Minutes of a meeting of the Korong Shire Council held at the Shire Hall, Wedderburn, on the 13th. May 1890.

Present Crs Stud, Ross, Paterson, Boyd, Robinson, Coutts, Hall, and Quick.

Moved by Cr. Ross.
Sec. by Cr. Coutts that C. Paterson take the chair
Carried

The minutes of last meeting were read & confirmed

Correspondence:-

1 Office of Lands & Survey re issue of Crown grant to Mr Boyd.

2 Ratepayers at Wedderburn complaining of the practice of burying dead animals in the township and the nuisance arising therefrom.

Moved by Cr Stud
Sec. by C. Quick That the Inspectors of Nuisances be instructed to prevent the burying or disposal of dead animals within two miles of any township & that such carcasses be either burnt or buried at a depth of six feet below the surface, & the whole carcase to be covered to that depth
Carried

Re an application from R. Slater for payment of an order given by the contractor for Lexlepoodilly bridge that the balance of the contract money and the forfeited deposit be divided pro rata between Slater and Shaw the holders of contractors' orders

3 Shire of Avoca bill with cheque for one third of cost of survey of Mammal Creek Survey

4 Treasury with statement of accrued interest on Shire Loan sinking fund

5 Shire of St. Arnaud re Avoca water supply scheme

6 Report of stock slaughtered for sale in the Shire during 1889

7 Govt. Statist asking statistics

8 Mr. J. Coutts complaining of condition of approaches to culverts on Redbridge & Bridgewater road. Rec.

9 Memorial from ratepayers in the North Riding asking for the cleaning out of a tank on a 110 ac. reserve in the parish of East Charlotte near Messrs. Dunkley, Leyden and others selections.
Reply that no money is available for the work but that it will be placed on next years estimates

10 J. O'Donald re opening of Melbourne Exchange.

11 Mr J. Cameron asking for a letter under the Shire seal testifying to his having been for many years a resident in the district and been employed in public capacity in connection with it.
Request to be complied with.

12 Memorial from 12 ratepayers in Wogpia asking for the erection of a bridge over the Loddon at Wogpia Crossing.
Reply that no money is available at present but that, if possible, the work will be put on next year's estimates

13 Office of Lands & Survey granting timing obtaining land sale to Mr Cooper

14 Letter same on same subject and saying that Mr. Cooper states that the Council "never made any arrangement with him about the formation of a road. Cr. Hall said that an arrangement had been made and it was decided to refer the matter to the members for the Lower Riding to make such terms with Mr Cooper as they thought best.

15 P. J. Lewis re medicinal wine.

16 Mr. A. Lloyd calling the attention of the Council to the recent regulations with respect to the survey of roads, and requesting to be informed when it will be convenient for the Shire engineer to meet him and make the arrangements required by them.
Mr. Lloyds former letter in the subject was referred to in which he stated the costs of survey proposed to be charged for roads.
Cr. Hall stated that the District Surveyor had informed him that the surveys of roads made by the Shire engineer would not be recognised as they were not authorised for them.
The engineer explained that the special consent of the department to the surveys of roads by him had been obtained
Moved by Cr. Hall
Sec. by Cr. Ross that in future all road surveys within the Shire be made by Mr. Lloyd the authorised surveyor for long as he remains in the district and that the Shire engineer be consulted as to the route of all roads before they are surveyed

The amendment was seconded by Cr. Riggs and assented to by Cr. Hallstroom
That all roads be surveyed within the Shire by an engineer as heretofore.
The amendment was lost and the motion carried

17 Mr. Hendry stating that he is unable to complete his contract for excavating tank at Eastbrook owing to the drains filling the work with water. Also asking for the fencing of Nunney Gully dam

18 Letter of Mr. Ormond with cheque for 45.7.8½ Lidsleywalley bridge and £16.6.8½ survey of Kennedy Creek

19 Letter of Swan Hill declining to contribute towards cost of cleaning out a drain in Kerrewalla on the ground that it is two miles South of the boundary of that Shire

