Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Moosomin Town Council held at the Town Office, Middlebrook on the 8th March 1897.

Present Cs Macgregor, Stutt, Paterson, Hall, Johns, John Curtis, and James Curtis.

In the absence of the President - Cr Anderson to act

Moved by Cr Stutt

Sec. by Cr Johns That Cr Macgregor take the chair

Carried.

Cr Macgregor then took the chair and the minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Correspondence :-

1 Secretary for Mines stating that our funds are at present available for water supply at Carlisle's Flats but that the application will be considered with others

2 Secretary re rate returns.

3 Office of Mines & Forestry again stating that the Minister declines to appoint the President or a member of the local board, and that the case is not an exceptional one as other Shires are similarly treated, and "that consequently, the letter says "to make the appointment you desire would be prejudicial to public interests".

The meaning of this portion of the letter not being evident the Secretary was instructed to write again on the subject.

4 J. Kelly, Carman calling attention to necessity of draining part of East Street road near his house.

5 Carman Shire suggesting that application should be made for the issue of Saturday excursion tickets on the country lines to one fare each station.

6 Berlin Progress Committee applying for assistance to obtain water supply there.

Inspector was instructed to write to the Minister of Mines on the subject.

7 A. Rowley re work at Bangemarter postponed from last meeting

Moved by Cr. Steel
Sec by Cr. James Coutts That the question be postponed to next meeting & that Mr. Rowley be requested to attend.
Carried

8 Mr. R. Rudewood applying for a drain to be cut from Burnetts corner to Collins bridge on Salisbury road in order to carry off Flowerwater which has on previous occasions overtopped adjacent crops.

Referred to Cr. Coutts for report.

9 Mr. Grant complaining that Mr Campbell is killing sheep under his cattleyard a year.

Inspectors report attached saying that yards are in course of erection

Inspector Shanklin saying that he cannot attend to the Inglewood District and asking that an inspector may be appointed for it.

Moved by Cr. J. McCoutts
Sec. by Cr. John That Sergt. Adamson be appointed an inspector of slaughter yards and nuisances for the Shire to act in the Inglewood District, salary £10 per annum
Carried

The Secretary produced the pound book and reported according to the entries made therein the pound keeper held the sum of £11.3.3 surplus proceeds on sales of cattle impounded during 1896, and £6.1.0.3 surplus proceeds on a horse sold 25th August 1895.

Moved by Cr. Hall
Sec. by Cr. Macqueen That the pound keeper be directed to pay to the Shire Secretary the monies retained by him at once; and that an allowance of ten pounds be made to the pound keeper on account of improvements in building &c at the Shire pound.
Carried.

For
Cr. Hall, Macqueen
Paterson Steel

Agst
Cr. John & James Coutts
Cr. Johns

The amendment was moved by Cr. James Coutts, seconded by Cr. Johns.
That the allowance for improvements be £40

less amount to be paid on
The amendment was lost.

The Treasurer reported Receipts since last meeting £150. 1. 5. Expenditure £474. 8. 12
Bank Balance & cash in hand £324. 8. 6.

The report was received and adopted.

Cr Coutts reported that he had visited Stephens' selection at Tewinnick and examined the road for the sale of which he had applied. The road is quite useless & none of the neighbours object to its sale

Moved by Cr Macqueen
Sec. by Cr Hale That the report of Cr John Coutts be received and that the Council consent to the sale of the road referred to.
Carried

The Secretary applied for 14 days leave of absence which was granted

The engineer reported that he had called for tenders for works as instructed and gave estimates of cost.
Also that crossing for Mr Cavanagh's road near Smith's farm requires re-metalling.
That he has had the floor of the bridge over Hope Creek at Shaws repaired.
That culvert on Bengworden & Newbridge road near Mc Kenzie's is in good condition. Approaches are not metalled, but can be at cost of £10
Instructions have been given for removal of stumps on road by Mr Hall, Tarra.

