

Present at 11.50 am.

C<sup>o</sup> Hardy (president) Gill, Mahoney, Linds,  
Pisart, Shaw, Jackson, McCrea and  
Coulter.

Minutes of meeting held 19<sup>th</sup> Dec'r 1900  
read and confirmed on the motion  
of C<sup>o</sup> Linds seconded by C<sup>o</sup> McCrea — carried —

Annual Meeting at noon

The same Councillors being present.

The Secretary read the balance sheet  
for year ending 30<sup>th</sup> Sept 1900 together  
with Auditor's report thereon.

C<sup>o</sup> Linds moved that the accounts  
be now finally examined, settled and  
allowed. Seconded by C<sup>o</sup> Pisart. — carried —

On the motion of C<sup>o</sup> McCrea and Linds  
the Auditor's report certifying to the correct-  
ness of the a/c's was received. — Do. —

C<sup>o</sup> McCrea moved that an abstract of the  
accounts be inserted in the Bendigo  
Advertiser and Pyramid Hill Advertiser.  
Seconded by C<sup>o</sup> Jackson. — Do. —

The president declared the meeting closed  
and the Council resumed the ordinary  
meeting.

Proclamations of King Edward VII.

From a raised platform in front  
of the Hall, the president surrounded

by his brother Councillors and Secretary  
read the proclamation after having  
made a few feeling allusions to the  
admirable qualities of the late Queen.  
Three cheers for the King were followed  
by the singing of God save the King  
by children from the Brass Lagoon,  
Coupapies and Teperuwa State  
Schools.

Correspondence

From Lands Department.

Stating that the minister had decided  
to grant permissive occupancy of  
the portion of the Coupapies State lands  
desired for recreation purposes. Eventually  
a bill would be prepared with a view  
to the excision of the area in question  
from the State land reserve. — Received. —

From Waranga Shire Council.

Seeking cooperation in urging upon  
the Govt the necessity of at once  
proceeding with the construction  
of the Waranga basin.

C<sup>o</sup> McCrea moved that cooperation be  
granted. Seconded by C<sup>o</sup> Jackson. — carried —

From Loddon United Water Trust.

Seeking cheque £40.0.9 being proportion  
allotted to the Council for working ex-  
penses and maintenance of the trust  
for half year ended 31<sup>st</sup> Dec'r 1900.

Moved by C<sup>o</sup> Linds, seconded by C<sup>o</sup> Coulter  
that the amount be passed for payment — carried —

deposits £11, Waghbridge fees £7.19.6.  
Credit balance £107.2.2. ————— Received

The Shire Engineer's report read and received.  
Clauses 1 to and 2 received and adopted  
Clause 3. That accommodations culverts are required over water channels. C. Land moved that the Engineer have them erected. Seconded by C. Mackenzie. Carried.  
C. Coulter voting against.

Clause 4. Received.  
Clause 5. C. Jackson moved that fences be erected at side of dam near Coes, as suggested. Seconded by C. Coulter. Carried.

Clause 6. Received and adopted.  
Clause 7. That a new level was required. C. Land moved that the Engineer be empowered to procure one. Seconded by the President. Carried.

Clause . C. Coulter moved that the sum of 18/- be written off his rate book in connection with J. Lumsden's rate. Seconded by C. Jackson. Carried.

General Business

C. Jackson moved that the Secretary write to the Lands Dept, asking permission to construct a 3000 yard tank on Govt reserves East from Duigo. Seconded by C. Coulter. Carried.

C. Coulter intimated that he would bring up at next meeting for consideration.

From David and John Dobbie, Sacklaw.  
Asking the Council to order the removal of the gate on the road west of John Dobbie's and David Dobbie's, the said road leading to Prains and Torpentine, also the gate on the two chain road leading to Prains Railway Station. The writers state that the gates were a great inconvenience to them and also a great danger whilst opening them.  
C. Land moved that the matter be deferred, pending report from N. riding members at next meeting. Seconded by C. Land. Carried.  
A. C. O.

Reports of Officers

Constable Leg Rocks, Inspector of Nuisances for N. T. ridings reported the Township of dependence to be in a very satisfactory condition and free from complaints. Received.

D. Gifford, Dundigo Hospital reported a case of typhoid fever at Agmarooka. Do.

D. E. O. Drinnan forwarding annual report. Do.

The Rate Collector reported collections.  
Rates current £1001.9.0, arrears £6.0.6  
Dog fees £11.15.0 Total £1019.4.6 Do.

The Treasurer reported receipts:-  
Rates current £1001.9.0, rates arrears £6.0.6  
Dog fees £11.15.0; Licenses £1; Contractors

at very little expense. The dam known as H. also needed deepening.

Messrs Hill and Hussey also alleged favoritism on the part of the bailiff in distributing the water.

In reply the president said there was no water at present available to supply the people. The only thing he could see was to do something to the well and get the dam prepared for water when it did come.

C. Laird moved that the water bailiff be asked to report at next meeting relative to the complaint of the deputation that the water had not been fairly allotted. Seconded by C. Jackson. Carried

C. Gill moved that the Engineer be empowered to obtain 2 pumps, one for well at Rogies and one for the well at Rogies Chappels, and two 10' troughs for the former and a 12 feet one for the latter well. Seconded by the President. Carried

Tenders.

No. 10 Constructing water channel to supply ratepayers Lincoller East. Lowest tender A. Jamieson £76.12.1

No. 11 Raising banks of water channel. Lowest tender A. Jamieson £54.3.4

No. 12 Supplying gravel. Pipeenters. Lowest tender A. Jamieson £29.13.4

a revised scale of charges for the Dugess Weighbridge.

C. M. Vera moved that the Secretary write the Departments asking that the inlet drain to the frame by tank be cleaned out and also at Dugess. Seconded by C. Jackson. Carried

C. M. Vera moved that the Engineer get a coating of loam spread over the deck of Bullards bridge near M. Humberts. Do

C. Gill moved that the Engineer obtain boring rods for work to Calivil. Do

C. Couster moved that the Engineer examine stone crossings east from Dugess by the way if thought necessary engage labor in producing stone there. Do

Deputation

C. Gill introduced Messrs Kinnaird, Hill and Hussey as a deputation from Calivil. Mr. Kinnaird explained that they attended for the purpose of bringing under notice the state of the water supply at North Calivil and desired the Council to do what it could towards assisting them to obtain a supply. They were now nearly out of water. No doubt they would have had plenty if the water bailiff had sent the water down in December. There was a well near Rogies that could be fixed up

C. Laird moved  
 That the Council places on record its deep sense of the great loss sustained by the British nation in the death of Her Most Gracious Majesty Queen Victoria, and in expressing its loyalty to the person and person of her successor King Edward VII, earnestly sympathizes with the members of the Royal Family in their bereavement, and trusts that with the blessing and help of Almighty God, His Majesty may long be spared to rule over his dominions with a kindness and devotion to that of his royal mother.  
 Seconded by C. Jackson and carried unanimously. Carried

Notice of Motions for March meeting.

By C. Jackson  
 That a 3000 Gards tank be constructed on the Dingles firewood reserve.

By C. Coulter  
 That towns be called for a 2500 G. Yd. tank in the parish of Yallock near A. Lettraw property.

C. Gill moved that the lowest tenders be accepted. Seconded by C. Shaw. Carried

Motions on Notice

By C. Hardy (President) that tenders be called for formation and adverts on Iron Hill road opposite Inghams Woodshed. was carried

By C. Gill

Deferred from November meeting. That the resolution passed at the ordinary meeting of the Council held October 1891, granting permission to Messrs J. & H. Ross to enclose certain specified roads in the North riding purporting to be under the Towns Destruction Act be repealed.  
 The motion was moved by C. Gill seconded by C. Mahony and Lost  
 Those voting for the motion being C. Hardy (President), Gill, Mahony and Jackson. Those voting against the motion being C. Laird, Shaw, Coulter, Bissett and McCree.  
 The president declared the motion Lost.

Accounts

Accounts amounting to £316.15.10 was passed for payment on the motion of C. Jackson, seconded by C. Mahony Carried  
 Also accounts amounting to £172.4.10 for January 21<sup>st</sup> 1901.

Notices of Motion - Continued -  
By A. Coulter.

That application be made through the Shire solicitors for the recovery of costs in the present closed roads case.

By A. Mahoney

That this Council take the necessary steps to recover the penalties and fines in connection with roads closed on the Serpentine Estate, known as Moffats, in the North Riding of the Shire. These roads are numbered and marked on plan prepared and shown to by W. Gallop, authorized surveyor. These roads are kept closed in defiance of 428<sup>th</sup> Section, and that in the face of this fact, that the late A. Glynis made a formal demand to have these obstructions removed, which demand has not been complied with. The owners or the lessees of the estate cannot plead ignorance of this demand. Mr. Ross was then a member of the Shire Council. The number of gates to be removed is about 20.

The meeting then closed and the Council adjourned to Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> day of March 1901 at 11 and Read and confirmed at Separation this 20<sup>th</sup> day of March 1901.

