Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Kooyong Shire Council held in the Shire Hall, Camberwell on the 19th July 1888.

Present. Councillors Stell, (President in the chair) Lane Cs Bourchier, Peterson, Martin, Rathmell, Hall, Coutts & Smith.

The minutes of last meeting were read & confirmed.

Correspondence:-

1 Central Board of Health re infectious diseases

2 Jas. Jenkyns, parish of East Charlton, re Kitchelts tank, and stating that the opinion of ratepayers in that locality was that the Council should take charge of all tanks & keep the useful ones in good repair

3 Lucy Melbourne with notice of payment of endowment.-

4 Ratepayers in East Charlton & Barnadtown requesting that the Water Supply at Jas. Miles selection may be fenced and a pump put through please [illegible]. The work was ordered to be placed on next year's estimates

5 Jas Roberts complaining that his neighbors had either wilfully or carelessly scattered poisoned oats near his house and within a few yards of the door. Received

6 Secretary for Waterworks stating that a water auger is not available at present but that the Council's application for one will be noted for consideration when existing engagements are completed.

7 Chas. Ross re bridge over Hylah recommending to repair or crossing over creek thru, advertise bridge as dangerous and have notices posted on it

8 C. Parker re [illegible]. Recd

9 E. B. Pleasants, Bridgewater asking the Council's assistance in planting trees at

Recreation. —
Moved by Cr. Robinson
Sec. by Cr. Hall. That the Council supply 100 Kauri gums, and that the engineer superintend the planting of the trees.

Carried

11 Searching for mines with a view for £164 half cost of dams &c. at Rhodes, Kingston, & Burkes Flat

12 R. Spark asking for widening of clearing on Charlton & Boort road. Rec

13 Town Clerk, Hotham, suggesting that the Cont. should be urged to pass the Grounding Bill but as soon as possible. Agreed with,

14 Ratepayers Berrimal School asking for the appointment of Fenton's Creek State School as a polling place instead of the South Kerrison school.
Mr Secy. stated that immediately on receipt of this letter he had written to the Department, asking for delay in appointing the Cutten school until after this meeting but the reply was

15 That the appointment had been made.

16 Public Works Department. notifying appointment of new polling places as suggested by the Council

17 Farmers' Union, Inkerman asking the Council to erect a public weighbridge at Charlton
At the suggestion of Cr. Quirk the Secy was instructed to write to the Shires of St. Arnaud and Seven Hill asking if the Councils will join in this work, and in the event of their declining to do so it was
Moved by Cr. Quirk
Sec. by Cr. Robertson That the cost of erecting

a weighing machine at Charlton be placed on the estimates for the coming year to be charged to the general revenue, the receipts therefor to be divided amongst the three Ridings

Carried

18 Henry Charles complaining that a track long in use and which leads to a mining leasehold upon which he is erecting machinery in Robinson's Gully near Redbank is interdicted in land lately leased under the 4 & 5 Geo. 5. Act 1895 to George Robinson.
Mr Cook, member of the Mining Board was present and explained that the track referred to was very little used, was not wanted, and that the lessee had promised not to fence it off at present.
The Council declined to interfere.

19 R. & A. Galloway asking for time to pay rates.
Referred to Collector

20 James Parker asking for extension of time for five weeks on Contract for dam at Burkes Flat.
The engineer stated that the work was proceeding satisfactorily, and that some extra pitching required by the government had caused delay.
The extension of time was granted

21 E. J. Lucas applying for £10 extra on his contract for bridge at Pyalong
Referred

22 Ratepayers in Heathcote, applying for a crossing over Koring creek near Mr. Hassett.

23 John Gilspie asking for repair to roads in his neighbourhood Parish of Kow
Referred to engineer

Mr J. Boyle, Inspr with names of committee for appointment as caretakers of Olga Plains tank & stating that no division could be arrived at respecting charge for water.

Moved by Cr Beauchin

Sec. by Cr. Martin That Messrs. S. T. Bird, Henry Bear & John Boyle, be appointed a committee for the Olga Plains tank.

Carried.

The meeting was now adjourned for the purpose of holding the Revision Court at which all the Councillors were present, Cr. Stall in the chair.

REVISION COURT.

The Secretary produced the Voters' Lists and separate lists of company rates for the Ridings, and stated that the requisite notices had been given. No applications or objections had been received.

Moved by Cr Beauchin

Sec. by Cr Paterson That the Voters' lists as submitted by the Secretary be adopted & certified as correct.

Carried.

The lists were then signed by the Chairman and Councillors, and the Court closed.

The Council assembled, the same Councillors being present.

The Treasurer submitted statement showing receipts since last meeting, including endorsement, £2125-4-9. Expenditure £640.5.2.-

The report was received and approved.

