Minutes of Ordinary Meeting. 18th January 1889.

Present at 11.30 am

The President (Potter) Councillors J. Coutts Bosch
Jackman Lethlean D. Coutts Hardy Marshall

Minutes

Of Ordinary meeting held 21st December and of Adjourned Annual Meeting same day read and on the

Motion of Cr Lethlean
Seconded Jackman Confirmed

Correspondence

1 From The Premiers Office acknowledging letter from Shire Secretary re the Malvern to Lilydale Railway Extension Received

2 " The Secretary for Mines relating that the Shire of East Loddon is within the Mining District of Sandhurst do

3 " D. E. Hayes Horsham resigning his office of Treasurer to the Shire of East Loddon do

4 " The North Eastern Municipal Association
5 forwarding Schedule of Rules thereof and also minutes of Meeting held at Town Hall Melbourne on the 20th November 1888 do

6 " Hon Rodier Tarnbull Station Inspr S.S.P. forwarding printed Schedule "The Rabbit Pest its Cause and its cure" do

It was Moved by Cr D. Coutts
Seconded J. Coutts
That the Circular be referred to the Rabbit Inspector to furnish report thereon at an early date Carried

7 " Thomas Hall & Kara Kara Shire soliciting

support of Shire in his Candidature as a Member of the Maryborough Prospecting Board ——— Received

8 From B. Ravallion Leichardt relinquishing his Contract No 2 of 21st October 1887. 4½ miles due East of Gallows Railway Station ——— do ——— And deferred until Engineers Report ———

9 " Deferred Correspondence last meeting
" The Bendigo Hospital and liquidations of Overdraft &c ——— do ———
It was Moved by Cr Lethlean
——— Seconded " J. Coutts ———
——— That the Hon Secretary be informed that this Shire has recently largely increased their annual donation, and must therefore decline acceding to request &c ——— Carried

10 " John Holmes re purchase of Land road &c at Mitiamo ——— Received
——— Cr J. Coutts ———
Furnishing a report hereon in due course ———

——— Reports of Committees &c ———
The President ———
——— Reported having attended the Meeting for the Election of a Member to represent Municipalities upon the Sandhurst Prospecting on Wednesday the 9th day of January ——— the Vote of the Shire had been disallowed owing to an error of the Mining Department in Gazetting the Shire of East Loddon as being in the Mining District of Maryborough ———
——— He was happy to say that Mr Hay Rickwood the late Chairman of the Sandhurst Prospecting Board had been re-elected ——— he had however handed to the Returning Officer A Wyatt Esq the following ———
——— Protest ———

——— I, John Potter President of the Shire of East Loddon hereby protest against my Vote being excluded from the Election of a Member for the Prospecting Board for the Sandhurst Mining District ——— ———
——— The Shire Secretary having in his possession a Telegram from the Secretary for Mines stating that the Shire of East Loddon is within the Sandhurst Mining District ———
It was
——— Moved by Cr Hardy
Seconded " Lethlean ———
That a Vote of thanks be passed to the President for his attention &c and that his action with reference to the protest need be endorsed &c ——— Carried

Re purchase of Land at Mitiamo by J. Holmes
Cr J Coutts ———
——— Having inspected the land referred to by Mr John Holmes at Mitiamo, and for which he has notified his intention of applying for the sale thereof it is found that the road referred to is the only outlet to the Mitiamo Railway Station, available by the lessee of the late Mr Edwicks Estate thereat. Under these circumstances it is inadvisable that the East Loddon Shire Council should consent to the sale or alienation of the land referred to in any manner whatever ———
——— It was Moved by Cr Hardy
Seconded " Lethlean ———
——— That the Report be received and that the Department of Lands be addressed with the view of opposing alienation thereof ——— Carried

——— The Secretary ———
In the absence of a Shire Treasurer reported receipts & and payment into Bank of Victoria of the following amounts for the month ———

Rate Collections £88.5.3
Dog Registration Fees 2.
Deposits 2.
Dingee Freighbridge 3.4.
Further Endowment 130.13.1 making a
total of 826.2.4 and leaving
a Cr Balance at the Bank of Victoria Inglewood
of £189.10.6

It was
Moved by Cr Lethlean
Seconded J. Coutts
That the Report be received Carried

Rate Collectors
Reporting his receipts to date £95.16.11 Received

Rabbit Inspector
Was read received and Adopted

It was
Moved by Cr Hardy
Seconded Lethlean
That immediate action be taken by the
Rabbit Inspector to serve Notice upon the
Crown Lands Department to destroy rabbits
upon the "Bendigo Hill State Forest Carried

Inspectors of Slaughter Yards &c
C. F. Nagor Ashmans
Forwarding By yearly report of Cattle & Sheep
Slaughtered and enclosing fee of £3 together with
application for Slaughtering Licences from

William	McIntyre	Ashmans
William	Coulter	Dingee
David	Coulter	Prairie
James	Coutts	

George Murphy Serpentine
Relating the Shooting of and removal from the Swan

Hill road for a cost of £1. and also
Inwarding report of Cattle Sheep to Slaughtered
for the 6 months ending 31st December, together with fee of £1
and application for Slaughtering Licence from
William H. Hardy Darkan

It was
Moved by Cr Marshall
Seconded Jackman
That both reports be received and that the
Slaughtering Licences as enumerated
therein be granted Carried

At this Stage of the business the President permitted
Mr Hugh Cheyne Farmer
Addressing the Council re[illegible] the matter of damage &c
by the Dragovel Plains Irrigation Trust done to his
property at Darkan
Relating the necessity of another and much
larger flume crossing the channel on the 3 chain
Raywood to Dorham Cox Road being constructed
to convey water to his dam, and now surpassed by
the Spoil bank &c
And also that the damaged bridge on the No 2
Channel near to Mr H. Cheyne Jun[r] be repaired, the
sides having fallen away, the same being useless as
it is at present.
It was Moved by Cr Hardy
Seconded Marshall
That the Dragovel Plains Irrigation Trust be
written to requesting that another and
much larger flume or shoot may be erect-
ed over the No 1 distributing channel on the
3 chain Raywood to Dorham Cox road
opposite Allotments 52 & 53 to carry the water
off the Shire road and that the Bridge
crossing the No 2 channel at Allotment 126
parish of Darkan be repaired and made

available for traffic ____ Carried

Mr Cheyne after again referring to the matter of the removal of gateway at Allotment 126 long since from posts by the Council and the matter of the "House" as raised at 10/- not being there as reported by the Rate Collector to thanked the Council for the patient hearing and withdrew ____

Engineers Report

Was read received and dealt with seriatim as follows

Item 2 ____ Re Gill and closed road ____

It was Moved by Cr Hardy

Seconded " J. Coutts ____

That the obstructions in the road intersecting No 2 distributing channel North East Angle of allotment 129 parish of Calvil be removed ____ Carried

Item 3 ____ Re Travellers Contract No 2 E from Yallock R Station

It was Moved by Cr Marshall ____

Seconded " D. Coutts ____

That the Contract No 2 be forfeited together with deposit thereon ____ Carried

Item 4 ____ Re 3 weeks holiday to Shire Engineer ____

It was Moved by Cr Lethlean

Seconded " The President

That the request be granted provided the business of the Shire be not neglected ____ Carried

Special Report

Re Flood damages throughout the Shire

Was read and received when it was

Moved by Cr Lethlean

Seconded " D. Coutts ____

That the Engineer prepare a detailed report of all the damage done throughout the Shire by the flood, and supply same to Secretary with

____ upon receipt thereof to make application to the Minister of Public Works for assistance to repair such damages ____ Carried

Memo ____

£33 Bridge and road other side of Serpentine Creek ____

Tenders

The following Tenders for Works as specified therein were dealt with as follows ____

No 1 — Forming and Metalling 7 chains roadway and other works near Mrs Grimes residence township of Strathmore

£38.2.7

Archibald	Jamieson	157.15.
Thomas	Sly Junr	216.9.8
Thomas	Glennen	233.19.6

____ Too high ____

No 2 — Repairs to bridge over Bullock Creek on the Dunkeld to Ruppwood road ____

£85.7.10

Archibald	Jamieson	68.10.7
Thomas S	Old	69.19.7½
Thomas	Sly Senr	102.5.2

No 3 — Forming 10 Chains constructing 3 culverts &c on road between Allotments 129 and 150 parish of Larkdale ____

£140.3.4

Archibald	Jamieson	137.
Thomas	Sly Junr	136.15.3

No 4 — Thirty Three chains of light formation and box culvert on road East from Yallock Railway Station near Mr Aitkens residence ____

£38.9.6

Thomas H.	Lethlean	44.4..

____ Withdrawn ____

No 5 — Pipe culvert and formation on road between Allotments 66 and 67 parish of Pompapiel ____

£25.10.10

Joseph	Heil	27.
Archibald	Jamieson	27.12.6
Thomas S	Old	28.19.4

available for traffic ____ Carried

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Seconded " J. Coutts ____
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Item 3 ____ Re Ravillers Contract No 2 E from Yallock R Station
It was Moved by Cr Marshall ____
Seconded " D. Coutts ____
That the Contract No 2 be forfeited together with deposit thereon ____ Carried

Item 4 ____ Re 3 weeks holiday to Shire Engineer ____
It was Moved by Cr Lethlean
Seconded " The President
That the request be granted provided the business of the Shire be not neglected ____ Carried

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Memo ____
£33 Bridge and road other side of Serpentine Creek ____

Tenders

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No 1 £38.2.7 Forming and Metalling 7 chains roadway and other works near Mrs Grunners residence township of Kilcarnie

Archibald	Jamieson	159.15.
Thomas	Sly Junr	216.9.8
Thomas	Glennen	233.19.6

Too high ____

No 2 £85.7.10 Repairs to bridge over Bullock Creek on the Dunkeld to Ruppwood road ____

Archibald	Jamieson	68.10.7
Thomas S	Old	69.19.7½
Thomas	Sly Junr	102.5.2

No 3 £40.3.4 Forming 10 Chains constructing 3 culverts &c on road between Allotments 129 and 150 parish of Carlsbad ____

Archibald	Jamieson	137.
Thomas	Sly Junr	136.15.3

No 4 £38.9.6 Thirty three chains of light formation and box culvert on road East from Yallock Railway Station near Kirkens residence ____

Thomas H. Lethlean 114.4..
Withdrawn ____

No 5 £25.10.10 Pipe culvert and formation on road between Allotments 66 and 67 parish of Tonkapiel ____

Joseph	Hull	27.
Archibald	Jamieson	27.12.6
Thomas S	Old	28.19.4

Thomas Sly Junr 36.19.

No 6 Forming 10 Chains (in three sections) constructing three culverts &c on roads west from Prairie and Mukinbudin railway stations

£16.13.7	Archibald	Jamieson	114.10.2
	Joseph	Heil	149. .
	Thomas J	Old	155.3.½

It was moved by Cr Jackman
seconded Cr Lethlean
That Works No 1 and 4 be withdrawn
No 2 the tender of T.J. Old and Nos 5 and 6
the lowest tenders be accepted — Carried

Accepted Tenders

No 2	Thomas J	Old	69.19.7½
" 3	Archibald	Jamieson	137. .
" 5	Joseph	Heil	27. .
" 6	Archibald	Jamieson	114.10.2

Special Meeting

5.10 pm

Appointment of Shire Treasurer

It was moved by Cr D. Coutts
seconded Hardy
That Mr Joseph Hunter Postmaster and Telegraph Master at Serpentine be appointed Treasurer to the Shire of East Toodyay at a Salary of £10 per annum — Carried

Re Scale of Fees to be charged at Dingo Weighbridge and Confirmation of Bye Law thereon

It was moved by Cr Lethlean
seconded Jackman
That the Resolution of Council altering the Scale of Fees to be charged at the Dingo

Weighbridge namely —
For every dray load of produce Sixpence &
For every waggon load of produce One shilling &
be and is hereby confirmed — Carried

Appointment of Caretaker Dingo Weighbridge

Application thereon was received from Mr John J. O'Connor of the Railway Hotel at 50% of the Fees thereof

It was moved by Cr Lethlean
seconded Hardy
That Mr John J. O'Connor be appointed Caretaker of the Dingo Weighbridge at 50% of the Fees thereof, and a Salary of say £7. per annum, the appointment to be under the usual conditions and agreements as previously observed — Carried

The Council resumed consideration of General Business

Cr J. Coutts — In referring to the Mukinbudin Weighbridge, suggested that the Railway Department be again addressed with view of taking charge thereof at as early a date as possible.

Cr J. Coutts — Enquired why a Culvert had been removed at Mukinbudin, he thought it would have been better to have allowed same to remain, erecting new culverts alongside, he was of opinion too few Stone crossings were made, the box culverts being frequently too small.

The Shire Engineer stated the present culvert was of 12 lines the capacity of the one removed and yet the approaches were washed away.

Re Pomphrey State Forest

It was moved by Cr D. Coutts
seconded Hardy
That the Secretary again write the Lands Department enquiring if the Lessee Mr Gittins had given up the land &c Carried

Instructions to Officers

Re Sec 2 Notice of Motion for formation West of the residence of D. Coulter Salamba, who will pay 3d per yard for spoil taken out of this paddock with the formation thereof

Re damage to road Calvid North near Roberts

It was moved by Cr Hardy
seconded Marshall
That a temporary crossing be made over the boggy wash at the bridge at a cost not exceeding £5. Carried

Re Removal of Gate complained of by A Cheyne

It was moved by Cr Marshall
seconded Hardy
That the Engineer remove the gate on the 2 chain road at the S. E angle of Mr George Coutts property on the Sand Spread Parish of Jarklan Carried

Cr J. Coutts

Alluded to an old culvert North from his residence on the 2 chain road to Mitiamo requiring inspection by Shire Engineer

Cr Hardy

Also referred to 2 culverts on the Mitiamo road being re-erected one on the Prairie road near to Bullock Creek and one on the Sandhurst & Pyramid road East of Humbeets

Notices on Notice

It was moved by Cr Marshall
seconded Hardy
1 That 35 chains of formation on boundary road Calvid and Kayanui in the Nish East Ridings tenders to be called for Carried

2 By Cr D Coutts
Re appointment of Shire Treasurer

3 By Cr Lethlean
Re Leasing Dingee Weighbridge

4 By Cr Lethlean
Re Conformation of Reduction of Scale of Fees to be charged at Dingee Weighbridge

Were dealt with in Special meeting as related

Notices of Motion

1 By Cr Lethlean
That tenders be called for culvert, formation and Stone crossing on road East from Yalloak R. Railway Station according to plans and specifications as prepared

2 By Cr Jackman
That tenders be called for formation and Culvert on East and West road, East from D. Coulters residence Parish of Talamba

Accounts

The following Accounts having been recommended by the Finance Committee this day
It was

Moved by Cr Lethlean
Seconded " Marshall
That they be passed for payment by the Secretary
in the usual manner — Carried

Accounts

Benjamin	Ravillier	15. .
Isaac	Palmer	20. .
James	McNamara	7. .
H. J	Peters	3. 3.
Henry	Smith	2. 5.
Frank	Bowen	12. 10.
Stephen C	Jones	20. 16. 8
John	Marshall	7. 10.
John	Potter	2. 2.
Charles J	Mapp	11. .
George	Murphy	3. .
Arthur	Burrows	10.
Mackay and	Company	8. .6
Tayson	Brothers	9. 8 .3
Samuel	Seales	4. 13. 9
Richard J	Dyke	1. 17. 10
Helena	Duncan	1. 12. .
Thomas	O'Neill	1. 10.
Burge and	Story	5
Victorian	Railways	11 .10
Phillips and	Whately	9. 11 .6
Joseph	Reil	40. .

Confirmed
John Potter
President
15th February 1889.

Present at 11.30 am
The President (Potter) Councillors Marshall D Coutts
Lethlean Jackman J. Coutts Evans Hardy

Minutes

Of Meeting held 18th January read and on the
Motion of Cr Lethlean
Seconded. Marshall Confirmed

Correspondence

From Lands and Survey Office Melbourne re
the Pomparil State Forest and declining
ing to divide same into 4 blocks — Received
Cr Hardy
Related that while in Melbourne he had
in company with Cr D. Coutts waited
upon the Minister of Lands re the Pom
paril State Forest, urging the destruc
tion of the rabbits thereon
It was
Moved by Cr Laird
Seconded. J. Coutts
That a Vote of thanks be accorded Crs
Hardy & Coutts for trouble taken &c — Carried
It was
Moved by Cr Hardy
Seconded. D. Coutts
That the matter stand over for one month
for further consideration — Carried

2 " do. do acknowledging receipt of letter
from Council objecting to the sale of cer
tain lands at Mirboo (Reserve) at
Mirboo — Received

3 " Victorian Railways with Voucher for claim
ance of £92.5.3 for Mirboo Ringbridge — do —

Secretary stated the matter had been attended to, and Voucher returned ——

4 From Public Works Department Melbourne acknowledging receipt of communication re £500 for flood damage stating same will be considered when the next Estimates are prepared —— Received

It was ——
Moved by Cr Laird
Seconded " Pethlean ——
That the Public Works Department be asked to re-consider the matter, stating that in effecting the repairs absolutely necessary the Shire Council have gone largely into debt. —— Carried

5 " The Shire of Gordon enquiring if it is possible to work the two Shires of East Loddon and Gordon with one Engineer. —— Received

It was Moved by Cr D. Coutts
—— Seconded. Laird ——
That this Shire declines to entertain the question —— Carried

6 " Shire of St Arnaud forwarding copy of letter forwarded to the Secretary for Lands in reference to the rabbit pest —— Received

7 " do " do and asking co-operation of Shire re —— do —
It was Moved by Cr Pethlean
—— Seconded. Laird ——
That co-operation be accorded —— Carried

8 " The North Western Municipal Association requesting that any business the Shire may

desire to have discussed at the ensuing meeting may be forwarded not later than the 18th February —— Received
—— If any business the same to be handed in. ——

9 From The Shire of Maldon re the matter of insufficient endowment of £ for £ rates collected &c, and forwarding questions (2) to be asked and replied to satisfactorily by Parliamentary Candidates —— do ——

10 " The Victorian Chamber of Manufactures with resolutions upon Australian Federation &c —— do —
It was Moved by Cr Laird
—— Seconded. Jackman ——
That consideration thereof be deferred until next meeting of Council —— Carried

11 " The North Eastern Municipal Association relating meeting thereof on 13th Feby —— Received

12 " John Holmes re the land at Mitiamo and stating Shire are under a misapprehension as to the position of the land —— do ——
—— The Secretary stated he had forwarded copy of letter to Cr J. Coutts for reconsideration and further report ——
—— Cr J Coutts stated a slight mistake had been made as to the road, which however made no difference as to the alienation of the Reserve &c ——
It was Moved by Cr J. Coutts
—— Seconded. Laird ——
That this Council still object to the sale of the Reserve to Mr Holmes, or its alienation in any way whatever —— Carried

13 From, Pheilips and Whately re extension of time upon their Contract at Yallook ——— Received
It was ——— Moved by Cr Pethlean
——— Seconded " Laird ———
That the matter stand over until next meeting ——— Carried

14 " Thomas Reid Pine Park Pompapiel relating that drain recently cut by the Council was insufficient to preclude his land from being flooded thereat ——— Received
It was ——— Moved by D. Coutts
——— Seconded Cr Laird ———
That the matter lee referred to Engineer for report at next meeting of the Council
Se ——— Carried

15 " William Rodier forwarding further Circulars re "Rabbit Act" &c came and to Circle Received

16 " Richard Bryant re reduction of his Rates and stating he was not residing at the old place &c ——— do ———
It was Moved by Cr Pethlean
——— Seconded J. Coutts ———
That the Rate Collector furnish report thereon at next meeting of Council ——— Carried

17 " Sands Mc Dougall canvassing for order for next Melbourne Directory ——— Received

——— Reports ———
The Secretary stated he had presumed the usual custom of the Council providing their Treasurer with Petty Cash for Shire purposes a Voucher had been prepared for the sum of £10. ———

——— The amount of Rates collected for the 12 months to end of December 1888 was £2035.17.9 the subsidy upon which amount would largely supplement the endowment for 1889 financial year ——— Received

——— Treasurers Report ———
Relating receipts to lee £241.10/. and a Balance to Cr at Bank of Victoria 28.17.6 ——— Received

——— Rate Collector ———
Reporting his receipts to lee as follows
General Rates 19.11.6
Dog Rego "Fees 1.10.
£ 21.1.6 ——— Received

——— Rabbit Inspector ———
Relating that the Government had two men employed digging out the rabbit burrows in the Pompapiel State Forest ——— Received
——— Cr Laird ———
Alluded to the increase of rabbits and that very vigorous action should be taken to eradicate the pest
It was ———
Moved by Cr Laird
Seconded " Hardy ———
That wherever rabbits are found upon any lands, that irrespective of other considerations, vigorous action be taken by the Rabbit Inspector to compel the owners or occupiers to take the necessary steps for their destruction ——— Carried

Memo/ ———
——— 12 Copies of the Rabbit Act to lee obtained for distribution among the Councillors ———

——— Engineers Report ———
Was read received and dealt with seriatim as follows. ———

Item 2 Re old Culvert on the Mortlake Raywood road
It was Moved by Cr D. Coutts
_____ Seconded. Lethleau _____
That the matter stand over for further con
sideration _____ Carried

Tenders

The following Tenders for Work as specified therein was
dealt with as follows _____
Draining and formation on north and south road
between Allotment 120 parish of Calivil and Allotment
42 Parish of Raywood _____

£35. Joseph Heil 35.4.
Robert Douglas 50.17.