Wm Hardy President  
East Loddon Shire

Present at 1130 and.

The President (C. Hardy) and C<sup>rs</sup> Wilson, Gill, Bisset, Coulter, Shaw, Lockman, Mahoney and Laird.

Minutes of meeting held 20<sup>th</sup> February 1901 were read and confirmed on the motion of C. Laird seconded by C. Coulter. Carried.

Correspondence

From Municipal Association of Victoria re municipal Council being represented in the programme of celebrations in connection with the visit of the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York. Received.

From Hon. Sec. to the Queen Victoria Memorial Statue Fund inviting assistance. Do.

From J. Morris, Kauraroeka, asking permission to take dry timber on east and west roads between Gutteries and Miles. Kauraroeka, and undertaking to grub ponds and burn out every tree he fell. Was left in the hands of the Shire Engineer.

From Secretary, Loddon U. N. Trust. Making application for the sum of £45. 3. 9 East Loddon Shire's share of removing silt from the Drater Channel at Mungana.

C. Laird moved that the amount be passed for payment. Seconded by the President and Carried. Carried.

for be opened for traffic.  
 Secured by G. Mahoney  
 The President submitted the motion which he declared lost  
 Those voting for the motion being C<sup>rs</sup> Gill, Mahoney and the President.  
 Against the motion C<sup>rs</sup> Laird, Jackson, Shan, Coulter, Dissett and W. Brad

Mounted-constable La Roche, Suspector of Nuisances, reported the township of Serpentine to be in a sanitary condition

The Rate collector reported collection Rates current £57.0, rates arrears £6.15.0. Dog fees £1. Do

The treasurer reported receipts Rates current £57.0, rates arrears £6.15.0; Dog fees £1. Contractor's deposits £8; Nightingale fees £5.4.1 Do

The Shire Engineer's report was read and received  
 Clause 2, Estimating cost of forming roadway near J. O'Donoghues, Talambie, was dealt with by notice of motion lodged by A. Coulter.  
 Clause 3, suggesting that when an expert in nightingales visits the district he be engaged to test and adjust (if necessary) the Duffer nightingales was adopted.  
 Clause 4. That a few repairs were needed

Petition

C. Coulter presented a petition from J. E. Scott and 9 other ratepayers of the East Riding, drawing attention to the present scarcity of water, the amount conserved not being sufficient to cope with a season like the present. The petitioners prayed that a dam be taken out say 2½ or 3 miles west and one mile north of the dam known as Erasin.  
 The petition was received and dealt with by Notices of Motion lodged by A. Coulter.

Reports

At the last meeting Messrs David Dobbin and John Dobbin, ratepayers of the North riding, wrote requesting that the Council would order the removal of certain gates from off specified roads in the Parish of Ingleton. The letter was referred to the members of the north riding for report and on behalf of the members C. Gill reported that they had visited the places. They found that the Messrs Dobbin had no access from their property except through private property. For the past 28 years they had had to travel across private property, and now they desired to get access to the main Mill road and the township of Muncie. C. Gill moved that the roads applied

C. Gill moved that a new milldam, race and shoot be supplied to mill known as Chappels. Seconded by C. Mackenzie. Carried

Henry Smith, who was in charge of the distribution of water from Yarnayes Channel last summer, reported in reply to a complaint made against him at last meeting by Messrs Korman and Hussey that the sole reason why the dams complained of were not supplied was that the water had stopped running in the Bullock Co.

The report was received as satisfactory on the motion of C. Laird, seconded by C. Sackman. Carried

C. Gill moved that the North judging members and C. Laird be recommended as trustees of the Recreation reserve ground at the N.W. corner of the Pompspial State Forest. Seconded by the President. Carried

C. Sackman drew the Engineer's attention to the necessity for mending the decks of culverts and bridges on main works in the East judging.

C. Sackman moved that the Engineer procure practical labor to properly test the mill near St. Geo. Atkins. Seconded by C. Coulter. Carried

at Major's Lane bridge. Works to be done clause 5 / a proposed works on Inman Mill road opposite Serpentine Marshes it was decided that the members for the riding and Engineer visit and decide on nature of works to be done.

General Business

C. Gill brought up the matter of the registration of dams, and after discussion it was agreed to allow the question to stand over for a month, the Secretary in the meantime to communicate with the neighbouring Shires with a view of getting a uniform registration fee. C. Gill moved. C. Laird seconded. Carried

C. Coulter intimated that he would allow his motion for the adjustment of the Duffer weighbridge fees to stand over till next meeting.

C. M. Cera moved that the tanks on the Picanniny Co near St. J. Coult be drained out. Seconded by C. Sackman. Carried

On the motion of C. Sackman, seconded by C. Coulter the tanks known as Down ellans, Eum Clump, and Kawarooka were ordered to be drained out. Carried

The action of C. Coulter in having the mill at Lebbans Paines <sup>cleaned out</sup> was approved of on the motion of C. M. Cera, Secd by C. Sackman. Carried

C. Jackson moved that tenders be called (subject to the site being granted by the Lands Department) for the excavation of a 3000 cubic yard tank on Firwood Reserve. Seconded by A. Coulter.

Carried

Motions on Notice

By A. Coulter. That tenders be called for a 2500 cubic yard tank near a Leekbans Yallock. Seconded by C. Jackson.

Carried

By A. Coulter

That the Shire Solicitors be instructed to make application for the recovery of the costs in the present closed roads case.

Seconded by C. Laird. The petition and C<sup>rs</sup> Gill and Mahoney voting against.

Carried

C. Mahoney intimated that he would withdraw for our month his motion that the Council take the necessary steps to recover the penalties and fines in connection with roads closed on the Serpentine Estate.

Accounts

Accounts amounting to £343<sup>15</sup> 7 were passed for payment on the motion of C. McVea. Seconded by C. Jackson.

Carried

Notices of Motion

By C. Gill.

That tenders be called for clearing (in a oval form) eight (8) acres of the Non-papier's Recreation Reserve.

By A. Coulter

That tenders be called for constructing formation near J. J. Dougherty's, Talambra.

By A. Coulter

That tenders be called for excavating a 3000 c. yard tank near Steel Bros. Yallock.

The meeting then closed and the Council adjourned to Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> April 1900 at 11 am.

Read and confirmed at Serpentine this 24<sup>th</sup> day of April 1901.

Wm Hardy

President  
East Loddon Shire



Present at noon.

The president (C. Hardy) and C<sup>rs</sup> Laird, Jackson, Mahoney, Shaw, Coulter, Pissart Gill and McVera.

Minutes of meeting held 20<sup>th</sup> March 1901 read and approved on the motion of C. McVera seconded by C. Jackson.

C<sup>rs</sup> Gill and Mahoney voting against.

Carried

Correspondence

From the Shire Solicitors, intimating that on the 29<sup>th</sup> March they made the Messrs Cheyne, as directed, asking payment re the Chard roads case.

Received

From Secretary Bears Lagoon Cricket Club applying for use of the Shire Hall on the night of May 1<sup>st</sup> for holding a ball.

Granted subject to the usual conditions. Carried

From Treasury Melbourne, forwarding account £329.12.6 Endowment for half year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, for completion. also forwarding 40 £100, equivalent for licensing fees.

Received

From Department of Lands and Survey re proposed construction of a tank of 3000 cubic yards capacity on farm road between Duigo, stating that the Councils request would receive consideration in due course.

Do

From Constable La Roche

Regarding his nomination as Inspector for the North and South ridings was accepted and Constable Coulter of Leppentun, on the motion of C. Laird seconded by the President was appointed in his stead. Carried

Petition presented by C. Jackson from J. E. Bratt and other ratepayers in Yallock, stating that at the stone crossing <sup>opposite</sup> A. Lethlean and J. Vincent's farms is the only place suitable for a dam on that road, and begging that the Council would submit to their requests.

The petition was received and on the motion of C. McVera seconded by C. Mahoney consideration of was deferred for one month, in the meantime the ratepayers interested together with the members for the riding and Engineer to meet and endeavour to select the most suitable site. Carried

Reports of Officers

The Rate Collector reported recollections as under. Rates Current £31.12.0, rates arrears £4.1.0, dog fees 10/- Total £36.3.0. Carried

The Treasurer reported receipts Rates current £31.12.0, Rates arrears £4.1.0, dog fees 10/-, Lev of Seal 10/- Publicans Licenses £105. Total £41.13.0. B<sup>l</sup> Balance £287.8.11. Carried

The Shire Engineer's Report was read and received and dealt with as shown in report books.

Resolutions

C. Gill moved that the following resolutions being the lowest be accepted.

No 14 Constructing bank parish of Upchurch  
P. Cole. £68.10.2.

No 15 Constructing formation and retaining  
culvert Inan Hill road. J. Hill  
£75.11.8.

Seconded by C. Coulter Carried.

General Business

On the motion of C. Coulter, seconded by C. M. Vera it was unanimously agreed to strongly support the Narunga basin scheme.

The President moved that the use of the Shire Hall be granted for the purpose of holding a ball to commemorate the opening of Parliament.

