Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Wrong Shire Council held at the Shire Office Inglewood on the 10th April 1893

Present Cr. Munster, President, in the chair, and Cr. Hall, Betts, Johns, Roy, Cosgrave, Reid & Brown

The Minutes of last meeting were read and were confirmed

Correspondence:-

1 From the Registrar General relative to Agricultural Statistics

2 From the same acknowledging receipt of Statistics

3 From the Secretary for Agriculture acknowledging receipt of replies to questions.

4 Secretary to Eye & Ear Institution acknowledging receipt of subscription £2.2.0 —

5 Shire of Avoca stating that the Council is not that Shire is prepared to pay one fourth part of the cost of a bridge at Fergusons on the Loddon, should such fourth part not exceed £640. —

6 A. D. Lyonhum applying for appointment as Clerk of Works to proposed bridge at Fergusons.

7 From Mr Cox applying for his re-appointment as Scrutineer of (Boxes Plural) Dorothy & C. Betts P.

Farmers' Commons.

8 Secy. of Blind Asylum enclosing forms of application for admission.

9 John Carr with returns of stock depastured on Commons.

10 Jas. Byrne apologizing for his absence from meeting.

Letters No. 1 to 8 were received.

On Letters No. 9:-
Moved by Cr. Hunter
Sec. by Cr. Coutts That John Carr be appointed Ranger of the Darley and O'Brien Plains Commons for the term of twelve months at a salary of one pound per week, conditionally that the fees received by the Council for depasturing stock on the Commons amount to a sufficient sum to pay such salary.

The Treasurer reported receipts since last meeting £42 —. Expenditure £202. 10. 6.

Moved by Cr Roy
Sec. by Cr Hall That the Treasurer's report be received.

Carried.

The Secretary stated that in compliance with the instructions of the President he had, when in town, an interview with the Assistant Commissioner of Roads & Bridges, and had application for and obtained a warrant for the payment of the first moiety of the endowment for this year amounting to £660. —
Mr. Stevenson also promised that that portion of main road work which was not included in last year's orders should be placed on the list for this year, and advised a renewed application and with regard to other main road works he recommended that early application should be made as there are already a considerable number in the office. — Application has since been made for orders for work on the Inglewood & Bendigo road, and the Shire Engineer has forwarded the plans & specifications for approval.
Mr Secy. also stated that he had written to the Surveyor General with respect to the survey of new roads and deviations and pointed out to him the inconvenience resulting from the delays in executing the surveys applied for, asking also if the Department will recognise surveys made by the Shire engineer, and if they will pay the cost or a portion of it.
Mr. Shone said that such surveys will be recognised and received in the office if made in accordance with the regulations, and that payment would be made on the contract scale, but he advised that a list should

sent in showing the proposed lines and the distances, and that a reply would be made stating the terms and amount of payment that would be made. Mr Shine also stated that the contract surveyors and others had instructions to recognise all works, such as bridges, clearings &c done by local bodies and road rollers to adapt the lines of new railways to them. — He also said that means had been given for the supply of roads contiguous the Line which had been applied for.

Mr Levy also reported that he had visited various foundries and implement makers to make enquiries respecting road rollers and had ascertained that cast cylinders for such a purpose can be had at 28/ per cwt. that a roller in two parts each twenty one inches long and four feet high, one and a half inches thick, with spindle and bearers, the ends closed by moveable iron plates, and wooden box on top for loading without shafts or gearing, weighing thirty cwt. unbounded, would cost about £80, & could be loaded up to about four tons.

The engineer's report:- that a man has been employed to clear road at Glenalbyn for £2-10-0, and that the clearing twenty chains at Poolett and deepening drain near Mr. Gibbons has been let to Appleby for £5-.

The report was received and approved.

The following tenders were brought up by the Public Works Committee:

Est. £76

For Clearing &c. on Rockwood & Mitchell Road.

Mulvey & Son	96. 12. 6
Thos Walker	98. 7. 6
Caldwell & Martin	95. 12. 0

Committee recommend the acceptance of Caldwell & Martin's tender.

Cutting drains on Cooper Forest Road near Luke Martin's Farm. — Est. £19.

Porter & Reid	27 —
Mulvey & Son	19 - 2 - 6
John Smith	24 - 15 - 0
John Goss	18. 7. 6
Caldwell & Martin	21. 12. 6

Mulvey & Son's tender recommended.

Est. £30

Cutting drains &c. at East Charlton

Porter & Reid	27 —
J. Smith	30 —

Porter & Reid's tender recommended.

Fencing crossing at Berlin

John Goss	8 —
Thos Walker	8 - 15 - 0

J. Goss' tender recommended.

Moved by Cr. Hall,
Sec. by Cr. Steel; That the tenders of Caldwell & Martin, Mulvey & Sons, Porter & Reid, and John Goss for the respective works as recommended by

the Committee be accepted.-

Carried.

Moved by Cr. Stutt, - according to notice.
Sec. by Cr. Hunter That the previous resolutions of the Council granting permission to close byeroads within the boundaries of the Heathcote Gold-fields Common be rescinded, and that notice be given to persons who have closed such roads to open them.

After long discussion ensued on the motion, the majority of the Councillors present expressing opinions that in the event of the motion being carried it would necessarily follow that similar permission granted in other parts of the Shire must be revoked, which would not, in many cases, be advisable; but that if any special case be submitted to the Council in which it can be shown that the permission to close a road has caused public inconvenience, such cases could be dealt with separately - each on its own merits.

The motion was lost.

Moved by Cr. Mackrell
Sec. by Cr. Hunter That the Secretary write to Mr. L. Armstrong requesting him to open the fence which crosses the surveyed road from Heathcote to East Charlton, and also to Mr. Haylock requesting him to remove

the fence which he has erected across the surveyed road near his selection in the parish of Clarkson.

Carried.

The Secretary was instructed to order the same on Shire directories.

Moved by Cr. [illegible]
Sec. by Cr. Jones That the following accounts be passed and ordered to be paid.

142	Eye & Ear Infirmary			2 - 2 - 0
143	Agricultural Statistics (Grant)			8 - 6 - 8
144	do		(Hall)	16. 13. 4
145	Contract 220		Rowley	11. —
146	" 187		Hughes	3. —
147	" 199		Whitney	3. —
148	" 198		"	3. —
149	Mining		Labour	1. —
150	Contract	220	Langston	15. —
151	"	222	Kennedy	10 - 1. —
152	Repairs	Cont 222		2. —
153	"	"	197	57. —
154	Cont. 213		Brown & Goss	10. 4 —
155	Brown & Goss		Labour	6. 5. 6
156	Cont. 218		Hughes	10. — . —
157	" 216		"	6. 19. 6
158	" 218		"	4 10. —
159	" 221		Rowley	15. — —
160	" 220		Rose	20. —
161	Brown & Goss		Labour	10. 2. 6
162	Engineer			16. 13. 4
163	Cont. 209		Rose	48. — . —
164	" 221		Rowley	7. —

The next meeting was ordered to be held at Kangaroo in the usual day and the meeting then closed

Confirmed
May 8th 1893