That post crossing can be made at Gibson & Allen's selection in Hedon & Kinypanial road for about £15.
That urgent claim of farming should be made near Jorgensen's in Hedon & East Gippsland road, and decision on deviation of track at Bradley hill. Other improvements are required at various places on this road which can be best done by day labour
Four miles clearing required on Sylvan & Salisbury back road at cost of £524
Other small works ordered have been carried out, and contracts generally are progressing satisfactorily.
At the new bridge at Kinypanial it will be necessary to have a large crabhole in the road filled and made passable the cost of which will be from £20 to £30.

The report was received and approved.

Moved by Cr Patterson
Sec. by Cr Steel That tenders be called for gilling hole near Kinypanial bridge.
Carried

Cr John Coutts asked for the expenditure of about £4 in repairing culvert at Howlett
Moved by Cr Hale
Sec. by Cr Steel That the amount be allowed
Carried
At the request of Cr Macqueen the work on Hedon Necessary road was ordered to be extended to hill near Lawrence

A telegram was received from Cr. Cockerell resigning his seat as a Councillor for the Bellarine Riding of the Shire.

Moved by Cr. Hart
Sec. by Cr. Johns That Cr. Macpherson be appointed a member of the Public Works Committee in the room of the president Hart
Carried

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

For ~~Cleaning~~ Metalling on Bellarine & Bergenstein roads
Est. £10.7.0 p. chain

Kirwin	per chain	£2.6 & 20% maintenance
Rowley	— —	12.2.6

Rowley's tender recommended to the amt of £150.

For Bridge at Dereen Est. £40—

R. Davis	£37.10.0
Langston & Fry	45.16.6
C. Rose	44.—

Est. recommended.

For Bridge at Salisbury Est. £90.

Langston & Fry	£85.4.6
Ashgard	130—

Langston & Fry recommended

For cutting drains at East Charlton.

C. Rose	45.
R. Smith	52.10—
Henderson	37.
Kirwin	39.0.

Henderson's tender recommended.

For clearing and crossings on Reedsbrook & Cairnes roads Est. £40

Baker & Hugh	4/6 per chain	Crossing	£60
Hughes	3/6 "	"	25
O'Rourke	3/6 "	"	30

Hughes' tender recommended

For forming Pt. at Larkins from West London road Est. 180
J. Kirwin 220.12.0
Recommended to the amt. of £180.

Moved by Cr. Johns
Sec. by Cr. Jas. Coutts That the tenders of Mr. Rowley, Langston & Fry, R. Henderson, Hughes & J. Kirwin be accepted.
Carried.

Motions of which notice has been given.
By Cr. Hart
Sec. by Cr. Robertson That tenders be called for clearing Reedsbrook & Salisbury roads to boundary of Riding
Carried.

By Cr. Hart
Sec. by Cr. James Coutts That tenders be cleared on Bellarine & Salisbury roads by Whitehands to the amt. of £50.
Carried.

By Cr. Johns
Sec. by Cr. James Coutts That tenders be called for clearing on Bergenstein & Newtonga roads from Shire boundary to Kangaroo Riding boundary to one chain

wide, and also road by Page & Catchpole's farm.

Carried.

By Cr. Patterson
Sec. by Cr. Steel That tenders be called for supplying fence posts when required.

Carried

By Cr. Patterson
Sec. by Cr. Steel That tenders be called for forming and clearing on Seddon and East Charlton road as recommended by engineer

Carried

Cr. Jones enquired when road would be surveyed from Langhorne's flat to Dobbie road. Engineer replied that it would be done at once.

Instructions to Officers

Cr. Steel called attention to an old resolution of the Council stipulating that all advertisements for tenders should be inserted fourteen days before the meetings at which they are to be accepted, and which had not lately been complied with. - Engineer stated that he had been away on duty during the past fortnight but that in future the advts. would be inserted as required.

Cr. Steel stated that an application had been made by ratepayers at East Charlton with reference to water supply there. A well has been sunk by them and pumps fixed and they now apply to the Council to take the

matter into consideration with a view to averaging the expenditure to them.

The engineer was instructed to enquire into the matter, inspect the work and report.-

Cr. Macqueen That engineer have Birds clearing contract on East Avon near completion and drains cut near Kelly's and Ogers farms.

Moved by Cr. Macqueen (without notice) Sec. by Cr. Steel That tenders be called for clearing from Green's selection on East Avon road to Shire boundary.

Carried.

