Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Koroing Shire Council held at the Shire Office Inglewood on the 19th July 1886.

Present Cr. Steel (Chairman pro tem) and Cr. Hall, Maguire, Johns, Paterson, Rosland, Coates, & Anderson.

The Minutes of last meeting were read & confirmed.

The President reported that the application of Mr. Holroyd for land near Mount Korong had been successfully opposed at the Land Board on the ground that it included springs required for public use, and suggested that the survey fees should be refunded.

Moved by Cr. Anderson
Sec. by Cr. Hall That the survey fees paid by Mr Holroyd be refunded to him.
Carried.

Correspondence:-

1 Ewan Cameron applying for leave to erect a gate on road from Bealiba to Tarnagulla.

2 Shire of Creswick re Electoral Bill.

3 Victorian Deaf & Dumb Asylum applying for donation

4 Blind Asylum Ditto
Moved by Cr. Johns
Sec. by Cr. Anderson That £2.2.0 be given to each of the above institutions
Carried.

5 Lower Loddon Shire re boundary.

6 H. Barnes & Co requesting that tenders may be asked for printing rolls. Declined

7 Borough of Inglewood re use of roller.

8, 9 Reports of stock destroyed in Kingower & East Charlton.

10 Roads & Bridges Office re posting plans

11 Lands & Survey Dep. letter applying for survey of reserve.

12 do re proclamation of reserve at Korong.

13 J. Odell, contractor, agreeing to take 3/9 per yard for stone delivered on contract, as proposed by Committee appointed to examine it.

14 Clerk of Court Tarnagulla forwarding charge for penalties

15 Inspector of Nuisances, East Charlton. stating that scarlet fever has broken out at Cairnes

16 Land Office declining to survey road in Kingparrot but offering to recognise surveys made by Shire engineer

17 Mr. J. Stevenson, Assistant Commissioner of Roads & Bridges stating that his appointment is transferred to that of the Chief Secretary and that in future all communications are to be addressed to the Under Secretary.

The Secretary was instructed to write to Mr. Stevenson acknowledging the services rendered by him to the system of Local Government

18 Shire of Inverness suggesting that the whole of the Shire Councils join in presenting a testimonial to Mr. Stevenson in acknowledgment of his services

Moved by Cr. Coutts
Sec. by Cr. Hall That the Inverness Council be informed that this Council is of opinion that the Shire Fund cannot be appropriated in that way, but that the members of the council will subscribe privately

Carried

19 Inspector of Nuisances East Charlton re scarlet fever. —

20 Secretary to Inglewood Hospital acknowledging donation and requesting that the name of some Councillor be submitted for nomination as life member.

Moved by the President
Sec by Cr. Jones That Cr. Hall be named for the life-membership

Carried

21 J. S. Harris of Mc. Intyre stating that unless a further license be issued to him for a few of his friends he shall place the matter in the hands of his solicitor

22 Mrs E. Bonnier stating that she has been summoned for selling liquor without license

through having a license at the time, and that she had been thereby put to an expense of twopennies which she could not recover from the informer, and asking consideration from the Council.

23 Shire of Inverness approving of the acceptance of tender by this Council for repair of Loddon Bridge at Bridgewater from Rowley & Son for £96. 13. 0.

24 Ratepayers at Heathcote requesting the Council to take such steps as may be deemed necessary for obtaining an extension of the Sandhurst & Inglewood Railway northwards via Heathcote

Moved by Cr. Macqueen
Sec. by Cr. Peterson. That the Council accede to the request of the Heathcote ratepayers, and that the President & Secretary be appointed a deputation to wait on the Minister of Railways for the purpose of applying for the proposed extension.

Carried

The President spoke in favour of the scheme and moved
Sec by Cr. Macqueen } That the Councils of the City of Sandhurst, the Boroughs of Eaglehawk and Inglewood, and the Shire of Inverness be communicated with, and be requested to send delegates to join the deputation.

