Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Kooyong Shire Council held at Kingower on the 16th August 1897.

Present Cr. Hall, Steel, Marquiss, Redwood, John Coutts, James Coutts, Paterson, Johns, and Cotter.

Messrs. Hall, Paterson, & Cotter took their seats for the Inglewood, Bealiba, & Kingower Ridings respectively

Moved by Cr. John Coutts
Sec. by Cr. Johns That Cr. Hall take the chair during the election of President

Carried.

Cr. Hall took the chair and it was
Moved by Cr. Johns
Sec. by Cr. Redwood That Cr. John Coutts be appointed President of the Council.

Carried.

Cr. John Coutts then took the chair and thanked the Council for the honor conferred upon him.

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Correspondence:-

1 Treasury stating that payment of the per centage on licence fees will not be demanded.

2 Inglewood Council asking for loan of collection

3 Railways Audit Office notifying appointment of polling places at the Betalemai house Moss & Tarrangallla Lyons and at State School Wattle in lieu of Calisbury Station.

4 Secretary for Lands declining to sell certain land at East Charlton in consideration of a reserve under the 18th sec. Land Act being put on it.

5 A. Hayden, East Charlton, asking for the construction of a foot bridge over the Lerwin River for the convenience of children attending the State School

Moved by Cr. Steel
Sec. by Cr. Hall That the engineer report on the application, and, if thought necessary, that the work be put on next year's estimates.

Carried.

6 Secretary for Mines enquiring if the Council will take charge of the reservoir recently constructed at Possum Hill.-

Moved by Cr. Cotter
Sec. by Cr. Marquiss That the Council decline to take charge of the reservoir.

Carried

7 Mrs C. Bright asking for donation to the Infant Asylum.

Moved by Cr. Steel
Sec. by Cr. Cotter That one guinea be given.

Carried.

8 John Kinny applying for extension of time to complete contract he having met with a serious accident.

Moved by A. Paterson
Sec. by A. Johns That one months extension be granted.
Carried

9 The Secretary to Exhibition Commissioners forwarding report and asking for the assistance of the Council. Received

10 Wm. Whitty complaining of being rated for land in Swan Hill Street
Referred to valuer.

11 J. H. Doyle asking for a certificate of service and complaining of his treatment by the P.M. during the hearing of a case in which he was complainant.

Moved by A. Steel
Sec. by A. Paterson That Doyles services be dispensed with and that application be asked for the office of Woodcutters Officer
Carried

12 From A. Gibney complaining of being rated for land that was reserved to him.
The Secretary explained that Mr. Gibney had forfeited his first selection and then selected again in the same parish.
The rate in arrear was ordered to be struck out.

13 Chief Engineer of Water Supply asking for information relative to proposed reservoir at Heidelberg.

14 Patrick Egan complaining that Wm. O'Connell has fenced in a road near his land.

15 From Wm. O'Connell stating that the road referred to has been worked upon & that the road itself is nearly impassable and the traffic passes through his paddocks, but that he will fence off the road as soon as possible.

16 Joseph Kirby applying for payment of balance of acct. said to be due to him for work at Carnegie.
The engineer stated that the work was not authorised by him as he had previously informed the Council. The application was therefore again refused.

17 Mrs. White complaining that about three years ago she had injured her foot by stepping into an open drain in the footpath at Kew and that the injury had become permanent, and asking for compensation.
Referred to the members for Boroondara Riding for enquiry.

18 James Tait applying for a drain to be cut alongside his land near Hope Creek bridge.
Referred to engineer.

19 Board of Education stating that a new school district has been formed including part of the Boroondara Riding and asking the Council to recommend a Rate Collector for election of Board.
Mr. Leech of Boort was recommended.

Moved by Cr. Jones
Sec. by Cr. Redwood that Councillors Hall, Patterson, and Cutts be appointed the Committee of Public Works. –

Carried

Moved by Cr. Patterson
Sec. by Cr. Jones that Cr. Hall be appointed one of the Councillors authorised to sign cheques on the Council's banking account.

Carried.

The Treasurer reported Receipts since last meeting £ 160. 2. 6. Expenditure £ 357. 9. 6.

The Report was received and approved.

The acceptance of Mr. Walker's tender for work on the Kingston & Bredon road for £20. was accepted on the recommendation of the members for Kingston Riding.