C. Bissatt drew attention to an alleged omission from the Rate Book of the names of Amisson Fyfe and John Davidson Senr. The matter was held over till the next provision Court.

C. Bissatt referred to the necessity of cleaning the whole of the sill

of the Bridgewater Channel and suggested that it be a recommendation to the L. M. Trust to apply for a small loan to effect the work.

C. Laird moved that the application be made and that the Shires of Gordon and Marong be asked to cooperate.

Seconded by C. M. Vera Carried.

Instructions to Shire Engineer

By C. M. Vera and Jackson

That bank known as Backlands on Bullock Cr be cleared out and enlarged.

Carried.

By C. Gill & Bissatt

Engineer report on works necessary to supply Bears Legoon with water from Separating Cr flow outlet near Mr. Michlans.

Carried.

By C. Bissatt and Laird

That a box culvert be constructed over channel opposite Mr. Bissatt's property & Separating Cr.

Carried.

By C. Coulter and Jackson

That formation west from Lancaster Railway Station be repaired.

Carried.

By C. Bissatt and Laird

That the Engineer furnish estimate of cost of cutting a small channel through Bullock where required within the Shire Boundary.

Carried.

Notice of Motion

By C. Coulter. That a Notice Letter be procured and fixed over proposed lane in the Parish of Yallock on road west from Myles' Brewery.

The meeting then closed and the Council adjourned to Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May 1901 at 11 a.m.

That and confirmed at September this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of May 1901.

W. Hardy President  
East Loddon Shire

By C. Mackenzie & Gill  
That the Engineer furnish estimate of cost of Channel from J. Carters to J. Chappels. Carried

By C. Bissell & Laird  
That the fence on road adjoining the Wesleyan Church Yarragula be raised and repaired. Carried

By C. Gill and Coulter  
That the President and Secretary represent the Council at the celebrations in Melbourne in connection with the Royal visit and that £20 be voted for their expenses. Carried

Motions on Notice

By C. Gill. That tenders be called for grubbing and clearing 5 acres of the recreation ground. Seconded by the President. Carried

By C. Coulter. That tenders be called for culvert formation near J. Doucett's Run. Seconded by C. Jackson. Carried

By C. Coulter. That tenders be called for excavating a 3000 Gpd tank near Mrs. Tice Mrs. Yallock. Seconded by C. Jackson. Carried

Accounts

Accounts amounting to £427.19.0 were passed for payment on the motion of C. Jackson. Seconded by C. Gill. Carried

Present at noon.

C<sup>rs</sup> Hardy (President), M<sup>r</sup> Cera, Coulters,  
Sackman, Mahoney, Gibb, Laird and  
Pissett.

Minutes of meeting held 24<sup>th</sup> April 1901

were read and confirmed on the  
motion of C. Laird, seconded by C.

Sackman. Confirmed — Carried.

Correspondence

Telegram from C. Shaw

Miss of Oraker prevents me from  
attending today. — — — — — Received.

From Miss of Maranga.

Enclosing resolutions adopted at the  
conference of Municipal Councils and  
Water trusts held in Melbourne on  
the 17<sup>th</sup> April, relative to the Goulburn  
Scheme.

C<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Cera moved that the Secretary  
be instructed to collect all informa-  
tion necessary in support of the  
Scheme. Seconded by C. Sackman. Carried.

From Lands Department.

In regard to the proposed construction  
of a tank on allotment 139 parish  
of Dungee, requiring the position and  
extent of the area desired and if it  
is intended to fence the site.

C<sup>r</sup> Sackman moved that the Secretary  
reply stating that 5 acres would be  
required, and that it was the intention

of the Council to fence the site.

Seconded by C. Coulters. — — — — — Carried.

From J. H. Coulters, Yallock.

Stating that he would not grant the  
land required as a site for a tank. Received.

From Miss of Gravelle.

Requesting the Council to ask its  
Parliamentary representatives to  
support a resolution adopted by  
that Council with a view of having  
the Railway Lands Acquisition Act  
amended so as to relieve Shire  
Councils of the necessity of applying  
a special rate to purchase lands  
required for railway purposes.

Laird moved that cooperation be  
accorded. Seconded by C. Mahoney. Carried.

From The Manager, East Loddon Station

Declining permission to erect culverts  
over channels on the East Loddon  
estate, as he did <sup>not</sup> wish the ratepayers  
money spent in doing work for the  
owners. — — — — — Received.

From Connolly, Tabbell and Dunlop, Shire Solicitors.

Budigo, stating that they had written  
the Messrs Kaye to let them have  
a reply to their former letter re  
payment of costs in connection  
with the closed roads case. In the  
event of not receiving a reply or one  
favourable, the Solicitors desired to

know if they need to proceed at once further. A later letter from the Solicitors enclosed a copy of a reply from J. and A. Clarke, as follows:  
 "We received your note of 27<sup>th</sup> April in reference to the East Loddon Share requesting payment of costs. Mr Mahoney said he would not pay. We will have to see more about it before we pay". The Irish Solicitors desired to know if the Council had any further instructions for them.  
 The matter was allowed to stand over till general business, when C. Laird moved that it be deferred for a month. Seconded by A. Coulter. — Carried —

From the Municipal Association of Victoria.  
 Asking the Council to communicate with its Parliamentary representatives requesting them to urge the Govt. to make provision during the next session of Parliament for a special subsidy to assist in the maintenance of main roads.  
 A. Coulter moved that cooperation be granted. Seconded by C. Mahoney. — Carried —

From Municipal Association.  
 Asking the Council to take action in support of the application made to the Government for an increase of the municipal endowment to £200,000.  
 Cooperation granted on the motion of C. Laird, seconded by A. Coulter. — Carried —

From Municipal Association.  
 Resolutions that any suggestions or motions the Council desired to have placed on the notice paper for consideration at the next quarterly meeting of the Association be sent not later than the end of June. Was held over.

Petition  
 Presented by C. Laird from Frank Dooey, Edward Dooey, and Connaughton, and John New, of Bear's Lagoon, applying to have the fringing to Bear's Lagoon opened and to have all fences and obstructions removed, as the part now open is not fit for use.  
 C. Laird moved that the Engineer reports at next meeting. Seconded by C. Mahoney. — Carried —

Reports  
 Mr Heath Teacher, Galvick North State School, reported the prevalence of measles, the attendance for the past 3 weeks having been reduced from 16 to a daily attendance of 6, 7, or 8. — Carried —

The Rate Collector reported Collections Rates amount £11.8.0; rates arrears £3.8.0; dog fees 7. — Do. —

The Treasurer reported receipts as under: Rates amount £15.4.0; rates arrears £4.19.0; dog fee 57. Contractor's

deposits £7. 5. 0, Government Endowment  
£318. 4. 6, Neighbridge fees £4. 9. 0.  
Total £350. 6. 6  
D. Balance £470. 14. 5

Received

The Shire Engineer's report was read  
and received.

Clause 1 Reporting completion of  
Tolays & Jamieson's contracts was

Received

Clause 2. Asking for definite in-  
structions as to site for proposed  
pools at Yallock. It was agreed that  
the E. P. members and the Engineer  
interview Mr. John Coulter with the  
object of getting his permission to  
excavate part of the tank on his  
land.

Clause 3. Suggesting that a <sup>reduction</sup> ~~reduction~~  
of £1. 12. 0 be made on the rate of  
James Coult of Prairie, he being  
rated 320 acres in excess.

C. M. Cress moved that the rate be reduced  
as suggested and the rate books amended  
accordingly. Seconded by C. Beckman

Carried

Clause 4. That tenders were invited for 4  
contracts to be dealt with this day.

Received

Clause 5. Estimating cost of removing  
the cutting a channel along Bullheads  
etc where indicated at £55.

On the motion of C. M. Cress, seconded

by C. Lamb, it was decided to ask the  
Loddon U. N. Trust to take steps to  
have the work carried out.

Clause 6. That owing to the dry  
weather the repairing of formations  
had been postponed.

Received

Clause 7. Estimating cost of cutting  
a channel from September Creek  
at East Loddon Station to fill  
Pears' Lagoon at £70.

Do

Clause 8. That a box culvert and  
28 chain formation were required  
near North Mamarooka Creek. £30.  
Dealt with by notice of motion  
lodged by C. Coulter.

Do

Clause 9. Submitting estimate of cost  
of constructing channels to J. Chappels  
at £71 and £13.