The engineer reported that, with Cr Crotts he had attended a meeting of the East Loddon Shire Council at which tenders were opened for

the erection of the proposed bridge over the Loddon at Mason's Crossing. Six tenders were received as follow:-

J. H. Dickson,	Boroitabel,	£64-16-6
Reilly Bros.	Bendigo	1018-1.3
J. J. Kern	Kerang	895.2.6
James Spring	Kerang	987.—
William Simson	Lancelin	845.17.1.

The tender of J. J. Kern was accepted, cost to be borne jointly by the East Loddon & this Council, East contributing one-third.

Moved by Cr Patterson

Sec. by Cr Gale That the acceptance of the tender of J. J. Kern for erecting a bridge over the Loddon at Mason's Crossing for the sum of £895-2-6 be approved and confirmed.

Carried

Cr. Crotts stated that an inspector will be appointed by the E. L. Council at £2.10.0 per week subject to the consent of this Council.

The engineer was instructed to visit the work during its progress, and report on it.

Engineer further reported that in his opinion the deck of the Creek bridge No. 1 requires at cost of £7-10.0 and advised the re-decking of this and Allen's bridge at a probable cost of £22.-

This work was ordered to be put in next estimates.

Road had been surveyed from Glenalbyn to Kooyoorah townships, and partly from junction of Salisbury Road & Bright roads to junction of Red Kangaroo & Nelta roads. Recommends that five acres should be purchased from Mr Johns in Corner East for road purposes.

The report was received and approved.

Moved by Cr Paterson

Sec. by Cr Beauchin That the members for the Inland Reading and the engineer be empowered.

arrange with Mr. Johns and purchase the land if necessary.

Carried

Reports were read from the Rabbit Inspectors and received.

Moved by Cr. Bourchier

Sec by Cr. Patterson That the rabbit inspector for the North Riding be instructed to call for tenders for clearing from rabbits the lands occupied by Messrs. McCullough & Sons in the parish of Buckenderry and by Messrs. Clearon & Davidson in the parish of East Gordon, the cost to be recovered from them.

Carried

Moved by Cr. Redwood

Sec by Cr. Bourchier That the present inspectors be continued in office for three months longer.

Carried

Mr. Nelson of Inglestella applied, personally to the Council for assistance in clearing the ~~same~~ swallow on his land from rabbits

An inspector was instructed to supply Mr. Nelson with 50 occupies on the edge of the swallow in Inglestella & Lerapa with 100 lb each of fibre showing outs to be used only on Crown lands.

Cr. Martin moved the suspension of the standing orders for the purpose of asking the engineer for an explanation with reference to a rumour heard by him (Cr. Martin) that the engineer had been at a house from a man named Jas Petty and had promised him some work in consideration of the price being reduced.

Cr. Bourchier said that he had heard the same rumour and had given the engineer the name of the person from whom he heard it.

Cr. Quick said that he had heard the rumour from Crs Martin & Bourchier who gave Petty as their authority.

The engineer said that the statement was absolutely false and asked for a full enquiry into the matter. He had written to Crs Martin & Bourchier immediately on hearing the report and was very anxious that it should be thoroughly sifted.

On the suggestion of the President it was decided that Crs Hall, Quick, and the president should meet two hours before the next ordinary meeting and investigate the matter

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

1 For clearing between O'Leary's & Blake's in Boorang Est 5. 16. 0

Owen	6. 5. 0
C. Lemon	6. 10. —
M. Rowler	4. 17

Rowler recommended.

2 For clearing from Connor and [illegible] Springs Est. 7. —

T. Roe	7. —
G. Holmes	11. 10. 0
M. Rowler	8. 18. 6

Rowler recommended.

3 For clearing between Olive & Boyle Barrier Est 9. 6. 3

C. Lemon	7. 16. 3
M. Rowler	8. 4. 6
Holdich	7. 16. —

Lemon recommended.

4 Clearing between Bromfield & Oakman

J. Oakman recommended. 3. 8. 1

Moved by Cr. Ross
Sec. by Cr. Quirk That the tenders of Mr. Parker, C. Lemon, and J. Patterson, as recommended by the P. A. Committee, be accepted

Carried

Moved by Cr. Patterson
Sec. by Cr. Robinson That the Valuer be instructed to make and return a complete valuation of all rateable property within the Shire, with power to employ sub-valuers to be paid by himself

Carried

Moved by Cr. Hall
Sec. by Cr. Smith That tenders be called for sundry drainage contracts as per notice given at last meeting by Cr. Hall, the engineer to select such as are most urgent first

Carried

Moved by Cr. Burchell
Sec. by Cr. Hall That in future notice of motion be required for the erection of [illegible]