It was _____
_____ Moved by Cr Jackman
Seconded . Marshall _____
That the lowest tender that of Joseph Heil at
£35.4/. be accepted _____ Carried

General Business

Cr Laird _____
_____ Alluded to the time being at hand to again agitate
for the construction of Railways, as the Tramway had not
succeeded, they might if started in time be able to have a
line along the Loddon Valley included in the next Rail
way construction Bill _____
_____ It was then Moved by Cr Laird
_____ Seconded . Hardy _____
That the Council now take up the matter of
a light railway from Inglewood to Dur
ham Ox, the time being opportune _____ Carried
_____ Cr D. Coutts _____
_____ In supporting same advocated immediate action
by means of deputation waiting upon the Hon D. Gillies
It was _____
_____ Moved by Cr D. Coutts
Seconded . Lethleau _____

_____ That the President Cr Hardy and the Mover
be a Deputation to wait upon the Premier
to advocate construction of a Light line of
Railway from Inglewood to Durham Ox
the Engineer to accompany if considered
necessary _____ Carried

_____ An Amendment _____
_____ Moved by Cr Marshall
That the President call a public meeting
to discuss the matter previous to deputation
waiting upon the Premier _____
_____ Not Seconded &c _____
It was _____
_____ Moved by Cr Lethleau
Seconded . D Coutts _____
That the following Municipalities be written
to requesting their support by sending dele
gate to join Deputation from this Shire Council
to wait upon the Premier on Wednesday
the 27th February to urge that the line from
Inglewood to Durham Ox may be includ
ed in the next Railway Construction Bill
City of Ballarat Boroughs of Tarnagulla
Dunolly, Inglewood, Maryborough Shires
of Korong, Gordon Talbot Pet Pet
Ballarat, and that Members of Council
for the North Western Province, Mandurang
and Avoca Members be written to in sup
port thereof _____ Carried

_____ The London United Water Trust _____
_____ Cr D. Coutts _____
In alluding to this matter stated he had fully expected to
have had a letter from the Water Supply Department here
on, the cost of the Scheme was some £26,000, Parliament
Vote £5300 and as suggested if the Share of the East Loddon
Shire Council was reduced to some £2300 at an interest
of some £185 per annum he thought would be a addi

factory conclusion to the matter

Cr Lethlean related some dissatisfaction was expressed owing to the Lessee of
The Dingee Freighbridge
charging the old Scale of Fees thereat instead of those as provided for by the new Bye Laws re
The Secretary was directed to see to the matter

Instructions to Officers
Re Work at Kithens Mahoneys Contract
It was
Moved Cr Lethlean
Seconded " Hardy
That a small Stone Crossing be substituted for the Culvert and that the work be read advertised when Road Rating is in funds Carried

Re Contract of one Joseph Heil
The President
alluded to this Contractor and the use of the Stone Roller upon his Contract at Prairie road near Numbertis stating an iron roller of some 2 tons weight could be hired from Mr Cullen &c
The Engineer stated that the specifications of the Contract with Mr. Heil provided for the use of the Stone Roller thereon and if sufficient had to be got from England the roller would have to be used
Cr Laird
strongly objected to this discussion as being entirely out of order as nothing was before the Council, the Engineer not having made mention in the usual manner in his report
Cr Hardy
That Engineer bring up a Report upon the Bye-Wash and Culvert East of Mr Roberts residence near Calvin Bank

Cr Marshall
That the Sixth Calvin Bank some 2 acres be properly surveyed.

Allotments of Land deeds thereof
It was Moved by Cr Lethlean
Seconded Cr Hardy
That all "Deeds of land, bank sites purchased by Council to be placed in Shire Hall Safe &c Carried

Motions on Notice
It was
Moved by Cr Lethlean
Seconded " Jackman
That Tenders be called for culvert formation and Stone crossing on road East from Yallook railway Station according to Plans and Specifications already prepared - work to be re-advertised Carried

2 It was Moved by Cr Jackman
Seconded " Lethlean
That tenders be called so soon as funds are available in the East Riding &c for formation and Culvert on East & West road East from Mr D. Coetzers residence Parish of Talandoo Carried

Notice of Motion
1 By Cr Marshall
That tenders be called for clearing all stumps and scrub on the roads East and West from Miss Downs to J. Dowlans and from Downs on the North side to Parish Boundary

2 By Cr Marshall
That tenders be called for clearing from Stark

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Calvil School South to old clearing ——

3 By Cr Laird ——
That tenders be called for formation &c on Papa mid road South from Mr Hesters residence between the parishes of Yallock and Pompapiel ——

Accounts
The following accounts having been recommended by the Finance Committee this day ——
Moved by Cr J. Coutts
—— Seconded " Lethlean ——
That they be passed for payment in the usual manner by the Secretary —— Carried

Accounts

Peters	W. J	11.2.10	Cheyne	A	23. .	
Roberts	Sons	5.13.4	Potter	John	20. .	
Old	Thos J	2.7.	Hunter	Joseph	10. .	
McNamara	Jas	7. .	Brown	Frank	12.10.	
Phillips	Whately	69.1.9	Jones	J.C	20.16.8	
Palmer	Isaac	35.1.	Marshall	John	11. .	
Heil	Joseph	100. .	Marshall & others		4. .6	
Douglas	Robert	15. .	Doody	Joseph	5.13.	
Lethlean	Rich[d]	19. .	Hutchens	& Co Hill"	1.11.6	
Smith	Henry	31.3.6	Harcourt	J.M	9.4.10	
			Jayson	Bro[s]	2.7.3	

Total £415.13.3

Confirmed
John Potter
President
15th March-1889.

Minutes of Ordinary Meeting. 15th March-1889.

Present at 11.30 am
The President (Potter) Councillors Marshall Lethlean Bissett Jackman D. Coutts Laird Hardy

Minutes
Of Meeting held 15th February read and on the Motion of Cr Lethlean
Seconded " Jackman confirmed

Correspondence

1 From J. M. Highett M.L.A. } Re deputation
2 J. H. McCall " } Inglewood to
3 James Bell M.L.C. } Durham Ox Railway Extension and stating same had their support &c —— Received

" The Under Treasurer inclosing Vouchers for signature Seal &c for clearance of £105. Licence Equivalent —— do

5 " Secretary for Lands re proclaiming road in Parish of Ramarooka, stating steps were being taken to do so —— do

6 " Public Works Department requiring plans and Specifications relating the exact damage effected by the Floods on New Years day &c —— do
It was ——
Moved by Cr Laird
Seconded " Hardy ——
That the Shire Engineer prepare the necessary plans and specifications for reconstructing Bridges, Culverts &c and a statement of the cost thereof for inspection of the Public Works department —— Carried

7 " The Public Works Department objecting to the exchange of roads with Mr John Davidson

at Serpentine _____ Received
It was _____
_____ Moved by Cr Marshall
Seconded . Lethlean. _____
That the Shire Secretary write the Department of Public Works re to the objections referred to _____ Carried

8 From The Victorian Railways forward Voucher for payment of £72.5.3 for Mitiamo Weighbridge &c &c _____ Received
The Secretary stated same had been attended to _____

9 " The Town Clerk Inglewood re Railway Extension therefrom to Durham Ox and stating the Mayor (Cr Horan) had been appointed to attend the Deputation &c _____ do _____

10 " The Borough of Tarnagulla declining to send Delegate, but will support the desired Railway Extension through their Mt P _____ do _____

11 " The Korong Shire Council re do " do stating they will gladly assist any movement in support &c _____ do _____

12 " The Tullaroop Shire Council re do " do stating their Mt P will be asked to assist in the matter _____ do _____

13 " The Shire of Gordon stating Council must be consulted before delegate can be appointed-
13A and further letter stating the President (Rees) could not comply with request, as the Gordon Shire Council is now committed to the support of 2 proposed lines "Boort to Echuca via Durham Ox," "Boort to Boga" _____ do _____

14 From North Western Municipal Association proposing the 12 yearly meeting until after Parliament Assembles _____ Received
It was Moved by Cr Lethlean
_____ Seconded . Russell _____
That the President attend the Meeting of the Association whenever same is definitely arranged _____ Carried
It was Moved by Cr Lethlean
_____ Seconded . Russell _____
That the following suggestion be submitted to the Association for supplementary business and discussion at the ensuing meeting "Forest Conservation and that all waste lands of the Crown throughout the Colony be available for tree planting either under the control of the State or Municipalities _____ Carried

15 " The Land Tax Repeal Association with Schedule of reasons &c &c _____ Received

16 " The Northern District Forest Conservation League with views of questions to be put to Parliamentary Candidates re same _____ do _____
It was _____
_____ Moved by Cr D Coutts
Seconded . Lethlean _____
That this Council is quite prepared to support the matter of Forest Conservation in the proper place and manner but considers it impolitic to become a "Vigilance Committee as it were to ask Candidates questions upon matters of policy _____ Carried

17 " John Hardiman Mitiamo re "Thistles" upon lands of his and Sir John Pakington's Kielpo on the Boundary fenced &c _____ Received

It was Moved by Cr D. Coutts
Seconded " Laird
That the matter be referred to the Members of the East Riding — Carried

18 From Victorian Chamber of Manufactures re "Australasian Commercial Unity" deferred from last meeting of Council pros — Received

19 " The North Western Municipal Association forwarding copies of "Business Sheets" for discussion at the 1/2 yearly meeting — do —

20 " A. Jamieson re earthwork and Casting thereof at his Contract, and not available from cutting of side drains thereof, and stating he should require 11 pence per yard for same and not 5 1/2 pence as stated in his tender — do —
The Shire Engineer stated that at the increased price, Mr Jamieson tender was still the lowest for the work
It was Moved by Cr Pettigrew
Seconded " Bissett
That the price as Amended by Contractor Jamieson be accepted namely Eleven pence per yard for Earthwork — Carried

21 " W. Charlesworth again complaining of the inaccuracy of the "Dingee" Weighbridge and forwarding detailed particulars of weights of 266 bags Wheat 11 19/60 and 80 bags of Oats 3 7/40 and account for £2.19.3 the value of deficiency as alleged upon subsequently reweighing said produce in Sand hurst — Received
It was Moved by Cr Hardy
Seconded " Bissett
That the matter be left in the hands of

East Riding Members to make enquiries and furnish report thereon at the next meeting of Council — Carried

22 From Premier stating he cannot fix time for reception of Deputation re Inglewood to Durham Ox Railway Extension — Received

23 " J. M Highett M.P. re same matter — do —

24 " Premier re matter referred to in Telegram — do —

25 " do stating he had ordered an examination of the Country proposed to be traversed by the desired line of Railway — do —

26 " do " do relating he would receive the Deputation re the proposed Inglewood to Durham Railway on Wednesday the 20th March at 1 pm — do —

27 " do " do to J. M Highett M.P relating the Railway Department had been instructed to examine the country to be traversed by the proposed railway — do —

28 " Benjamin Rinder applying on behalf of the Returning Officer of Maryborough for use of the Shire Hall for a Polling Place on Thursday the 28th March and also the use of a "Ballot Box" — do —
It was Moved by Cr Bissett
Seconded " President
That the request be granted upon the usual conditions, that is a Fee of £1.1/- for use of Hall &c — Carried

29

From J. J. O. Connor Dingee relating that owing to his being a stranger he was unable to procure the requisite parties to the Guaranty required by the National Assurance Compy Received

The Secretary suggested that if Mrs Duncan was willing to give the required guarantee the Council might see fit to accept same the suggested was received and Adopted

Deputation &c

Charles Andrews Esq

A Councillor of Gordon Shire being present desired to make a few remarks having reference to the Rail way Extension from

Inglewood to Durham &c

Regretting that the Shire of Gordon was so situated at present by supporting 2 lines of railway that they were afraid advocating this line of railway might jeopardise their chance of success of these two lines which would traverse some 40 or 50 miles of Gordon Shire territory whilst the Inglewood to Durham &c Extension would only traverse some 4 or 5 miles there of

The President (Potter)

Regretted upon behalf of this Shire the action of the Gordon Shire Council in declining to support this railway

Cr Andrews

Stated it was the fault of the East Loddon Shire Council in "dallying" with the question of railway communication &

Cr Laird

Stated he was astounded at the Gordon Shire, more especially after the support they had received therefrom on the Tramway esplt — it was beyond doubt that cross-country lines were absolutely necessary &c

Cr D. Coutts

In speaking to the matter expressed his opinion that to say the least the Gordon Shire was decidedly exhibiting a want of policy, and that advocating the line from Inglewood to Durham &c they would be strengthen

their own cross lines as well.

It was Moved by Cr D. Coutts

Seconded . Pethbean

That the Secretary write the Gordon Shire Council that the Deputation will wait upon the Hon the Minister of Railways on Wednesday the 20" March, and trust they will send a Delegate in support thereof — the support of this Council having always been given to Railways in which they have been interested in. carried

It was Moved by Cr Bissett

Seconded . Pethbean

That the Hon D. Coutts be asked to accompany the Deputation to the Hon the Minister of Railways, and in the event of Cr D Coutts owing to his electioneering business not being able to attend that Cr Marshall be requested so to do carried

Messrs John Davidson and Robert Douglas waited upon the Council in reference to the matter of the Pompapiel and Calivil Water Trust

Asking that the Deputation about to wait the Minister of Railways upon the Inglewood and Durham &c Extension should also bring under the notice of the Department their desire to form a Water Trust and obtain a share of the water of the Loddon River — the preliminary steps of obtaining signatures to a petition had been already taken, and all they now wanted was the support of the East Loddon Shire Council in the effort — the Department had been addressed upon the water supply to Pompapiel and Calivil and an unsatisfactory answer received

It was

Moved by Cr Laird

Seconded . Pethbean

That this Council considers the reply of the

Department to Petitioners provided Jacky and that the Deputation & the Minister of Railways be asked to support the request of the Petitioners in obtaining a share of the Land don Waters ——— Carried

——— The Deputation thanked the Council for their cordial reception and withdrew ———

——— Reports ———

The Secretary ———

——— Related that the account of £72.15.3 had been received from the Railway Department in payment of the Mukinno Weighbridge. ———

——— Received

The Treasurer ———

——— Reporting receipts to be £120.11.4 and a Balance at Bank of Victoria to be Dr 250.16.10 ———

——— Received

The Rate Collector ———

——— Reporting receipts of Rates £36.13.9

——— Received

The Rabbit Inspector ———

——— Was read received and ——— Adopted

——— Applications for Slaughtering Licenses ———

Were received from ———

John. E. Lethlean Yallock

Will'm E Lethlean Mukinno

and upon ———

——— The Motion of Cr Laird

Seconded . Jackman ——— Granted

——— Engineers Report ———

Was read received and dealt with seriatim as follows

Item 3 Re open Stone Crossing North from Rogers Pomphlett Cr Laird to give Notice of Motion ——— ———

Item 4 Re Bridge over Cabinet Creek near Robson ——— Approved of

Item 5 Re Renewal of Gates "Ross" ——— Suspending and requesting time to do so was upon the ———

——— Motion of Cr Hardy

Seconded . Lethlean ——— Granted

Item 6 Re Contractors "cushins" and further time being allowed to complete works owing to flood ve was upon the ———

——— Motion of Cr Lethlean

Seconded . Jackman ——— Approved of

Item 7 Re only 2 Contracts being allowed in hand simultaneously It was moved by Cr Lethlean ———

——— That this Clause be adopted ———

An Amendment ———

——— Moved by Cr Laird

Seconded . Bissett ———

That this Clause be not adopted ——— Carried

The Report together with Items 1 and 2 was then ——— Adopted

Tenders

The following Tenders for Works as specified therein was dealt with as follows ———

Forming 28 chains, constructing stone crossing, culverts &c on road 1½ miles due East from Yallock Railway Station ——— ———

	Benjamin	Rawlins	243. .
£271.11.8	Patrick	Mahoney	265.16.6
	Archibald	Jamieson	271.11.6

It was ———

——— Moved by Cr Laird

Seconded . Bissett ———

That the Lowest Tender be accepted ———

An Amendment ———

——— Moved by Cr Jackman

Seconded . Lethlean ———

That Patrick Mahoneys Tender be accepted

Upon the Amendment and the Motion being put the Votes for and against were found to be 4 each

The President

Gave his casting Vote for the Motion which was then declared Carried

General Business

Pompapiel State Forest

Cr Marshall

In according to this matter stated that Mr Gollan had not paid his rent for same and was not now in occupation thereof as the Lands Department had invested tenders therefore in the Gazette by Advertisement

It was

Moved by Cr Hardy

Seconded - Bissett

That the Shire Council tender at 2/ per acre for the Pompapiel State Forest

An Amendment

Moved by Cr Pettigrew

Seconded - Jackman

That the matter be deferred until after the Deputation to Melbourne known, and left in their hands to Act, and furnish report at next meeting of Council Carried

The President

Stated he had found it necessary to employ labor in filling up some holes (made by the floods) which were dangerous Approved of

Firewood

It was Moved by Cr Bissett

Seconded - Laird

That Tenders be invited for 20 tons of Fire wood for use of Officers &c Carried

Re Thistle and Burr Cutting

It was

Moved by Cr Laird

Seconded - Hardy

That Thistle and Bathurst Burr Notices to owners of land infested be inserted in journals calling upon them to eradicate same in accordance with the Act Carried

It was Moved by Cr D'Costa

Seconded - Pettigrew

That the matter of Burr cutting be left in the hands of the members of the Ridings to use their discretion as to cutting on the Roads Carried

Re North Calivil Dam

Secretary and Engineer to make enquiries as to the title thereto with view to fencing in same

Cr Hardy

Alluded to the necessity of grubbing some 40 chains of road near Chapples Lane, and East therefrom

It was Moved by Cr Laird

Seconded - Bissett

That the matter be left in the hands of the North Riding Members to have the work done Carried

Re Tragowel Plains Irrigation Trust

It was

Moved by Cr Laird

Seconded - Potter

That the Shire Engineer make further inspection of same to ascertain if the necessary repairs &c have been effected and report at next meeting of Council Carried

Re Bye Laws for Shire of East Loddon

The Rowena Shire Council to be written to asking for copies of Bye Laws in use thereat, to be forwarded for use of Shire Council in framing a code &c

Motions on Notice

1 By Cr Marshall

That Tenders be called for clearing all shrubs and Scrub on the roads East and West from Mess.rs Dows to J. Dodsons and from Dows on the North side to Parish Boundary

Was Seconded by Cr Potter — Carried

2 By Cr Marshall

That tenders be called for clearing from North Calvil School South to old clearing

Was Seconded by The President — Carried

3 By Cr Laird

That Tenders be called for formation &c on Pyramid Road South from Mr. Hesters residence between the parishes of Yallock and Pompapiel

Was Seconded by Cr Bissett — Carried

By Permission of Council

4 By Cr Laird

That Tenders be called for constructing Stone Crossing and enlarging culvert on road North from Mr Rogers farm parish of Pompapiel — Carried

Accounts

The following accounts having been recommended by the Finance Committee this day

It was Moved by Cr Lethlean

Seconded by Marshall

That they be passed for payment in the usual manner by the Secretary — Carried

Accounts

Thomas & Henry	Old Smith	98. 3. 9 16. 6.

Richard	Lethlean	2. 13.
James	McNamara	11. 10. 8
Isaac	Palmer	85.
Joseph	Keil	72.
Phillips and	Whately	40.
Robert	Douglas	25.
Thomas H Jr	Lethlean	8. 3.
Joseph	Doody	3. 16. 6
&c	Williams &c	2. 1. 10
Thomas Dolic	& others (3)	1. 17.
Edward	Wirth	1. 5.
Frank	Brown	12. 10.
Stephen &c	Jones	20. 16. 8
John	Marshall	7. 10.
Alexander	Dr Adam	10.
H.A	Dr Deravin	3. 15.
Margaret	Mrs Cannan	3. 15.
William	Rose	2. 18.
Mackay and	Company	3. 12. 6
Joseph	Hunter	6. 17. 9
Archibald	Jamieson	60.
Inglewood	Hospital	10. 10.

Confirmed

John Potter President

25'' April-1889.