Do

Tenders

On the motion of C. Gill, seconded  
by C. Coulter, the following tenders were  
accepted

Carried

No 17 Formation near O'Donoghues Talambel,  
Mr. O'Fall. £36. 12. 4

No 18 Tank near cables M. Katt 82. 16. 8

No 19 Culvert at M'Kee, Yallock, W. Jamieson 13. 13. 4

No 20 Gubbing Pappapies Rd. J. Palmer 15. 8. 0

General Business

C. Gill moved that in future when

Loans was required from Crown Lands  
the permission of the Board of  
Lands and more be obtained.  
Seconded by C. Jackman. \_\_\_\_\_ Carried

C. McCrea moved that the Engineer have  
drains cut out from Mr. Edwicks  
premises, Melburn. Seconded by C.  
Jackman. \_\_\_\_\_ Carried

C. Mahony moved that the Engineer  
have the channel extended at Calind  
as far as Mr. Keir's dam. Seconded  
by C. Gill. \_\_\_\_\_ Carried

C. McCrea moved that the Engineer reports  
on the cost of extending the water channel  
from John Howes northwards to Patricks.  
\_\_\_\_\_ Carried

C. Gill moved that the Bear's Lagoon  
channel be widened and deepened  
where necessary. Seconded by C.  
Bissett. \_\_\_\_\_ Carried

On the motion of C. Gill, seconded by  
C. Laird it was agreed that the  
representatives of the Council on  
the Loddon W. M. Trust be asked  
to induce the Trust to have the first  
flume of water down the Calind channel  
sent to the Shire boundary. \_\_\_\_\_ Carried

On the motion of C. Coulter & Jackman  
the Engineer was directed to get the  
road cleared of dead timber work

from Myle's Store Kawarooka. \_\_\_\_\_ Carried

C. Bissett moved that a road in  
the parish of Yanayee be grubbed  
and cleared. \_\_\_\_\_ Agreed to.

C. Jackman moved that the Engineer  
examine drains near Mr. Colman's  
Shop, Taudara. \_\_\_\_\_

C. Coulter moved that a small  
drain and formation to act as a  
footpath be made on the western  
side of the Duigo State School. \_\_\_\_\_ Agreed to.

#### Accounts

Accounts amounting to £502.3.0 were  
passed for payment on the motion  
of C. McCrea. Seconded by C. Jackman. \_\_\_\_\_ Carried

#### Motions on Notice

By C. Coulter. That tenders be called for  
providing and fixing water lifts at  
Jack at Duigo, Yallock and Cables  
Seconded by C. Jackman. \_\_\_\_\_ Carried

#### Notice of Motion

By C. Coulter. That tenders be called  
for formation and culvert work from Works,  
Kawarooka. \_\_\_\_\_

The meeting then closed and the Council adjourned to Wednesday  
19<sup>th</sup> June 1901 at 11 am.

Read and confirmed at September this 19<sup>th</sup> day of June 1901

Wm Hardy President  
East Loddon Shire

Present at 11.30 a.m.

The President (C. Hardy) and Councillors Laird, Jackman, Mahoney, Coulter Shaw, Pissell and Gill.

Minutes of meeting held 25<sup>th</sup> May 1901 were read and on the motion of C. Jackman, seconded by C. Pissell were approved.

Carried —

Correspondence

From B. O'Keefe, M.L.A., stating that the matter of an increased endowment would have his best attention when before Parliament from a national as well as a municipal standpoint.

Received —

From H. M. Marks, Secretary Prudhoe Agricultural and Horticultural Society. Soliciting donations towards the prize schedule. C. Jackman moved, that £10 be donated, seconded by C. Mahoney.

Carried —

From J. M. Kelly, Chemist, Rochester.

Offering to supply poisoned wheat for sparrow destruction, was left in the hands of the Civil Engineer.

Received —

From Secretary, Public Health Department.

acknowledging receipt of annual reports of the Council and officers of health, and asking what action the Council propose to take in regard to supervision of the milk supply. Regarding the statement in the Council's reports that the

poison is liable to pollution through house and surface drainage from Slegwood entering therein, attention was invited to sections 241 to 245 of the Health Act 1890, under which some action might possibly be taken. Was received and consideration deferred for our month.

From Secretary, Loddon U. N. Inst.

Notifying that C. Pissell's term of office as the Council's representative on the trust had expired by effluxion of time, and requesting the Council to make an appointment to fill the vacancy. C. Coulter moved that C. Pissell be re-appointed. Seconded by C. Shaw.

Carried.

From Hon Treasurer, Prudhoe Rescue Home.

Soliciting donation held over for our month.

Received.

From Secretary, Loddon U. N. Inst.

Requesting cheque £9.18.2 proportion allotted to the Council of working expenses of the trust for half year ending 30.6.01. The President moved that the amount be passed for payment. Seconded by C. Jackman.

Carried —

Reports of Officers

The Rate collector reported collections as under:

Rates current £460.9.0, Arrears £14.0, Dog tax £6. Total £477.13.0

Received.



SHIRE OF EAST LODDON. Minutes of Ordinary Meeting held 19<sup>th</sup> June 1901.The Treasurer reported receipts:

Rates £461.13.0; dog fees £6.0.0,

Licenses £1; Deposits £5.10.0.

Total £477.3.0. Overdraft £473.13.5. — Received —

The Shire Engineer's report was read and — Received —

Clause 1. That contractors had been retarded with their work owing to the intermittent rains which had fallen during the past fortnight. — was — Received —

Clause 2. Asking for the approval of the Council in having box culverts substituted for pipe culverts on main roads west from the Dungee Railway Station.

C. Coulter moved that the Engineer's action be approved of. Seconded by C. Bissett. — Carried —

Clause 3. Estimating cost of raising formation near

M. J. S. Old's residence at St. C. Coulter moved that the work be carried out. Seconded by A. Jackson. — Carried —

Clause 4. That repairs to sheeting at bridge over Bullock Creek (near) near Ben. Haywards were required and the bridge painted.

C. Shaw moved that the Engineer arrange to get the work carried out. Seconded by C. Bissett. — Carried —

Clause 5. Estimating cost of extending water channels from Howe's withwards 4 miles to Patsdale at £40 per mile, inclusive of work and accommodation bridges. — Received —

Clause 6. That a small formation was needed on the Snaithill road south from M. W.

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S. Hardy's residence - Meuca.

C. Hardy moved that the formation to be taken with a few other flat ones in the locality be constructed. Seconded by C. Mahoney. — Carried —

Clause 7. That the drain in front of M. Coleman's Shop at Sandara needed cleaning out.

C. Jackson moved that the necessary work be carried out. Seconded by C. Coulter. — Carried —

Clause 8. That a plan showing site for proposed paths on timber reserves East from Dungee had been prepared and forwarded to the Lands Department. No reply had been received whether the Dept would grant the site or not. — was — Received —

Clause 9. Asking for more definite instructions relative to footways desired at the Dungee State School. — Do —

Clause 10. Relative to petition received at last meeting from J. Dooly and others, applying to have the fencible to Bears Lagoon shown open, so that they might obtain access to the water in the lagoon.

The length enclosed was about 1 mile. The postage being Crown Lands was noted in the Lands Department and consequently the Shire Council could not direct the removal of the fences.

C. Gill moved that a copy of the reports be forwarded to the petitioners. Seconded by C. Hardy. — Carried —

C. Mahoney voting against the motion.

Clause 10. That new timbers were required to culverts on roads leading from Sceptuie to Yarrapoo and from Sceptuie to Miliamo. C. Laird moved that the necessary timbers be procured and fixed. Seconded by C. Shaw. \_\_\_\_\_

Carried. —

C. Coulter reported as the result of a meeting of ratepayers interested that the Engineer and himself had purchased from Mr. Kiat, at Yallock, an acre of land at £10, for the recreation of a dam.

Motion confirmed on the motion of C. Bissett. Seconded by C. Laird. \_\_\_\_\_

Carried. —

### General Business.

C. Jackman moved that the letter from the Shire Solicitors re costs in the Chubb v. Mads case, deferred from last meeting, be further held over till next ordinary meeting day. It was an important matter, and should be dealt with by the whole Council. Seconded by C. Hardy. \_\_\_\_\_

Carried. —

C. Bissett moved that some metal be put in front of the Post Office at Jamieson East. Seconded by C. Shaw. \_\_\_\_\_

Carried. —

C. Coulter drew attention to the Council's financial position. After the accounts for that day were paid they would have an indebtedness of something like £500. He considered councillors should hold their hands as far as possible for the time. The president and other councillors

agreed, and it was generally understood that only urgent work should be carried out before the close of the financial year. \_\_\_\_\_

### Instructions.

By C. Mahouff. That the Sec. write to Gordon Shire Council, asking if they would join in the cost of making formation near North Colind's state school. Seconded by C. Gill. \_\_\_\_\_

Carried. —

By C. Bissett.

That the Engineer report on cost of constructing water channel from R. Fyfe's meadows to 2 chain parish boundary road thence North to join channel at Mr. Huley. Sec'd by C. Laird. \_\_\_\_\_

Carried. —

By C. Mahouff.

That the Engineer get a suitable culvert to approach made on road adjoining Mr. Huley's residence. Sec'd by C. Gill. \_\_\_\_\_

Carried. —

By C. Jackman.

That formation on road near Mr. Jas. Jackman's residence be extended southwards a few chains. Seconded by C. Coulter. \_\_\_\_\_

Carried. —

By C. Laird.