The engineer reported that he had called for tenders for works ordered at last meeting. Recommended that the road between Avon Forest & Cannon should be re-surveyed in places for the purpose of avoiding several low, swampy, flats running with the present survey runs. Clearing of road from East Charlton to junction with Three Chain road running South should be done. Est. £42. – Drains and crossing are required near Mr. Bounds land Redabul Creek. Est. £35. The best mode of making a passable road near Richards' & Mackins in Voslitt is to cut junction drains and partially form the road by filling in the very bad crab holes. The report also – again recommended that about forty chains

of forming and draining should be done at once near the junction of the Inglewood & Salisbury with the West Loddon road; and that the clearing on these roads be widened to one chain. –
Work has been resumed by Keogh the contractor for Kempsmill Bridge. McPherson's contract on Inglw. & Salisbury upper road is completed but not satisfactorily. Other contracts are progressing satisfactorily.
The engineer had made arrangements with Mr. Jones to complete the work requisite near Sanders at Avon Forest for £25. – and to repair a crossing there for £5. –

Moved by Cr. Hall
Sec. by Cr. Patterson that the engineers report be received and approved and the agreement made with Jones confirmed.

Carried.

Cr. Jones reported that in accordance with the instructions of the Council he had seen the man Stokes to be in a destitute condition at Bells and had ordered provisions to the amount of two pounds to be supplied to him.

The Public Works Committee brought up the following tenders:

For construction of bridge at Lawson's farm Parish of Newting Est. £60.

Taylor	£6. 19. 0	
Rose	£5. —	
Rowley	£1. —	
Harrison	£8. 6. —	
E. Sullivan	£6. —	

Sullivan's tender recommended, to be charged to next year's estimates for Inglw. Riding.

2 Ribbing, formation & drains on West Loddon road near Western & Ellis. Est. £130

Jas. Hannon	117 - 16 - 0
Rowley	107 - 16 - —
Davis & Hannon	110 . 2 - —
S. N. Taylor	89 . 14 - —

Taylor's tender recommended - to be charged to next year's estimates

3 For cutting 100 chains drains at Richmond Plains. Est. £27 - 10 - 0

N. Gregson	27 - —
G. Ward	30. —
J. Oblich	37 - 10. —
J. Hunter	26 . 9
F. Hughes	34 . 10. —
E. Sullivan	25 . 10.
J. Smith	33. —
S. N. Taylor	42. —
N. Steel	53. —

Sullivan's tender recommended.

4 For stone crossings Heathcote & Tarnuer road.

N. Steel	£24 —	1 9 per chain centre
G. Ward	27 —	8. —
F. Hughes	18.	9. —
E. Sullivan	14. 10.	8. —
J. Oblich	12. 8. 8	7½ —
F. Rose	22. —	9

Oblich's tender recommended.

5 For clearing 300 chains Moon Forest road from Heathcote. Est. £56 —

Davis & Hansen		£58 - —
Steel		19 - 16 -
F. Rose	3/3 per chain	52 - —
F. Hughes		58. 13 —

Costs.

E. Sullivan		53. 6. 8
N. Lay	3/9 — —	
J. Oblich		60 - —
J. Hunter		52 - 10. —

F. Rose's tender recommended.

6 For clearing 280 chains Heathcote & Mychatella Road

N. Steel		57. —
G. Ward		52 - 10. —
F. Hughes		50. 3 - 4.
E. Sullivan	3/	53. 13. 4
J. Oblich	4/	59. —
J. Hunter	3/4	45 - 15. —

J. Hunter's tender recommended.

Councillors R. Bourgeois
Seconded Cr. Steel That the tenders of E. Sullivan 2, S. N. Taylor, J. Oblich, F. Rose, and J. Hunter, as recommended by the Committee be accepted.

Carried.

Motions of which notice has been given

1 Cr. Jas. Coutts
Seconded Cr. Jones & Resolved That tenders be called

1 for completion of clearing on Kingower & Newbridge road, via Newlands Bridge.

2 For clearing & forming on road from Kingower Bridge to Mathoura, and repairing approaches to Culvert at Harvey's farm.

3 For Culvert and general repairs on Kehlor and Burkes Flat road.

Carried

4 Cr. R. Kimo Seconded Cr. Jas Coutts That tenders be called for clearing abt. three miles of road from Weir Point on Kingower & Bendigo road towards Bromamah.

Carried.

5 By Ch. Johns
Sec. by Ch. Jas. Coutts That tenders be called for constructing crossing over Stille creek, at site previously proposed for ~~Parish~~ bridge.

The site was objected to by councillors and an amendment was;
Moved by Ch. Redwood That tenders be
Sec. by Ch. J. Coutts called for crossing site to be chosen by members for the Kingsville Riding and engineer.

Carried.

6 By Ch. Paterson
Sec. by Ch. Macqueen That tenders be called for the supply of day labour and casting for keeping roads and drains in repair in Malden Riding.

Carried.