Carried

25 J. S. Boyle requesting that acacias may be cut along the Heathcotham & Bealiba road at the 5 mile plain.

Engineer to report

26 J. Howard forwarding memorial from ratepayers at Backenbungale asking for erection of culvert there and offering to contribute £30.

Engineer was instructed to visit place & report, with specification for culvert if required.

27 Borough of Essendon & Flemington requesting assistance of Council in paying expenses of appeal to Privy Council in England agst. decision of Supreme Court as to right to rate Racecourses &c. —

The Council declined to contribute and was of opinion that reserves for public recreation should not be rated.

28 Mrs Hughes applying for continuation of maintenance contract.

29 Revenue Officer reporting on cases at Coolite &c. and pointing out that he had by direction of the Secretary withdrawn a number of cases in which licenses were taken out. and had consequently lost the permitting — and asking the consideration of the Council

The Secretary confirmed the Revenue Officer's statement.

Moved by C. Andrew
Sec. by C. Coates That a donation of ten pounds be given to the Revenue Officer conditionally on his paying the expenses incurred by Mrs Bairnie in consequence

of her being wrongfully summoned.

Carried.

30 Notice of Mr Brown's charges paid by James Donnison. Possum Hill for licence fee.

31 John Clark, Heidelberg, applying for a slaughtering licence

Granted.

31 Bellevue Ploughing Match Committee proposing a "Champion match with the world" and asking contribution towards expenses.

Declined.

32 Wm. Ennis stating that he has made a mistake in his tender for work on Wheler and Rathmyre road by which he will lose £5.00 and asking Council's consideration

Declined.

33 Cont. Wilson stating that Scarlet fever has appeared at Springvale

34 J. Lynch stating that he has done, by direction of the engineer, extra work on his contract at Barkers Flat for constructing culvert to the value of ten pounds and applying for payment.

The engineer stated that he had not ordered any extra work and that the culvert was only built according to specification

The application was therefore refused.

35 L. Greenwalde, Heidelberg, applying for leave to plant trees in street opposite his premises there.

Granted.

36 Memorial from ratepayers at Beddenbow asking for the clearing, levelling, and improvement of the market square there which, the memorial states, is in a dangerous condition.

Moved by Cr. Macgregor
Sec. by the President That tenders be placed at the disposal of the Beddenbow members for the above purpose
Carried.

37 Mr Thos. Bradbury calling attention to the state of the drains near his farm on the Inglewood & Beddenbow road.
Referred to in Engineers report.

38 R. Guthrie & others asking for the repair of approach to a crossing over the Creek reserve at Beddenbow.
Referred to Engineer

39 Mrs Mary McEwan stating that her house at Yarrongorm has been burned down and asking the Council to remit her rates.
The Collector was instructed not to ask for her rates at present.

The engineer reported that Mr Leith had erected a weighbridge on the footpath at East Charlton though warned by him not to do so without leave from the Council which had not been applied for.
The Secretary was instructed to write to

Mr. Leith inviting him to remove the weigh-bridge at once.

The Council adjourned for the purpose of relaxing the Revision Court.

On resuming:
The Secretary submitted lists of unpaid rates and was instructed to take proceedings for their recovery.

The Treasurer reported Receipts since last meeting £474-15-0. Expenditure £609-19-3

The Report was received and adopted.

The Engineer reported that in company with the Committee appointed for that purpose he had again examined the stone delivered on Leech's contract on the Inglewood & Beddenbow road. An arrangement had been made with the contractor to take the stone at 3/6 per yard. The report recommended that 30 or 40 chains of drains should be cut at Collins Bridge, and also that the bridge at Callendar should be closed as it is not safe for traffic. Culvert boards have been expended in repairing the Hope Creek bridge in Inglewood, and a crossing had been constructed in the Sheepwash Creek near East Charlton. Mr Bradbury had agreed to pay half the cost of cutting a side drain near his house on the Angl. Dist. road in lieu of the outfall drain stopped in his paddock.
The report was received.