Present at 11.30 am

The President (Potter) Councillors Laird Bissett
Jackman Lethbean Marshall
Hardy D Coutts J. Coutts

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Correspondence

1 From Thomas Langdon M.L.A. Re deputation
2 " J. H. McColl do to Honorable the
3 " J. D. Bowen do Minister of
4 " George Young M.L.C. Railways re
the extension of a Railway from Langlewood
to Durham Coe, &c Received

5 " Department of Lands and Survey stating
that the road recently surveyed at Rana
-proto a and as described in the Government
Gazette of the 15th March has been proclaimed
a public road do

5A " Department of Public Works declining to vote
money for repairs of flood damages do

5B " do " do declining to consent to Exchange
of road with Sir John Davidson of Serpentine
and stating claims might interfere with legal
rights of the owners of Allots 57 (Coutts) 60 and 61
(Davidson) do
It was Moved by Cr J. Coutts
Seconded Cr Lethbean
That Mr Davidson obtain signatures to
a petition in favor of the exchange in the
meantime - and the further consideration
to stand over until next meeting Carried

6 From The Bank of Victoria relating intention of
Directors to register the Bank as a Limited
Company &c Received

7 " The Loddon United Water Trust inclosing
£10 remt of Officers do

8 " The Shire of Gordon declining to take ac-
-tion re Springlewood to Durham Ox Railway
Extension do

9 " do " do relating inability of Council to
be represented at the interview with the Hon
the Minister of Railways, owing to a prior
engagement but stating they will co-oper
-ate in any future action &c do

10 " The Shire of Bet Bet re same matter and
according co-operation in movement do

11 " The Sixth Eastern Municipal Association
re Rabbits, Sparrows Mina & Parrot pests &
asking consideration of the subject do

12 " Krause & Bochum Union Railway
Works forwarding drawings plans &c of a
Tramway &c &c &c do
It was Moved by Cr Hardy
Seconded - Lethbean
That Messrs Krause & Co be thanked and
informed it is a Railway that is at present
under consideration Carried

13 " Sandhurst Fine Art Society setting forth
the advantages of the Institute and seek
-ing aid thereto either pecuniary or by
Received

And deferred until Charitable Grants are under consideration

14 From Phillips and Whately seeking extension of time upon their Contract at Dingee — Received — And request complied with

15 " Joseph Heil re extension of bricks time upon Contract at Kaaimee ready — do — And request complied with upon Casting Vote of the President

16 " The Sisters of Mercy of St Vincent de Paul's Girls Orphanage at Melbourne seeking subscription in aid — do — And deferred until Charitable Grants in Aid are considered by the Casting Vote of the President

17 " F. Dunn Analyst forwarding Schedule of Fees therefore — do

18 " The Cheyne family re the removal of Gates near their properties at Darkland — do — Moved by Cr Lethlean Seconded " Laird — That the matter be deferred for one month the North Riding Members to furnish a report &c stating the locality, and situation of the gates (2) referred to — Carried

19 " Robert Gorrie relating the North Western Municipal Association would meet at the Town Hall Melbourne on the 30th April at 11 a.m — Received

Reports of Committees Officers &c —

Re Dingee Weighbridge & H. Charlesworth

Cr Lethlean stated the Weighbridge had not been tested, owing to the sickness of Mr Jackman, and suggested that the weighing be deferred until next month. Mr Charlesworth had been interviewed and was satisfied the weighbridge was correct. Cr D. Coutts arrived. Crs Lethlean and Jackman considered that the man in charge was in fault being careless. — Received — It was Moved by Cr D. Coutts Seconded " Bissett — That Mr O'Connor be informed that it is necessary that the Weighbridge should be adjusted every morning prior to using same — Carried

Re Inglewood to Durham Ox Railway — The President (Potter) Reported that in Company with Crs Marshall & Hardy, and the Mayor of Inglewood (Horan) &c waited upon the Hon Duncan Gillies in reference to this railway, who stated the deputation had made out a very good case, and which fully warranted him including the desired extension in the next "Railway Bill" — The Hon Geo Bell strongly supported same together with Mr Eaglestone who presented "Statistics" of great service &c and which carried great weight with the Minister of Railways &c — The Mayor of Ballarat and President of Shire of Gordon forwarded apologies for their unavoidable absence

Cr Hardy — Stated they were much indebted to the Honorables David Coutts and Bell for their valuable assistance &c during the interview — Received

Re Pompapiel and Calivil Water Supply — Cr Marshall — Reported the interview with the

Honorable Mr Deakin

Who stated all the water from the Loddon River had been promised, but Stated after the Laanecoorie Weir was finished the Loddon waters if not found sufficient a re-allotment thereof would no doubt take place

Cr D. Coutts

Stated the Hon Mr Deakin had made the Deputation the promise so long sought for — namely the re-allotment of Water Supply from the Loddon if not found sufficient. It was most satisfactory to obtain such a promise from the Minister of Water Supply after so long being withheld

Re. Flood Damages and Repairs

Cr Hardy — Stated although the Hon Mr Rimmer was obliged to decline assistance to the Shire Council herein, he was favorably disposed to granting assistance, he promised if a written statement was submitted of the damages by flood, endeavor to have some money placed upon the Estimates therefore

Cr D. Coutts

Stated the East Loddon Shire application was for special flood damages, the Minister had been pushed by Councils for assistance, and in the no exception of the North Calivil Bridge (dam) being destroyed if the Council made application for assistance therefore he would be favorably inclined to a grant being placed upon the General Estimates — it was thought wise to accept this intimation

Re Somphaeil State Forest

The President (Potter) Stated the Minister of Lands had not been interviewed hereon.

It was

Moved by Cr Pethlean

Seconded. J. Coutts

That the various Reports be received and adopted and that a Vote of thanks be pass-

-ed for the attendances of the various Council lors upon the Deputations — and that the Members of the Legislative Council be also thanked — and that the usual fees be passed therefore

Carried

Cr Coutts

Returned thanks on behalf of self and Colleagues

Report of Secretary

Stating the Subsidy for the half year ending 30th June had not yet been received although some six weeks overdue

The six months of the period arranged with by the Tragowel Plains Irrigation Trust would expire on the 23rd May, and as the duty of convening the meeting is with the Shire Council, it was necessary some action be taken

Received

The Treasurer

Relating receipt of £125 — and for Rent of Shire Hall and Dingee Weighs 15.15.6 making a total sum of £140.15.6 and the Balance at The Bank of Victoria 609.10.6 Dr

Received

The Rate Collector

Reporting receipt of Rates £16.18. Dog Reg 15/-

Received

The Rabbit Inspector

Report was read — received — and — Adopted

It was

Moved by Cr Marshall

Seconded. Hardy

That the Rabbit Inspector serve the necessary Notices to destroy rabbits upon the owners or occupiers of all lands infested thereby and that he strictly enforce the Act

Carried

Application for Slaughtering License
Was received from Beavor L. Hall Tenterhurst and granted

Engineers Report
Was read received and dealt with seriatim as follows

Item 1 Re enforcement of conditions of Contracts with certain Contractors as enumerated
It was Moved by Cr Lethlean
Seconded . Jackman
That the suggestion be adopted and conditions of contracts enforced Carried

Item 2 Re Culverts &c laid by Dragoon Plains Irrigation Trust
It was Moved by Cr D. Coutts
Seconded . Lethlean
That a Conference of the Dragoon Plains Irrigation Trust and this Council be again called to be held at the Town Posts Hotel Jarkelan the three North Riding Members, Councillors Lethlean and D. Coutts to represent the Shire of East Loddon, some day prior to the 23rd of May, and suggesting Friday the 10th of May Carried

Item 3 Footbridge over drain opposite the Post & Telegraph Office and deck of Pom Pom Bridge gravelled
It was Moved by Cr Bissett
Seconded . Presdam
That Tenders be called for the work at next meeting of Council Carried

Item 4 Bridge over outlet of Pompapiel Creek near Priestleys at Jalambee
It was Moved by Cr Marshall
Seconded . D. Coutts
That Tenders be called for the work at the next meeting of Council Carried

Item 5 Re Majors Line Bridge and repairs to approaches &c
It was Moved by Cr Lethlean
Seconded . Hardy
That the action of the President and Engineer approved of, the Kerang Shire Engineer and Mr Jones be asked to meet upon a day convenient to them, and that the President be also appraised, in order to be present Carried

Memo
The Shire Engineer to ascertain as to sums former repairs to this Bridge the cost thereof in order that same may be adjusted &c

Item 6 Re Load State of Road from Serpentine to Jarkelan
It was Moved by Cr Hardy
Seconded . Laird
That the Shire Engineer prepare an Estimate of the cost of the work Carried

Tenders

The following Tenders for Works as specified therein were dealt with as follows

1 Supplying 20 tons firewood delivered at Shire Hall Serpentine

£4	James	McNamara	4.18.4
	A	Burgdorff	5.
	Henry	Smith	5.5.
	J	Dowsett	6.10.

2 Formation on road between parishes of Gallook and Pompapiel

£26.1.11	Patrick	Mahoney	16.16.10
	Robert	Douglas	31.12.

3 Constructing small stone crossing &c on road between Allotments 55 & 73 parish of Pompapiel

£23.13.6	Patrick	Mahoney	18.12.8

Gravelling and clearing on various roads parish of Calivil

£38.5/. James McNamara £0.16.
Joseph Reid £1.

Moved ——— ———
——— Moved by Cr Jackman
Seconded. Bissett ———
That the lowest Tenders in each case be
accepted ——— ——— Carried

——— Accepted Tenders ———

No 1 James McNamara £.18.4
" 2 Patrick Mahoney 16.16.10
" 3 Patrick Mahoney 18.12.8
" 4 James McNamara £0.16.

——— ———

——— General Business ———

Re application for £600, to be placed upon the Estimates
Moved ———
——— Moved by Cr D. Coutts
Seconded. Lehlean ———
That the Commissioner of Public Works be applied
to to place a sum of £600 upon the coming
Estimates for assistance to this Shire in effect-
-ing the road repairs rendered necessary by
the January floods, and that the Engineer
prepare the necessary plans &c ——— Carried

Re Bridge across Loddon at or near the boundary of
the Shires of Marong and East Loddon ———
Moved ———
——— Moved by Cr D. Coutts
Seconded. Bissett ———
That the Korong and Marong Shires be written
to with the view of joint application being made
by those Shires in conjunction with this Council to
the Public Works Department for a sum of £600
for the construction of a bridge across the Loddon
at or near the boundary of the Marong and East

Loddon Shires, the Korong Shire to find £300.
and Marong and East Loddon Shires to find
£150 each towards the cost thereof. ——— Carried

——— Retrenchment in the Shire Expenses ———
——— ———
——— Cr Laird ———
Alluded to the fact of retrenchment in the Expenditure
of the Shire, which could be worked by one Officer, com-
-bining the Offices of Shire Engineer and Secretary, this
being a small Shire, the work could be done by one
Officer ——— and in his opinion more than the business
now done in this Shire ——— in many Shires one indi-
-vidual filled the combined Offices ——— and in support
of his contention referred to the "Balance Sheets for the
past 2 years which related an increase in the work-
-ing expenses &c ———
Moved ———
——— Moved by Cr Laird
Seconded. J. Coutts ———

1 That the Offices of Engineer and Shire Secretary
be amalgamated and that the Engineer
(Mr S.C. Jones) be offered the position of En-
-gineer and Secretary combined at a Salary
of £300 per annum ———

2 That the Secretary (Mr F. Bowen) receive notice
that his services as Secretary to this East
Loddon Shire will not be required after
the Council meeting in June next ———

3 That Special Meeting for May to confirm
the action of the Council in appointing
the Engineer to the duties of Secretaryship
and Engineer combined. Also at same
Special meeting in May to confirm the
action of the Council in dispensing with
the services of the Secretary Mr F. Bowen

The President spoke against these resolutions. Retrenchment could be obtained in other and more satisfactory ways, than those referred to in these motions, instancing the Presidents allowance — and in advertising &c —

It was moved by the President
Seconded " Cr Hardy
That the consideration of the matter be held over until next meeting of the Council

It was then being put was lost

The President Cr Hardy
Cr Bassett " Lethlean

Voting in favor of the postponement until next meeting, viz:-

Cr D. Coutts. Cr J. Coutts
" Marshall " Laird
" Jackman Voted against same

Revaluation throughout the Shire

It was moved by Cr D. Coutts
Seconded " Laird
That the whole Council resolve themselves into a Committee to consider the matter of further "valuation" of the lands &c of the Shire — Carried

Further Scheme of Retrenchment

It was moved by Cr Laird
Seconded " Marshall
That at the next meeting Cr Laird be prepared to submit a scheme of further retrenchment in Shire Expenses — Carried

Re Survey of the Pomonpaiel Cemetery

It was moved by Cr Marshall
Seconded " Laird
That the Shire Engineer be instructed to survey the Pomonpaiel Cemetery in lots suitable for graves having regard to the different denominations &c — Carried

The Drains cut through Mrs Hinds property &c

It was moved by Cr Marshall
Seconded " Hardy
That the drains recently cut through Mrs Hinds property from the State School Pomonpaiel &c be made swifter, and that the work be done — Carried

The Engineer stated the job could be done for 30/-

By permission of Council

It was moved by Cr Hardy
Seconded " Marshall
1 That Tenders be called for reconstructing culvert returnable at next meeting of the Council, on boundary road between the Parishes of Pomonpaiel and Talambe near Mrs P. D. Priestley's residence — Carried

2 It was moved by Cr J. Coutts
Seconded " Lethlean
That tenders be called for road formation near Mrs Gruners in the township of Mid-nano, the work to cost about £100. — Carried

Instructions to Officers

By Cr Jackman

Re clearing from stumps &c of recently proclaimed road at Nanarookra

By Cr Hardy

Re culverts at Darkban requiring repairs in some the water leaking through the Abutting &c

The President

In alluding to the matter of a difference of some 60 yards in measurement between the Engineer and Contractor "Heil" in the contents of an embankment, the Engineer stating it was that quantity short, and offering to remeasure same on some day agreed upon in the presence of Cr Heck.

Notice of Motion

By Cr Bissett

That Tenders be called for formation and culvert on North and South road between allotments 129A Tompkapiel and 118 Parish of Damember East

Accounts

The following Accounts having been recommended by the Finance Committee this day.

It was moved by Cr J. Coutts.

Seconded. Lethlean

That they be passed for payment in the usual manner by the Secretary — Carried

Accounts

Archibald	Jamieson	70. .
Benjamin	Rawlins	17. .
Robert	Douglas	14. 8.
Thomas S	Old	5. 7. 3
Phillips and	Whately	25. .
Robertson Campbell &	Sloss	19. 16. 11
Dow H.C. and	A Dow	10. 10.
Robert	Bumming	8: 11. 6
Joseph	Lobb	8. 6. 8
William J	Peters	4. 5.

R. A	Newman	3. 10.
Henry	Smith	10. 7.
John	White	1. 10.
C	Dynes	.10. 6
J	Rogers	3. .
Thomas H	Lethlean	5. .
Potter Marshall &	Beatty	2. 19.
Howe and	Stewart	15.
Frank	Bowen	12. 10.
Stephen C	Jones	26. 1. 8
John	Marshall	7. 10.
John	Potter	5. 5.
William	Hardy	5. 5.
George	Marshall	5. 5.
Arnold and	Jackson	6. 14. 10
John J	O'Connor	2. 17. 9
Castles Potter &	Van Damme	1. 9.
Jayson	Brothers	4. 18. 9
John H	Harcourt	4. 5.
Samuel	Seales	2. 11. 6

Confirmed John Potter President

17th May-1889.

Minutes of Ordinary Meeting. 17 "May 1889.

Present at 11.30 am

The President (Potter) Councillors Laird — J. Coutts, D Coutts — Laird — Bissett — Jackman — Lethlean — Marshall —

Minutes

Of the Meeting held 26th April read and on the Motion of Cr Marshall Seconded " Lethlean — Confirmed

Correspondence

1 From Treasury forwarding Voucher for the claim once of £895. 1. 6 Subsidy to the 30th June 1889 for signature & seal re — Received — Secretary stated that the matter had been attended to —

2 " The Department of Public Works acknowledging receipt of application for £600 for repairs to upon Shire roads, stating same will receive attention when the Estimates are being prepared — do —

3 " The Tragowel Plains Irrigation Trust declining conference at present — do —
— It was Moved by Cr D. Coutts
Seconded " " Lethlean —
That the Tragowel Plains Irrigation Trust be again advised to meet the Shire of East Loddon in Conference, and to name their own time between this date and the 19th June instants — Carried

4 " The Marong Shire Council declining at present to contribute towards cost of Bridge across Loddon river at the Boundary of the two Shires &c — Received
It was —
— Moved by Cr Coutts (D)
Seconded " D. Coutts —
That the matter be deferred for general business — Carried

From the Marong Shire Council, in re the East Loddon Council's suggestion that a joint application of the Shires of Korong, Marong and East Loddon should be made to the Public Works department for £600 towards erecting a bridge over the River Loddon, the balance to be borne proportionately by the three shires, stating that that council could not see its way clear at present to bear a portion of the cost of such a bridge. Received, Cr. D. Coutts saying that it appeared that the Marong Shire thought they had been asked to contribute towards the construction of a bridge over the Loddon within the East Loddon Shire. That was not the case, as he believed that when the site was settled, the best site would be found to be in the Marong Shire. He noticed by the press reports that the Korong Shire had suggested that a conference of the shire engineers should be held, when the question of cost could be considered. He regretted that the neighboring shires had not decided at once to join with this council, as unless the application was put in this week the the matter would be practically shelved. It was suggested that the Marong Shire should allow their engineer to be present at the conference of engineers of the shires interested in the matter.

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Minutes of Ordinary Meeting. 17th May 1889.

5. From Messrs Kirwan (2) Doolan, Campbell & Marshall requesting the removal of 2 gates now across the road from St. Calixt. School to Doolans & Marshalls and also 2 gates in Sanders paddock, and also that 10 or 12 chains of clearing be effected there-in ____ Received

___ Moved by Cr D. Connolly
Seconded J. Coutts ____
That the matter of opening these roads be referred to the North Riding Members to report at the next meeting of Council as to the advisability thereof &c ____ Carried

6 " Percy F. Brownfield C.E. offering his services, to certify as to works in Shire professionally and relating his charges therefore ____ Received

7 " North Western Municipal Association enclosing account £5.5/. annual Subscription thereto ____ do ____
___ Secretary stated same was provided for in advance of the day. ____

8 " Miss Agnes Oberhead request of Shire Hall for a dance during the first week in June ___ do ____
___ Moved by Cr Bissett
Seconded J. Coutts ____
That the Hall be granted upon the usual conditions ____ Carried

9 " The Mayor Melbourne with Circular letter seeking financial aid for the Chinese Famine Fund ____ Received

10 " The Northern District Forest Conservation League relating meeting thereof take place in the Mayors Room Town Hall Sandhurst on Saturday the 18th inst. at 3 pm re deputation &c ___ do ___

he Provincial Ready-money Store. Apply
s Store.

LET, Brick Cottage, six rooms, in Wills-street. Apply before 12 o'clock, Miss C. Mollison street.

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ATTERIES to Let. Beehive Crushing Works, Eaglehawk. 1873

Notices.

HE Eaglehawk Co-operative Butchering Company having disposed of their Business to Sarah Nosworthy, will not be responsible for debts contracted after this date. All accounts to the company must be paid forthwith to the surer, Thomas John, High street, Eaglehawk. 2013

11 Thos Joseph Reid re alleged deficiencies in quantities &c as per Engineers Statements upon his Prairie road Contract and for -mulating certain questions thereupon &c for response by Engineer ____ Received

1 As to encasement of 600 yards Knot in the quantity of Spoil in the embankment

____ The Engineer admitted he had made an error in the first calculation, but that the present quantity 280 yards Knot is correct ____

2 Engineer does not admit either of these 4 questions. ____

____ Considerable discussion was elicited Mr Reid having an audience with the Council, when it was ultimately ____

____ Moved by Cr Jackman

Seconded. J. Coutts ____

That the Engineers action be upheld ____ Carried

Memo ____

____ The Engineer to state in future contracts where Earthwork is concerned, that the term solid, in bank measurement be related ____

12 " Thomas Lord re compensation for erecting new fence by order of the Rabbit Inspector 18 Chains of dead wood fencing being destroyed to erect the fence referred to ____ Received

____ It was Moved by Cr Pethebridge

Seconded. J. Coutts ____

That the letter be received and no action taken ____ Carried

13 " A. Jamieson re extension of time upon his Contract at Miliaroo and Prairie road ____ Received

____ It was Moved by Cr Hardy

Seconded. Marshall ____

That an extension of 1 month be granted ____ Carried

____ Reports of Committees &c ____

____ Re Cheque for renewal of Yates Parkham ____

The North Riding Members through Cr Marshall

____ Reported that they had met Mr Cheque at the Town ports Hotel, and are of opinion that some little malice exists in the matter, it is thought however that the one road at Mr George Coutts on the Durham Ox road be opened as recommended, but that the opening of the three gates upon Allotment 126 be left over for three months ____

____ It was Moved by Cr D. Coutts

Seconded. J. Coutts ____

That the report be received and adopted ____ Carried

____ The President ____

Reported having attended the North Western Municipal Association Conference at the Town Hall Melbourne on the 30th April and 1st May instants. ____

____ As printed reports of the Meeting were to hand it was hardly necessary to relate in full his action thereat

____ Dr Adam Commissioner of Roads ____

With reference to this matter it was too late to have so important a subject brought up at the end of a meeting it was so well thought of by the Conference that it was arranged that it be brought forward at the next half year by meeting of the Association ____

____ It was Moved by Cr Pethebridge

Seconded. Hardy ____

____ That the Report be received and that a Vote of thanks and the customary fees be passed to the Presidents for his attendance thereat ____ Carried

____ The Secretary ____

Reported that the Subsidy Voucher £895.1.6 and that for the Collection of Agricultural Statistics for 8.13. had both been forwarded to the Treasurer, but not yet received.