That the Engineer take steps to provide a suitable crossing in front of gateway leading into Sceptuie Estate. \_\_\_\_\_

Carried. —

Returning Officers

The following returning officers for the forthcoming annual elections were appointed on the motion of C. Laird seconded by C. Mahony  
North Riding Councillor Gill  
East Riding Councillor Coulter  
South Riding Councillor Laird

Motion on Notices

By C. Coulter. That tenders be called for constructing works on road near McNorth's property, Hamarooka, was, at the request of C. Coulter, allowed to stand over.

Accounts

Accounts amounting to £339.2.11 were passed for payment on the motion of C. Brett, seconded by C. Coulter.

The meeting then closed and the Council adjourned to Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July 1901 at 11 am.

Read and confirmed at Expiration this 24<sup>th</sup> day of July 1901.

Wm Hardy  
President  
East Loddon Shire

Present at 11.30 am

The President (C. Hardy) and C<sup>s</sup> Laird, Jackson, Mahony, Coulter, Gill, Brett and C. Carr.

Minutes of meeting held 19<sup>th</sup> June 1901 were read and on the motion of C. Jackson, seconded by C. Laird. Confirmed.

Previous Court at 11.35 am

The same councillors being present. The Secretary submitted the lists, claims and objections for the 5 ridings.

North Riding

The following made application for inclusion on the lists viz: John Hunter Patterson, Elizabeth Dolbe, Christina Jane Ross, James Carter, Cecil Harrison, Frederick Drivitt, Michael Edmund O'Hill, William Ralph Robinson, Orlando Mills, Elizabeth Mills, Joseph Finlay, Robert Ogilvie, James Henry Davidson.

The whole of the applications were granted. C<sup>s</sup> Mahony voting against the names of C. J. Peto, J. Carter, J. Drivitt, & Cecil Harrison. C<sup>s</sup> Gill & Jackson also voted against the names of J. Carter, J. Drivitt, & C. Harrison.

The roll as revised was then adopted on the motion of the Chairman (C. Hardy) seconded by Laird (Councillor).

South Riding

The following applications were received. J. Patterson, B. Hayward, Margaret Public

From Shire of Marong.  
 Asking if the Council is willing to increase the bonus on fox destruction to 5p. C. McEwen moved that cooperation be granted, on condition that the fox increase its bonus to the Councils. Seconded by C. Mahoney. Carried.

From R. Cobb, Contractor.  
 Asking for recompense for loss on his contract for pits at Yallock through being delayed, and stating that he was a loser by his contract to the extent of £15 owing to bad weather. C. Coulter moved that £15 be allowed the contractor seeing that the ratepayers were greatly to blame for the delay in the contract being started. Seconded by the President. Carried.

From Geo. Nester, owner, Yallock.  
 Applied for grant of 10 acres of reserve land near his residence on Bullock St, as a grassy road from year to year, with a right to fence. C. McEwen moved that no objection be offered. Seconded by C. Laird. Carried.

From Hon. Sec. Samarooka Mechanics Institute, asking donation towards building fund. The building being out of the shire, it was decided, on the motion of C. Coulter and Jackson to inform the writer that it was illegal to vote any money towards the object. Carried.

Jarvis and Jupp, Jas. Harry Davidson.  
 Land more that the whole of the applications be granted. Seconded by C. Laird. Carried.  
 The roll as revised was then adopted on the motion of C. Bissett, seconded by C. Laird. Carried.

East Endings

Applications for insertion were received from J. A. Paterson, Henry Pick, Sydney Donald McEwen, Elizabeth Spritt and Harry Peacey.  
 C. Coulter moved that the whole of the applications be granted. Seconded by C. Jackson. Carried.  
 The roll as revised was then adopted on the motion of C. McEwen. Seconded by C. Jackson. Carried.  
 After the rolls had been signed and alterations indicated to Chairman and declared the Court closed.

Read and confirmed at September this day of August 1901

Ordinary meeting, resumed.

The same councillors being present.

Correspondence

From Lands Department.  
 Intimating that no objection would be offered to the construction by the Council of a tank in allot 139, parish of Dingee. Received.

From Shire of Loddon.  
 Stating that that Council would contribute half cost of proposed work opposite North Linnis State School. do

by C. Laird. Carried  
The President, East Parish Members and C. Laird were appointed a committee to accept tenders.

Reports of Officers  
The Rate collector reported collections as under. Rates current £91.12.0, arrears £2.15.0, Dog fees £2.10.0. Received.

The Treasurer reported receipts:-  
Rates current £91.12.0, arrears £2.15.0, Dogs £2.10.0, Hire of Hall £2.5.0 total £99.2.0. D. balance (9<sup>th</sup> July 1901.) £746.5.4. Do.

The Shire Engineer's report was read and received and read into as shown in report book. Do.

General Business  
With reference to the application from the Baidgo Rescue Home for a donation in aid of the institution C. Bissatt moved that £1.1.0 be voted. Seconded by C. Laird. Carried

C. Laird moved that consideration of the work in the closed roads case be again deferred for one month. Seconded by C. Coulter. Carried

C. Laird moved that the attention of the Ag. Department be drawn to the necessity of providing larger accommodation for

From Henry Smith, Serpentine.  
Applying for use of River Hall and Water Trust room for the day and evening of 14<sup>th</sup> August.  
C. Laird moved that the request be complied with. Seconded by C. Bissatt. Carried

Petitions

Presented by C. Jackman from F. B. N. Dudge and 15 other ratepayers, applying that a park be constructed on the reserve at Dungee, opposite the Brown Stone Farming.  
C. Jackman moved that the petition be received and the matter of constructing the park be considered when funds were available. Seconded by C. Coulter.  
C. Laird moved as an amendment that the matter stand over for further information. Seconded by the President.  
The motion was carried. The President and C. Laird and Laird voting, against.

Petition presented by C. Laird from A. Gray and 4 other ratepayers of the East parish, praying that the drain now being constructed to the North fabric dam be extended as far as Gray's Council dam.  
The petition was received and C. Laird moved that the Engineer take levels from various points and call for alternate tenders, returnable within 2 fortnights, for the construction of the channel from the most suitable points. Seconded

C. Mahoney moves that tenders be called for culvert and formation on boundary road with Gosson Shire opposite the North Central State School. Secured by the Council.

Carried

Accounts

Accounts amounting to £830. 1. 7 were passed for payment on the motion of C. Laid. Secured by C. Mahoney.

Carried

Notice of Motion

By C. Laid. That a rate of one shilling in the pound be struck on the net annual value of all the rateable property in the Shire of East Loddon for the period ending 30th September 1902.

The meeting then closed and the Council adjourned to Wednesday the 21<sup>st</sup> day of August 1901.

Wm. Hunter, President  
East Loddon Shire

the storage of wheat, and that the co-operation of other Shire Councils be invited in urging the matter forward, and also that the Municipal Council be asked to place the matter on its business sheet for consideration at its next meeting.

Secured by C. Coulter. Carried

The Govt. Co. be also asked to visit proper neighbourhoods to facilitate the transit of grain.

Carried

C. Laid moves that the Council place on record its appreciation of the action of the Govt. in expediting its transfer from Parliament, and that a letter be written to the Premier thanking him for the action he had taken in the matter.

Secured by the President. Carried

On the motion of C. Smith and Laid, the Engineer was instructed to have 20 culverts inserted opposite the properties of Messrs Smith and Burke, Ingham.

Carried

C. Coulter moves that the Engineer get the drains cleared out which lead to tanks near Wilsons & Downellans, Sandara.

Secured by C. Jackson. Carried

The President moves that the Engineer get the culverts repaired on road near Janklaw P.O., and also report on work of forming & levelling on Iron Hill road, North riding.

by C. Coulter. Carried

+ From Water supply Department.  
+ In reply to the Secretary that the supply  
+ to the Yarragoe Channel would be  
+ discontinued.

From Water Supply Department Telegram  
Supply for Yarragoe Channel discontinued  
today.

The Secretary stated that he had  
written the Dept. on the matter enquiring  
the reason of the water being cut off  
at such short notice stating that a  
number of tanks was still dry and  
needed a supply, and had received a  
reply that supply of 300 C. feet per min  
to the Yarragoe Channel would be  
continued for one month.

C. Jackman moved that the action  
taken by the Secretary be approved  
of. Seconded by C. Laird. Carried

Reports of Officers.

The Treasurer reported receipts as follows  
Rates current £13. 3. 0; dog fees 5/-  
total £13. 8. 0. I  
Draft at Bank of Victoria Ltd  
Tuglewood £1518. 2. 5 Received

The Rate Collector reported collections:-  
Rates current £13. 3. 0; dog fees 5/-  
Total £13. 8. 0. Received

Present at 11.50 am.  
The President (C. Hardy) and Councillors  
Laird, Jackman, Mahoney, Shaw, Coulter  
Bissett, Gill and McEwa

Minutes of meeting held 24<sup>th</sup> July 1901  
and of the Revision Court of the same  
date read and confirmed, on the motion  
of C. Jackman, seconded by C. Bissett. Carried

Correspondence

From John Harvey and sons, Yallock.  
That 10 acres of the south part of the  
Bullock Creek reserves applied for by  
James Hester included a public water  
ing place called Gaultys dam, upon  
which the water and many of their  
neighbours had been depending for water  
for their stock for the last 4 months, and  
also when Bullock Creek is not running.  
They had no objection to Mr. Hester having  
10 acres, but they did object to the dam  
being alienated.