Moved by Cr. Hale
Sec. by Cr. Cockburn That the engineer give notice to Messrs Broadbent and Lightfoot that they must either open the original cattle drains made by the Council before they occupied the land through which they pass, or deepen the side drains so as to carry off the water

Carried

The bridge over the Balaclava creek known as Callender's bridge was ordered to be temporarily closed.–

The following tenders were brought up by the Public Works Committee

For crossings and drains on the West London Road. Est. £30–

Harris & Hanson 37–6–0
& 8/– per chain for drains
Acceptance recommended.

Clearing on the East Avoca road in the parishes of Avoca East & Stuntgurson two miles ~~half~~ one chain wide & one mile half a chain.
Est. 8/– & 4/– per acre

J. Kelly 1 chain wide 8/– ½ chain wide 4/–
£98.–
S.S. Bird 6/– & 3/3 ✓ 73.–
F. Innes 122.–
E. Hughes 94. 16. 8
Bird's tender recommended

Clearing on Burke's Flat & Avoca Forest road
Est. £60

Jas. Hanson 186–7–0
F. Innes 102. 12. 6

James Truscott 188.–
These tenders being considerably in excess of estimate were set aside

Constructing bridge over Bowlle Creek
Est. £95.–

Arch. Chisholm 230–0–10
J. Hanson 113.14.–
Rob. Jamieson 179.13.6
A. Keogh 153.––
These tenders were referred to the Council for consideration

Moved by Cr. Maguire
Sec. by Cr. Hale That the tenders of Davis & Hanson and S.S. Bird, as recommended by the Committee be accepted. The cost of the work on East Avoca road to be included in next years estimates
Carried

Some discussion arose respecting the tenders for bridge over Bowlle creek which were largely in excess of the estimate and it was
Moved by Cr. Coutts
Sec. by Cr. Cockburn That new tenders be called for the work.
Carried.

Moved by Cr. Maguire
Sec. by Cr. Steel That new tenders be called for work on Burke's Flat and Avoca Forest road
Carried.

Motions of which notice has been given.

By Cr. Hall.

Sec. by Cr. Hall That tenders be called for clearing four miles of the road from Salisbury to Hoddesdon commencing at Jones Bridge farm and going towards Salisbury and for one mile of same road by Messrs. Bills selections, Half cost to be included in next years estimates Carried.

By Cr. Macqueen

Sec. by Cr. Paterson That tenders be called for clearing about five miles half a chain wide of road from Hoddesdon to Coanwarrabee

Carried.

Instructions to Officers

Cr. Macqueen That the engineer have

Sec. by Cr. Hall the clearing of the road from Armstrong's house to Inglewood road completed

Carried

Moved by Cr. Coutts

Sec. by Cr. Andrew That tenders be called for constructing culvert on Kingowan and Gulba road near old station.

Carried

Cr. Coutts. – That engineer have stumps removed and road cleared to railway crossing at Bridgewater

Moved by Cr. Coutts, by leave of the Council

Sec. by Cr. Andrew That tenders be called for increasing the width of present clearing on Inglewood & Kingowan road to one chain.

Carried

Moved by Cr. Johns

Sec. by Cr. Andrew That tenders be called for box culvert and drain near Catholic chapel at Berlin.

Carried.

The retiring Councillors at the coming annual election were declared the Councillors Macqueen Gee and Coutts.

Moved by Cr. Coutts

Sec. by Cr. Johns That the President be appointed Returning Officer for the Hoddesdon Riding, Cr. Hall for the Inglewood Riding, and Cr. Andrew for the Kingowan Riding

Carried

Notices of motion.

By Cr. Johns That tenders be called for clearing two miles from Jones Bridge on road towards Beaconba.

By Cr. Hall. That tenders be called for forming approaches and constructing culvert on Bridgewater & Newbridge road

By the President That it is desirable that a Shire Hall be built at Hoddesdon, and that a Committee consisting of Crs. Hall, Andrew and the mover be appointed to report on the probable cost of the site & building.