20 J. Scott asking for an allotment in the vicinity of post office now being formed at North end of High St. Hedderwick as it will be considerable above the floor of his house.
Referred to engineer

21 Mr. Cooper re road

22 James Mc. Kenzie asking for additional payment for Kalangadoo bridge.
The engineer recommended payments of £1-16-0 as stated was agreed to

23 Mrs Seta, Thornton, asking for the [illegible]

13 Office of Lands & Surveys forwarding tenders for burning land sold to Mr Cooper

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Sec. by Cr. Ross that in future all road surveys within the Shire be made by Mr. Cooper the Authorised surveyor, so long as he remains in the district and that the Shire engineer be consulted as to the cost of all roads before they are surveyed

The amendment was moved by Cr. Ross and seconded by Cr. McDonald
That all roads be surveyed within the Shire by the engineer as heretofore.
The amendment was lost and the motion carried

17 Mr. Hendry stating that he is unable to complete his contract for excavating tank at East brook owing to the rains filling the work with water. Also asking for the fencing of Nursery Gully dam

18 Claim of A. Ormond with charges for 45 ft. of Lidsydwalley bridge and £16. 6. 8. for survey of Kennedy Creek

19 Claim of Swan Hill declining to contribute towards cost of clearing out a drain in Kissendale on the ground that it is two miles South of the boundary of that Shire

20 J. Scott asking for an allowance in the weight of corporation road being found on North side of High St. Hedderwick, as it will be considerable above the floor of his house.
Referred to engineer

21 Mr. Kilgour re road

22 Cr. Mr. Lennie asking for additional figures on Tarwonga Bridge.
The engineer recommended payments of £1. 16. 0 to be added to any bills due

23 Mr. Stott, Stratton, asking for the [illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] at Kumacca asking for repairs of Spring Hill road near Wheeler
The engineer was instructed to have the road thus made passable

The Treasurer reported Receipts for the month £964.19.6 Expenditure £661.1.5. Bank overdraft £201. - - Received & approved

The Treasurer also submitted a statement showing receipts and expenditure to the close of the commencement of the financial year, and a special statement of same for cash rating showing balance, and estimated receipts & expenditure for remainder of year.
The reports were discussed and the financial position considered and it was then
Moved by Cr. Steel
Seconded by Cr. Smith that the Council enter into no further contracts for works for two months
Carried

The Secretary submitted a number of reports and letters with reference to the outbreaks of diphtheria and typhoid fever at Barraba and Kingsgrove three fatal cases having occurred, accompanied by his own report on the steps taken to prevent the spread of the disease.
The report was received and approved and the Secretary was authorised to take such steps as he may deem necessary in the event of other cases occurring

The engineer reported on the following subjects:-
Road from Kelhamine can be got through passable country to connect with Inverleben & Avoca Tablelands.
Site for tank at Burke's Flat inspected accompanied

by Cr. Redwood and former recommendation adhered to.
Skin of Murray written to re repairs of Bridgewater bridge - No reply received as yet.
Tenders called for the pressing at Inverleben
Tank at Mt. Arthur, the sum to which the cleaning out of this tank was limited was found insufficient to complete the work which was let to J. Porter at £10 per yard. The engineer had thought it advisable to complete it and the total cost was £[illegible]
[illegible] to improve [illegible] road approaches.
Outlet drain near Hickson's have been cleared out. Four culverts by Hopkins & Lincoln obstructed
Road near Mr. Connors, the cost only for making the roadway passable is to be entailing. Cost will be about £12.
Bridgewater & Newbridge road requires draining. 25 chains of table drain should be done and a few chains of footpaths made with some box drains. On the Inglewood & Tamworth road the clearing should be widened on the West side and the drain extended about 30 chains. A small piece of about 5 chains should be metalled and some small repairs effected. This is an urgent case and a saving will be made by having it attended to at once
Recommends that the completion of the tank at East Inverleben be postponed for the present as it has been filled several times with storm water.
Recommends that the South side of East Chandler High St. be channelled, and the street covered with a thin coat of metal, and storm water drains cut both East & West into the river. This, with roughly tabling into the drains would much improve the drainage of the town.
The clearing on the selling South of the 7 mile post on the Red. & Ch. road has been widened for abt. 15 chains.