Moved by Cr. Steel
Sec. by Cr. Macqueen That tenders be called for clearing and repairing road from Dressdenbank to Shire formalities.

Carried.

Cr. John Coutts requested the engineer to call Keogh's attention to his contract for clearing from Shaw's towards Salisbury which is progressing very slowly.

Cr. Patterson - Secretary to ask District Surveyor to have road to Burkeraburgh surveyed as soon as possible

Notices of Motion

Cr. Hall That culvert be constructed with approaches over swampy hollow a short distance south of Richards's hotel West London road.

Notices of Motion continued

C. Johns. That tenders be called for repairing crossings on creeks on road from New Bank to Dunmunkin

C. Johns. That tenders be called for clearing new road from Kingsporion Stat. to Dobbin and Kingsporion road.

C. Macqueen That tenders be called for excavating a tank of about 1200 c. yards in the reservoir near the Richmond Plains pumping right on the Goulburn & Sach Charlton road, and that C. Paterson and Mr Engineer select the site.

C. Steel. That tenders be called for clearing on Wheldrum & Kingsparnil road.

C. Jas. Coutts That tenders be called for cutting drains on Burke's Flat and Bendigo road.

Moved by C. Steel
Sec. by C. Johns That the following accts. be passed and paid

			Carried		
133	F. Lusch	Labour	7.	—	
134	Engineer		20.	16.	8
135	F. Lusch	Labour	13.	10.	—
136	F. Hunter	Labour	4	10	—
137	Cont. 342	Hughes	3.	—	
138	" 335	Lusch	2.	10.	—
139	" 341	Hughes	1.	—	
140	Secretary		20.	16.	8
			73.	3.	4

		Brd. forward	73	3	4
141	R. Steel	Labour	4	—	
142	Cont. 332	Birch	9	5	4
143	" 326	Harris	10.	—	
144	Wheelhouse	Labour	4.	—	
145	Boyle	half penalty in Mr Sullivan's case	2.	10.	—
146	A. Thomas	Meeting Rs	4.	10.	—
147	Office Expenses		2.	5.	—
148	Deposits Cont. 361. 362. 363		3		
149	Deposit	Cont. 358	5.	—	
150	Deposit	Cont. 358 Lovell	2.	—	
151	"	" 355 McMahon	5.	—	
152	Cont. 358	Gordon	17	2.	—
153	" 365	Christian	18.	—	
154	Contribution towards expenses attending opening of Sandhurst & Inglewood Railway		50.	—	
155	Cont. 366	Harris	10.	10.	—
156	" 332	"	7.	—	
157	" 323	Keogh	8.	—	
158	Harris	Labour	2.	3.	—
159	Walker	Labour	4.	—	—
160	Cont. 360	Harris	10.	—	
161	" 370	Walker	8.	15.	—
162	" 340	"	2.	3.	—
163	Engineer		20.	16.	8
164	Burke	Labour	9.	7	6
165	Cont. 369	Phillips	35.	—	
166	" 346	Rice	12.	—	
167	" 367	Ward	40.	—	
168	Cont. 336	Harris	2.	—	
169	Evans Bros.	(Not paid in 217)	7.	5.	4
170	Rowley	Labour	4	3.	—
171	Kruschinske	Labour (Not paid in 175)	1.	—	
172	Rowley	Labour.	3.	—	—
173	Cont.	"	17.	5.	6
		Less Carried forward	427.	2.	8

	Forward		427 – 2 – 8
172	Cont. 325	Hamm	10. —
173	– 327	Hughes	2. —
			439 – 2 – 8
173	Labour & Stat	3 – 0 – 0	
174	Advertising Banns &c	1 – 16 – 0	3. 16. —

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

Confirmed 12th April
John Andrew President

Shire of Korong.

At an extraordinary election for one councillor for the Inglewood Riding in the room of Councillor George Cleeland, resigned, the following candidates were nominated and received the number of votes set opposite their respective names, at the polling places for the Riding, on the tenth day of April 1877.

	Votes
Richard Redwood	154
William O. Cantton	64

I therefore declared Richard Redwood to be duly elected a councillor for the Inglewood Riding of the Shire of Korong.

Wm. Hall
Returning Officer
Inglewood Riding