Book No. 3.

Minutes of the proceedings of the Council of the Shire of Korong.

November 17th 1869. —

Sam'l Prince
Shire Secretary.

Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Kooyong Shire Council held at the temporary Office of the Council Kooyong on the 17th November 1869.

Present:- Messrs, Macpherson (in the chair), Roy, Hunter, Coutts, Morley, Redwood, Griffith, and Maclean. -

The minutes of the last ordinary meeting and also of the special meeting were read and confirmed.

Correspondence:-

1 From the Shire of Bet-Bet calling the attention of this Council to the flood-gates of the Nimoley & St. Armand road as a main road, and asking if this Council will join that of St. Arnaud in the erection of a bridge over the Avoca at Emu, and in declaring that portion of the road opposite to which is within this Shire. Or, in the event of this Council declining to aid in the work, asking if this Council will cede to the Shire of Bet-Bet that portion of this Shire which lies between Emu and the boundary of the Shire.

[illegible] Secretary stated that he had — [illegible] of [illegible] taking that no money [illegible] in the estimates of this Council [illegible]

Govt. Act does not make provision for altering their boundaries except for electoral purposes.

2 From the Town Council of St. Armand
3 on the same subject and stating that a sum of £300 has been granted by the Government towards the cost of erecting a bridge at Eaton.

The Secretary was instructed to reply that the question has been postponed by this Council, until after the passing of the Town Statute.

4 From E. G. Pebb. Esqr. asking the Council to commence work for the cost of pointing and fencing a piece of road there.

The committee states that the work was not in any sense road and has been done only for the convenience of the Petitioner.

The Secretary was instructed to reply that the application cannot be entertained.

Views and other applying to opening roads

Moved by Mr Cox
Sec. by Mr Coutts That the license be granted.

6. From the East Compton Road Commissioner Board relative to Ferguson's Bridge

7 From Inglewood Borough Council on same subject.

8 From Warwick Town Council on same subject

9 From R. Cassidy asking the Council to reconsider resolution to call for tenders for the collection of rates in the Kingston Riding.

10 From Mr. Lamont suggesting the advisability of proceeding on the Trust Estate of Mr. Ely for the amount of the loss of Petty Sessions Order for rates & costs obtained against him.

The Secretary said that he had replied requesting Mr. Lamont as the Council's Solicitor to act as he thought best in the matter.

The reply was approved.

11 From the Secretary of the Charity Benevolent Society re-questing reports from a committee of the Council

The Secretary was instructed to reply that as a similar institution exists in this District the Council must decline to contribute to that of Lanesboro.

12 From the St. Amand Shire Council enquiring how this Shire pound keeper is paid

13 From Robt. Moore applying for balance of contract money.

14 From the Secretary of the Beaconsfield Rink Committee asking for a donation to the Rink Fund.

Moved by Mr. Macpherson
Sec. by Mr. Hunter That half the licence fees accruing for temporary licenses in the east-ward be given to the fund.

Carried

15 From Thos. Mc. Daly asking the Council to contribute a donation on the road from the bottom boundary of Lot 18 Sec. 1 to Longford, and also a permit limit expended his own rate and an equal sum from his private funds on the repair of the same road under the supervision of the engineer.

Moved by Mr. Hunter
Sec. by Mr. Morley That Mr. Stalls requests be complied with, and that the engineer mark out the proposed deviation in the road referred to.

Carried

16 From the District Survey Office enclosing plan of deviation made in the road from Br. Interpid to Mohragal

The engineer says that the deviation has been made without consulting him and did not follow the best line of road.

Mr. Hunter moved that the engineer should accompany Mr Roy and Mr. Hale to inspect the road and that he should report on it at next meeting

17 From Office of Roads and Bridges forwarding a letter from that Office dated September 21 which was been returned from the dead letter Office having been misdirected to Longford

18 From Office of Roads & Bridges stating that the Council can cancel Matthews' contract and forfeit his deposit if the contract be correctly drawn

The Treasurer reported receipts from 1st October to date of annual balance 16th Oct. £70-19-4 Expenditure £392-10-0 Receipts from annual balance to date £63-10-0 - Expenditure £309-13-0

Moved by Mr Roy
Sec. by Mr. Coutts That the Treasurer's report be adopted.