7 Moved by Ch. Jas. Coutts with leave of the Council.
Sec. by Ch. Johns. That tenders be called for clearing from Pajis farm on Puhatel Creek towards Sutherland about two miles 1½ chain wide; Also for clearing abt. a quarter of a mile from Bridgewater & Sandbridge road towards Banning farm 1½ chn. wide, and for culvert on road near Mathisons

Carried

8 Moved by Ch. Macqueen, with leave.
Sec. by Ch. Paterson That tenders be called for clearing from Howards to D. Gillies Lot in E. Charlton & Harrowillbur road about 2¾ miles wide 1½ chain wide

9 Also for clearing ~~from~~ on E. Charlton & Boost road from Pajis farm to Boost, timber only about three miles half chain wide

10 Also for clearing in Raleighburn & Kingsville road from Pajis to boundary of Raleighburn Riding both end of Lately selection abt 3 miles.

11 Also for clearing to boundary of Riding on Raleighburn & Arner Forest road through and South of Spring side preemption right.

Carried.

12 Moved by Ch. Paterson, with leave.
Sec. by Ch. Macqueen That tenders be called for clearing from end of Keogh's contract on Raleigh and Buckhurstumpike road to Boost road

13 Also for clearing from East Charlton ~~road~~ to junction with Thos Chain road to Connor.

Carried

14 Moved by Ch. Coutts with leave
Sec. by Ch. Jas. Coutts That tenders be called for clearing from Arner Forest to boundary of Ridings on Raleighburn road.

Carried.

Instructions to Officers

Ch. Macqueen - Engineer to furnish estimate of cost of culvert and metalling near Churchill selection E. Charlton & Gladstone road.

Also drains on some creek where it crosses E. Charlton & Boost road. Permission to be asked from Thos & Amariah Clinkskill to cut drains through their land.

Also of crossings required on Malden & Boost road from Simpsons farm to seven mile plain.

Ch. Macqueen gave notice of intention to call for tenders for these works.

Moved by Ch. Jas. Coutts
Sec. by Ch. Redwood That application be made for the survey of a road from Mal.

Sylvester to Mr Smith's selection in Kurting
Also for survey of road in Kurting between Mr Shea and Mr Bastow's selection.

Cr. Steel That application be made for survey of road from Beddenbury to Mossans

Cr. Catts That application be made for survey of deviation road from Burke's Flat to Bealiba

Notices of Motion

By Cr. Marquess as before

Cr. Steel That the Beddenbury Riding be divided into two collecting districts and that application be asked for office of collector for Northern portion.

Cr. Paterson That tenders be called for metalling formation South of Barnaby on Beddenbury & East Charlton road, and for extending metalling at East Charlton towards Arnold.

Cr. Catts called attention to the closing of a road near Moody's selection which includes the present track, and was authorised to expend not more than £5 in having a track cleared.

Moved by Cr. Johns
Seconded by Cr. Paterson That the following accounts be passed and paid:

			Carried		
		Secretary		20.	16. 8
317	Cont. 375	Keogh		30.	—
318	" 382	Macpherson		12	
			Forward	62.	16. 8

			Forward	62	16	8
320	Cont. 363	Lusch		4.	10.	—
321	— 384	Rowley		90.	—	—
322	" 376	Hughes		7.	—	—
323	Labour	C Rose		6.	6.	—
324	Cont. 391	Colvin		18	5.	4
325	Labour	Harris & Hanson		10.	—	—
326	Printing	Sup. Brandwille		4	17	6
327	Maps	Construction		6.	6.	—
328	Grant	Salary		14.	—	—
329	Cont. 371	Guthrie		80.	5.	—
330	Deposit Cont. 371	"		5.	—	—
331	Labour	R. S. Steel		33.	10.	—
332	"	Longston		18.	—	—
333	"	"		7.	10.	—
334	Stationery	R. Evans Bros.		14.	1.	3
335	Expenses re Prairie Commission Sum			10.	17.	6
336	Inspector of Slaughter yards Salary			3	0	9
337	Rent of land for Depot			1	10.	—
338	Advertising	Barnett & Co.		8.	13.	—
339	Engineer	Salary		20.	16.	8
340	Cont. 382.	Hughes		10.	7.	6
341	" 386	"		20.	—	—
342	Labour	Colvin		4	12.	—
343	"	McPherson		3.	—	—
344	"	Gardiner		5.	12.	—
345	"	Whitney & Co		2.	—	—
346	Cont. 383	McPherson		14.	—	—
347	Labour	Cussiden		2.	—	—
348	Cont. 388	T. Walker		1.	—	—
349	" 393	Whitney		1.	8.	—
350	" 397	Keogh		30.	—	—
351	Labour	Rowley		9.	14.	6
352	"	"		10.	18.	—
353	Tatchell	Whitney & Co		13.	9.	6
			Forward	£486.	1.	2

	Forward	486 — 1. 2	
354	Cont. 386. C. Rose	37. 3 - 4	
355	" 392 F. Hughes	10 — 7. —	
356	" 395 A. Lang	20. — —	
357	Secretary	£ 553. 11. 6	
		25.	
		578. 11. 6	

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

Confirmed 13 September

John Coutts
President