Carried

Moved by Cr. Burchell
Sec. by Cr. Patterson That tenders be called for clearing one mile of road between Messrs. Douglas & Cragg's land Buckareebangel
Also for clearing between Bulgall & Parkes land and road from Parker's Gate in Moorong
Also road between Langs & O'Meallys in Baccaleu

Carried

Moved by Cr. Patterson
Sec. by Cr. Burchell That tenders be called for clearing between Walsh & Cornish's land in Wangamal

Carried

Moved by Cr. Martin
Sec. by Cr. Quirk That tenders be called for forming and cutting drains between Hanify and Pattison's land in Inspire

Carried

Moved by Cr. Quirk
Sec. by Cr. Ross That in future no maintenance be required in clearing contracts

The motion was not carried there being two votes for and seven against it

Moved by Cr. Quirk
Sec. by Cr. Martin That tenders be called for cutting 20 chains of drains from Mr. Cassidy's store in Albury to the Bowna river.

Carried.

Instructions to Engineer

Cr. Hall That the engineer obtain the land occupied by Messrs. Sample in Inspire in order to ascertain whether a road is left between [illegible] land and Lynch's —
Also that engineer survey a road from Winstanes to Kergunia and Bobbie road, and prepare plans and specifications for bridge or culverts required on it.
Also to prepare plans &c. for culverts required on road from Glenalbyn to Kergunia recently surveyed, and on recently surveyed road along South boundary of Central Riding from Inglewood road to Kergunia road

Cr. Hall Engineer to report on probable cost of a first class road from proposed railway station at Wattonia to Wodonga

Cr Ross Engineer to inspect road from Charlton to Yeniugoon and Green and report on best mode of opening and maintaining it

Notices of Motion

By Cr Quirk That two miles be cleared on road from Big swamp to Bellarwiggie and half mile from Bettings to Wetherbum. Also that Mitchells dam be fenced.

Moved by Cr Ross
Sec. by Cr Martin That the following accounts be passed and paid.

Carried

364	Cont. 730	M. Reader	5 -	15 - 0
365	" 727	S. Kane	5.	—
366	" 710	E. J. Tucker	40.	—
367	J. Reach	Salary	10.	—
368	J. Harris	do	10.	—
369	S. T. Grant	do	18	—
370	" 699	W. Bundey	10.	—
371	" 712	M. Kenny	10 -	—
372	Bellarwiggie Lockange subscription		5.	5 -
373	Inspector Delany		2 -	10 —
374	J. Roberts Rent of bridge apparatus		1 -	10 —
375	J. Harris Fees		9 -	10 - 4
376	Cabon J. Smyre		2.	2.
377	Cont. 728	C. Rose	7.	—
378	" 733	Howden	21 -	13. 6
379	" 735	F. Rose	36.	—
380	" 739	W. Crisp	20.	—
381	Road Survey		12.	—
382	Cont. 679	Guthrie	7 -	4. 8
383	Cabon	W. A. Jones	12 -	10 - 6
384	"	W. Chisholm	2 -	17 -
		Carried forward.	£ 234	. 18 . -

		Forward	238 -	18 -	0
385	Cont. 712	M. Kenny	33.	6.	—
386	" 720	S. M. Taylor	10.	17.	—
387	" 717	Wilcock	10.	—	
388	" 699	W. Bundey	9 -	9 -	6
389	" 742	J. Kinsey	10.	—	—
390	" 659	Tucker	2.	—	—
391	Cabon	J. C. Paterson	4 -	4.	6
392	"	W. Bundey	4.	10 -	—
393	Smedrie		8.	6 -	10
394	Engineer		29 -	3 -	4
395	Secretary		25.	—	—
396	J. Irving (Rep registration)		4.	—	—
397	Cont. 727	S. Kane	2 -	1 -	—
398	" 710	Tucker	17.	—	—
399	Cabon	W. L. Steel	6 -	12.	—
			£ 415 -	8	. 2

The next meeting was adjourned to be held on the second day and the meeting to [illegible]

Wedderburn
Aug. 16. 1881

Confirmed
Wm Hall, President

Annual Elections
11th August 1881.
North Riding.

Mr. George E. Bowman being the only candidate nominated for the North Riding I declare him to be duly elected.

R. Lamb
Returning Officer, North Riding

Central Riding.

Candidates names	Number of Votes
George McKechnie	189
James Paterson	124
	65

Mr. George McKechnie having received a majority of 65 votes I declare him to be duly elected

R. Ob. Stees
Returning Officer Central Riding

South Riding.

Mr. Jno Coutts being the only candidate nominated for the South Riding I declare him to be duly elected

Wm. Hall
Returning Officer South Riding

Election of Local Auditor.

Mr. Joshua Rogers Gray being the only candidate nominated for the office of auditor I declare him to be duly elected

R. Ob. Stees
President