Carried

The engineer (reported) produced the plans for a bridge over the Bulstad creek at Newton's - one having stone abutments and iron piers, the other for a timber bridge. The cost of the former he estimated at from £900 to £950, that of the latter from £550 to £600. This increase in the estimates cost the was stated to be caused by the length and weight of the approaches.

The matter was postponed until after the deputation report had been read.

The report was then read by the Secretary. It stated that Mr Longmore the Commissioner of Railways and Roads had promised to increase the grant for the Fergusons Bridge from £800 to £850, the increase £450 to be included in the estimates for next year. The deputation from Maxwelltown Council had

promised to join in the work - the plans to be prepared by the engineer of this Shire and submitted to both Councils. With respect to the bridge at Newton's the Commissioner promised that an officer of the Department should be sent to inspect it and if his report be favourable the work will be placed on the list of those to be subsidised out of next year's vote for such purposes, and aid to the amount of half the cost would be given.

Mr Reeves, the Minister of Public Works, promised that an inspection of the Inglewood Flour Channel would be made, and if it were found that the work of completing it is one of absolute necessity the matter will receive favourable consideration.

The report was received and approved.

Moved by Mr. Roy
Sec. by Dr. Thurman That the consideration of the question of erecting a bridge at Newton be postponed to next meeting.

Carried.

Moved by Mr. Coutts
Sec. by Mr. Morley That the consideration of the question of erecting a bridge at Fergusons be postponed for three months, and that an application be made to the Government to place the cost [illegible] the estimates for next year [illegible]

Moved by Mr. Marcau
Sec. by Mr. Roy That the engineer be instructed to prepare a map of the Shire showing all surveyed roads, bridges, and surveyed lands at a cost not exceeding £25.-

Carried

A number of applications for leave to mine on a road in Berlin were granted conditionally on the usual deposit of two pounds in each case and that the centre half chain of the road be kept clear. Mr Roy took charge of the applications.

Moved by Mr Morley
Sec. by Mr Roy That the Kingower members be empowered to accept a tender for clearing twenty chains of the road from Sylvia to Longlands Hotel.

Carried

Tenders for the office of rate collector for the Kingower Riding were then opened from

William Cavanagh £30 —
John Clark 22 10 0

Moved by Mr Roy
Sec. by Mr Kedwood That Mr. Cavanagh's tender be accepted and that he be appointed to the office of rate collector for the Kingower Riding.

Carried

An amendment was moved by Mr Morley and seconded by Mr Griffith, that Mr Clarks tender be accepted. The amendment was lost.

Moved by Mr Kedwood
Sec. by Mr Griffith That tenders be called for the eradication of thistles in the Inglewood Riding from commons, roads, & reserves for a period of three years. Tenders to be opened, with power to accept one, by the Inglewood members.

Carried

At the suggestion of Mr Kedwood it was ordered that all future clearing contracts the timber be cut completely removed from the road or burnt.

Mr Roy stated that Hamilton the contractor for clearing on the Kingower & Wehla road had applied for leave to forfeit ten chains of his contract

Moved by Mr Hunter
Sec. by Mr Morley That a month's extension of the time fixed for the completion of the contract be given to Hamilton.

Carried.

The engineer reported that the members had accepted a tender of Mr Cain for removing

the London Bridge £5-10-0

Mr. Hunter reported that Mr. Gray's tender has been accepted for constructing a crossing and short piling on the Conroy Creek for the sum of £40.

