Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Norong Shire Council held at Kingstown on Thursday Jany. 10th. 1889

Present Messrs. Hunter in the chair, Macneven, Coutts, Burbeau, Clinton Roy, Thomas & Macpherson.

The minutes of the last ordinary meeting and of the committee meetings were read and confirmed.

Correspondence

1 From Lunatic to Shire Conference with copy of proceedings

2 From Sec. of Western Shires Conference with copy of proceedings.

3 From Innamincka Road Board requesting the Council to join in the endeavour to induce the Government to make the maintenance of main roads a charge upon the General Revenue

4 From the Roads & Bridges Office requesting that notice may be given of the intention of deputations to wait upon the Ministers of that department.

5 From James Elliott asking for reduction of rate

6 From the Shire Council of St. Amand stating that although that Council approves of the erection of a bridge at St. Amand the financial position will not permit any aid to be given

2. Circulr

The Lunatic was instructed to reply that the work would be commenced and that assistance would be expected from the St. Amand Council during its progress.

10 From Mr. Lamons with charge for £4-15-6 acct. cats recovered in the Police Court Inglewood and enclosing his acct.

11 From the Town Clerk of Inglewood asking the assistance of the Council in bringing before the Govt. the necessity of a bridge over the Loddon near Inglewood station, and the construction of a line of Telegraph from Inglewood to Sandhurst by way of Raywood.
Also if the Council has any objection to join the Borough and make an Inglewood District for Weights & Measures.
Also if the Council will urge upon the Norong Council the necessity of clearing the road from Bridgewater to Norong. –

Consideration postponed

12 From Mr. Tyler contractor for the destruction of thistles in the Kingsown Riding: relative to grants of thistles on the Entrance Common. Reference to Kingsown members.

13 From R. Penryce stating that he had been since once execution issued for rates although a promise had been made to him that his rates would be remitted as payment for work done by him on the Invertayes Road

Moved by Mr. Mercurian
Sec. by Mr. Hunter That the amt. paid by Penryce be returned to him.
Carried.

The Treasurer reported receipts for the month £30-18-9 - expenditure £241-13-2

Report received and adopted. —

The engineer reported that the bridge at Fenton's Creek is completed and the other works are progressing favorably. That the photographs & banner for the Intercolonial Exhibition have been forwarded. That plans & specifications for dams on the Inglewood & Kingsown roads will be ready in a few days. estimated cost £80. —
Report received.

Moved by Mr. Hunter according to notice
Sec. by Mr. Clayton
That a resolution passed by the Council at a former meeting to pay the pound keeper by salary be rescinded
Carried

Mr. Clayton brought up regulations for the management of the pound and proposed a new scale of fees to be received by the pound keeper, with a salary of £50 pr. annum.

The president said that the new scale could not be (abolished) adopted until the old fees were abolished and this can only be done by notice of motion

Mr. Clayton (moved) gave notice that he would at the next meeting of the Council move that the present scale of fees for the Shire pound be abolished and the following substituted in its stead. —

For horned cattle - sustenance per	1/-	pr. day
- Horses	1/6	-
- Sheep, goats, & pigs	9	-
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On the proposal from the Inglewood Borough Council to form a union under the Weights & Measures Statute consideration of which was postponed from last meeting, it was: —

Moved by Mr. Ferguson
Sec. by Mr. Macpherson That this Council declines to form such Union.

Carried.

The following accounts were passed and ordered to be paid.

Corporation Express	37 - 0 - 0
Contract 74 — J. Ward.	71 - 0 - 0
— 82 — Bottrick	14 - 8 - 6
64 —	5 - 0 - 0
89 —	30 - — - —
J. Brown —	7 - 10 - 0
J. B. Hambleton	8 - 10 - —
Smart & Cruse Exhib. Cert.	3 - 0 - 0
Lumber Do	2 - 5
Common Office cleaning	2 . 5
J. Moncrieff surp.	2 - 10 - 6
Interest Bk.	63 . 5 - 0
A. Pearson	3 - 6 - 0

Moved by Mr. Ray
Sec. by Mr. Thomas That tenders be called for the construction of two dams on the Eglinton & Kingsmen Road.

Carried

The engineer was instructed to report at next meeting on the formation of the street at Kingsmen, and on the cost of spreading (~~instead~~) on the Lamoureux Bridge the earth excavated from the Storm Channel.

Moved by Mr. Macauley
Sec. by Mr. Keyserly That the report be adopted

Carried

The Secretary called the attention of the Council to a clause in the Assessment Law Act which gives to Local Councils the control of Unfenced Commons within the Limits, and stated that Mr. Ramsay M.P.P. had received from the Attorney General an opinion to that effect.

Moved by Mr. Coates
Sec. by Mr. Clayton That the Sec. write to Mr. Ramsay asking him to furnish the Council with a copy of the Att. Gen. Opinion.

Carried

It was suggested by Mr. Clayton that ~~the~~ a demand should be made on the Managers of the Commons for the repayment of money expended in destroying thistles on the Commons.

The Sec. was instructed on the receipt of the Att. Gen. Opinion to write to the Maryborough Mining Board requesting that body to have our the New Unfenced Commons to the Council

The Public Works Committee brought up the following tenders

For erection of a timber Bridge over the Moore River at East Chatham

Walter Smith	955 – 5 – 0
G. Lightbutn	1077 – 1 – 8
T. Tulk	977 – 10 – 0
Jas. Patterson	885 – 6 – 0
Chisholm & Maclean	1087 – [illegible]
J. Ward	971 – 2 – 8
S. Knapp	995 – 0 – 0

The Committee recommended the acceptance of Jas. Patterson's tender

For clearing on the Lower Lyndon Road

John Green	103 – 2 – 6
Bottrill & Co.	117 – 0 – 0
J. R. Pritchard	116 – 17 – 6
Dermody & Litton	80 – 12 – 6
J. Bourn	89 – 7 – 6
Chisholm & Maclean	100 – 0 – 0

The Committee recommended the acceptance of Dermody & Litton's tender

Moved by Mr. Macrae
Sec. by Mr. Hegarty. That the tenders recommended by the Committee be accepted
Carried

The letter No. 11 from the Town Clerk of Inglewood was brought up for consideration the Mayor and Councillor Barton being & the Town Clerk present.
On the question of the proposed Common Bridge Mr. Barton stated that the Borough Council could not contribute any money towards its erection as the site is without the boundaries of the Borough. Mr. Platts was appointed to form part of the proposed deputation to the Govt. on the subject and Mr. Geo. Fox the Reeve of the Mariposa Shire Council was also appointed.

Moved by Mr. Aleshead
Sec. by Mr. Clayton that
Some discussion ensued as to the best site for the proposed bridge.
The engineer stated that the cost would be smaller at the site originally proposed down the river but that the approaches would be different and there was not any road surveyed there, whereas at Ferguson's there the chain road crosses the river. —

Moved by Mr. Macrae
Sec. by Mr. Aleshead that the Reeve and Mr. Ray join the deputation to the Govt. on the subject
Carried

Moved by Mr. Hunter
Sec. by Mr. Jackson that the next ordinary meeting of the Council be held at Wendouree on the 21st Inst.

Mr. Hunter gave notice that he would at the next meeting of the Council move that a former resolution to pay the Poundkeeper by salary be rescinded

Mr. Clayton renewed his notice to bring up regulations for the better management of Shire Pounds.—

The meeting then closed.

21st Nov 1888 Confirmed

Henry Smith
President