____ The Meeting of the Dragoon Plains Irrigators had not been held on the 10th May the date fixed for the Conference

owing to non receipt of reply to communication from the Shire

The financial condition of the Ridings were as follows
North Riding Cr £6.3.4
South Riding " 198.3.7
East Riding Dr 724.13.4

Received

The Treasurer

Relating receipt of Rates £15.4.
Dog Registration Fees 15.
£15.19. and the Balance at Bank of Victoria Dr 609.10.6

Received

The Rate Collector

Reporting receipt of Rates £36.19. Dog Regis £1

Received

The Rabbit Inspector

Was read received and Adopted

Engineers Report

Was read received and dealt with seriatim as follows.

Item 2 Re Road between allots 12 & 66 Parish of Tandarra, 80 chains requiring clearing at a cost of £12.

It was Moved by Cr Lethlean
Seconded " Beaudet
That no action be taken at present Carried

Item 4 Re Survey of Pompapiel Cemetery

And declining to re-survey the same unless a fee of £10 be paid by Trustees thereof.

Item 3 Re the Sarkland road and widening up the embankments with red clay at a cost of £550.

It was Moved by Cr Marshall
Seconded " Lethlean
That the matter be left in the hands of the North Riding Members to use their discretion &c Carried

N. S. Beaudet

Upon the Motion of Cr Lethlean
Seconded. Marshall

The Report was received and Adopted

Tenders

The following Tenders for Works as specified therein were dealt with as follows

1 Constructing Footbridge over drain opposite Serpentine Post Office, gravelling the deck of Pon Pon Bridge and cleaning out drains Swanhill Road

Henry Smith 17.1.6

2 Repairing culvert on road near J. D. Prentice's by Talandra
Robert Douglas 34.10.

3 Forming, gravelling and Kerbing township of Archiana
Archibald Jamieson 133.18.

It was
Moved by Cr Lethlean
Seconded " Marshall
That the Tenders be accepted in each case Carried

General Business

Re Thistle Exterminations

Cr Jackman

In alluding to this matter thought it better that the Council should take the action in hand at the expense thereof.

It was Moved by Cr Jackman
Seconded " Lethlean
That the work be undertaken by the Shire Council as regards the "Bathurst Burr" exterminations upon open roads and Reserves. Carried

Re clearing on Road Tandarra by Marong S. Council

It was Moved by Cr Lethlean
Seconded " J. Coutts

That the Manning Shire Council be again addressed with reference to the promise made to clear the road grubbing same to on the North and South road in that Shire immediately South from Allotment 63B parish of Tandarra in this Shire ——— Carried

——— Inglewood to Durham Ox Railway ———

Moved ——

——— Moved by Cr Hardy

Seconded " Lethlean ———

That the Shire Secretary write the Hon the Minister of Railways reminding him of the promise to send up an Officer of this Department to inspect the proposed route of the Inglewood to Durham Ox Railway Extension ——— Carried

Re alteration of time of departure of Terang Train to and leaving Sandhurst ———

——— It was Moved by Cr D. Coutts

Seconded " Lethlean ———

That the Department of Railways be written to and informed that this Shire Council is satisfied with the present arrangements as regards the 6 pm train Sandhurst to Terang Train ——— Carried

Re proposed New Bridge across the Loddon River ———

——— It was Moved by Cr D. Coutts

Seconded " Driscoll ———

That the Manning Shire Council be asked to allow their Engineer to confer with the Marong and East Loddon Shire Engineers in Conference, to inspect the site of the proposed Bridge across the Loddon with the view of furnishing an Estimate of the probable cost of a suitable Structure ——— Carried

Cr D. Coutts referred to the matter of an overpayment

SPECIAL BUSINESS.

A special meeting as moved for by Cr. Laird at the previous meeting was then opened for the purpose of confirming certain resolutions agreed to at the previous meeting, viz., "That the offices of secretary and engineer should be amalgamated;" "That the shire engineer, Mr. S. C. Jones, be offered the joint positions at a salary of £300 per annum;" and "That the secretary, Mr. F. Brown, be given notice that his services will be dispensed with after the June meeting of the council." The secretary having read the minutes of the resolutions as taken at the previous meeting, the President remarked that he was of opinion that what had been done at the previous meeting was illegal. He was quite willing to take the responsibility on himself, but he wished to say that the subject was brought on suddenly at the end of the meeting, and they were all taken somewhat by surprise. Since then he had been thinking the matter over, and looking up the Act, and several cases bearing on the subject, and he was convinced that the resolutions were illegal, as notice of motion had not been given by Cr. Laird. The dismissal of one of the council's superior officers was certainly "extraordinary" business, and therefore could not be dealt with at an "ordinary" meeting of the council. In this case it was through no fault whatever that they were dispensing with the services of Mr. Brown, but solely on the score of retrenchment, and he therefore thought that due notice should have been given. There was no doubt that amalgamation of the offices would be done, and he wished the thing to be done legally.

Cr. Laird replied that he had carefully gone over the Act before he submitted the resolutions at the previous meeting, and he was positive that he had acted rightly. Cr. D. Coutts remarked that he followed the president in his contention to a certain extent, but not altogether. Had he (Cr. Coutts) been in the chair at the previous meeting he would not have accepted the resolutions without notice being first given. But the resolutions were passed, and it was quite competent for this special meeting to confirm those resolutions. The whole thing was legal. The only point upon which he thought Cr. Laird might be upset was through his not having given the date on which the special meeting should be held. The resolution of Cr. Laird said "that a special meeting be held at the May meeting of the council." He inclined to the opinion that it was necessary to give the exact date. Cr. Marshall pointed out that the resolutions had only been agreed to by five votes to four. He understood that it required an absolute majority to remove an officer. Cr. Hardy thought a month's notice of the resolutions should have been given. Cr. Laird asked the president to give his ruling in the matter. He did not wish to be stubborn in this matter, and if the president was against him he would give notice of motion. The president said he would have to rule it out of order. Cr. Laird then moved that a special meeting be held on Friday, the 21st of June, for the purpose of discussing the advisability of amalgamating the two offices of secretary and edgineer; that Mr. Jones be offered the combined offices at a salary of £300 per annum; and that Mr. Brown receive notice that his services will be dispensed with after the July meeting. Cr. D. Coutts seconded the motion, which was carried.

Accounts were passed for payment, and the council then adjourned.

of £8/ in excess for certain work done by one Patrick Mc Donough and giving cheque for same as refund therefrom ———

——— Exchange of Land with Mr John Davidson ———
A schedule signed by the landowners adjacent to the land proposed to be exchanged with the Shire road stating they or the public are in no way interfered with as relates to access to the water for stock purposes &c the Serpentine Creek being adjacent thereto.
——— The Secretary to forward copy to Public Works Department

——— Special Meeting of Council
——— Retrenchment in the Shire Expenses ———

——— Motions on Notice ———

1 By Cr Laird ———
——— That the Offices of Engineer and Shire Secretary be amalgamated and that the Engineer (Mr J. C. Jones) be offered the position of Engineer and Secretary combined at a Salary of £300 per annum ———

2 ——— That the Secretary (Mr F. Brown) receive notice that his services as Secretary to this Shire of East Loddon will not be required after the Council meeting on 3rd June next ———

3 ——— That Special Meeting for May be held to confirm the action of the Council in suspending the Engineer to the duties of Secretaryship and Engineer combined, Also at the same Special meeting in May to confirm the action of the Council in dispensing with the services of the Secretary (Mr F. Brown) ———

——— Were all ruled out of Order by the President no extraordinary business could be dealt with by an ordinary meeting of Council and dismissing the Secretary was business no other than "extraordinary" unless proper Notice of Motion has been given. ———

4 By Cr Bissett ———
——— That tenders be called for formation and Culverting of Road between Allot 122 Parish of Tarnadale East ———
——— Was Seconded by Cr J. Curtis ——— Carried

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Notices of Motion

By Cr Jackman

That Tenders be called for clearing 80 chains roadway 5 rods from South Kamarooka School

By Cr Hardy

That tenders be called for erecting a bridge across the channel at the Shire Tank near Mr Robertsons on the Calivil to Nathumroad

By Cr Laird

That the Offices of Engineer and Secretary be amalgamated and that the Engineer (Mr J C Jones) be offered the position of Engineer and Secretary combined at a Salary of £300 per Annum

By Cr Laird

That the Secretary Mr F Brown receive notice that his services as Secretary to this East Loddon Shire will not be required after the Council Meeting in July next

Cr Laird

That a Special Meeting be held on Friday the 21st June at 1 pm.

For dispensing with the Services of the Secretary (Mr F Brown) and appointing the Engineer Mr J C Jones to the office of Secretary and Engineer combined.

Accounts

The following accounts having been recommended by the Finance Committee this day it was

Moved by Cr Lethlean

Seconded Marshall

That they be passed for payment by the Secretary in the usual way

Accounts

Symes	McNamara	15.5.10
Phillips and	Whately	25. .
Joseph	Heil	20. .
Benjamin	Rawlee	53. .
Edward	Williams	10.10.
Patrick	Keaton	4.10.
M	Kilmartin	2.5.
Thomas S	Old	2. .
Frank P	Brown	12.10.
Stephen C	Jones	20.16.8
John	Marshall	16.3.
John	Potter	5.5.
Sixth Western	Mt. Association	5.5.
Royal Sun & Co	D. Witherspoon	4.12.
Hughes and	Martin	1.15.
Joseph	Lobb	1. .
W J Peters and	W. Dow	5.17.

Carried

Confirmed

John Potter
President

21 June 1889.

Shire of East Loddon.

Shire Office, Serpentine,

Dec 21st 1885

To the President
And Councillors of the Shire
of East Loddon

Gentlemen I have the honor
to report having collected rates
as follows

North	Riding	12 · 1 · 6
South	Riding	12 · 8 · 6
East	Riding	3 · 5 · 1 · 4
		£ 29 · 6 · 4

Also for Registration
Fees
East Riding £1 · 0 · 0

In reference to Mr. A. Thynne's
application for a refund of
fees received for ground and
said Shire to an old slab
hut with sailing roof still
standing there I have to be
Gentlemen Your Obedient
Servant John Marshall.

SHIRE OF EAST LODDON – MINUTE BOOKS
JUNE 1889 TO JULY 1894

Present at 11.30 am

The President (Potter) Councillors Laird Bissett J. Coutts Jackman Lethlean D. Coutts Hardy Marshall

Minutes

Of the Meeting held 17th May read and on the Motion of Cr. Marshall Seconded " Hardy ——— Confirmed

Correspondence

1 From Victorian Railways acknowledging letter re the proposed alteration in the 6pm train from Sandhurst to Kerang Received

2 " do " do re the same matter and stating "that it is not the Commissioners intention to make any alteration therein at present ——— do

3 " Raywood Borough Council re the same — do

4 " Tragowel Plains Irrigation Trust re conference and stating that same is not necessary or useful ——— do

Motion Moved by Cr Laird Seconded " Lethlean That the matter be left over until the next meeting of Council for consideration ——— Carried

5 " Shire of Korong re Conference of Engineers of the 3 Shires re Bridge over the river Loddon mid-way between Bridgewater and Salisbury bridges ——— Received

6 " Swanhill Shire re stoppage of Subsidy and suggesting legal opinion being ob-

tained thereon ——— Received

The Secretary stated he had consulted the President thereon and had replied this Shire would co-operate in expense of obtaining legal opinion &c

Motion Moved by Cr D. Coutts Seconded " Marshall

That the action of President & Secretary be confirmed ——— Carried

7 From Shire of Marong agreeing to Conference of Engineers re the proposed bridge across the river Loddon &c ——— Received

8 " The Northern District Forest Conservation League seeking donation towards expenses already incurred &c ——— do

And no action taken

9 " do " do re proposed deputation to Minister of Lands re the introduction of a "Forest Bill" during this Session of Parliament, and requesting attendance of representative from this Shire thereat ——— do

10 " J. Jones Hon Sec of the Boort to Swanhill Extension via Barraport-Quambatook and Budgerum, and seeking co-operation in the insertion thereof in the coming Railway Construction Bill ——— do

11 " do " do relating opposition had arisen in Charlton to this line and

seeking aid of Parliamentary representatives in support of the original line the A B line _____ Received

_____ Co-operation accorded and Representatives to be addressed &c _____

12 From Maffra Shire re Conference of Shires re increased endowment to those Shires in receipt of the lower scale thereof and requesting &c delegate from this Shire there at _____ do ____

_____ Secretary to reply that the matter has already been discussed at the last bi-yearly meeting of the North Western Municipal Association, and a deputation then from said Shire views before the Ministry in support thereof _____

13 " Joseph Robert Mitchell Park Yarrawalla re accident to his horses at a culvert near to Mitiamo, and purging repairs thereto _____ do ____

It was _____ Moved by Cr Hardy
Seconded " D. Coutts _____
That the Engineer have to the matter at once _____ Carried

14 " Frederick Boods Salambe re flooding of his lands owing to the Bullock Creek Bridge ~~crossing~~ being too narrow &c ____ Received

It was _____ Moved by Cr Jackman
Seconded " Marshall _____
That the Shire Engineer inspect the locality and report at next meeting of the Shire Council _____ Carried

15 From Isaac Dodge requesting that payment of his "Rates" may be deferred &c _____ Received

16 " E. J. Tabrigibbon Secretary to the Queens Fund Melbourne and stating meeting of Committee thereof to take place at the Town Hall Melbourne on 20 June &c ____ do ____

17 " Crabbe Cohen Kirby re the claim of Mr Keil against the Council _____ do ____

_____ Mr Keil _____
being in attendance had an audience with the Council at some length
_____ The Shire Engineer stated he was prepared to prove that only 1/2 in of the first embankment had been constructed from spoil being placed thereon _____

18 " Joseph Robert Mitchell Park re the necessity of bridge being erected over the Calivil Creek on the North & Boundary road between this and the Gordon Shire _____ do ____

It was Moved by Cr Laird _____
_____ Seconded " Leibkan
That the North Riding Members and Shire Engineer furnish a report at the next meeting of this Council as to the advisability of erecting a bridge thereat _____ Carried

19 " Agnes Aberhead re the Ball taking place on the 17th June at Shire Hall ____ Received

_____ The Secretary stated he had endeavored to carry out the instruction

of the Council re the letting of the Hall but had been frustrated - no money having been paid for the use of the Hall although the "Ball" had taken place

It was ——— Moved by Cr D. Coutts
seconded - Bissett ———
That the money £1 for hire of the Hall be paid into the Shire Fund and that a moiety of the charge therefore be remitted ——— Carried

21 " From W. Rawlinson "Talindbo" re damage to his land and payment of 3d per yard for stuff taken out thereof and used for formation of proposed road adjacent &c ——— Received
——— The Secretary stated this letter had been mislaid in some way since March last. ———

" 22 " W. Rawliler requesting further extension of time upon his Contract at Tandarra owing to floods &c ——— do ———
It was Moved by Cr Lethlean
——— seconded - Jackman ———
That the request be held over until the Contract be completed, and then dealt with upon its merits ——— Carried

" 23 " Bengo Numbers Prairie relating the damage by flood to his land &c ——— Received
It was ———
——— Moved by Cr Lethlean
seconded - Jackman ———
That the Shire Engineer furnish report hereon at next meeting of Council — Carried

23 From Joseph Heil seeking extension of time upon his Contracts, owing to the recent rains and enclosing account £38.9.6 being balance due upon the Prairie road
24 Contract &c ——— Received
It was Moved by Cr Hardy
seconded - The President ———
That the request be granted and the account referred to the Finance Committee ——— Carried

25 " Cheyne family re clearing road leading to Mitiamo through the Calvil paddock, and removal of a gate also thereat ——— Received
It was Moved by Cr Lethlean
——— seconded - D. Coutts ———
That the North Riding Members in company with Shire Engineer inspect the locality, furnishing a report at the next meeting of Shire Council. ——— Carried
Memo ———
——— Mr Cheyne to be asked to accompany the Engineer to give due notice of time &c ———

26 " A and F. C. Cheyne re payment upon a contract long since finished ——— Received.
——— The Shire Engineer stated this contract was now in the hands of the Council some £10 and the deposit being retained to complete the work, so soon as weather permitted — after which any balance being left will be available to former contractors ———
It was ———

Moved by Cr D. Coutts
Seconded " Lethlean
That the contractors be informed of the fact that this contract No 13 is forfeited, and that the work will be finished at his risk — Carried

27 From John Rodgers Tompaficle re bad state of road leading West of Bullock Creek and relating damage to his crop — Received
Moved by Cr Lethlean
Seconded J. Coutts
That the matter be referred to the South Riding Members and Shire Engineer to furnish a report thereon at the next meeting of Shire Council — Carried

28 " James Priestley re same matter — Received and to be dealt with at same time &c

29 " Ross Bros Serpentine Estate directing attention to certain provisions in the Local Government Act in relation to "unlocked swing gates across unused roads &c — do —
Moved by Cr D. Coutts
Seconded Lethlean
That the matter be deferred until next meeting of Council, to give time for due consideration thereof — Carried

Reports &c of Committees

Cr Marshall
Stated he had visited the locality of the North Calivil State School and road thereat upon which some

4 gates in accordance with request of Messrs Kirwan Doolan and others at last meeting of Council required to have moved and 10 or 12 chains of clearing effected.
One gate upon the road referred to requires removing, the most Northern one
Mr Was Moved by Cr D. Coutts
Seconded Bissett
That the Report be received and final decision of Council be deferred until next meeting of Council — Carried

The Secretary
Related the Subsidy of £895. 1. 6 was not yet to hand the retention of which was now becoming a matter for serious consideration

Financial Condition of the Ridings was as follows

North	Riding	Dr 33. 19. 7
South	Riding	Cr 179. 7. 11
East	Riding	Dr 884. 12. 6 — Received

The Treasurer
Reporting receipts of Rates £246. 15. 7
Dog Registration Fees 2. .
248. 15. 7 and the Balance at Bank of Victoria to be
Dr £858. 14. 3 — Received

The Rate Collector
Relating Receipt of Rates 248. 7. .
Dog Fees 2. .
£250. 7. . — Received
together with list of defaulting Ratepayers which was placed upon the table

The Rabbit Inspectors
Report was read and Received

The Engineers Report Special (re O'Brien Bridge)
Was read received and Adopted

Ordinary Report
Was read and Received

Tender

Forming and draining 23 chains on East Road between Allotments 129 A and B and 110 and 117 Parish of Jarrcumber East and forming 7 chains and constructing wooden culvert on N and S road between the parishes of Jarrcumber East and Pompapiel

Z60.1.9 Isaac Palmer 88.3.2

It was
Moved by Cr Jackman
Seconded. Laird
That the tender of Isaac Palmer be not accepted as being too high Carried

General Business

Isaac Palmer

Was allowed an audience with the Shire Council complaining of the measurement (solid) of the Shire Engineer upon a contract W of Mitiamo

It was
Moved by Cr D. Coutts
Seconded. J. Coutts
That the President and Councillor Laird and Pethlean meet as a Committee at the Shire Hall at 10 am on the 19th July to consider the complaint of Mr Palmer and furnish a report thereon Carried

Annual Election on the 7th August
The Retiring Councillors being
North Riding Cr Hardy
South Riding " Bissett
East Riding " Jackman

Returning Officers

It was
Moved by Cr D. Coutts
Seconded. J. Coutts
That the following Councillors be appointed Returning Officers for their respective Ridings at the forthcoming Election
North Riding Cr Potter
South Riding " Laird
East Riding " Pethlean
and for the Office of Shire Auditor " Potter Carried

Re Epidemic amongst "Horses" throughout Shire

It was
Moved by Cr D. Coutts
Seconded. Hardy
That the Government be asked to send up an Inspector of Stock or other qualified Officer to investigate the nature of the disease now so prevalent and fatal amongst horses in this district. Carried

Memo
Mitiamo to be the first district visited

Trees for distribution and planting

It was
Moved by Cr J. Coutts
Seconded. Laird
That the Hon. the Minister of Agricul-

have he asked to supply 500 trees, peppin Blue Gum &c or any other sort suitable for this arid climate for distribution amongst the farming community ——— *Carried*

——— *Arbor Day* ———

It was ——— *moved by Cr Laird*
Seconded. Hardy ———
That the Hon the Minister of Agriculture be asked to consider the matter of appointing an "Arbor Day" at as early a date as possible ——— *Carried*

——— *Subsidy Embargo and removal thereof* ———
It was ——— *Moved by Cr D. Coutts*
Seconded. Lethlean ———
That the President if he thinks it necessary do wait upon the Hon the Premier Deakin in reference thereto, or any other action he may deem fit to take ——— *Carried*

Cr Hardy ———
——— *In referring to the matter of a defective culvert at Bears Lagoon on the Swanhill road would suggest that the Engineer employ Mr B. Shaw to attend to same soon as possible* ———

Cr Marshall ———
——— *Directed attention to a drain crossing the road at Pompapiel S. School and flooding of Lawsons land thereat* ———
——— *Shire Engineer to furnish report at next meeting of Council hereon* ———

——— *Motions on Notice* ———

1 *By Cr Jackeman* —
——— *That Tenders be called for clearing 80 chains road-way North from L. Ramsay's to S. School* ——— *was* ——— *Withdrawn*

2 *By Cr Hardy* ———
——— *That tenders be called for erecting a bridge across the channel at the Shire Tank near Mr Robertson's on the Calivil to Mitiamo road* ———
——— *Was Seconded by Cr Marshall* ——— *Carried*

The Special Meeting for 1 pm ———
——— *It was* ——— *Moved by Cr Laird*
Seconded. Jackeman ———
That the Special Meeting be now adjourned until after luncheon ——— *Carried*

Upon reassembling the following Councillors were present at — *1 pm* ———
The President (Potter) Councillors Laird Bissett J. Coutts Jackeman Lethlean D. Coutts Marshall Hardy

It was after considerable discussion decided that the Offices of Motion by Cr Laird ———

No 3 ——— *That the Offices of Engineer and Secretary be amalgamated and that the Engineer (Mr J. C. Jones) be offered the position of Engineer and Secretary combined at a Salary of £300 per annum* ———

No 4 ——— *That the Secretary Mr F. Brown receive notice that his services as Secretary to this East Loddon Shire will not be re-*

required after the Council meeting in July next

Should be taken together when it was

Moved by Cr Laird
Seconded " D. Coutts

That the positions of Shire Secretary and Engineer be amalgamated and Mr F. C. Jones offered the combined position at a Salary of £300 per annum and that Mr F. Brown receive one months notice that his services will not be required after 19th July

The motion upon being put to the meeting by the President the following was the result

For the Motion	Against the Motion
Cr Laird	Cr Potter
" J. Coutts	" Marshall
" D. Coutts	" Lethlean
" Jackman	" Hardy
" Bissett	

The President thereupon declared the motion carried

Cr Hardy protesting

It was then

Moved by Cr Laird
Seconding " D. Coutts

That Mr F. Brown hereby receive a months notice that his services will and be required after the next meeting of this Council on the 19th July carried

The President at 5.50 pm

Then declared the Special Meeting closed, and the ordinary meeting resumed.