James Hester, Yallock, on same subject,  
stating that he did not want the dam  
or any portion of the creek included in  
his 10 acres.

The Secretary stated that a chain and  
a half reserve above high water <sup>mark</sup> along  
the creek and Gaultys dam would be  
made & that he had notified the  
parties interested.

The communications were received and the  
action taken by the Secretary was approved  
of on the motion of C. Jackman, seconded

General Business

C<sup>o</sup> Laird moved that application be made to the H.S. Department through the L.U.M. Trust for an additional supply of water to the Shire channels for one month, and that the Trust be notified that this Council disapproves of the manner in which the water was shut off from Yarnup channel on the 8<sup>th</sup> inst.

Seconded by C. Coulter. Carried.

On the motion of C<sup>o</sup> McCrea, seconded by C. Bissett permission was given to C. Coulter to examine the Dungee nightbridge booms related to alleged deficiencies in night.

Carried.

C<sup>o</sup> Coulter moved that the Secretary take the necessary steps to have Mr. J. R. M. Drudge appointed nightbridge keeper at Dungee.

C<sup>o</sup> McCrea moved that the Railway Dept be written to pointing out the immediate necessity for cutting a channel from Bullock Creek to the reservoir at Miliams. Seconded by C. Mahoney.

Carried.

C<sup>o</sup> Laird moved that tenders be called and dealt with by the North Riding Members and any other Councillors present in a private and to be accepted should the cost not exceed £130 for the extension of channel.

The Shire Engineer's report was read and Clause 1 and 2 were received. Received.

Clause 3. That the tenders of J. Campbell at £97. 10. 0 for the first 3 miles and that of Messrs Hill and Toley £167. 8. 4 for 3 1/2 miles of channel from Howra to Frays had been accepted. These prices provided for the earthwork only & culverts would be necessary across roads and gullways.

C<sup>o</sup> McCrea moved that the action of the Committee in accepting the tenders be approved of & that the Engineer get culvert fixed where necessary. Seconded by C. Mahoney. Carried.

Clause 5.4 That a culvert was required opposite Mr. Gordon's shop, Sandara. was deferred.

Clause 5. On extension of channel from E. Dondy was ordered to be dealt with in general business.

Tenders

For constructing formation and Culvert on boundary road with Gordon Shire lowest tender, Joseph Hill £22. 7. 6 C<sup>o</sup> Gill moved that the lowest tender be accepted. Seconded by C. Mahoney. Carried. C<sup>o</sup> Jackman and Coulter voting against.

Valuer's Declaration

The sworn declaration of the Valuer Stephen Collier Jones was read and received.



Closed roads case  
 The Secretary read the correspondence from the Shire Solicitors deferred from May 1901 meeting.  
 C. Coulter moved that the Shire Solicitors be instructed to take the necessary steps to obtain the refund of the costs paid under protest to Messrs Litch Hyatt and Pym, the solicitors for the plaintiff, in the recent closed roads cases.  
 Seconded by C. Laird and Carried.  
 The president and C. Gill and Mahoney voting against the motion.

Accounts  
 Accounts amounting to £602.14.0 per passim for payment on the motion of C. McEira, seconded by C. Mahoney. Carried.

Motion on Notice  
 By C. McEira. That a rate of one shilling in the £1 be struck on the net annual value of all the rateable property within the Shire of East Loddon for the year ending 30 September 1902.  
 Seconded by C. Laird. Carried.

Notice of Motion  
 By C. Mahoney  
 That the Council take the necessary steps to recover penalties and fines accruing from the unauthorized action of the Serpentine Estate (known as Moffats)

from E. Dordo towards Chappels.  
 Seconded by C. Mahoney. Carried.  
Amendment

By C. Coulter, Seconded by C. Jackman.  
 That tenders be not called till money is available.  
 Voting for the amendment: Councillors Coulter, Jackman, Shaw and McEira.  
 Voting for the motion: C. Laird, Mahoney, Pissitt Hardy & Gill.  
 The president declared the motion Carried.

C. Coulter moved that the Engineer get drains constructed leading into the new drain near Messrs Steel Bros.  
 Seconded by C. Jackman. Carried.

C. Coulter moved that drains be made to provide for the removal of stagnant water now accumulating near Mr Fisher's late residence. Standard.  
 Seconded by C. Jackman. Carried.

C. Pissitt moved that the Secretary write to the Premier objecting to the removal of the Stock Tax at the present juncture.  
 Seconded by C. Laird. Carried.

C. Mahoney asked that endeavours be made to have water <sup>into</sup> sub. drain known as Mr. Myers, parish of Calne.

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in putting remain proof gates and fencing outside of the area granted by the Council, namely in the parishes of Calver and Jarklaw, where Nos 5, 20, 26, 44, 45 are erected across the roads to adjoining landholders, and also in the parish of Jamieson East, which parish was not included in the sanction given by the Council, also closing roads altogether with wire netting and barbed wire. No gates are erected on these roads, thereby acting in violation to the laws of the State.

The meeting then adjourned and the Council adjourned to Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September 1901 at 11 and

Read and confirmed at September this 18<sup>th</sup> day of September 1901.

D. C. Laird President  
East Loddow Shire

## SHIRE OF EAST LODDON. Minutes of Ordinary Meeting held

Shire of East Loddow  
Annual Elections

22<sup>nd</sup> August 1901.

North Riding.

At the election of our Councillor for the above riding the voting was as follows:-

William Hardy 70

Hugh M. Ross 69

I therefore declare the said William Hardy duly elected as a Councillor for the North Riding of the Shire of East Loddow.

J. Patrick Gill Returning Officer

South Riding

Mr. William Probst being the only candidate nominated for the office of Councillor for the South Riding, I hereby declare him duly elected as a Councillor for the South Riding of the Shire of East Loddow.

D. C. Laird Returning Officer

East Riding

Mr. Robert Jackson being the only candidate nominated for the office of Councillor for the East Riding, I hereby declare him duly elected as a Councillor for the East Riding of the Shire of East Loddow.

Returning Officer

Present at 12.30 o'clock  
The President (C. Hardy) and Councillors  
McGara, Gill, Bissett, Shaw,  
Mahoney & Laird.

Election of President

The Secretary at the request of the  
President, read a statement show-  
ing debit balance at Bank of Victoria  
Inst<sup>o</sup> £2089, with accounts to be passed  
£407 making the total overdraft on  
18th Sept £2500.

Against this was the Government subsidy  
of £318 and £50 for rates making  
£368 and leaving a probable D.  
balance on 30th Sept 1901 of £2128.

When the President took office at the  
end of Sept 1900, the D. balance was  
£566 with liabilities on contracts  
amounting to £249 or a total of  
£815.

The sum of £745 had been expended  
during the year in water supply.

Allowance to Incoming President

C. Hardy moves that the President's  
allowance for the ensuing 12 months  
be £60. Seconded by C. Mahoney. Carried.

C. Hardy moves that C. Laird be app-  
ointed the incoming president.  
Seconded by A. Shaw. Carried.

In occupying the Chair the new

This Hall  
Septuages  
18th September 1901

Election of President

The following councillors being present  
Councillors Hardy, Gill, Mahoney, Laird,  
Shaw, McGara, Coulter and the newly elected  
Councillors Hardy, Bissett and Jackson  
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 imposed in us as Councillors  
by virtue of the Local Government acts  
1890-1891 numbers 1112 and 1243

W. Bissett  
C. Hardy  
Robert Jackson

Declared at Septuages before me this 18th day  
of September 1901

D. Cairns P.

Read and Confirmed at Septuages this 18th day  
of September 1901

D. Cairns President  
East. Loddon Shire.

President thanked his colleagues for the honor conferred upon him, and from a hearty vote of thanks to the late president, who had had a very trying time during his occupancy of the chair. Seconded by C. Bissett *Carried*

C. Hardy acknowledged the vote of thanks and proposed a vote of thanks to the Secretary for the efficient manner in which he had carried out his duties. Seconded by C. McCrea *Carried*

Ordinary Meeting

The same councillors being present. Minutes of ordinary meeting and held 24<sup>th</sup> August 1901 were read by the Secretary. C. McCrea moved that the minutes as read be confirmed. Seconded by A. Pissett. C. Gill immediately rose and said he disagreed with the resolution instructing the Council's solicitors to apply for a refund of the costs in the closed roads cases, therefore he could not vote for the confirmation of the minutes. He (C. Gill) then left the table as did also C. Hardy and Mahoney. Short retirement left only four (4) councillors and as these did not constitute a quorum, the president adjourned the meeting for one week (Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September 1901)

Read and confirmed at Serpentine this 25<sup>th</sup> day of September 1901

D. C. Laird President

Read at noon.

The president C. Laird, and C. Jackman, C. McCrea, Pissett, Shaw, Hardy and Mahoney.

Minutes of ordinary and special meetings held 18<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1901 were read.

