Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Kerry Shire Council held at the Shire Office Listowel, on the 19th July 1899.

Present Cr. Dowling, President in the chair, and Cr. Stack, Paterson, Redmond, Dale, James Coates, Fitzgerald, and John Coates.

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Correspondence.

1 J. Lamont re Dogs v. Dwyer. —

2 Deaf & Dumb Institution acknowledging donation.

3 Lieut. Roddon Valley Railway League asking the support of the Council. Receive.

4 Blind Asylum applying for donation.

Moved by Cr. James
Sec. by Cr. Stack That £2. 2 0 be given

5 East Charlton progress committee asking for the clearing of road connecting township with the chain East Ballyseedy.
Referred to members for Rockenham Riding.

6 Bel Bel Shire stating that the Council of that Shire has agreed to the boundary line suggested by the Delegates from the two Councils.
Moved by Cr. Stack
Sec by Cr. James Coates That the boundary line between this Shire and that of Belfast

as agreed to by the delegates from the two Councils who met in Killarney in June last and as shown on drawing produced be accepted by this Council, and that copy be forwarded to the Minister of Railways & Roads for approval.

Carried

7 Superintendent of Police Mansfield asking for the appointment of Constable Potter as Inspector of Slaughter Houses and Knacker in the room of Cons. Mackie removed.

Moved by Cr. Stack
Sec by Cr. James That Peter Constable Potter No. 2690 be appointed Inspector of Slaughter Houses and Knacker for Kenmare Riding at a salary of £10 per annum. —

8 Susan Hill Shire re erection of permanent quarters at or near East Charlton. —

9 Ratepayers in Parish of Barnahee applying for survey and clearing of road from Rockenham.
Reference to Rockenham members.

10 Reports of cattle slaughtered from Inspector

11 Dolaney Stolen.

12 Dr. Lamont re Dogs Dwyer recommending that application be made to the Bench for a case to be stated and enclosing opinion from Mr. O'Loghlin to same effect. Also stating that a deposit of £50 must accompany the application

Moved by Cr. Hall
Sec. by Cr. Peterson that the Council solicitor be instructed to apply to the Bench at Inglewood to state a case for the opinion of the Supreme Court in Doyle v. Dwyer and that the necessary deposit be made.

Carried

13 Treasury Melbourne, requesting to be supplied with particulars of loan. —

14 J. Whitney asking for improvement in road at Burkes Flat.

The engineer was instructed to have drains cut at the place referred to.

15 Andrew Keogh, stating that he has been delayed in completing his contract for the Kangaroo Bridge and has suffered considerable loss from the failure of the sawmill owner to supply him with the necessary timber, and asking for some allowance on that ground.
Consideration postponed until completion of contract.

16 Wm. Tyler applying for exchange of roads at Berlin
Referred to Kangaroo members with instructions to consent if deemed advisable provided that no expense is borne by the Council.

17 Railways and roads department asking for return showing names, addresses, assessments and other particulars respecting holdings of

upwards of 100 acres within the Shire.

Proposal by Mr. Affleck to sell to the Council fence surrounding tank at Lower Mile Plain Reserve. Road Board was referred to the Woodstown members for report.

Boundkeepers monthly report received

The Council adjourned for the purpose of holding Revision Court.

On resuming, the Treasurer reported.
Receipts for the month £118. 4. 4. Expenditure £534. 5. 6. —
Report received and approved.

The engineer reported that he had agreed with J. C. Peterson to erect footbridge at Kangaroo for £5. — Recommended that road men Mathews, Rudbridge and Shorter be assisted & partially formed. Tenders had been called for works received at last meeting, and estimates of cost were submitted. Estimates were also submitted according to instructions for extending metalling at East Charlton to Reynolds Bros constructing side gutter. £150.
For metalling formation at Winters plain East Charlton were £140. —
For metalling worst portion of formation in Banaker swamp about 50 chains £300 —
Both the latter works are urgently required
For clearing 100 chn. from Coonera towards Lower Forest £2 —
Men have been employed to fill culverts and clear out drains East Charlton were

Contracts in progress are going on satisfactorily. The contractor for cutting drain at Kingston has met with cement and could not cut to the specified depth. Report recommended that the depth be reduced from 18 inches to 12 inch. The contracts for culvert at Baldwin & bridge at Braeburn are not yet commenced, nor tank at Port Hope.
The report was received and adopted and payment ordered for frontage at Kingston.

The Secretary read report of deputation appointed at last meeting stating that boundary line between Kerrying & Port Perry has been agreed upon, the trig. station on Burnt Rockwood being taken as the starting point. With reference to the application for the survey of a line of railway through Beaverton to East Charlton the Minister had stated that as soon as funds are available he intends to make surveys of such lines as appear to be most likely to pay. A memorial from ratepayers at Beaverton to the Postmaster General praying for the appointment of a permanent post and telegraph office there was presented, and an application made to the Minister of Justice for the erection of a Court house. Conditional promises were given in both cases.