Instructions to Officers

Cr Potter

That the Shire Engineer see to the matter of the repairs to Kelsh's Bridge, making the same fit for traffic

Cr Jackman

That the Shire Engineer visit, inspect and furnish report at next meeting of Council upon the Culvert near Mrs Steels Ranpwood road, and also one on the Boundary road near Mrs Evans' Tandarra and also some clearing on the road near "Coulters"

Cr J. Coutts

That the Shire Engineer make a proper Survey of the Myers Creek crossing Railway line near Yalloke with the view of ascertaining if the Railway is any impediment to course of the water

Notices of Motion

1 By Cr Marshall

That a Rate of One shilling (1/-) in the pound be made upon all the Rateable property within the Shire of East Loddon for the year ending the 18th July 1890

2 By Cr Lethlean

That a light formation and Pipe Culvert be made on the road running N and S near M'Downalls parish of Tandarra

Accounts

The following accounts having been examined in detail by the Finance Committee and recommended for payment it was

Moved by Cr J. Coutts
Seconded " Lethlean

That they be passed for payment by the

Secretary in the usual manner

Accounts

Phillips and	Whately	15.17.3
Palmer	Isaac	10.3.8
Heil	Joseph	20.17.
Phillips and	Whately	17.5.
Jamieson	Archibald	120.5.2
McNamara	James	20.
Lethlean Jun	Thos & Co	12.17.
Kinniry and	Grant	12.13.5
Robison Campbell	Sloss & Co	6.14.6
Hebbert	Charles	6.10.
Mann	Nicholas	5.15.6
Douglas	Robert	1.16.
Phillips	R.J	1.10.
Boyce	Jr	1.8.
Smith	Henry	1.5.6
Brown	Frank	12.10.
Jones	S.C	20.16.8
Marshall	John	7.10.
Deravin	Dr H.A	6.
Hunter	Joseph	6.19.9
Cannan	Mrs Margaret	3.15.
Mackay and	Company	6.17.6
Harcourt and	Edwards	6.2.9
Jayson	Brothers	6.7. — Carried

Confirmed 19th July 1889

John Potter
President

Present at 11.30 am

The President (Potter) Councillors Laird Bissett Hardy D. Coutts Lethlean J. Coutts Marshall Jackman

Minutes

of the Meeting held 21st June read and on the Motion of Cr Lethlean Seconded. Hardy — confirmed

The Council then adjourned for the purpose of holding the

Revision Court 19th July 1889

Present at 12 noon

The President (Potter) Councillors Laird Bissett Hardy D. Coutts Lethlean J. Coutts Marshall Jackman

The Secretary and J. Bowron } and the } Rate Collector John Marshall

The Rate Rolls

of the 3 Ridings were laid upon the table by the Shire Secretary after being submitted to minute examination by the Councillors it was

Moved by Cr J. Coutts
Seconded " Lethlean

That the names of James Doolan and Robert H. Campbell both of Calivil be inserted upon the North Riding Roll of Ratepayers — Carried

It was

Moved by Cr Marshall
Seconded " J. Coutts

That the North Riding Roll be now adopted and signed by the President and Councillors — Carried

It was

Moved by Cr Laird

— Seconded by Cr Bissett
That the South Riding Roll be now adopted and signed by the President Councillors — Carried

It was Moved by Cr J. Coutts
Seconded " Bissett
That the name of Thomas Spear Old be inserted upon the East Riding Roll of Ratepayers, and that the Roll be now adopted and signed by the President and Councillors — Carried

The Rolls of each Riding having been duly signed the President declared the Court closed

The Council then re assembled the same Councillors being present at

2 pm

It was Moved by Cr D. Coutts
Seconded " Hardy
That the Standing orders be suspended for the purpose of receiving a Deputation from the Inglewood Borough Council re the Railway from Inglewood to Durham Ox — Carried
consisting of The Mayor J. Horan Esq Cr Klein Cr Horan

Stated the Deputation waited upon the East Loddon Shire Council upon the matter of the Inglewood to Durham Ox proposed Railway Extension, and was glad to find the direct route was the one advocated by the Shire Council, the Inglewood Borough Council would use every exertion to support the line as proposed it was a matter for congratulation that a trial survey was now in progress in the immediate vicinity.

Cr Klein

Also advocated the direct line from Inglewood to Durham Ox with no deviation therefrom. Under no circumstances should the "Serpentine Township be left out — direct communication with "Ballarat" should be obtained and the markets thereat become available

The President

Thanked the Mayor of and Cr Klein Inglewood for having waited upon this Council upon this all important matter of "Railway communication with Inglewood — they must all be firm and advocate the direct line only

Cr Horan

In reply thanked the Shire Council for the courteous manner in which they had been received, it was also very gratifying to find both Councils so unanimous in their views as to the proposed Railway Extension, they would be able to go forth were hand in hand in their efforts to obtain this greatly needed railway

The Ordinary Meeting and business of the Council was then resumed

At 3.45 pm

Correspondence was received

1 From The Premier relating in reply to communication of Shire Council of 17th inst that a survey party will be at liberty early in the month (July) and will be detailed to go on with inspection of Railway route from Inglewood to Durham Ox — Received

2 " The Department of Agriculture re disease prevalent amongst horses in this district and stating enquiry will be made into the

nature and cause of the complaint ____ Received

3 From Lands and Survey Office re application by Shire for and stating no trees are now left for distribution ____ do ____

4 " The Town Clerk Melbourne re the Public Health Bill now before Parliament and calling Conference of Representatives from Local Boards of Health on Friday the 5th July for the consideration of such Bill ____ do ____

5 " The Mayor of Melbourne re Lady Loch's departure from Victoria and calling a meeting at Town Hall Melbourne on 17th July &c ____ do ____

6 " The Echuca Shire re Government construction main channel along course of the Reedy Creek, and seeking support of Council thereto ____ do ____
It was ____
____ Moved by Cr Lord
Seconded " J Coutts ____
That co-operation be granted as desired ____ Carried

7 " From The Secretary to the New Zealand and South Seas International Exhibition ____ Received

8 " The Newbridge Railway League re deputation to Minister of Railways re extension of the Lancevale line on to Newbridge and requesting appointment of Delegate from Council ____ do ____
It was Moved by Cr Hardy
____ Seconded " Lethlean ____

That co-operation in the movement be accorded, the Members of Parliament for the district to be addressed in support &c ____ Carried

9 From The School of Mines Sandhurst seeking subscription &c ____ Received
____ And consideration deferred until All Charitable Votes are under discussion &c ____

10 " The Tragowel Plains Irrigation Trust re the erection of a Regulator at the head of Welsh Lagoon ____ do ____
It was ____
____ Moved by Cr D. Coutts
____ Seconded " Lethlean ____
That the matter stand over for consideration until the next meeting of Council on the 16th July ____ Carried

11 " N. H. Odgers Boort Agricultural Society seeking donation to funds thereof ____ Received
It was ____
____ Moved by Cr Hardy
Seconded " J. Coutts ____
That the usual subscription of £3.3/ be made in aid thereof ____ Carried

12 " Charles Edwards Jandarra re damage to his land by flooding, owing to formation of embankments E of Dingee and N of Tang Tang swamp, no outlet for water for upwards of a mile, 3 water courses being thus blocked Received
It was ____
____ Moved by Cr D. Coutts
Seconded " Marshall ____

That the matter be referred to the Shire Engineer and members of the East Riding to inspect the locality and furnish report at the next meeting of Council ____ Carried

13 From E. R. Lay Veterinary Surgeon Sandhurst re the disease so prevalent amongst horses in the Serpentine district and stating he can cure same &c ____ Received

14 " Shire Tragowel Plains Irrigation Trust re conference and declining to meet Shire Council re defective culverts, deferred from last meeting ____ do ____

15 " Ross Brothers Serpentine re unlocked swing gates deferred from last meeting ____ do ____

16 " Edward Rowan Calivil protesting agt same ____ do ____

17 " do do seeking copy of "Ross" letter ____ do ____

18 " do do requiring removal of shed gates ____ do ____

20 " James Mahoney ____ do ____ do ____ do ____ do ____

Move as ____

____ Moved by Cr Laird

Seconded. J Coutts ____

That a committee of this Council in company with the Messrs "Ross and the complaining ratepayers, must upon the ground, and ascertain which roads are necessary to be thrown open for public convenience ____ Carried

Memo ____

____ The date to be fixed by President due notice to be given to all concerned, Committee to meet at Cr Marshalls Calivil about the 10th August. ____

19 From The N. V. Municipal Association re amendments for the September meeting &c ____ Received

20 " J Mahoney re No 15 Ross Brothers ____

21 " S. C. Jones accepting appointment as Secretary and Engineer to the Shire at a Salary of £300 per annum for the combined Office ____ do ____

22 " Phillips and Whately re a balance due upon Contract No 3 Calambee amounting to £3. 8. 9 ____ do ____

The Secretary stated he had receipts for months of February and June re full payment of this Contract ____

23 " C Jamieson re flood damage to his Contract on the East of the Swanhill road and seeking assistance from Council in repairs to the embankment ____ do ____

____ And no action taken ____

24 " Michael Doolan requesting removal of 2 gates on the Pinehill Pad &c ____ do ____

Move as ____

____ Moved by Cr J. Coutts

Seconded. President ____

That the Committee already formed deal with this matter also ____ Carried

25 " Beaver & Hall Tennilworth, seeking permission to cut a channel across the Loch road between Allot 182A and 191 parish of Sarklan, for purpose of draining swamp upon his land ____ Received

It was — Moved by Cr Lovick
seconded. J. Coutts
That the required permission be given under
supervision of the Engineer — Carried

26 From Victorian Water Supply Depart[t] Telegram re the Loddon United Water Trust liabilities, and extending period of payment thereon for say 3 years &c — Received

It was —
Moved by Cr Lethlean
Seconded " Bassett
That the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply be asked to furnish detailed account of the amount of indebtedness of the Loddon United Water Trust in reference to the Shire of East Loddon Division — Carried

Cr Hardy dissenting

It was —
Moved by Cr D. Coutts
Seconded. Lethlean
That the Loddon United Water Trust be asked to supply this Council with copies of the correspondence of the Trust with the Water Supply Department having reference to the liabilities of the East Loddon Division of the Trust. — Carried

Reports of Committees

The President and Cr Hardy reported having visited and inspected the site of the proposed bridge over Calivil Creek upon the boundary of this and the Gordon Shire and are prepared to recommend that £100 be provided therefore, if £200 is likewise contributed by the Shire of London, the bridge being much more beneficial to the rate

payers thereof than to those of this Shire —
The report was received and adopted Mr Roberts to be informed thereof

Re Contractor Isaac Palmer
The Committee reported having held the investigation of this complaint, and upheld the action of the Shire Engineer as to the spoil upon the embankment.
Cr Lovick Lethlean & the President taking exception thereto
The Report was received and adopted

Re damage to Mr Rogers land Pompapiel
By flood &c
Cr D. Coutts reported that one culvert should be placed in the embankement, the other culvert already let by tender, the Contractor for which should be urged to complete same, the effects of the submergence of this land could be better determined when the crops was further grown
The report was received and adopted

The Secretary reported that the subsidy of £895.1.6 was still unpaid — Received

Financial Condition of the Ridings was as follows —

North	Riding	Dr	£111.15.1
South	Riding	Cr	88.2.
East	Riding	Dr	1204.13.11 — Received

The Treasurer —

Reported receipts of Rates	18.7.7
Dog Registration Fees	2..
Refund under Health Act	1..
Agricultural Statistics	8.13.
	£60.-.7 — Received

The Dr Balance at the Bank of Victoria Inglewood being
£1013. 13. 2 Received

The Rate Collector
Relating Receipts of Rates £9. 10. 6 Received

The Rabbit Inspector Received

The Inspectors of Slaughter Yards
E. F. Magor for the East Riding
George Murphy do S. South do
Inbarding returns of Cattle Sheep and Pigs Slaughtered within their respective districts for the six months ending 30th June Received

Engineers Report
Was read and Received
and dealt with seriatim as follows

Item 2 Re the opening of roads between Allotments 91 and 95 and 93 and 96 parish of Calivil as requested by Messrs Rayne
Was deferred until next meeting, to be then referred to again

Item 5 Re injury to property of Mr Lawson by recent floods by embankment West from Pompapiel & School diverting water from its natural course to
Was deferred until the next meeting, the North and South Riding Members to furnish report thereon

Item 7 Re Stable to be constructed at rear of Shire Hall
Mr was Moved by Cr Lethlean
Seconded J. Coutts
That the request of the Engineer be granted Carried
The Report
Together with Items 1. 3. 4. 6 was then Adopted

Engineers Special Report
Upon the Tragowel Plains Irrigation Trust Culverts over channels upon the Serpentine roads Received

Tenders

The following Tenders for works as specified therein were dealt with as follows

No 1 £330. 13. 6 Pile Bridge over Calivil Creek on East and West one chain road between Allotments 129 and 132 parish of Calivil
John Ferguson 399. 1. 9
Thomas Sly Junr 323. 18. 6

No 2 £12. 9. 6 Box Culvert through embankment on Boundary road between the parishes of Yallook and Pompapiel
G. F. Old 11. 2. 6
Thomas Sly Junr 12. .
Henry Smith 13. 12.

Mr was
Moved by Cr Jackeman
Seconded The President
That the lowest tenders in each case be accepted
An Amendment
Moved by Cr Marshall
Seconded Hardy
That the Work No 1 be re-advertised and the Engineer requested to remodel the plans specifications &c therefore
Was upon being put to the meeting Lost
The President thereupon submitted the motion which was Carried

General Business
Cr Hardy
That in all tenders in future where embankments are required, that the Shire Engineer specify as to solid

or running measurement, the same to be distinctly stated ——

—— Was seconded by Cr Jackeman ——— Carried

—— Rates in Arrears ———

It was ——

—— Moved by Cr Lethleam

Seconded . J. Coutts ———

—— That the list of Defaulting Ratepayers be placed in the Shire Collectors hands for collection ——— Carried

Cr Laird ———

—— Alluded to the fact of the Rate Collector not being energetic enough in collecting the "Rates" and named several parties who had not been called upon ——

Cr Bissett ———

—— Directed attention to improvements consisting of earthworks required in O'Neills Lane Serpentine —

Cr D. Coutts ———

—— Alluded to the fact of the departure of the Shire Secretary and the handing over of the books documents &c ——

—— Mr Bowen explained there were some matters necessarily requiring adjustment before doing so and with the permission of the Council he proposed dealing with the business before the meeting this day and would like to give his successor in office a fair start &c ——

—— The suggestion was adopted ———

It was ——

—— Moved by Cr D Coutts

Seconded . Lethleam ———

—— That the new Secretary Mr S. C. Jones attend the Shire Offices on Mondays and Tuesdays in each week from 10 am

to 4 pm each day ——— Carried

By Cr Bissett ———

—— That the approaches to Stone Crossing over Bullock Creek near "Rogers" be repaired ———

By Cr Laird ———

—— That the crossing at Priestleys be also repaired ——

—— Motions on Notice ———

By Cr Lethleam ———

—— That a light formation and Pipe culvert be made on the road running North and South near Mr Donnaghs parish of Tandarra ———

By Cr Marshall ———

—— Re Striking a Rate of 1/- in the £ on 19th July ——

—— The Estimates ———

Were submitted by the Secretary for the year 1889 and 1890 together with the Valuation of Rateable property within the Shire of East Loddon when it was ———

—— Moved by Cr D. Coutts

Seconded . J. Coutts ———

—— That this Council do now adopt the Net Valuation submitted of all the Rateable property within the Shire amounting to £31,703. 6. 4 as made by the Valuer in the year 1889 ——— Carried

The Estimates of Receipts and Expenditure for year 1889-90

—— It was

—— Moved by Cr Laird

Seconded . Bissett ———

That this Council do now adopt and

and confirm the Estimates as submitted for the year 1889–1890 ending 18th July 1890 of the Receipts and Expenditure the sum of £1585. 3. 3 being required for the several purposes therein specified ——— Carried

Striking the Rate

Mr Ivan ———
Moved by Cr Marshall
Seconded. J Coutts ———
That to raise the sum of £1585. 3. 3 this Council make and levy a Rate of One shilling (1-) in the pound upon the Net Annual value of all the Rateable property within the Shire of East Loddon for the period commencing on the 19th day of July 1889 and ending on the 18 day of July 1890 ——— Carried

Collecting the Rate

Mr Ivan ———
Moved by Cr Hardy
Seconded. Lethlean ———
That the Rate Collector Mr John Marshall be directed to collect the said rate forthwith ——— Carried

Accounts

The following Accounts having been examined in detail by the Finance Committee and recommended for payment ———
Mr Ivan Moved by Cr J. Coutts
Seconded. Lethlean ———
That they be passed for payment by the Secretary in the usual manner ———

Accounts

Neil	Joseph	10. .
McNamara	James	21. 3.
Smith	Henry	17. 17. 6
Palmer	Isaac	12. 5. 6
Williams	Edwin	4. 7. 6
Phillips and Whately		2. .
Davidson & Bottomley		2. 9.
Morrison & Boyce		4. 19.
Cunningham & Bailey		1. 9.
Brown	Frank	17. 10.
Jones	S. C	20. 16. 8
Marshall	John	10. 2. 6
Hunter	Joseph	10. .
Potter	John	5. 5.
Deravin	D'H. A	6. 6.
Major	C. J	4. .
Murphy	George	3. 10.
Carss	J. J.	4. 9.
Smith	A. J	4. 1. 6
Young	J. B	3. 5.
Jayson	Brothers	4. 12. 9
Seales	Samuel	3. 9.

——— Carried

Confirmed at Serpentine 16th Aug/89
Cathcart Coutts
Chairman

Annual Elections
8th August 1889

North Riding

A Poll having been taken to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of Cr Hardy by efflux sion of time in the North Riding of this Shire the following number of Votes were recorded for

William	Hardy	68
Edward	Rowan	17
John George	Ross	42

I hereby declare the said William Hardy duly elected

John Potter
Returning Officer

South Riding

William Bissett Junr Esq being the only Candidate nominated for the office of Councillor for the South Riding of the Shire of East Loddon

I hereby declare him duly elected

E C Laird
Returning Officer

East Riding

Robert Jackman Esq being the only Candidate nominated for the office of Councillor for the East Riding of the Shire of East Loddon

I hereby declare the said Robert Jackman duly elected

John E Lelthean
Returning Officer

Auditor

James Rogers Esq being the only Candidate Nominated for the Office of Auditor of the Shire of East Loddon I hereby declare him duly elected

John Potter
Returning Officer

Confirmed at the present meeting 16th Aug 89
Darcie Coutts
President

Shire Hall Serpentine
12th August 1889

Election of President

at 10 a m

No Councillors being present the Shire Secretary adjourned the meeting until Friday the 16th day of August at 11 a m. 16th August 1889.