other temporary and necessary repairs have been effected at Burke's Flat, and on the Ocean Beach and Bridgend road. The report recommended further work at these places, and on the Bedder & Kohler road; at the Yungaburra State school and others.
Recommending that about one rood of land be obtained from Mr. Sanderson to connect the North & South road in Conway East with the road on which a culvert has been recently placed near Mr. Stokes.
Road South from Mr. Wilson's in Wychetella has been improved as ordered.
Final certificates have been given for minor contracts and other works are making fair progress.
The report was received and dealt with as follows.

The engineer was instructed to have the track from Bedarburra to Kinsparrel known as the Little Gulf road made passable
The road from Kilbourne mentioned in report to be improved if considered necessary
The Chairman and other Councillors objected strongly to the unauthorised expenditure on the bridge near Mr. Kottman in Wychetella and it was
Moved by Cr. Patterson
Sec. by Cr. Ross That the amount authorised by the Council £25 be paid on account of the work and no more.

An amendment was moved by Cr. Boys, and seed. by Cr. Quirk
That the amt. recommended by the engineer be paid
It was pointed out by the chairman that as work representing the money had actually been done under the direction of the engineer the Council would have to pay and the amendment was carried by

a majority of two. It was then —
Moved by Cr. Coates
Sec. by Cr. Paterson That the engineer be censured for expending more money than was authorised by the Council

For the motion	Against
Cr. Paterson	Cr. Boys
Coates	Quirk
Robertson	

Moved by Cr. Steel
Sec. by Cr. Paterson That the contractor for excavating tanks at East Creek be paid a fair price to be fixed by the engineer for the work he has done there, and that the completion of the contract be postponed for the present —
Carried.
Moved by Cr. Quirk
Sec. by Cr. Ross That the channelling in Big Sh. Chutter be extended about two chains if necessary
Carried.
It was decided not to fence Nursing Gully dam at present

Tom's Mining Company at Burke's Flat to be informed by the engineer that they must either prevent the water from the mine from crossing the road or keep the crossing in order

Enquiries to be made as to taking land from Mr. Sandersons in Conway East for the purpose of connecting two roads there.

The Public Works Committee brought up the following tenders with recommendations attached

1 For forming Footpath near Colchester Redelubum
A. Quinton accepted. £4 —

2 Clearing Lowmatter to Mellings on South boundary of Shire Est. £30. 15. 6

A. Quinton	39. 10. —
Rose & Wilcock	34. 3. 4
A. Harding	27. 6. 8

Harding recommended

3 Supplying and spreading metal Red. & Chewton roads £60

C. Guthrie	42. 10. —
C. Rose	32. 3. 4
J. McKinnon	53. —
W. Bendry	47. 10. —
G. Ward	49. 3. 4
M. Vining	53. —
J. Forrest	34. 11. 8
J. Welsh	34. 17. 6
W. Crisp	38. 6. 8
J. Kenny per yard 3/4	
W. Potts	65. —

Forrest recommended

4 Gravelling, side cutting & culvert Red. & Bower Forest Rds. Est. £45

C. Guthrie	36. 4. —
C. Rose	33. 18. —
J. Welsh	36. 16.
F. Hughes	69. 14
W. Bendry	72. 18

C. Rose recommended

5 Forming footpath Redelubum Est. £105.

G. Ward	37. —
Mr. Alpine	95 —
J. Vining	122
F. Hughes	111 — 10 —
C. Rose	52.

The committee were of opinion that Ward had made an error in his tender and recommended that he be offered the choice of going on with the work or withdrawing & in the latter case recommended that the next lowest, — C. Rose, — tender be accepted.

