otherwise if not to take any steps considered necessary to carry on the business of the Shire

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The President referred to the different Clauses in the Local Court Act bearing upon the appointment of Secretary and urged that it was the duty of the present Secretary to see that each Councillor received a special notice informing him of the intention of the Council to proceed to the election of a Secretary

Such notice not having been given he (the president) was clearly of opinion that the election was illegal and he had therefore called this meeting to consider the matter. He trusted each Councillor would express his views on the subject and that they would ultimately come to a unanimous decision

Cr Laird was convinced the appointment

He was absent from the last Meeting and did not know that such important business was to be transacted as he had received no notice that a new Secretary was to be appointed at last Meeting

At the same time he did not consider the remarks of the president were justified when he wished to throw all the blame on the Secretary

He considered there were faults on more sides than one and he now thought as an error had been committed the President was right in calling the Council together at the first opportunity



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He was quite sure the appointment was illegal and it must be declared null and void

Cr Hardy was satisfied the appointment was wrong and must be rectified at the first opportunity

He considered that the action of the president in calling them together so early was justifiable as had Mr Woods been placed in office it would probably have caused the Council considerable trouble to rectify the error

Cr Coutts was convinced the election was illegal and produced his notice circular calling the last meeting when it was seen notice had not been given to Councillors

It would be necessary for the Council at its next ordinary Meeting to rescind the resolution appointing Mr Woods and then commence with a fresh notice calling for applications for the Secretaryship

Cr Penbreath Gill also expressed their opinion that for want of the notice to Councillors the appointment was not strictly legal

Cr Coutts then moved

That the action taken at the last meeting of the Council in appointing a Shire Secretary was illegal no notice of the intention of the Council to proceed to the election of a Secretary having been given to Councillors and that the

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appointment was paid

Seconded by Dr Hardy

Carried

Dr Laird moved That Mr Robertson be requested to act as Secretary pro tem to the Council until the end of February 1881

Seconded by Dr Hardy

And Carried

Mr Robertson agreeing to act for the time specified

The Business of the special Meeting then closed and the Meeting was adjourned Sine Die

John Potter
President