C. McCrea moved that the minutes as read be confirmed. Seconded by C. Pissett. *Carried*

C. Hardy voting against the motion.

C. Mahoney left the table handing to the president the following written protest, signed by himself and C. Gill and Hardy. Shire Hall

Signed 25.9.01

We the councillors for the North Riding hereby protest against the inclusion in the minutes of a resolution, instructing the solicitors to apply for a refund of the costs in the *Chepus versus Shire* case. The following are our reasons:  
1. We consider it is a waste of Shire funds to try and recover the costs, when five members of the Council refused to have the case tried in a legal manner by way of a friendly suit, which would not cost £50.  
2. After this refusal by those members a show plan was presented to the Council - showing on that plan that the *deputative Estate* departed altogether from the permission given the *Estate*, and in the face of this fact, to authorize the solicitors to defend the case was illegal in every way.

James Mahoney  
Patrick Gill  
John Hardy

C. Hardy who left the table after rising together with C. Mahoney resumed their seats.

C. Gill has took his seat.

Correspondence

From Lands Department

Stating that the Minister of Lands had decided to make the area comprising the Duffield Turlow reserves available for selection, excepting 30 acres required for preservation and other purposes.

Received.

From Secretary, Pyramid Hill Ag. Society

Asking that a Public Holiday be proclaimed on for the Show on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October.

C. McEwen moved that the request be complied with in so far as the South and East ridings are concerned. Seconded by C. Mahoney.

Carried.

From Secretary Public Health Department.

Stating that for the purposes of any act relating to the public health, the disease known as pulmonary tuberculosis is deemed to be a dangerous, infectious or contagious disease.

Received.

From The Under Treasurer forwarding at £318.4.6 for completion, being Councils proportion of municipal endowment for 10 year ending 31.12.01. Attended to by President Treasurer.

Do.

From Secretary to Municipal Association.

Intimating that the annual session will be held on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October 1901.

Received.

From Sec. Victorian Railways.

Asking that the work of cutting a channel along the road between Bullocks Cr. and the railway line, to fill the Alliance reservoir, the cost to cut the channel and fill the reservoir not to exceed £40 be carried out any work in the railway side cutting to be done by the department's men. Was deferred till further news rec<sup>d</sup>.

Received.

Reports of Officers

The Health Officer A. S. Pridings D. & O.

Denavit reported that no cases of any infectious or contagious nature were under his notice.

Received.

The Rate Collector reported collections Rates current £6.17.0, dog fees 57.

Do.

The Treasurer reported receipts. Rates current £5.1.0, dog fees 57. Contractors deposits £14.7.0. Overdraft £2089.8.5.

Do.

The Chief Engineers report was read and Received.

Clause 1 reporting condition of contracts was received. Clause 2. That the committee approved at the August meeting had accepted the tender of Messrs Campbell, Hill

and Valler at £97.5.8 for the construction of a channel from E. Doodys to Dobbies and that an extension of 2 miles was necessary in order to complete the line.

A. Mahony moved that the action taken by the Committee be approved of Sec<sup>d</sup> by A. Gill. Carried.

The additional work suggested was left in the hands of the Engineer to call for tenders.

Mr Jackson and Mr. Gera voted against.

Clause 3. That surveys plans had been prepared for channel from Bullock Creek to Reservoir at Milambo. Approved.

Clause 4. That new timber had been ordered for culvert on road between J. C. State School and Jamieson P.O. to replace decayed planks. Action taken approved of on the motion of Mr Gill & Hardy.

Clause 5. Relative to threatened action by Tragowal Trust to induce the N.S. Dep<sup>t</sup> to reduce the supply of water to Bullock Cr.

Mr. Hardy moved that the Shire protest against the Tragowal Trusts proposal and that the Shire of Gordon be asked to cooperate. Seconded by Mr. Gera. Carried.

Tenders.

Constructing channel from Bullock Cr to Milambo Reservoir. Lowest tenders

J. Foley and Neil. £40. Mr. Gill moved that the tender of Messrs Foley and Neil be accepted. Seconded by Mr. Gera, the offer of £40 from the Railway Department referred to in the minutes to be accepted. Carried.

Estimate of Receipts and Expenditure for the year 1901-2.

Moved by Mr. Jackson Seconded by Mr. Bissett. That this Council do now adopt and approve the estimates for the year 1901-2 finding 30.9.07 of the receipts and so providing the sum of £2400.0.0 being required for the several purposes herein specified. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Bissett Seconded by Mr. Gera That this Council do now adopt the net valuation submitted of all the rateable property within the Shire amounting to £34,162 as made by the Valuer in the year 1901. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Gera Seconded by Mr. Gill. That to raise the sum of £1708.2.0 this Council make and levy a rate of 4 in the £ upon the net annual value of all the rateable property within the Shire of East Loddon for the period commencing 1<sup>st</sup> October 1901 and terminating 30 Sept, 1902. Carried.

Moved by C. M. Gao  
 Seconded by C. Pizzett.  
 That the Rate Collector be directed  
 to collect the said rate forthwith. Carried.

### Committees

The following Committees were  
 appointed.

Finance The President and C. M. Gao,  
 Jackman and Maksey.  
Public Works The President and C. Shaw,  
 Walker, Pizzett, Gill and Hardy.

### Accounts

Accounts amounting to £430. 8. 5  
 were passed for payment on the  
 motion of C. Shaw Seconded by  
 C. M. Gao. Carried.

### General Business

On the motion of C. Pizzett and  
 Hardy it was decided to ask the  
 Government to send up an officer  
 to report on the water channels con-  
 structed within the Shire, that it might  
 be seen that they were not intended for  
 irrigation.

A motion by C. Jackman and C. Gao  
 that no new works be constructed for  
 12 months, was withdrawn till next  
 meeting.

At the request of C. Gill, the Engineer  
 was instructed to report on the necessity  
 for a gate to give access to a channel

constructed across private property, east from  
 Bears Lagoon Hotel.

C. Gill intimated that he had intended, to  
 address the Council on a certain matter,  
 but as there was not a full meeting, he  
 would postpone doing so. He asked that  
 a call of the Council, be made for next  
 meeting.

### Motion on Notice

C. Maksey intimated that he would postpone  
 his motion relative to recovering penalties  
 and fines for gates erected across roads  
 on the Serpentine Estate.

### Notice of Motion

By C. Gill.

That this Council in granting a permission  
 to H. M. Ross under Secs 58 and 59 of the  
 Destruction Act 1890, according to a plan  
 laid before this Council meeting Oct. 96,  
 to enclose with fencing and wire netting  
 swing gates across certain roads through  
 and intersecting the Serpentine Estate  
 known as Motts and situated in the  
 parishes of Jackman, Calivil and  
 Pompanier. That this Council did  
 not at the same time or hereafter  
 grant any permission to enclose other  
 than those roads specified on such  
 plan or to erect without gates fencing  
 wire netting and barbed wire across various  
 roads or fencing enclosing the outer  
 boundary of the aforesaid estate  
 such obstructions being erected without

our knowledge and consent.

The meeting then closed and the Council adjourned to Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October 1901 at 11 am.  
Read and confirmed at September this 16<sup>th</sup> day of October 1901.

D. Caird President  
East Loddon Shire

Shire of East Loddon Minutes of Ordinary Meeting held 16<sup>th</sup> October 1901.  
Present at noon the President (D. Caird) and C<sup>rs</sup> McEwen, Gill, Bisset, Coulter, Shaw, Mahoney, Hardy and Jackson.

The minutes of the adjourned ordinary meeting of 25<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1901 were read, C<sup>r</sup> Bisset moved that they be confirmed. Seconded by C<sup>r</sup> Shaw. Carried.

Correspondence.

From Public Works Department.  
Notifying the appointment of Mr. Buck as Government Auditor of the Shire etc. Received.

From Public Works Department.  
Asking amount of Council's overdraft on 30<sup>th</sup> Sept. Information supplied by Secretary. Do.

From Water Supply Department.  
Enquiring whether there were any water supply objections relative to application by Mr. Hester for an annual grazing license of the southern portion of water reserve on Bullock 4<sup>th</sup> near H. Reynolds. The secretary has replied

that there was no objection providing a marginal fringing of 12 chains above high water mark was reserved along the creek and Gaulty's dam left open for the public. The action taken by the Secretary was approved of.

From Chadlow Shire Council.

Asking support in having the Health Act amended so as to make the appointment of analysts by Shire Council optional, and also to give Councils power to remove analysts without the approval of the Governor in Council. Received.

From Secretary Bainsdale Shire Council.

Asking cooperation in an endeavour to secure to municipalities the power to close roads not used for traffic. Received.

From Secretary Loddon N. H. Truck.

Requesting cheque £7.15.9, proportion allotted to the Council for making repairs and maintenance of the Truck for quarter ended 30<sup>th</sup> September. C<sup>r</sup> Hardy moved that the amount be passed for payment. Seconded by C<sup>r</sup> Coulter. Carried.