Shire Hall Serpentine

16th August 1889

The following Councillors being present Messrs Marshall Laird Coutts D Coutts Potter Lethlean and the newly elected Councillors Hardy Bissett and Jackman having subscribed to the following declaration before taking their seats

We the undersigned do solemnly declare that we will faithfully and impartially according to the best of our ability and judgement execute all the powers and

authorities reposed in me as Councillor by virtue of the Local Government Act Amendment Act 1883 No 786

Wm Hardy

William Bissett Jr

Robt Jackman

Confirmed & Passed Aug 16/89

David Coutts

President

Councillor and ex President Potter in the chair who stated the first thing for the Council to do was to fix the _____

_____ Allowance to the President _____

previous to electing one of the Councillors to fill the position for the ensuing 12 months.

It was _____

Moved by Cr Lethlean

seconded " " Hardy

That the allowance for the incoming President be £60 _____ Carried

_____ Election of President _____

It was _____

Moved by Councillor Potter

seconded " " Lethlean

That Councillor D. Coutts be elected President for the ensuing year Carried

_____ The President _____

Thanked the Councillors for the honor they had conferred upon him by their unanimous vote. _____

_____ The Retiring President _____

It was _____

Moved by Cr The President

Seconded " " Lethlean

That a hearty vote of thanks be accorded the Retiring President (Cr Potter) for the courtesy and ability displayed by him in the conduct of the Shire business during his term of office. _____ Carried

Councillor Potter.

Thanked the Council for support accorded him while their President.

Appointment of Committees

Public Works.

It was

Moved by Councillor Hardy
Seconded " " Laird

That Councillors Jackman, Marshall, Hardy & Black and the President (D. Coutts) be the members of the Public Works Committee for the year 1889-90. Carried

Finance Committee.

It was

Moved by Councillor Hardy
Seconded by " Lethlean

That Councillors Laird, James Coutts, Potter, Lethlean and the President (D. Coutts) be the members of the Finance Committee for the year 1889-90 Carried

Minutes

of Revision Court held at the Shire Hall Serpentine on the 19th July, and ordinary meeting also on that date read and on the

Motion of Cr Lethlean

Seconded " Cr Marshall Confirmed

Correspondence was read

1 From Secretary for Agriculture forwarding copy of report from the Inspector of Stock relative to the disease affecting horses in the Shire. Received

2 From Water Supply Department re Loddon United Trust liabilities and stating that the embargo on the Shire subsidy had been removed. Received

3 " Public Works Department removing objections to proposed road exchange Jarvis[illegible] East Received

4 " Loddon United Water Trust forwarding printed copy of correspondence between the trust and the department. Received

5 " Shire of Huntly asking this Shire to join in the expense of getting road formed etc on boundary road. Received
It was moved by Cr Lethlean, seconded by Cr Jackman that the East Riding members report thereon at next meeting of Council. Carried.

6 " Shire of Leigh inviting co-operation in obtaining Legislation for the destruction of Sparrows. Foxes Received
It was moved by Cr Laird, seconded by Cr Jackman that co-operation be granted Carried

7 " Henry Ennis (Secretary Launceston to Western Railway League) notifying deputation to Premier on 7th August. Received

8 " Bet Bet Shire do do do Read.

9 " Thomas Jones (Secretary Port to Swan Hill extension League) re deputation to Premier on August 13th was Received

10 From Secretary North Western Municipal Association re Conference on rabbit and flood damage questions. Received

11. " Secretary Bendigo Agricultural and Horticultural Society, that the Committee of that Society purpose to at an early date again apply to the Minister of Lands to reserve the lands known as the Calivil & Pompapiel State Forest for the purpose of an Agricultural College, and asking support and cooperation of this Council in the matter

It was Moved by Councillor Hardy Seconded by Councillor Lethlean that the letter be rec'd and cooperation granted, provided the land be used for experimental purposes purely and simply. Carried

12 From Messrs J. and H. Ross "Serpentine Estate" 12 August 1889. as follows.

"Referring to our letter to you dated 21st ultimo, in which we stated that the application made by several of the ratepayers to you to have certain roads thrown open, had been merely made out of pique, because they were not allowed to have the free use of the station grass and water when they needed it, we find that upon making full enquiry into the matter, we have unjustly accused the majority of them, and we therefore beg to withdraw that letter as a whole and the accusations contained therein, and request that you will please on record that we have done so, and we also beg to express our regret that we should have been hurriedly led into making a charge which upon enquiry we have found to be false"

It was Moved by Cr Lethlean and seconded by Cr Hardy that the letter be Received

13 From Pyramid Hill Advertiser soliciting share of Shire advertisements

It was Moved by Councillor Lethlean seconded by Cr Jackman that the letter be received and no action taken. Carried

14. " K.W. Aymer claiming the following sums as compensation on account of damages alleged to have been caused by flooding caused by interference with Bullock Creek by the Council &c.

Frederick Woods £254

George Humbert £175

John McNamara £50

It was Moved by Councillor Lethlean, seconded by Councillor Marshall that the actions contemplated be defended on behalf of the Shire Carried

15. " Joseph Roberts directing attention to bad state of road between his residence and Mitiamo

Moved by Cr Jacobs seconded by Cr Lethlean that the communication be Rec'd

16 " Town Clerk of Melbourne with Subscription Lists for Lady Loch Fund. Rec'd

17. " Rodney Irrigation and Water Supply Trust asking assistance at Conference on 28 August to arrange for again presenting to the Minister of Water Supply resolutions previously adopted in favor of revaluation of works

It was Moved by Councillor J. Coutts seconded by Cr. Marshall that support be accorded to resolution and the President to represent the Council and any Councillors which may be in Melbourne attend at Conference. ____ carried

18 From North Western Agricultural Society asking for donation. ____

Moved by Cr Lethlean, seconded by Cr. Marshall that the usual donations be granted to this and the Bendigo Society ___ carried

19 " Pyramid Hill Agl. Society, asking for proclamation of holiday on 6th Sept. next Show Day. ____

Moved by Cr. Hardy, seconded by Cr. Jackman that the request be granted, so far as the East Riding is concerned ___ carried

20 " Joseph Hill (per) claim for extras on Prairie Road contract. ____

It was moved by Councillor Potter, seconded by Councillor Hardy that the letter be referred to Cr Marshall Coutts (per Engr) for report at next meeting ____ Amendment ____

By Cr. J. Coutts and seconded by Councillor Lethlean that the Engineer furnish a report thereon at next meeting. ___ Amendment ____ carried

21. " P. Douglas applying for extension of time upon contract ____ It was Moved by Cr. Lethlean seconded by Cr. Coutts that the application be received & referred to the Engineer ____ carried

22 From John Rogers, repeating claim for compensation for loss of crops by flood.

It was moved by the President, seconded by Cr. Jackman that the letter be received ____

Railway from Inglewood to Durham Ox

Councillor Bissett introduced a Deputation from the Salisbury West branch of the Loddon Valley Railway League consisting of Messrs W. A. Ramstow (Chairman), John Johns (Secretary), and W. Kennedy. The members of the Deputation asked the Council for their support in having the line from Inglewood to Durham Ox constructed along the route taken in the flying Survey. ____

The President acknowledged the courtesy shown by the Deputation in coming to the Council as the originators of the movement. They should all join together to get the line in the new bill upon the three points Inglewood, Serpentine and Durham Ox, and allow the Commissioners to fix the exact site ____

Councillors Hardy, J. Coutts and Potter spoke to similar effect. The members of the Deputation withdrew after thanking the Council for the cordial and courteous reception accorded to them.

It was moved by Cr Hardy, seconded by Cr. Bissett that a Public meeting be called for Thursday 22nd inst. at 2 p.m. at the Shire Hall Serpentine, to consider the question

of Railway extension from Inglewood to Durham Ox. _____ Carried

Reports of Committees

The President reported an inspection by 8 members of the Council of certain areas in the North Riding, in which ratepayers had asked for the opening of closed roads in the Parish of Calivil. He advised that a final settlement of this matter should be deferred for one month _____

It was moved by Cr. Hardy, seconded by Cr. Elkhaw that the question as above stand over for one month _____ Carried

The President also reported an inspection by the same members of Council re road applied to be opened by Messrs Cheyne at the S.E. corner of allot. 95B Parish of Calivil, the Committee agreed on the ground that the road should be opened.
It was moved by Councillor Potter, seconded by Cr. Hardy that Messrs Foss be notified to remove the obstructions placed across the road at the Western extremity. _____ Carried

The Treasurer _____

Reported receipts of rates	£4 " 2 " 0	
" " " Deposits	17 " 0 " 0	
Refund under Health Act.	10	
	£21 " 12 " 0	Received

The Bk balance at the Bank of Victoria Inglewood being £1169 " 10 " 1 Received

The Rate Collector &c. _____

Relating receipt of Rates £38 - 9 - 9 Received
" " Dog Fees 10 do.

The Rabbit Inspectors report read and ___ Received

_____ Engineers Report _____

Was _____ read _____ and _____ Received and dealt with as follows _____

Clause 2. Re embankment East from Dingee Railway Station throwing the water backs upon Mr Edwards land. The East Riding Members to make provision on Estimates for necessary outlets. _____ Carried

Clause 3. Re formation required near Mr Doolans residence - Calivil. was referred to the members of the North Riding ___ Carried

Clause 4. Re dangerous condition of ceiling in Board room. To stand over. _____

Regulator at Kelsks Lagoon

The application of the Dragoner Plains Irrigation Trust, which had been deferred from the previous meeting, for assistance in obtaining the construction of a regulator at Kelsks Lagoon was again taken into consideration.
It was moved by Councillor Potter seconded by Cr. Hardy that the Secretary inform the Water Supply Dept. that this Council is strongly opposed

to the grading of the application. Carried

Cr Laird moved and Cr Lethlean seconded that the use of the Shire Hall be granted to the Bachelors of Serpentine on the 22nd inst upon Payment of the usual charge £1- Carried

From H. Bell (Hon Sec Durham Bx Railway League) forwarding copy of a motion adopted at a Public meeting held in favor of the proposed railway line from Inglewood via Serpentine to Durham Bx.
It was moved by Cr Hardy, seconded by Cr J. Coutts that the letter be received and the League thanked for their support. Carried

The Subsidy Embargo.

The President spoke of the action taken by the Minister of Water Supply upon this question, and said that during the previous week negotiations had been entered into between the Department and Trust, as to a settlement of the existing difficulties. The East Loddon Divisions share of the liabilities would not exceed £3600, upon which they would have to pay interest at the rate of 4½ %, or in the event of their refusing to take over their share of the liabilities, the trust would have to strike a rate. The President pointed out that the embargo on the Shire's Subsidy had been withdrawn.
It was moved by Cr Lethlean and seconded by Councillor J. Coutts "That this Council

pay 12 months interest (at the rate of 4½ % per annum) upon the amount due by the East Loddon Division of the Loddon United Waterworks Trust. Carried

Error in Voucher forwarded to Public Works Dep't
Moved by the President seconded by Cr Laird that the Secretary forward letter in explanation. Carried

Councillor Jackman asked Permission from the Council to have about £2- Expended in guttering cast Trees and stumps on road South from the Wesleyan Church Yallook.
It was
Moved by Cr Laird
Seconded by Cr Bissett
That Permission be granted. Carried

It was moved by Cr Potter seconded by Cr Hardy that Tenders be called (returnable in a fortnight) for repairs to road leading West from Mitiamo Railway Station Carried

Moved by Cr J. Coutts seconded by Cr Jackman That the Secretary write the Railway Commissioners, asking them to construct Coal Storage Sheds at Yallook, Dingee, Pyramid and Mitiamo Railway Stations. Carried

Moved by Cr Lethlean seconded by Cr Jackman That tenders be called for Pipe Culvert and formation on road near D'Donohues Parish of Tandarra Carried

Accounts

The following accounts having been examined in detail by the Finance Committee and recommended for payment

It was moved by Cr. Laird

Seconded by Cr. Bissett

That they be Passed for payment by the Secretary in the usual manner ____ Carried

Accounts.

	£	s	d
Heil Joseph.	13	1	0
Mahoney P.	27		
Mc Namara J.	3	10	
Smith H.	15	6	
Cheyne A. Junr.	6	1	10
Brown J.	12	10	
Jones S.C.	25	0	0
Marshall J.	7	10	0
Potter J.	42	2	0
Jayson Bros.	17	4	9
Marshall G.	2	2	0
Oliver & Hall	2		
Rogers Thomas.	1		
Williams E.	5	8	6
Shaw B.	5		
Murray J.	4	7	6
Palmer J.	3	16	6
Cullen G.J.	2		
Whittaker C.	1		
Divers C.	1		
Lobb J.	3	7	0
Lethlean T.H. Junr.	25	2	0

R. Douglas	£23	19	0
Dyke (R.J.)	1	19	7
Fysh Brothers.	1	11	
Don & another	1	7	0
Phillips R.J.	2	11	6

Carried

Motions on Notices of Motion

By Cr. Hardy That tenders be called for grubbing 50 chains (more or less) on road between allotments 91 & 95 Parish of Calivil

Confirmed at the Meeting held on the 20th day of September 1889

David Coutts President

Present at 11 a.m.

The President (D. Coutts) Councillors Lethlean, Jackman J. Coutts. Bissett, Hardy, Potter, Marshalls and Laird

Minutes

of the meeting held 16th August read and on

Motion of Cr Lethlean

Seconded " Bissett Confirmed

Correspondence.

From Water Supply Department, that Councils objection to erection of regulator at head of Kelshis Lagoon by the Dragoned Plains Irrt Trust, would be fully considered when the matter was being dealt with

Cr Potter moved

Cr Hardy seconded.

That the letter be received, and that the Department be written to for a Copy of report of inspection recently made by Mr Burke C.E. Was carried

From Public Works Department, returning vouchers for £580. 2. 10 in support of claim for Constructing roads to Railway Stations, also form of claim to be signed etc.

The Secretary intimated that this matter had been attended to Was Received.

From Public Works Department.

Acknowledging receipt of application for grant towards repairing flood damages. Received.

From Railway Department.

Acknowledging Councils request for construction of Cool Storage Sheds at Yallook, Leuges, Prairie and Hiteamo railway Stations Was Received

From The Under Secretary

Notifying that in accordance with request, Friday 6th September has been appointed to be observed as a Public holiday within the East Riding of the Shire. Was Received

From Water Supply Department acknowledging receipt of letters 16th August and 3rd Sept. Received

From Rodney Irrigation and Water Supply Trust. That Conference called by that Trust had been postponed Was Received

From H. Byron Moore and Mc Leod Offering to float Loans on London Market Was Received

From Shire of Gordon

Notifying application for Constitution of Waterworks Trust for the purposes of reticulating and supplying the Township of Boort.

Councillor Potter moved.

Councillor Marshalls seconded.

That this Council offer no objection Carried

From Secretary North Western Municipal Ass'n Forwarding business sheet to be considered at half yearly meeting on Tuesday 24th September.

Councillor Potter moved
Councillor Lethlean seconded
That the President (D Coutts) attend the
Conference was carried
The
Business Sheet "North West" Municipal Ass^n
was then discussed, and the several
items proposed to be dealt with agreed
to excepting that of Gordon Shire re:-
"That all persons liable to be rated be
entitled to be enrolled on the Voters' Rolls
whether the rates in respect of property for
which they are so liable, be paid on the
10th June or not
Councillor Potter moved
Councillor Hardy seconded
That the Proposal be supported
Amendment by
Councillor J. Coutts, seconded by
Councillor Jackman
That no alteration be made in the
present arrangement Amendment carried

Councillor Potter expressed regret at the
omission from the business sheet of D^r
Adams proposals for improvement in the
administration of the Health Act, he wished
the President to bring the matter up
at the Conference.

From Ingleswood to Durham re Railway League
asking appointment of delegate on
Deputation to Minister of Railways on
9th October. to support the line named.
It was moved by Councillor Lethlean, seconded
by Councillor J. Coutts that the President

and Councillor Hardy be appointed
Delegates was carried

From H. N. Phillips, secretary to conference
convened by Maryborough Council re the
distribution of the Municipal Endowment, ask-
ing for a delegate from this Council was Received
to conference to take place on 1st Oct

From George Thomas Jones "Maffra" inviting
attendance of delegate from this Shire
to Conference on 30th September re
Municipal Endowment was received

From Charles Diers asking to have his name
substituted on rate book in lieu of
William Diers.
Moved by Cr J. Coutts
Seconded by Cr Lethlean
That the application "stand over" till next
revision Court was carried

From Thomas Sly Jun^r asking for extension of
Contract time on his Contract for construction
of Bridge over the Calivil Creek.
Councillor Hardy moved
Councillor J Coutts Seconded
That one months extension be granted Carried

From E. E. Hawkins "Secretary Loddon United Water Trust"
Forwarding statement showing liabilities of
the East Loddon Shire in respect to works
constructed by the Trust within the Shire.
The statement of liabilities gave the Shire
indebtedness as £5,557. 12. 8, with probable
contingent liabilities amounting to £63. 12. 1. Received

From James McNamara
Forwarding copy of letter addressed by him to the Tragowel Plains Irrigation Trust, relative to flooding of his residence (Serpentine) owing to the Construction of the weir in the Serpentine Creek, near its offtake from the Loddon, and asking for the assistance of the Council in supporting his claim ____ Received.

From Roberts Douglas asking for extension of Contract time upon work on Prairie Road.
Councillor Marshall moved ____
Councillor J. Coutts seconded ____
That one months extension of Contract time be granted. ____ Was ____ Carried

From Roberts Douglas asking Progress Payment on account of timber supplied to Culvert near Mr S. Priestlys residence ____ was ____ Received
being request, declined ____

From Margaret Cannan
Tendering resignation of appointment as caretaker of Shire Hall and offices attached owing to ill-health - also asking payment for amount expended (£30) by her in improving etc the cottage she lives in - in Shire Hall reserve.
On the motion of the President ____
Seconded by Cr Hardy ____
Consideration was postponed till October meeting of Council ____ was ____ Carried.

From C. Whittaker claiming £1- for road repairs
It was moved by Cr. J. Coutts, seconded by Councillor Lethlean that he amount be paid ____ Carried

Reports of Committees

From Councillor Lethlean who along with Councillor Jackman inspected boundary road with Huntly Shire recommended that tenders be called for gravelled formation, also for construction of road north from Tepnans School. The first named work to be a joint one with Huntly Shire.
On the motion of the President, seconded by Cr Marshall, tenders were ordered to be called returnable at the next ordinary meeting of Council ____ was ____ Carried.

Councillor Jackman reported result of inspection made during the last rise in the waters of Myers Creek and the diversion of same by the Railway Embankment. It was moved by ____ Councillor Jackman seconded by Councillor Lethlean, that the attention of the Railway Department be called to the necessity for constructing additional waterway under the embankment on the South side of No 17 gate house, also to form spoil banks - so as to prevent future damage to roads and private property lying North therefrom. ____ Carried.

The President reported having called a Public meeting at which it was decided to form the Inglewood to Durham (via Serpentine and Jarklan) Railway League. Office bearers were appointed, and offices were now in good working order. ____ Received

Reports of Officers

From Treasurer relating receipts as follows
Subsidy £895-1-6 ~ Rates £35-18-2, Dog
Registrations 10/, Timber sold 10/ Road
Construction grant £290-1-5 ~ Totals £1222-1-1
The debit balance at the Bank of Victoria
Inglewood being £1142. ~ Received

From Rate Collector reporting receipts of Rates
North Riding 28/ South Riding 34/ E. R £13-18-3
Total £17-0-3 Was Received

From Rabbit Inspector reporting a decrease in
the number of the pest Was Received

Shire Engineers Report was read and on the motion
of Cr Lethlean, seconded by Cr Marshall. Received
On Clause 2 re claim by Contractor
Neil for extra earthwork Prairie road the
Engineers action was on the motion of Cr
Lethlean seconded by Cr Jas. Coutts adopted. Carried
Councillor Potter voting against the motion.

Business left from last meeting.

The President alluded to the question of closed
roads in the Parish of Calivil.
Councillor Jackman moved, and Councillor
Lethlean Seconded
That at present matters be allowed be
allowed to remain as they are.

Amendment by
Councillor Potter, seconded by Councillor
Hardy That the Prayer of the Petition
of ratepayers be accorded to by this
Council viz:- The removal of all gates and
obstructions thereto, on the road leading from
opposite Mr Doolans house Calivil, thence due

north to near the South East corner of
Messrs Kirman's land.
Voting For the amendment 1111 4
" " " Motion 1111 4
The President gave his casting Vote in
favor of the motion.
The Motion was Carried Carried

Tenders.