6 Clearing abt. 290 chns. 1/4 chn. wide on Rhodes & Ochiltree Creek road. Est. £21. 15. 10

G. Banner	20 — 10 — 10
E. Condon	21. 15. —
C. Hollingsworth 1/3 per chain	18. 2. 6
J. Coleman	48. 12. 6
W. B. Smith	19. 18. 9
W. Pearce	25. 7. 6

Recommend Hollingsworth

7 Clearing abt. 277 chns. from Bromfield to Rowes Junction of East Chewton Rds. Est. £21. 15. 6

W. Pearce	16 — 14 — 8
A. Quinton	19 — 12 — 5 —
Rose	24 — 2. — —
A. Harding	27 — 14 — —
Smith & Reed 1/2 per chain	16. 3. —
F. Webb	19. 12. 10
W. Rowles	17. 5 — —

Recommend Smith & Reed &c

8 Clearing abt. 370 chns. in Moseng from A. Robertson by Red Ham, Mr. Nils, Jenkins T. 1/4 ch. Est. £24. 13. 4

B. Cearnei	23 — 2 — 6
G. Irving	21 — 11 — 8
A. Quinton	26 — 4 — 2
J. Smith & Reed	20. —
W. Crisp	29 — 5 — 10
A. Pearce	32 — 7 — 6
Jas. Pettey	20. —
A. Harding	26. 4. 2
W. Rowles recommended	18. 5. —

9 Six chains metalling on the Chatham & Grown road — £4. £p.

C. Rose	94. 2.	—
A. Quinton	66.	—
J. Kuefe	81. 12.	—
M. Kenny	114.	—
J. Smith, Reed Rd.	74. 8.	—
M. Rooker	114.	—

Committee recommend Quinton, but as his tender is so much below the estimate let him have the option of repairing, & should he do so. Smith, Reed to furnish

10 Supplying tree prunes in Belmontbaum 82—

A. Guthrie	4/— each
J. McKinnis	5/1 —
D. Mc. Allpine	4/3 —
J. Longstone	5/9
J. Burgess	4/4
A. Wilson	5/
A. Crisp	4/3
C. Butterick	3/1
Allford	4/4
J. Flanery	3/10
White	5/3
Wm Nash	4/3

Recommend Butterick

Moved by A. Paterson
Sec by C. Boys That the tenders of A. Quinton, A. Rowling, J. Forest, C. Rose, 2 C. Hollingsworth, Smith, Reed Rd, M. Rooker, A. Quinton, and C. Butterick, as recommended by the Public Works Committee, be accepted.

Carried.

All notices of motion were postponed.

A. Hall called the engineers attention to the names of places on direction boards at Bernardsville. and he was instructed to consult Councillors in future.

Forty two pounds ordered by engineer from Mr. A. Wilson ordered to be paid for.

Instructions

Cr. Hall. Engineer to enquire price of steel lamps.

Cr. Boyd & Quirk. Engineer to expend £5. in burning of decay timber and taking out stumps on road by Davidson & Holmes parish of East Chatham

Cr. Coates & Hall Engineer to have bridge repaired on Bernard and Inglewood road at crossing of creek and some bad places repaired on Inglewood & Kingston road at Caledonian Flat.

Cr. Paterson & Quirk That the Secretary add to the usual notice of time of payment of rates to course mentioned on rolls that all unpaid rates will be sued for after 30th June.

Cr. Boys Engineer to have bridge repaired near Barlows and report on road and culvert required there. Also on road by Perkins and Davis, in North Maryborough, as to drainage required

Moved by A. Paterson
Sec. by A. Hall That the following accts. be passed and paid.