Moved by Cr. Steel
Sec. by Cr. Hall That the report be received and adopted and that the Council is of opinion that the office of Post & telegraph master should be held by a permanent officer or some person not connected with any business.
Carried.

Patterson of which notice has been given.

Moved by Cr. Patterson for Cr. Marquis
Sec. by Cr. Steel That tenders be called for clearing four miles selection on the Beaverton & Thorah Forest road to Spring Hill.
Carried

Moved by Cr. Patterson
Sec. by Cr. Steel That tenders be called for cutting about 30 chains drains on both sides Baldwin & East Charlton road near Mr. Manning's farm.
Cd.

Moved by Cr. Hall
Sec. by Cr. Redmond That new tenders be called for the erection of a bridge near Mr Harrison's farm Beaverton.
Cd.

Moved by Cr. Patterson
Sec. by Cr. Anderson That tenders be called for clearing five miles of Brock & Mariposa road.
Cd.

Moved by Cr. Redmond
Sec. by Cr. Steel That tenders be called for planking and metalling portion of road near Beaverton and Ellis on the Orphir & Salisbury road.
Cd.

The following tenders were brought up by the public works committee
1 For clearing five miles Brock & Mariposa road

		Estimate
A. Tacy	3/8 per chain	£5. 6. 8
A. Keogh	3/3 —	65
W. Steel	5/11	78. 7. —
J. Orlick	3/5½	53. 6. —
A. Guthrie	5/7	71. 13. 4

F. Hughes		76. 13 4
J. McCauley	4/8	75. —
C. Hand	3/9	

Kerrigh's tender recommended for acceptance

Repairing Bendigo Kangaroo road.

Est £30

Tenders were received for this work from the undermentioned but the rents not being correct but they were referred to the Kangaroo members and the engineer

Jas. Gibson	
D. Guthrie	
C. Rose	
F. Hughes	
J. Cofish	
Thos. Walker	accepted
C. Phillips	

For work on Longfield Flat Ballan road Est £8

Thos. Walker	16.	10 - 0
C. Chisholm	17.	—
J. Stephenson	6	—

Stephenson's tender was withdrawn by Cr Johnson and Chisholm's recommended.

For constructing bridge at Loftills house on Bagot & Ballan road Est £85

Cornston & Fry	126	—
C. Rose	153	
D. Sullivan	152.	14. —
C. Phillips	199.	10. —

Cornston & Fry's tender recommended

Moved by Cr. Redwood
Sec. by Cr. Van Cooth That the tenders of A. Kerrigh, C. Chisholm, and Cornston & Fry as recommended by the committee be accepted.

Cr.

Moved by Cr. Anderson
Sec. by Cr. Steel That a valuation of all rateable property within the Shire be made by the valuer Mr. S. Rinder and returned at the ordinary meeting of the Council which will be held in September next. The valuer to be empowered to employ such assistants as he may deem necessary, the whole cost not to exceed that of last year viz. £180. —

Carried

Instructions to Officers

Cr. Steel. Engineer to inspect bridge contract on Myrtle & Bradley creek.

Also to inspect Kerr Creek road near Glenorchy Springs and report on present survey as to necessity for deviation.

Secretary to write District Surveyor relative to road by Samples selection Kangaroo hill

Cr. Jas. Coutts. Engineer to report on drains required near Pounds farm and Pagés creek Myleroad.

Cr. Redwood. Engineer to report on improvements required on West Loddon road near Richards and Brackins.

Moved by Cr. Patterson with leave.
Sec. by Cr. Steel That tenders be called for construction of crossings and making road available for traffic on Wellington & Cannon road.

Cd.

Cr. Hall said that a man known as Black Joe at Walla is in a very destitute condition and thought that the case was one in which the Council might grant some aid.
Moved by Cr. Anderson
Sec. by Cr. Redwood That Cr. John visit the case and if necessary give relief to the extent of two pounds.

Cd.

Moved by Cr. John Coutts
Sec. by Cr. Redwood That the present polling place at Lakebury station be removed to the Poolett State School, and that application be made for a polling place at Mr. Mitchelmore's house Tarnagulla road for the Kangaroo Riding

Cd.

Moved by Cr. Patterson
Sec. by Cr. Anderson That the following Councillors be appointed Returning Officers for the respective Ridings
Cr. Steel for the Wellington Riding
Cr. John — — Kangaroo Riding
Cr. John Coutts — Inglewood Riding

Councillors Anderson, Hall, and Patterson were named as the retiring Councillors at the annual election

The Secretary asked that some clerical assistance may be allowed to him for the purpose of preparing electoral rolls and furnishing returns asked for by the Government.
Moved by Cr. Anderson
Sec. by Cr. Steel That fifty pounds per annum be added to the Secretary's salary.