For formation and Pipe Culvert on road near
Mr O'Donoughues residence Tandarra.
One tender received T. H Lethlean £48-12-0.
It was moved by Cr Lethlean seconded by
Councillor Jackman "that fresh tenders be
called" Was Carried

For 2 additional openings on poles to bridge
over the Outlet of Kelsh's Lagoon
One tender received Thomas Ely Junr £17-9-0.
It was moved by Cr Hardy seconded by
Cr Marshall that fresh tenders be called for
one opening 20 feet in length was Carried

Tenders received on the 30th August 1889 for
repairing roads damaged by flood rates
West from Mitiamo and Prairie Railway Stations.
The President reported having received and
accepted tenders (in conjunction with Councillors
Lamb and Bissett) for the repairs as follows:-
Repairing road West from Prairie Railway Station
Robert Douglas £12-10-0.
Repairing road West from Mitiamo Ely Station
Isaac Palmer £10-10-0.
It was moved by Councillor Lethlean, seconded
by Cr Hardy. That the report of the Committee
be received and adopted Was Carried.

General Business

Councillor Hardy alluded to the recent satisfactory railway meeting at Serpentine, and thanked his colleagues for the kind sympathy extended to him during illness. He was deputed to ask the Council from the Jarklan branch for cooperation in the effort now being made to secure railway communication between Inglewood and Durham Ox via Serpentine and Jarklan.

The President (Cr. D. Coutts) expressed an opinion that the Council was heartily with the leagues, they were thankful to them for taking much of the work off the Council.

Councillor Lethlean moved that the Engineer report as to the most urgent works necessary on the roads leading to the railway stations in the East Riding, to participate in the Government grant of £200, seconded by Cr. James Coutts.

Amendment

Moved by Councillor Laird, seconded by Councillor Bissett. That the Engineer furnish a report as to where the money could be spent to the best advantage throughout the Shire

The amendment was carried

Retrenchment

Councillor Laird stated relative to retrenchment and as a basis thereof, a sum of £100 could be gained by the Shire in the collection of the rates, dog tax etc. without reducing the present officers salary. He promised to bring the matter forward at next meeting.

Councillor J. Coutts moved Councillor Lethlean seconded that in future the originals accounts be attached to vouchers presented to the Finance Committee. was carried

The President pointed out that at the last ordinary meeting the Council had agreed to pay one years interest on the indebtedness of the London United Water Trust "East London Division" The Water Supply Department asked that half of the amount be paid before the end of August. He had authorised the forwarding of a Cheque for £125-0-0

It was moved by the President, seconded by Councillor Lethlean that the account be added to this days list. was carried

The action taken by the President was approved of on the motion of Cr. Lethlean seconded by Councillor Hardy. carried

Councillor J. Coutts moved that the Secretary draw the attention of the Education Dept to the small accommodation allowed scholars at School No. 1981 Dingee and request the construction of a new building or additional room, seconded by Councillor Lethlean and carried

The President asked that the matter of re-valuation of the Shire should be considered at next meeting. The rate book required revising as to acreage etc.

Permission was granted Councillor Marshall to expend about £4- in clearing and grubbing stumps on road running North from Pump. apes forest to Calivil Shire Dam.

Councillor Laird moved That the Engineer expend the sum of £5 in making formation on road at South side of East Loddon. Pre-emptive right seconded by Cr Bissett and ___ Carried

Motions on Notice

By Cr. Hardy

That tenders be called for grubbing and clearing on road between allotments 94 and 95 Parish of Calivil, seconded by Cr. Marshall and ___ Carried

By Councillor Hardy (with permission of Council)

That tenders be called for constructing a Culvert on main Swan Hill road over drain opposite the gate leading to the Serpentine Homestead. seconded by Cr Jas Coutts and ___ Carried

By Councillor Jackman (with permission of Council)

That tenders be called for constructing a light formation on North and South road between Cox's selection and Wesleyan Church Parish of Tandarra. seconded by Cr Lethlean and ___ Carried

By Councillor Hardy (with permission of Council)

That tenders be called for repairing Culvert on road between allot 16 Parish of Jarklan and allotment 124 Tarnagulla East. Seconded by Councillor Marshall and ___ Carried

Accounts

The following accounts having been examined in detail by the Finance Committee and recommended for Payment. It was moved by Councillor Bissett, seconded by Councillor Hardy That they be Passed for Payment by the Secretary in the usual manner. ___ Carried

Accounts

	£	s	d
George T. Old.	14	7	6
Stephen C. Jones	25		
John Marshall	7	10	
Joseph Hunter	6	18	9
Bendigo Ex.g Coms.	24	6	9
Samuel Scales	3	10	
Mackay & Co.	7	13	
Archibald Jamieson	28	3	3
James McNamara	6	4	0
William Potter	1	15	
Herbert A. Jephson	24	10	0
William Cronin	1	10	0
Thomas Commaughton	6	1	0
National Ass.e Co.y	1	10	0
Thomas Lethlean Junr.	14	19	0
Richard Dixon	2	14	6
Henry Smith	6	8	0
Phillips and Whaley	16	11	0
Joseph Johnson		12	
Boort Agl. Society	3	3	0
Margaret Cannan	4	5	0
Woods and Jackson	41	14	9
Jaysons Bros.	2	8	6
Aust.n Alls Ass.e Co.y	5	0	0
Victorian Water Supply Dept.	125	0	0

Re Electoral Rolls

The Secretary stated that application had been made to him by the Electoral Reg.r for the Serpentine Creek Division for a copy of the rate paying electors Roll and as there was no such copy in the office or in the late Secretary's possession he wished for instructions concerning same. It was agreed that the Secretary make out copies of the 3 divisions.

The Secretary was instructed to write the Lands Secretary inquiring as to whereabouts of an iron (box shaped) safe that was in his office some time ago.

It was moved by Councillor Bissett seconded by Councillor Laird — That the Engineer report on requirements to road running from Serpentine through Yarraqua to Marong Shire Boundary, and on road from Serpentine to Boundary with North Charing Cross Hill Telegraph road — Was — Carried

Notices of Motion

By Councillor Potter

Tenders for formation on road between Jackson Post office, and Majors Line Bridge, about 5 chains from the Bridge.

By Councillor Lethlean

Topping up with red loam four embankments, Pipe Culvert and formation near Mr John Harris and construction of new Culvert through embankment on Dingee 3 Chain road opposite the residence of J. H. Lethlean Junr.

By Councillor Marshall

Tenders be called for the construction of 2 embankments on road leading east from South Calivil School to the Parish Boundary.

By Councillor Jackman

For coating with red loam embankment on road West from Yelbook Railway Station, and for the construction of a small formation and pipe Culvert on same road.

By Councillor Bissett

That tenders be called for pipe Culvert and formation on Durham Ox and Raywood road near Davis's hut, also pipe Culvert and formation on road leading from Mr James Davidson residence (Powlerspiel) running towards Raywood, and extension of Embankment on Dingee road West from the Durham Ox and Raywood road.

By Councillor Laird

That tenders be called for works on road East from Bain's Lagoon Hotel, as recommended by the Shire Engineer.

By Councillor James Coutts

That tenders be called for formation and Culvert on Serpentine and Echuca road N. E. from Tyack's selection.

By Councillor James Coutts

That tenders be called for Extending the present formation on road due north from the Township of Mitiamo, and for constructing embankment East from Mitiamo Township near Mr John Holmes Gate.

By Councillor Bissett

That in Pursuance of the powers conferred by Section 365 Local Govt Act 1874, the Council of the Shire of East Loddon do hereby order that the road at the southern boundary of allot 56 Sec 13 be exchanged for road at North end of allot 56 Sec 12 Parish of Serpentine East and that the latter road shall be a public highway from and after the date of publication of notice of this order in the Govt gazette.

Confirmed at Serpentine the 18th day of October 1889.

David Coutts President

SHIRE OF EAST LODDON. *Minutes of Ordinary Meeting held* 18 Octr 1889

Present at 11 a.m.
The President (Cr D. Coutts) Councillors Marshall, Potter, Handy, Lethlean, J. Coutts, Jackman and Bissett.

Minutes

of the meeting held 20th September 1887 read and on
Motion of Cr Lethlean
Seconded by Cr Bissett confirmed

Correspondence.

From Water Supply Department with Engineer Burkes report in the matter of the proposed to construct a regulator at the head of Kelshi Lagoon — was — Received

From Public Works Department notifying that Mr W. Dowsley Esqr of Woodville near St Arnaud, had been appointed Govt Auditor — Received

From Water Supply Department with printed copies of order empowering East Loddon Shire Council to apply certain funds to the payment of interest upon the Loddon Yarrka Water Trusts loan — Received

From Railway Department acknowledging receipt of Council's letter respecting watercourse blocked by Railway Embankment South from Tandarra Railway Station — Received

From Victorian Deaf and Dumb Institution, Eye and Ear Hospitals, and Victorian Asylum asking for donations.
It was moved by Councillor Lethlean, Seconded by Councillor Handy That the usual amounts voted by this Council be presented with next months Accounts — Carried

SHIRE OF EAST LODDON. *Minutes of Ordinary Meeting held* 18 Octr 1889.

From W. J. Synan forwarding copy of resolutions adopted at a Public meeting held at Kamarooka in reference to the rabbit Pest and asking the Co-operation of the Council in endeavours to be made to extirpate Same.
Councillor James Coutts moved
Councillor Lethlean Seconded
That the Co-operation of the council be accorded. — Carried

From Stewart Scott and Co relative to alleged inconvenience to Weighbridge
Councillor J. Coutts moved and
Councillor Lethlean Seconded.
That the Communication be received, and a copy thereof forwarded to the Weighbridge Keeper — Carried

From Andrew Thegan, Jackson, asking for 35/- cost of repairing accident to his trap caused by the Same going into holes on road in the Parish of Jackson.
It was moved by Councillor Handy Seconded by Councillor Marshall "That the Engineer inspect and report — Carried

From Mr Carman, tendering resignation as Caretaker of the Shire Offices which was deferred from last meeting.
It was moved by Councillor Marshall Seconded by Councillor Lethlean That the resignation be accepted — Carried

Councillor Lethlean moved "That applications be invited for the Office of Caretaker, applicants to State remuneration required" seconded by Counc: Jas. Coutts and — Carried

From Mr Cannan applying for payment for improvements made in the building she resides in
It was agreed that the application be not entertained.

Councillor Lethlean moved that a bonus of £10 be granted to Mr Cannon, Shire Hall caretaker, upon her retirement from that office. was seconded by Councillor James Coutts and ___ Carried.

From Robert Douglas asking re consideration to application made at the last ordinary meeting for a Progress Payment on Contract for repairing culverts near Inglewood.
The President pointed out that this question was dealt with at last meeting. ~~then~~ Cr Potter lodged a notice of motion to rescind the previous resolution.

Reports

From Councillor Hardy. re recent deputation to the Minister of Railways in support of the proposed railway line from Inglewood to Durham Ox via Serpentine and Jarklew. Mr Gillies promised the closest consideration to the requirements of the districts interested. Received.

Councillor Hardy moved that a vote of thanks be passed to the members of Parliament who had assisted the deputation. Seconded by Cr James Coutts and ___ Carried.

Councillor L. Coutts moved a vote of thanks to the delegates from this Council viz the President and Cr Hardy for their exertions. He was pleased to find that they had done so well. Seconded by Councillor Lethlean and ___ Carried.

In responding, the President stated that he felt sanguine as to the result of the agitation.

The President reported having represented the Council upon the conference of the North Western Municipal Association. He referred his brother Councillors to the printed report lying on the table which gave a full account of the proceedings. It was moved by Cr. Councillor J. Coutts that the report be received and a vote of thanks passed to the delegate, seconded by Councillor Jacklin ___ and ___ Carried.

Reports of Officers.

From Treasurer relating receipts as follows.

By Cheque book returned.		8	4
" Rates	17	3	
" Rent of Hall	1		
" Subsidy	891	15	
" Shire of Korong	28	4	6
			£ 938 - 9 - 1

The Credit balance at bank of Victoria Inglewood being £316 - 6 - 6. It was moved by Councillor Marshall and seconded by Councillor Bissett that the report be ___ Received & ___ Carried.

From Rabbit Inspector. having visited the lands most infested, but could scarcely see any rabbits, owing to there being so much feed and undergrowth. It was moved by Councillor Bissett seconded by Councr Lethlean that the report be ___ Received ___ Carried

From Rate Collector reporting receipts of Rates
South Riding £2-12-0, South Riding 6/ and
East Riding £16-2-0. Total £19
Also Govt Regt Fees
South Riding 15/ East Riding 5/ Total £1
It was moved by Councillor Lethlean, seconded
by Councillor Jacklean that the report be Received

The Shire Engineers Report was read and
Received Received

The Secretary reported the financial condition
of the Ridings as follows.

North Riding	Credit	£174-14-8	Received
South "	"	656 7 9	
East "	Debit	167 15 0	

Tenders.

Contract No 3. Gravelling on road between allots
95B and 94 Parish of Calivil
James Riddell Esq.
It was moved by Councillor Marshall, seconded
by Councillor Hardy that the tender of Jas.
Riddell be accepted was Carried

Contract No 4. Culvert over drain, Swan Hill
Road. Isaac Palmer £44-2-0.
Moved by Councillor Hardy seconded by
Councillor Marshall that the tender of Isaac
Palmer be accepted was Carried

Contracts Nos 1. 2. 6 & 7 were struck tenders by
last meeting, and for No 5. Tenders returnable
at Jacklean on 25th October to be dealt with
by the North Riding members.

General Business.

The President moved that applications be asked,
returnable at next ordinary meeting, from
persons willing to make a revaluation
of the Shire and Compile Same at a
remuneration of £25, seconded by
Councillor Lethlean and carried. Carried

Councillor Hardy moved that a bonus
of £13 be passed to Contractor Palmer
on account of errors made in tender in
connection with Contract on road West
from the Melbourne Railway Station. Councillor
Russell seconded the motion, and said that
the Contractor had previously asserted the Engr
was wrong. Now he took up a different
position. Cr Lethlean rose a point of
order that the matter had been disposed
of previously by resolution of Council. The
President said a Committee of the Council
had decided that Palmer had no claim.
He ruled that Cr Hardy's motion was in
order

Amendment

By Councillor Lethlean seconded by
Councillor Jacklean that no bonus be
granted. The President ruled that the
Amendment was not in order. A vote
in the negative would suffice.
Cr Potter and Marshall temporarily left
the Table, and the President declared
the motion Carried

Motions on Notice.

By Councillor Potter. For formation on road
between Majors Line Bridge and Jacklean

Post Office Seconded by Cr Hardy and ____ Carried ____

By Councillor Leitman. Tenders for formation and Pipe Culvert near Harrys, and Constructing Culvert on road West from Dingee Railway Station and Cornning up embankments. was seconded by Cr Jackman and ____ Carried ____

By Councillor Marshall Tenders be called for formation on road east from South Calivil Shed. Seconded by Councillor Potter and ____ Carried ____

By Councillor Jackman Tenders for formation and Pipe Culvert on road West from Yallock Railway Station was seconded by Councillor Cr Coutts ____ and ____ Carried ____

By Councillor Bissett Tenders for Pipe Culverts and formation on Raywood and Dingee roads was seconded by Councillor James Coutts ____ and ____ Carried ____

By Councillor Laird Tenders be called for works on road East from the Bears Lagoon Hotels Formation drains and Culverts. It was moved (in the absence of Cr Laird) by the President (Cr D. Coutts) That Tenders be called seconded by Councillor Bissett ____ and ____ Carried ____

By Councillor James Coutts Tenders for formation and Culverts on Serpentine and Echuca road N. E. from Inglis's was seconded by Councillor Marshall and ____ Carried ____

By Councillor James Coutts. Tenders for extending formation on roads North and East from

Miliaura Railway Stations was seconded by Councillor Marshall ____ and ____ Carried ____

By Councillor Bissett moved ____ That in pursuance of the powers conferred by Section 362 of the Government Act 1874, the Council of the Shire of East Loddon do hereby order that the land described on order, shall be a Public highway from and after the date of publication of such order in the Government Gazette. Exchange of roads John Davidson with East Loddon Shire Council. was seconded by Councillor James Coutts ____ and ____ Carried ____

(By permission) By Councillor Jas. Coutts. Tenders for Tapping up Formation at M'Donalds Swamp "conditionally that the North riding bear half the cost thereof" was seconded by Cr Potter and ____ Carried ____

By Councillor Jas. Coutts Tenders for raising formation on road West from Inglis Railway Station East from Hood's Property. was seconded by Councillor Hardy and Carried. ____ Carried ____

By Councillor Jackman. Tenders for formation and Culverts on road near M'D. Coutts Parish of Calamba was seconded by Cr Leitman and ____ Carried ____

Notice of Motion.

By Cr Bissett That tenders be called for coating with red loam and remodelling the embankments on road leading from Yarrayne Northwards to Bears Lagoon.

By Councillor Potter _____

That the resolution passed at this meeting held on the 20 Sept 1889. re Contract No 45 R. Douglas be rescinded with a view of reconsidering the matter. _____

By Councillor James Coutts. Tenders for formation and culvert or crossing on the 3 Chain road near Dixes Mistaino and Elmore Road.

_____ Accounts _____

The following account having been examined in detail and recommended for Payment It was moved by Councillor J. Coutts Seconded by Councillor Lethlean That they be passed for payment by the Secretary in the usual manner _____ Carried

Stephen C. Jones	£	30	
John Marshall		7	10
M. Carman		1	5
Melbourne Exchange		2	2
Wilson and Mackinnon		2	12
Henry Smith		6	18
Don Davies			15
T.K. Holloway		1	14 9
W.A. Cullen			12
W.T. Boyce			12
Tayson Bros		5	13
R. O'Neill		3	17
J. Sparks		4	
C. Whittaker		1	
T.J. Old		2	6
Phillips and Whaley		3	19
Alexander Stewart		4	
	£	78	5 9

Confirmed at Inspections this
15th day of November 1889.
Chas Coutts Chairman

SHIRE OF EAST LODDON. *Minutes of Ordinary Meeting held* 15 Nov. 1889.

Present at 11 a.m. The President (Cr. D. Coutts) Councillors Laird, Bissett, J. Coutts, Lethlean, Jackman, Marshall, Hardy and Potter.

Minutes

of the meeting held 18th October 1889 read and on the motion of Cr. Lethlean seconded by Councillor Marshall. Confirmed. Carried

Correspondence.

From Education Department re Dingee State School No. 1981. That further enquiries would be made as to the necessity or otherwise of increased accommodation.
It was moved by Councillor Jackman seconded by Cr. J. Coutts That the letter be received. Carried

From Public Works Department.
That £300 had been allotted to the Shire from the vote for main roads, the Council to expend a similar sum.
It was moved by Councillor Lethlean, and seconded by Cr. Hardy that the letter be received and the Minister thanked. Carried

From Shire of Swan Hill, forwarding copy of Brown, Ellison & Co's account for obtaining Counsels' opinion as to action of the Government in stopping the Shire's Subsidy, and requesting payment of 1/4 share of £8. 12. 6.
It was moved by Councillor Lethlean, seconded by Councillor J. Coutts that the amount be paid. Carried

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From C. E. Albrecht C.E. Serang.
Suggesting certain amendments in the Tramways in Country Districts Act.
It was moved by the President seconded by Councillor Potter that the communication be received and that the Secretary make application to Mr Albrecht for copies for distribution to Shire Councillors. Carried.

From Secretary Maryborough Shires Conference, notifying meeting on Nov. 6 re insertion of endowment clauses in the Impending Local Government Bill. Was Received. Carried.

From Registrar of Sandhurst School of Mines Repeating request for a donation to the funds of the institution.
It was moved by Councillor Lethlean seconded by Councillor Laird that the sum of £5. 5. 0 be voted. Carried.

From L. G. Seales. Pyramid Hill Advertiser. Intimating application for Share of Shire advertising. Councillor James Coutts said the "Inglewood Star" having ceased to exist, he moved that the patronage hitherto accorded to that journal be transferred to the Pyramid Hill Advertiser. Councillor Hardy seconded. The motion which was carried unanimously. Carried.

From Dullivant & Co.
Re Wire netting.
Was received. Carried.

From J. J. O'Connor Dingee Neighbourhood Keeper Re complaints of incorrect weighing by Stewart & Scott.
It was moved by Councillor Mr Coutts and Seconded by Councillor Lethlean that the report be received and considered Satisfactory ——— Carried.

From Joint Secretaries Ormond National Mem.l Fund. Forwarding Subscription lists. ——— was ——— Received The President to take charge of the lists.

From Secretary Loddon United Water Trust. Asking for payment of £534 1s 5, being balance of interest due for current year, and also for a further sum of £32 14s 8 being proportion pro rata of Staff and Office expenses from Sept.r 1st 1889 to December 31st 1889.
Cr. Lethlean moved that the amount £534 1s 5 balance of interest be paid Seconded by Councillor Laird ——— and ——— Carried

The Claim for £32 14s 8 was on the motion of Cr Lethlean seconded by Cr Jackman referred to the Commissioners representing the Council upon the Trust. ——— Carried

From Secretary Loddon United Water Trust Forwarding Statements of expenditure under Seal ——— was ——— Received ———

From Public Works Department That £350 had been allotted to Shire out of Floods Damage Vote ——— was ——— Received

From John Rogers, Tompaspiel. ———
Complaining that repairs and Contract had not been completed on road adjoining his premises etc.
The Engineer in reply to the President stated that the Contractor had been obliged to abandon his Contract for a time owing to his inability to procure timber.
It was moved by Councillor Lethlean, seconded by Councillor Bissett that the Letter be received and Contractor Mahoney to be notified to complete the Contract forthwith. ——— Carried ———

Deputation

Councillor Laird introduced Mr Frank Doody, who complained that, having applied to the East Loddon Shire in June last for time for payment of his rates, he received an answer which he considered complied with the request of his letter. Having been summonsed and put to expense he asked for a refund of 15/ costs-Expenses.
Cr Laird moved that the amount asked to be refunded be voted to Mr Doody (no Seconder.)
It was moved by Councillor Potter, seconded by Councillor President D. Coutts that the request be not granted ——— was ——— Carried ———
Crs Hardy and Laird voting against it.