Carried

264	Keller Inspector Salary for 1879	10.	—
265	Cabom J. Folsch	6.	9. 3
266	Cont. 530 Mc Kinnis	5.	5. 4
267	Pensioners Allen. Moncrieff	5.	—
	Total.	26.	14. 7

	Forward.		26.	14	7
268	Deposits		6.	2.	10
269	Per centage on Commission		25.	18.	3
270	Cont. 583	Hughes	5.	—	
271	Labour	P. Robinson	6.	—	
272	Cont. 628.	Quinton	8.	17	—
273	" 619.	Kenny	40.	—	
274	" 622	Roberts	22.	—	
275	" 629	O'Brien	11.	—	
276	J. Kenny Commn. on dog registration.		6.	—	
277	Cont. 539	C. Cox	3.	—	
278	" 625	J. Petty	11	5	10
279	" 616	F. Hughes	10.	—	
280	" 527	"	2.	—	
	" 533	"	3.	—	
281	" 583		16.	—	
282	" 624	F. Rose	39	6.	8
283	" 598	J. Scott	48.	—	
284	" 601	Hollingsworth	5.	—	
285	Labour	D. Blair	3.	—	
286	Cont. 617	D. Guthrie	31.	3.	4
287	" 616	F. Hughes	26	10	—
288	J. Rush Commn. on dog registration		4	10	—
289	Share of St. Armand & Water Supply		8.	6.	8
290	Cont. 654	Beer Bros.	30.	—	
291	" 621	" "	2.	10	—
292	" 627	M. Rowler	22.	—	
293	" 622	Roberts	2.	6.	8
294	" 615	Kenny	20.	—	
295	" 619	"	60.	—	
296	" 638	Evans	8.	—	
297	" 484	Guthrie £1.10.- 5-57 £1	2	10	—
298	" 620	Jones	15.	11.	6
299	Labour	Schick	10.	8.	3
299	"	Cheshire	4.	4.	
	Forwd.		£ 539	—	7

	Forward	539	—	7
300	A. Nelson printing posts	9.	7.	—
301	Stamps Cheque book	4	4	4
302	Engineer J. S. Starr	29.	3.	4
303	Road Survey J. S. Starr	16.	13.	—
304	Water supply - plan for work in Green Wm J. S. Starr	52.		
305	Surtees	25.	—	
306	Labour A. Nelson	8.	8.	6
307	Labour E. Whitney	6	18.	—
308	Sundries	7.	19.	—
309	Labour A. A. Jones	7.	7.	—
310	Water Supply expt. E. R. Smith	8.	10.	
311	Office Furniture, A. Anderson	3.	12.	6
312	Pers. Attn. Mandeville	4.	17.	6
313	Labour Sundries	2	2.	—
314	" E. Rose	5.	2.	—
315	" M. J. Steel	16.	6.	—
316	Sec. guards A. Nelson	10.	—	
317	Labour M. Sheaine	1	19	—
318	Labour cleaning tank J. Pickie	32.	3.	4
		£ 804	13	1

The ~~next~~ Engineer was instructed on the motion of Ch. Smith to report on cost of making six chains of plank road at the Sand hill on Cheshire and Connor road

Also to have road by McKenny & Stewart, Terrington cleared of stumps for about one mile.

Ch Bop Also to have some cutting done on Eng. & Imperial road. and crossings repaired

Also road to Imperial cemetery cleared of fallen timber.

On the question of opening roads it was
Moved by Cr. Quirk
Sec by Cr. Patterson That the engineer be instructed to have all obstructions to roads within the Shire, whether fences, slip-panels, or gates removed at once, and that the parties placing such obstructions on roads be sued for the cost of removing them.

Much discussion took place on the motion several Councillors expressing their willingness to deal with special cases of obstruction to traffic, but objecting to the motion as too sweeping. The division was as follows:

For the motion	Against
Cr. Patterson	Cr. Boys
Quirk	Robinson
	Coutts.

The motion was therefore lost.
In the absence of the president Cr Patterson was authorised to sign cheques on the Shire Bank of Victoria

Notices of Motion

Cr. Patterson That tenders be called for clearing the scrub from Stewarts to Thomas' in Yarrawonga.

Cr. Quirk That three lamps be erected in the township of East Charlton.

The next meeting was ordered to be held on the usual day, and the meeting then closed

Geo Coutts Chairman
P Brandt