Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Kaiwarra Shire Council held at Redcarbum on Tuesday the 10th Sept. 1868.

Present Messrs. Macaskill, Macpherson, Roy, Coutts, Morley, Hunter, Hegarty, Bishop, & Griffith

The Minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed

Correspondence.

1 From the Registrar General submitting a series of questions to the Council asking if the Council will direct and secure the accurate collection of Agricultural, Educational, and Manufacturing statistics within the Shire; and what amount of remuneration will be considered reasonable for that duty. Also asking the conditions under which the statistics are to be collected, and the date for returns viz. for area under cultivation 31st December, for price of produce 31st March, and for crop, wool made 31st May. —

The Secretary stated that he had written the Registrar General suggesting that if the first & second returns can be made at one time a considerable saving in the collection would be effected and received a letter in reply

2 saying that separate returns were considered necessary, but that it will be more satisfactory if the Council will also give an estimate of the probable expense of collecting all the information required by the 31st March in each year.

Moved by Mr. Roy
Sec. by Mr. Macpherson } That the Secretary be instructed to reply saying that the Council will undertake the collection of the statistics required, and that a reasonable remuneration for the duty would be £100 per annum if separate returns be required and £60 per ann. if the three returns are made at the same time.

Carried

3 From Sir Redmond Barry thanking the Council for the donation to the Public Library of the photographic views contributed to the Exhibition.

4 From John Smith applying for a Slaughtering licence at East Charlton

Ordered to be granted conditionally that the report of the Inspector be favourable

5 From the General Post Office stating that enquiries will be made as to the advisability of a bi-weekly mail to Inverleigh, Kangaroo Flat

6 Memorial from the ratepayers of the Hedderbourn Riding praying for the immediate formation & metalling of the Hedderbourn main street.

Received

7 From the trustees of the Church of England and Presbyterian Church and the Committee of the Common School Hedderbourn requesting the stumps and other obstructions may be removed in Nelson street Hedderbourn. —

8 From Mr. R.H. Steel complaining that a road leading to his property has been stopped by Mr. Macrae

Moved by Mr. Macpherson
Sec. by Mr. Hunter That eight pounds be expended by the Hedderbourn members in clearing Nelson St.

Carried.

Mr. Steel was present and produced a plan shewing the road to which he referred.

Mr. Macrae replied that the fence complained of as obstructing the road was there before the road was surveyed, and that any person was at liberty to remove it.

The Treasurer reported receipts for the month £3-5-6.- Expenditure £132-14-6.

Moved by Mr. Kay
Sec by Mr. Hunter } That the Treasurer's report be received

Carried.

The Treasurer stated that as the Bank overdraft exceeded the amount of the promissory note deposited by the Council it was necessary to substitute one for a larger amount. A promissory note for £1500 was then signed by the members together with a letter of deposit and handed to the Treasurer for transmission to the Bank. —

The Treasurer brought up an estimate of the probable revenue for the ensuing year from all sources amounting to £5420. - Also an estimate of expenditure apart from public works £780 and liabilities £1500 making a total of £2300 leaving balance to credit of £1440. Against this amt. the engineer produced estimates for public works in the

Hedderbourn Riding	544 —
Inglewood Riding	425 —
Kangaroo Riding	476
	1445
less grants for main roads	377
	1068

The Treasurer brought up the estimate of proposed expenditure of money to be raised by a general rate showing

Money available	Nil
Money required	£775—

Rateable property
giving nett rateable value of £15.500
Rate one each pound required to raise the money – one shilling

Moved by Mr. Hunter
Sec. by Mr. Griffith That the estimates be adopted and approved and entered on the Rate Book as required by the 185th Section of the Local Govt. Act.

Carried.

The Secretary read his report as Valuer showing a nett annual value of rateable property within the Shire of £19.474. 18s 0d and produced the Valuers book.

Moved by Mr. Hunter
Sec. by Mr. Morley That the Valuers report be received and that his valuation of rateable property be approved and adopted.

Carried.

The engineer reported that he had written Mr. Owen the Crown Lands Commr. complaining of Fraser's illegal occupation of land at Alby's crossing. Mr. Owen's reply read. It stated that the land reported to have not been received but that the Crown Lands bailiff will be instructed to report on the matter and an application will be made to the Board of Lands and Works for authority to sue Fraser for the penalty incurred by him

Moved by Mr. Hunter
Sec. by Mr. Roy That the Secretary write the Commission of Lands & Survey pointing out that Fraser has been permitted to pay rent for 10-1-4 though only four acres were recommended by the Commission.

Carried.

The engineer also reported that the contractors for the main road work near Inglewood have put on more hands and the contract was proceeding satisfactorily. It will be completed in about three weeks.
Also that he, the engineer, had ~~secured~~ seen the contract surveyor now engaged in surveying a road from Bendigo to Tarnbirst and had pointed out the best line which the surveyor will adopt.

Moved by Mr. Hunter
Sec. by Mr. Roy That Russn. Hishcock

and Deputy wait upon the Inglewood Borough Council and call their attention to the dangerous condition of the Sandhurst & Inglewood road within the Borough boundary, requesting that the formation constructed by the Shire Council may be continued through the Borough.—
Carried.

The engineer was instructed to survey and mark the proposed deviation on the East Charlton Road at Richmond Plains.

The Secretary brought up the report of the Managers of the A. Beckett Plains Farmer's Common which shewed a balance in hand of £7-14-3 - four pounds of which it was proposed to expend in running a plough line round the Common.—

Moved by Mr. Griffith
Sec. by Mr. Kershaw } That the report be adopted and the balance of £3-14-3 be paid to the Shire Fund.—
Carried

Mr. Coutts moved according to notice that on the first day of October next the Council proceed to make a general rate of one shilling on each pound of the net annual value of all rateable property within the Shire.
Seconded by Mr. Roy and carried.—

The members for the Inglewood Riding were authorised to expend five pounds in piling up a water hole and repairing the road at Old Inglewood.

The following accounts were passed and ordered to be paid

Secretary	10 - 0 - 0
A. Ritchie	8 - 7 - 0
Mrs. Power	5 - 10 - —
Cont. 113 — (A. Smith)	15 - — —
" 110 — Mrs. Brown	29 - 6 - 8
" 106 — do	24 - 2 - 6
" 114 — do	30 - 8 - 4
Deposit Cont. 106	5 - — —
Mrs. Mills J. G. Bomblower	11 - 11 - 3
are differently denoted in the vouchers do Electoral	10 - 18 - 9
Returning Officer	
Inglewood Election	10 - 10 - —
James Miller Lasson	4 - 5 - 0
A. R. Sydenham	2 - 10 - 0
P. Lyons	5 - 12 - —

One weeks leave of absence was granted to Mr. Byrne.—
The next meeting was ordered to be held at Kingower on the first day of October next and the meeting then closed.—

Confirmed
1 October 1868

Peter Macewan
President