Reports of Committees

Councillor Hardy reported that he had, as instructed at the October meeting received tenders for work of repairing Culvert &c on Parish boundary road Jarklin and Jamieson East. Two (2) tenders were received the lowest one, being Isaac Palmer which he had accepted. It was moved by Councillor Marshall seconded by Councillor J. Coutts that the report be received and adopted. ——— Carried ———

Treasurer's Report

To Receipts £26 " 2 " 6

Rates	£19	
Dogs	1	
Deposit	2 . 4 . 6	
Dingee Neighbridge	3 18	

The head balance at Bank of Victoria Inglewood being £268 " 19 " 9.
Moved by the President seconded by Cr. J. Coutts that the report be received ____ Carried

Cattle Inspector's Report.

Was on the motion of Cr. J. Coutts seconded by Cr. Jackman ____ was ____ received ____ Carried

Rate Collectors Report

Reporting receipts of rates
Nord. Riding £2. was on the motion of the President seconded by Cr. J. Coutts rec'd ____ Carried

Engineers Report

Was on the motion of the Presidents, seconded by Councillor J. Coutts ____ Received ____ Carried.
On clause 2 Government grant of £300
It was moved by Councillor Hardy and seconded by Councillor J. Coutts
That the grant be apportioned according to amount of revenue received by each riding and that the members thereof bring up a report naming roads in need of Construction ____ Carried

On clause 3
Flood damage vote of £300.
It was moved by Cr. Laird, seconded by Councillor Marshall that the vote be allotted pro rata according to items of claim made ____ Carried ____ by Shire Engineer to Department.

Applications for Office of Valuer.
The only applicant for this position was Mr. S. Jones at a remuneration of £25
It was moved by Councillor Leitheam, seconded by Councillor Marshall that Mr. Jones receive the appointment. ____ was ____ Carried ____

Applications for Office of Caretaker.
Applications for this office were received from
Mrs M. Preisse at a Salary of £20 per Annum
Mrs A. Gladman " " " £15 " 12 " 0 " "
Mrs J. Dowsett " " " £20 . 0 . 0 " "
It was moved by Councillor Hardy, seconded by Councillor Marshall that Mrs Henry Preisse receive the appointment ____ was ____ Carried ____

Tenders

For Public Works.

No 1 No 1. Formation & Pipe Culvert on road near O'Donoughues Parish of Tandarra
Thomas Henry Leitheam Senior. £42 " 10 " 0
P. J. Phillips 52 " 13 . 0

No. 2. Additional opening Kelshs Lagoon Bridge
Thomas Sly Junior. £78 " 17 . 2

No 3 To Tenders Works at Sons Kamarooka

No 4 Metalling etc Boundary with Huntly Shire
A. Jamieson £92 " 12 " 0 ~~£71 . 19 . 6~~

No 5 Formation East from Major's Line Bridge (No tenders)

No 6 Culverts West from Dingee Railway Station (no tenders)

No 7 Formation on road East from May South Calivil School. P. J. Phillips £21 " 0 . 0

No. 8 Pipe Culvert and formations on road West from Gallooh Station
Thomas Henry Lethlean Senr. ____ £45 - 5 - 0

No 9 Works on Durham Ox and Raywood Roads. "no Tenders"

No 10 Culvert etc on road East from Shaw's Hotel "No Tenders"

No. 11 Works on Serpentine Echuca Formation & Culverts.
A. Jamieson £157 - 16 - 6

No 12 Formations North and East from Mitiamo
A. Jamieson £40 - 11 - 8

No. 13 Raising Embankment at McDonald's Swamp
James Riddell £1444 - 12 - 0
A. Jamieson 151 " 11 - 8
T. Sly Junr. 170 - 15 - 0

No 14 Raising embankment Prairie Road (No Tenders)
No 15 Formation Culvert Salambo (" ")

It was moved by Councillor Laird, seconded by Cr Lethlean that the following Tenders be accepted.

For No 1. T.H. Lethlean Senr. For No. 11 A. Jamieson
" No. 2 Thos. Sly Junr. " " 12 A. Jamieson
" " 4 A. Jamieson " " 13 J. Riddell
" " 7 R.J. Phillips
" " 8 T.H. Lethlean

And that fresh Tenders be called for Contracts Nos. 3. 5. 6. 9. 10. 14. & 15 ____ was ____ Carried

Accounts

The following accounts having been examined in detail by the Finance Committee and

recommended for payment. It was moved by Councillor Lethlean, seconded by Councillor Hardy that they be passed for payment by the Secretary in the usual manner. ____ Carried ____

S.C. Jones	£25		
J. Marshall	7	10	
D. Coutts	10	10	
W. Hardy	5	5	
M. Carman	1	5	
Echuca Co.	5	12	
J.J. O'Connor	1	19	
Mel. Bns. Bay	3		
Deaf & Dumb	1	1	
Melb Hosp. Sick Children	1	1	
Women's Hospital	1	1	
Melb Orphan Asylum	1	1	
Royal Humane Soty.	1	1	
Society Prev. Cruelty Anim.	1	1	
Victorian Infirm Asylum	1	1	
Sandhurst Fire Brigade	2	2	
Sandhurst Dorcas Society	2	2	
Austin Hospital for Incurables	2	2	
Ingl. Benevolent Society	2	2	
Eye and Ear Hospitals	2	2	
Bendigo G.D.G. Hospitals	10	10	
Bendigo Benevolent Society	10	10	
James Riddell	9	9	
R. Douglas	14		
H. Smith	14	1	3
A. Jamieson	90		
J. Palmer	26	5	
R. Shaw	2	10	
W. Thomas		15	
C. Dines		10	
	Forward.	£	

Torrard.	£
Arnall and Jackson.	£ 3 . 7 . 0
J. F. Cunningham	8 8
P. F. Dyke	2 . 15 . 1
Thomas Sly Junr.	90
Thomas Rayson Bnr.	5 . 12 . 9
	£ 368 " 11 " 10

General business

Councillor Laird moved that the Secretary write to the railway Commissioners drawing attention to the unsatisfactory manner in which goods consigned by rail are treated at the different railway stations Seconded by Councillor Hardy ___ and ___ carried

Telegram from Secretary Echuca Shire as follows:-
Have moved Minister asking interview Wednesday next re flood damages and deepening Picaninny Creek. appoint deputation to assist, letter posted.
It was moved by Councillor Laird, and Seconded by Councillor Hardy. That the President and Councillor J. Coutts represent this Shire. ___ was ___ carried
Cr. Jackman & Potter voting in opposition.

Councillor Marshall. moved and Cr. Hardy, seconded That the Secretary write requesting the cooperation of the Raywood Bor. Council in protesting against alteration in the Railway Time Table suggested by the Swan Hill Shire Council ___ was ___ carried

Councillor Jackman moved and Cr. Leitch seconded That the Secretary write to the Commissioners of Railway protesting against the alteration

of the name "Vallook" to Tandarra Railway Station on the Sandhurst and Kerang Line, and to ask them to cause the original name Gallook to be retained ___ was ___ carried ___

It was moved by Councillor Jackman That the Secretary again write to the Secretary for Railways re obstruction of watercourses on the Sandhurst and Kerang Railway Line ___ was ___ carried ___

Councillor Laird referred to the matter of a claim made by Contractor Palmer in August last seeking payment for the Contractor Stated amount, deducted by the Shire Engineer for non-completion of work As one of the Committee who investigated the case he was satisfied he had no claim. The Committee's report was submitted to the Council received and adopted. He was surprised to find that at last meeting a bonus was granted to the Contractor, which in his opinion amounted to a vote of censure on the Committee.
The President said the resolution granting a bonus was never meant as a vote of censure on the Committee, but to make good in some degree for loss caused (by the Contractor) in making mistakes in carrying out his tender.
Councillors Hardy & J. Coutts having spoken to similar effect
Cr. Laird accepted the explanation given and withdrew opposition. ___

From John Marshall resigning his ~~seat~~ office as Rabbit Inspector.

It was moved by Councillor Lethlean that the resignation be accepted, seconded by Cr J. Coutts _____ and _____ carried

Motions on Notice

By Cr Bissett

That tenders be called for coating with red loam etc embankments on road leading from Jarrayne northwards to Bears wagon. By authority Cr Laird moved that tenders be called for the above work, seconded by Cr Lethlean _____ and _____ carried

By Councillor Potter _____

Moved That the resolution passed at the meeting held on the 20 Sept 1889 re Mr Douglas' contract near Pinethys be rescinded, with a view of reconsidering the matter. Seconded by Councillor Hardy.

Voting:- for the motion Councillors Potter, Hardy, J. Coutts & Marshall _____

Against the motion to rescind The President (Cr D. Coutts) Crs Laird, Bissett Lethlean & Jackman. _____

The President declared the motion Lost. _____

By Councillor J. Coutts _____

That tenders be called for formation and culvert or crossing as the case may be on 3 chain road leading from Mitiamo towards Elmore.

Cr J. Coutts asked permission to allow the motion to stand over till after harvest, which was granted. _____

By Councillor J. Coutts _____

Tenders be called for formation adjacent to Stony Crossing at Myers Creek, east from Pyramid Railway Station seconded by Councillor Lethlean _____ and _____ Carried _____

Instructions to Officers

By Councillor Lethlean that the Engineer report as to the most urgent road works in the East Riding to claim the allowance of Government Grant. seconded by Cr Jackman & Carried _____

By Councillor Marshall _____

That the Engineer visit & report re complaint made by Mr Cheyne seconded by Cr Hardy _____ and _____ Carried

By Cr D. Coutts _____

That the Secretary apply to Mr Brown for refund of £5 amount paid for compilation of Electoral rolls which on inquiry could not be found. also for information relative to Box keys removed from the late Secretary's Office during his period of Office, seconded by Councillor Lethlean _____ and _____ Carried _____

By Cr Laird That the Rate Collector use his best endeavours in collecting rates before the end of the year. seconded by Cr Bissett & Carried

Notice of Motion

By Councillor Laird. That tenders be called for topping up with red loam the embankments on Durham Ox Raywood Road N.W. from Bullock Creek Bridge & other works in connection therewith.

Confirmed at Serpentine

This 20 day of December 1889 David Coutts

President

Present at 12 am. The President (Cr D. Coutts) Laird, Hardy, Potter Lethlean and Jackman.

Minutes

Of the meeting held 15 November 1889 read and on the motion of Cr. Lethlean, seconded by Councillor Jackman — confirmed — carried

Minutes of Adjourned Annual Meeting

December 20 1889

Present at 12.15 Councillors D. Coutts (President) Laird Hardy Potter, Lethlean and Jackman.

The Secretary

Having read the annual Statement of accounts, Receipts and Expenditure. Statement of Contracts entered into complete and incomplete, the Assets and Liabilities of the Council together with the

Auditor's Report

As follows.

We have the honor to report that we have audited the books, vouchers, etc of your Shire for the financial year ending 30th September 1889 and regret our inability to certify to the correctness of same, owing to an item of £5-16 which appears to have been received from the Williamo Neighborhood Keeper, not having been credited to the Shire funds. We find also that Voucher No. 19 dated September 1888 amount 10/-, and voucher No. 13 dated October 1888 amount 12/-

are not signed by the respective claimants, Messrs Jones and Doody. The Dog Inspector has inadvertently overpaid £2 in excess of the amount collected by him. With above exceptions, we certify to the correctness of the accounts."

It was moved by Councillor Laird, and seconded by " Jackman that the accounts be now finally examined, settled and allowed — carried

Councillor Lethlean moved that explanations be requested from the late Secretary and the Dog Tax Collector, as to the different items mentioned in Auditor's report — carried seconded by Councillor Jackman.

The Secretary was instructed to have the balance Sheet etc Printed

David Coutts President

The Ordinary Meeting

Correspondence.

From Frank Brown Ex Secretary re Council's request for a refund of £5 amount paid for compiling Electoral Rolls, which upon enquiry could not be found, and stating that he considered he was fairly entitled to the amount received owing to the amount of work he carried out previous to leaving the Shire and further that the members of the Finance Committee had been consulted by him previous to the Application being presented and they had passed the money in the usual manner.

Councillor D. Coutts moved That the Shire Solicitor be instructed to apply to Mr Brown for a refund of the £5. Seconded by Councillor Lethlean and _____ Carried Councillors Hardy & Potter voting against.

From E. E. Hawkins Secretary Loddon United Water Trust That an error had been made in allotting £32-14-8 as this Shire's Share of Staff and Office expenses, the allocation having been made upon acreage instead of liabilities.
It was moved by Councillor Hardy and Seconded by Councillor Jackman That the letter be received and the correct amount £19-10-3 passed for payment ___ was ___ Carried

From Railway Department re alteration of name Yallbook to Tandarra and stating that any suggestion from this Council as to re-naming Yallbook railway Station recently altered to Tandarra would have consideration &c.
It was moved by Councillor Hardy seconded by Councillor Laird that the letter be received and referred to the Members for the riding to report at next meeting _____ was _____ Carried

From Victorian Railways re damage to goods consigned by rail
Moved by the President seconded by Councillor Jackman That the letter be received _____ was _____ Carried

From Victorian Railways re alterations in Train Service Sandhurst & Korong Line as Suggested by Swan Hill Shire Council ___ Received ___

From Raywood Borough Council approving of views of this Council _____ and was _____ Received ___

From Huntly Shire that the Claus submitted by this Shire for Boundary works at Kamarooka made the cost in Excess of amount set apart for the purpose, and that that amount could not at present be exceeded.
Councillor Jackman moved That no Contract be Entered into with Mr Jamieson the lowest Tenderer for the work, and that his Deposit be returned Seconded by Councillor Lethlean _____ and _____ Carried. ___

From Thomas Langdon, agent, Melbourne Forwarding business circular.
On the motion of Councillor Potter seconded by Councillor Hardy, the letter was received, and any business of the kind referred to, to be placed in Mr Langdon's hands _____ was _____ Carried. ___

From E. Darby plumber etc Sandhurst That missing strong box had been placed in his hands for repair by the late Secretary, and was now in good order, the cost for repairing same being £2
It was moved by Cr Lethlean that the account be paid and the safe procured, seconded by Councillor Jackman _____ and _____ Carried. ___

From K. W. Dyke Mitiamo, asking Shire to construct crossings over Channels now being made.
It was moved by Councillor Jackman that the letter be received and Mr. Dyke to be informed that the Council declines to incur any expenses in the way asked, but that he could make the crossings himself subject to the approval of the Shire Engr.
Seconded by Cr. Lethlean ____ and ____ Carried

From Secretary Echuca Shire (Telegram) That it was too late to make proposed application for grant towards improving Picanniny Ck. Received

From Thomas Hird, Pompapiel, asking for Committee of Councillors to inspect crop destroyed by flooding ____ was ____ Received
Pending reports from North riding members.

From Chief Secretary's Office with copy of Public Health Act 1887 ____ was ____ Received

From Chief Secretary's Office That council must before the 30th Dec 1889 nominate a representative of the Western Shires Group upon the Board of Public Health ____ Received

Circulars were read notifying the following Nominations
Crs Greene, Anderson, Appleton, W Lewis, and S Phillips ____ were ____ Received
Cr Kimmerd Shire President advised a conference to be held at Inglewood on 20 Dec 1889 which was held over for the purpose of ascertaining the results of the conference and to allow of further nominations & in the event of a decision being called

for in the meantime, the support of the Council to be given to Mr. P. Phillips.

From Dr. Boyd. ____
Notifying fatal case of Typhoid fever, the sufferer being Jessie Cahler of Gallos Pt.
In connection with this case Dr. Dearnley reported that every precaution to prevent contagion had been taken and that everything about the place was exceptionally clean ____ was ____ Received

From Dr. Adam. Reporting favorable condition of the public health in the South riding. Received

From Inspector Murphy (Report) reporting that he had employed H. Smith to remove a dead horse from the centre of the River Loddon Salisbury Wells at a cost of £1. It was moved by Cr. Potter seconded by Cr. Jackman that the report be received and the amount passed for payment ____ was ____ Carried

Reports of Committee

Councillor Potter reported that Crs Hardy, Marshall and himself had visited and examined Mr. Hird's property at Pompapiel with reference to alleged damage done by flooding. They recommended that the carrying capacity of the Channel should be doubled at least in width.
It was moved by Councillor Laird that the report of the Committee be received and that tenders be called for the work as suggested. Seconded by Cr. Jackman and carried.

Treasurers Report

Relating receipts Deposits £32.10.0 and that the Shire Ac. Debit £56.13.4 was Received

Rate Collectors Report.

Reporting receipts of Rates.

North Riding £12.4.0
South do 2.1.6 } Received
East do 53.0.9

Dog Inspectors Report

Relating receipts of Dog Fees.

North Riding £1
South do 15 } Received
East do 4.5

Shire Engineers report

Was read and Received

On clause 2 relation to dangerous state of road complained of by Mr. A. Cheyne It was moved by Councillor Hardy that the Secretary forward Mr. Cheyne a copy thereof Seconded by Councillor Lethlean and carried. Carried

On clause 3. the Engineer was instructed to forward Plans etc to Public Works Department.

Tenders.

Contract No 1 *Formation on road near Sons "Kamanooka." The lowest tender for this work was informal and it was agreed that fresh tenders be called.*

" No 2/3 *Formation on road East from Majors L. Bills*
Lowest tender John Kilroy £23.0.4

Contract No 3 *Culverts etc on road West from Dingee P.S.*
Lowest Tender Thomas Lethlean £66.10.0.

" No 4 *Pipe Culvert formation Durham &c, Dingee & other roads. Fresh Tenders.*

" No 5. *Culvert & formation road East from Shaws Hotel*
Fresh tenders

" No 6 *Raising embankment Prairie road near Wood.*
Lowest Tender Thomas Reg. £111.0.0

" No 7. *Culvert formation Coulters Tatlanks*
Lowest Tender M. H. Hoskin £40.13.0

" No 8 *Coating Embankment Swan Hill road &c.*
Lowest Tender A. Jamieson £269.8.4.

" No 9 *Repairing approaches Iron crossing Prairie*
One tender received M. Whalley £18.5.0.

It was moved by Councillor Potter, seconded by Cr. Lethlean that the lowest tenders in each case be accepted and that fresh tenders be called for Contracts Nos 1, 4, 5 returnable at next meeting Carried

Councillor Laird moved that the Secretary write the Chief Commissioner of Police requesting him to cause close supervision by the Police officials in this district with regard to Sportsmen and others carrying firearms & lighting fires. was seconded by Councillor Lethlean and carried Carried

Instructions to Officers

By Councillor Potter

That the Shire Engineer visit roads from Jarklin Post office Westwards towards Majors Line Bridge, and inspect the culverts thereon and report as to works necessary to make them safe, seconded by Cr. Hardy ____ and ____ carried

By Councillor Laird

That the Secretary report at next meeting amount of rates collected to 31st December 1889.

Motions on Notice

By Councillor Laird moved

That tenders be called for coating with red loam the embankment on Durham Ox Raywood road North West from Bullock Creek Bridge, constructing 2 Stone Crossings on Same road, and one Stone Crossing on road West therefrom. Cr. Lethlean Seconded and Carried

Notice of Motion

No. 1 By Cr. Lethlean

That tenders be called for forming embankments at Razillon's Contract on road East from Yalboort Railway Station in accordance with Engineers Reports.

No. 2 By Cr. Lethlean

That tenders be called for constructing 3 Stone Crossings over Watercourses on road East from Dingee Railway Station.

By Councillor D. Coutts

That Mr Stephen Collier Jones be appointed Valuer (under seal) to the East Loddon Shire at a nominal Salary of £20 per annum.

Accounts

The following accounts having been examined in detail by the Finance Committee, and recommended for payment It was moved by Councillor Potter, seconded by Cr Lethlean that they be passed for payment by the Secretary in the usual manner. ____ Carried

S. C. Jones	£ 25
J. Marshall	12 . 18 . 4
W. Donsley	20 . 16 . 6
J. Rogers	12 . 12
Inglewood Shire Council	8 . 12 . 7
Jayson Brothers	3 . 14
Inglewood Hospitals	10 . 10
School of Mines & Industries Trust	5 . 5
Loddon United Water Trust	143 . 11 . 8
A. Gladman	10
T. O'Neill	10 . 12 . 6
W. Potter	12
H. Smith	7 . 19
T. Fry	140 .
A. Jamieson	120 .
J. Riddell	47 . 2
J. Munro	17 . 6 . 9
	£ 587 . 2 . 4

Read and confirmed

At Serpentine this 17th day of January 1890

David Coutts

President