Moved by Cr. Andrew

Sec. by Cr. Coutts That the following accounts be passed and paid.

Carried

196	Contract	327	Stephens	£ 16 —
197	"	328	"	8 —
			Carried. Jones	24 —

	Accts. Forward		£91.	—	—
198	Contract 295	Rowley	5.	—	
199	T. Satchell	Meeting Exp.	4.	4.	—
200	Labour	Green	2.	7.	6
201	Secretary		20.	16.	8
202	Appleford	Advertising	3.	17.	—
203	J.P. Doyle	Salary	5.	—	—
204	Cont. 322	Ely	35.	—	—
205	" 328	"	66.	—	—
206	" 295	Rowley	18.	4.	7
207	Deposit Cont. 319		5.	—	—
208	Cont. 324	Walker	15.	—	—
209	Labour	Rowley	2.	—	—
210	Cont. 330	O'Shanassy	8.	10.	—
211	Sundries		3.	13.	—
212	Cont. 335	Cusack	5.	—	
213	" 339	O'Roe	30.	—	
214	" 342	Hughes	4.	—	
215	" 326	"	15.	—	
216	" 327	"	4.	13.	4
217	Labour	Tomlinson	1.	—	—
218	Cont. 337	L. Ross	19.	5.	—
219	Roads	Half penalties	22.	10.	—
220	Printers	Meeting Exp.	4.	10.	—
221	Cont. 338	Innis	13.	—	
222	Engineer		20.	16.	8
223	Cont. 325	Hamer	90.	—	
224	" 333	Rowley	28.	—	
225	" 286	Ryan	1.	—	
226	" 328	Ely	50.	—	
227	" 327	"	10.	9.	6
228	Labour	Rowley	11.	15.	—
229	Cont. 324	Walker	8	4	—
230	Labour	"	1.	15.	—
231	Cont. 341	Hughes	12		
		Forward	572	9.	3

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231	Contract 342	Hughes	12.	—	—
232	" 321	Sprout	20.	—	—
			£604	9.	3

The next meeting was ordered to be held at Kingower on the 17th August and the meeting then closed.

17 August 1876 — C. Stott Chairman

Revision Court

A Court for the revision of the Voters' Lists for the Ridings of the Shire was held at the Royal Hotel, Inglewood on the 14th July 1876.

Present — C. Stott (President in the Chair) and Cs. Hall, Macqueen, Jones, Paterson, Coutts, Andrew & Cleveland.

The Secretary produced the Voters' Lists of the Ridings and the separate Lists of defaulters and stated that the necessary notices had been given and that no claims or objections were made.

The Lists were certified and signed as correct and the Court then closed. —

Annual Election
10th August 1846

Weddarburn Riding

At the annual election for one Councillor for this Riding Alexander Macqueen Esq. was the only candidate nominated and I therefore declared him to be duly elected

R. W. Steel
Returning Officer

Inglewood Riding

At the annual election for one Councillor for this Riding the following candidates were nominated and received the number of votes placed opposite their respective names

	Votes
Thomas Bradburn	49
John Coutts	116
Joseph W. H. Harrison	24
William Davis Hamilton	95

I therefore declared John Coutts Esq. to be duly elected.

Wm Hall
Returning Officer

Kingsmere Riding

At the annual election for one Councillor for this Riding held on the 10th August the following candidates were nominated and received the number of votes placed opposite their respective names.

James Coutts	154
Arthur A. Smalley	93

I therefore declare James Coutts Esq. to be duly elected.

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Returning Officer

At the annual election for one Auditor for the Shire of Kooroong the following candidates were nominated

William A. Baragwanath
Joshua R. Gray

Mr Baragwanath having withdrawn from the contest I declared Mr J.R. Gray to be duly elected.

R. W. Steel
President of the Shire