Moved by Mr Roy
Sec. by Mr Coutts That the acceptance of these tenders be confirmed
Carried

Moved by Mr. Conley
Sec. by Mr. Roy That the rate collector furnish at each meeting a return showing the names of all ratepayers, the amount of each rate, and the date of payment
Carried

Moved by Mr Hunter
Sec. by Mr Roy That the foreman drainer be directed to furnish a monthly report to the Council
Carried

Moved by Mr Hunter
Sec. by Mr Roy That the President and Treasurer be empowered to sign cheques for progress payments on contracts and for salaries on the certificate of the engineer and secretary respectively.
Carried

Moved by Mr. Coutts
Sec. by Mr. Conley That in future contracts the engineer mark out on the ground

all the work to be done before advertising for tenders for it.
Carried

Mr. Hunter reported that, in accordance with the resolution of the Council at last meeting he and Mr. Macpherson and the engineer had visited Hughes' contract on the Inglewood & Headlebury road and have agreed to pay the contractor three shillings and sixpence per yard for all stone excavated by him in the contract, broken to three inch gage and stacked where required.

Moved by Mr. Conley
Sec. by Mr. Roy That the agreement made with Mr. Hughes by the members for the Headlebury Riding be approved and confirmed
Carried.

Moved by Mr Roy
Sec. by Mr Conley That the Kingsmen members be empowered to accept a tender for clearing about ten chains of the Mulcaghil road at Tyler's
Carried

The engineer was instructed to view the embankment at Poulett expense at the contractor's expense, if he refuses to carry out his contract for the same

The following accounts were passed for payment.

Engineer	16.	13. –
J. Potter. Clearing Bel. & King Road	4 –	0 – 0
Hamilton Clearing at Wehla	3 –	0 – 0
Contract 133 (Flight)	16.	18. 0
" 130 (Boan)	45 –	0 – 0
" 129 Hughes	84 –	0 – 0
Bank N.S. Wales (Interest)	27 –	6 – 4
Wynne (Removing trees) Bathurst		12. –
Bryan & Winter Clearing on Fernhurst road	13 –	6. 8
Crawford Labour Bridge King road	6.	13. –
Langton & Co Assisting Engineer		16. 0
Contract 135 – Co[illegible]	25 –	0 – 0
" 134 Dam[illegible]	19 –	0 – 0
" 128 Boan	150 –	0 – 0
" 125 "	6 –	—
" 124 "	6 –	6 – 0
" 123 "	2	7 –
Boan exp. work at Bridgewater	2 –	— –
Contract 133 – Kennedy	19 –	0 – 0
Deputation Expenses	23.	16 – 0
Azamblower printing Rec.	23.	13. 9
Secretary Salary to 15th Oct.	83	6 – 8
H. Cavanagh Rec. Off. Salary	12	10 – 0
Prof. Kirott		12 – –

Moved by Mr. Coutts – according to notice – Sec. by Mr. Roy –

That no tenders be asked for any new works the cost of which shall exceed £10 until the overdraft of the Council be reduced to £500.

Carried.

An amendment that the overdraft at no time be allowed to exceed £1000 was moved by Mr Hamilton and seconded by Mr Ellwood, but upon afterwards withdrawn according to notice was moved by Mr. Bailey Sec. by Mr. Coutts – that proceedings be taken for the recovery of all rates for 1884 and 1885 which shall not be paid on the 1st Oct. next.

Carried.

According to notice it was moved by Mr. Bailey Sec. by Mr. Coutts that in future all total accts. for expenditure be made out in detail and that no charge shall be authorised for a or cart. If any other person besides member, secretary, engineer, reporter, and book keeper, further expenses who may be requested to attend any meeting for the purpose of consulting advisers.

An amendment was moved by Dr. Morrison and seconded by Mr. Griffith:-
That each Councillor pay his own expenses at every meeting.
An amendment was carried.

Mr. Bowles gave notice that at the next ordinary meeting he would move that a former resolution of the Council limiting the Bank overdraft to the sum of £100 be rescinded for the purpose of substituting a resolution fixing the amount at £80.

The next ordinary meeting was ordered to be held at Ogden and on the usual day and the meeting then closed.

Inglewood 9th Dec 1867.

Confirmed
D. MacPherson
President