Carried

The President, Cr. Anderson, said that his term of office both as President and Councillor would expire before the next meeting, and as he was leaving the district, he thought not seek re-election. He thanked the Council for the support accorded to him, and bid them farewell.

Moved by Cr. Patterson
Sec. by Cr. Redwood That the thanks of the Council be given to Cr. Anderson for his services as a member of the Council and for his courtesy in the chair.

Carried

Notices of Motion.

Cr. Johns That tenders be called for the construction of a crossing over Seville creek.
Also that tenders be called for clearing from the Seville post near Eric Point Reserve to Bernamwah, half chain wide.

Cr. James Coutts. That tenders be called for clearing the remainder of the road from Kingower to Arnold's Bridge.
Also for clearing & opening on road from Kingower Bridge to Wattlebar, and repairs to approaches to culvert at Harrings. —

Cr. James Coutts. That tenders be called for culvert and general repairs on road from Kellie to Barkers Flat.

Cr. Paterson. That application be asked for Office of Surfaceman in Redderburn Ruling. –

Moved by Cr. Andrew
Sec. by Cr. Johns That the following accounts be passed and paid

			Cancel	
273	Deposit Cont. 377		12. –	–
274	Cont. 391	Colich	25. –	–
274	Stamtown Co printing &c		13. 2	6
275	Cont. 379	Longston Co	72. 18	6
276	Deposit Cont. 379 –		8. 7.	–
277	Cont. 383	Macpherson	6.	–
278	– 377	Kenny	90. –	–
279	– 388	Walker	10.	–
280	– 384	Rowley	20.	–
281	. 373	Kenny	10.	–
282	. 360	Harris	16 – 9.	–
283	. 346	Gilmore	2.	–
284	. 383	Macpherson	10.	–
285	Labour	Rose	8. 5.	9
286	Sundries		3 – 17	11
287	Labour		6.	–
288	Secretary		20 – 16 –	8
289	Ramsay Co	advertg.	2 – 11.	–
290	Cont. 387	Hughes	40.	–
291	– 371	Guthrie 25	~~25~~	–
292	378	Henderson	6.	–
293	Labour	Bangtownuth	3 – 11.	–
294	Sundries		2 – 1.	–
295	Doyle, Salary		5 –	–
		Total.	421 . – .	

		Forward	421 –	0. 4
296	Cont. 385	Walker	9.	9. 6
297	Labour	Harris & Co	10.	–
298	"	"	9.	15. –
299	"	Kelly	23.	16. –
300	"	Colich	13.	4. –
301	Cont. 362	Rose	2.	–
302	Labour	Rose	4 –	11 –
303	Labour	Cheetham	10.	–
304	Engineer		20.	16. 8
305	Deposits Conts. 358, 360, 364		8.	–
306	Deaf & Dumb Asylum		2.	2. –
307	Cont. 359	Hunter	1.	10. –
308	Conference Exp.		2 –	2. –
309	Labour	Mr Steel	6 –	–
310	"	Rose	28.	5. –
311	Cont. 377	Kenny	14.	16. –
312	" 380	Rowley	40.	7. 4
313	Deposit Cont. 313		12 –	10. –
314	Cont. 382	McPherson	10.	–
315	Cont. 344	Bird	8.	–
316	Cheetham	Labour	3 –	12 – 6
			£ 649 .	17. 4

The next meeting was ordered to be held at Kangaroo on the 16th August next and the meeting then closed.

Confirmed John Coutts
President 18 August 1897

A Court for the Revision of the Voters lists of the Shire was held at Inglewood at Noon on the 19th. July 1877 when the lists were submitted, revised and found correct and certified accordingly

Thos Kennedy
Secretary

At the annual election for a local auditor for the Shire held in August 1877 the only candidate nominated was Mr J. R. Gray who was therefore declared duly elected.

Thos Kennedy
Deputy Ret. Officer

At the annual election for one Councillor for the Bacchus Riding of the Shire the only candidate nominated was Mr. James Patterson whom I therefore declared to be duly elected.

Aug. 1877

R. Hall
Returning Officer

At the annual election for one Councillor for the Inglewood Riding held in August 1877 Rev. Wm. Hall was the only candidate nominated and I therefore declared him duly elected

Aug. 1877

John Coutts
Returning Officer

At the annual election for one Councillor for the Kangaroo Riding the following candidates were nominated.

John Cotter
Peter Rory

Mr Rory having withdrawn from the contest before the day of election I declared Mr. John Cotter to be duly elected.

Aug. 1877

William Johns
Returning Officer