From Acting Under Secretary

Telegram. Tomorrow & Thursday (9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> Oct.) appointed public holidays Shire of East Loddon. Received.



Reports of Officers

The Rate Collector reported collections  
Rates current £4.10.0, dog fees 10/- Received.

The Treasurer reported receipts

Rates current £4.10.0, dog fees 10/-  
Contractors deposits £4.17.0, Int.  
Endowments £318.4.6, Highways fees  
£2.7.8, Hire of Halls 1/-, total £331.4.2  
D. balance £2214.3.5 Received.

The Shire Engineer's report referring to  
the completion (as far as to allow  
the stream being put down) of channel  
from Grays to Howes was Received.

Tenders

For constructing channel from No 1 Ings well  
main channel to Chappels.  
3 Tenders received. Lowest tenderer  
Robert Cobb £40.19.7.  
C. Coultter moved that the lowest  
tender be accepted. Seconded by  
A. Gill. Carried.

Accounts

Accounts amounting to £242.1.1 were  
passed for payment on the motion of  
C. M. Crea, seconded by A. Hardy. Carried.

General Business

C. Coultter referred to the necessity,  
through a death at Mitiam, for another  
justice of the peace at that place  
and moved that a letter be written to

the Law Department, and also to the  
Parliamentary representative for the  
district, recommending C. John Busland  
M.C. for the position. C. M. Crea  
left the table while the matter was  
under discussion. C. Jackman seconded  
the motion which was carried unanimously.  
C. M. Crea resumed his seat and  
thanked the Council for the honor they  
desired to confer upon him.

C. M. Crea moved that the Loddon U.D.  
be asked to send a special  
supply of water along Bullock's Ch.  
to fill the Railway Reservoir at  
Mitiam. Seconded by A. Coultter. Carried.

On the motion of C. Coultter, the Engineer  
was instructed to visit roadway near  
Mr. Laid's residence, Peainny Creek &  
report as to works required to allow  
of vehicular traffic there. Agreed to.

A. Jackman drew the Engineer's  
attention to persons cutting down  
firwood on roads near the Kamurooka  
Village settlement.

Motion on Notice

By A. Mahoney, lodged 21<sup>st</sup> August 1901  
and deferred at the September meeting  
was moved by A. Mahoney and  
seconded by C. Gill.

The voting being for the motion C. M.  
Mahoney, Gill and Hardy, against the

motion the President and C<sup>s</sup> Shaw  
Coulter, Bissett & M<sup>c</sup>Gara.

The president declared the motion lost.  
C. Jackman left the table while  
the vote was being taken.

Motion on Notice

By C. Gill

As per notice inserted in Minute  
Book folio 76 was moved by C. Gill  
and seconded by C. Mahoney.

The president ruled the motion out  
of order on the grounds that the meaning  
of the motion was not sufficiently  
clear.

The meeting then closed and the Council adjourned to  
Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November 1901 at 11 am.

Read and adjourned at Serpentine this 4<sup>th</sup> Decr 1901

D. Claira President  
East Loddon Shire

Present at 11.50 am.

The President (C. Laird) and Councillors  
Shaw, Bissett, Mahoney, Gill, Coulter  
Jackman and M<sup>c</sup>Gara.

Minutes of meeting held 16<sup>th</sup> October  
1901 were read and confirmed on the  
motion of C. Bissett, seconded by C.  
Shaw.

Carried

Correspondence

From Councils solicitors dated 27<sup>th</sup> Oct<sup>r</sup> 01.

Stating that notice asking for  
payment of the costs paid to  
Messrs Litch, Hyatt and Rymer and  
also for payment of the costs incurred  
by the Shire and the affidavit in  
support of same, had been served on  
the Messrs Cheyne, returnable for hearing  
in Melbourne on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> instant. Received

From Trarigon Trust.

Intimating that permission was  
granted by the Trust for the erect  
ion of a flume over N<sup>o</sup> 1 channel,  
the Trust reserving to itself the  
right to cancel the permission, and  
not bearing any responsibility in  
the matter. Received

From Secretary, Gordon Shire Council.

Requesting the Council to pay half  
cost of loaning the formation on  
the boundary road near Mr John  
Cheyne. C. Gill moved that the

request be complied with.  
Seconded by A. Mahoney. Carried.

From R. O'Neill, M. L. A., Messrs J. M. Pratt and J. Courie, M. L. A.'s relative to the nomination of C. McCrea for the position of Justice of the Peace, also from the Law Department intimating that an enquiry would be made into the matter. Received. Do.

From Secretary Loddon U. Trade Trust asking consideration to a letter read from the N. S. Dept. to the effect that the Dept. had received an intimation that the Trust did not contemplate striking a rate for 1902, and inquiring whether the Dept. was to understand that the necessary amount to cover the running expenses of the Trust and to provide for payment of interest and redemption on loans would be met by the Share Councils within the Trust area out of their municipal funds.

The Chairman moved that a reply be sent that the Council had always been willing to pay interest, but pointing out that there were certain portions in the East riding of the Shire the department had promised to raise, and the Council was anxiously waiting for that promise to be fulfilled.  
Seconded by C. Jackson. Carried.

From Head Teacher Dean Lagoon S. School reporting case of Measles and cases of whooping cough. Received.

From Secretary Inglewood Hospital. Enclosing abstract from report of Inspector of Charities re smallness of municipal contributions to the hospital. Deferred for consideration when charitable rates is under discussion. Received.

From Public Health Department. With requisitions desired in connection with proposed addition to Church of England building. Yallock. Received.

Annual Meeting  
The audited statement of the receipts and expenditure for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> September 1901, together with the auditors report certifying to the correctness thereof, was read by the Secretary. C. McCrea moved that the accounts as read be now finally examined, settled and allowed. Seconded by C. Bisset. Carried.

Reports of Officers  
The Rate collector reported collections dog fees 17. Received.

The Treasurer reported receipts dog fees 17. Hire of Hall 19. Total £1.10.0 B. balance £2464.13.3. Received.

The Shire Engineer's report was read, and Received.  
 Clauses 1, 2 & 3 Received.

Clause 4. That 14 chs drains and box culvert were required to convey surface water into new dam near Sticks.

Notice of motion to be lodged by C. Coulter.

Clause 5. That 8 chains of shallow drains were needed to convey stagnant water from off roadway near Mr. Stokers late residence, Tanderu.

C. Coulter moved that the same be carried out. Seconded by C. Jackman. Carried.

Clause 6. That culverts were required over channels on roads north from E. Doodys.

C. Gibb moved that 2 culverts be constructed one at the N. E. corner of Mr. Hardy's paddock and one on the Prairie road near Humberts. Seconded by C. Mahoney. Carried.

#### General Business

C. McCrea moved that the Secretary write to the Railway Dept. asking on what terms it would supply water at the Prairie railway station, as required. Seconded by C. Coulter. Carried.

The President moved that the Council express itself in favor of the Mananga water scheme which would benefit the majority of the ratepayers of the Shire. Seconded by C. Jackman. Carried.

C. McCrea said Mr. Edwick wanted a channel extended from railway line south from Williams east to his residence and was willing to pay £30 towards the work. He moved that the Engineer take the necessary steps and arrange with Mr. Edwick as to the carrying out of the work. Seconded by C. Coulter. Carried.

C. Jackman moved that the matter of constructing the Dinges tank be allowed to stand over till funds were available. Seconded by C. Coulter. Carried.

C. Mahoney introduced Mr. Dobie of Janklow, who asked that a supply of water be sent down the channel to fill dams. C. Gibb moved that application be made to the Trust for a supply of water for the channel. Seconded by C. Bissett. Carried.

C. Gibb moved, with a view of encouraging interest culture, that application be made to the L. N. Trust to be allowed to irrigate 5 acres. Seconded by the President. Carried.  
 C. Jackman voting against.

C. Coulter suggested that the Trust call a public meeting at Dinges at an early date for the purpose of considering the distribution

Accounts

Accounts amounting to £486.15.9<sup>1/2</sup> were passed for payment on the motion of C. M. Gera seconded by Mr. Mahoney. Carried

The meeting then closed and the Council adjourned to Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> February 1902 at 11 am.  
Read and confirmed at Serpentine this 19<sup>th</sup> day of February 1902.

D. G. Cairns  
President  
East Loddon Shire

of water throughout the East Loddon.  
The President promised to comply with the request.

C. M. Gera moved that the Engineers have the wells drawn out, deepened and staked on reserves with four ft. J. Coult's' provisions. Primer. Seconded by C. Coult. Carried.

C. Gell moved that the Engineer have the wells near Chapels put in proper working order. Seconded by C. Mahoney. Carried.

Motion on Notice

By C. Gell.  
That this Council make application to the Governor in Council, on behalf of the owners, lessors or licensees of land situated in the Shire of East Loddon, for a license to erect, unlocked swing gates or fencing across roads at present not used for public traffic, providing that no license be issued to erect gates across any road that the Council has expended money upon.

The President asked C. Gell to withdraw the motion, seeing that Mr. O'Fallon was introducing a bill to the House which would meet the purpose of the motion. C. Gell complied with the request.