Minutes of an Ordinary meeting of the Korong Shire Council held at the Shire Hall Wedderburn January 16th 1888

Present- Cr Hall, Steel, Ross, Clark, Coutts & Martin Redwood & Bourchier.

In the absence of the President it was proposed by Cr Coutts
Sec Cr Steel } That Cr Hall take the Chair.
Carried

Cr Hall then took the Chair & the minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Correspondence

1 President stating inability to attend meeting through ill health & asking Council to grant two months leave of absence.
Moved by Cr Bourchier } That two months leave of absence
Sec by Cr Martin } be granted to the President. Carried

2 Mayor of Melbourne intimating that the President had been appointed, ex-Officio member of Central Committee for the relief of the sufferers by the Brewick Mining disaster & forwarding Subscription lists.
Moved by Cr Clark } That £10 be given to the Brewick
Sec by Cr Bourchier } relief fund on Condition that a National Fund be established, and the money be applied to all cases of distress arising from accidents of any discription. Carried

3 A. M Stockton acknowledging receipt of cheque for £2-10/- on behalf of the Inglewood Benevolt Society

4 P. O'Brien Kingower asking for remuneration for looking after tank — at Kingower & well at Koorarah
Moved by Cr Coutts } That O'Brien be paid £5,
Sec by Cr Bourchier } per annum as Caretaker of the tank and well at Kingower. Carried

5 Government Statist forwarding Statistic Schedules
Moved by Cr Steel } That the Collectors be appointed
Seconded by Cr Ross } to collect agricultural Statistics

on same Condition as last year. Carried

6 Secty of Victorian Eye and Ear Hospital acknowledging receipt of Councils donation of £2.

7 Sect Victorian Blind asylum acknowledging receipt of Councils donation of £2.

8 Secty Bendigo Benevolent Society acknowledging receipt of C. Donation of £5 & enclosing tickets.

9 Govt Statist acknowledging return of Municipal districts & Balance Sheet.

10 A. Lamont Inglewood forwarding Engrossements for transfers of Works executed by the Shire and about to be transferred to the Swan Hill, Korong and St Arnaud Water Trust. The necessary Signatures were ordered to be affixed — and also the Seal of the Corporation.

11 Victorian Deaf & Dumb Institution Melbourne enclosing receipt for C. donation of £2.

12 Secty Melbourne Orphan Asylum acknowledging receipt of One pound.

13 Richard Birthistle Wheelbarrow objecting to road through C. Simmons 220 acre paddock being closed. to be considered in connection with Engineers report.

14 Sect Shire of St Arnaud suggesting a joint transfer of weir to Waterworks Trust & consenting to have necessary papers etc signed.

15 Secty Inglewood Hospital acknowledging receipt of Councils donation with thanks.

16 D. Leslie & Co Railway contractors stating they had given instructions to keep all road crossings on the line of Railway in good order. Received

17 Secty St Arnaud Hospital placing the claims of that Institution before the Council & soliciting a donation.
Moved by Cr Bourchier } That a donation of £5 be given
Sec by Cr Ross } to the St A Hospital. Carried

18 Dr Macnaro reporting that Scarlet fever of rather severe form existed in the family of W. Chambers at Korong Vale

Received

19 D. Box re Culvert Coonoer East.
Referred to Engineer

20 Department of Public Works promising to consider the matter of assistance in maintaining the main road leading to Korong Vale Station - when the next Estimates are under Consideration. Received

21 Chief Inspector of distilleries requesting return of licenses issued by Council for the year 1883.

22 C. Howard desiring immediate completion of Windmill Shaft Buckrabanyule.

23 W. A Jones disclaiming any responsibility or connection with fire near Mr Saunders.
Moved by Cr Bourchier } That the Council does not accept
Sec by Cr Martin } any responsibility for damage done to Mr Saunders property by fire.

24 Douglas Bros Buckrabanyule stating only one weeks water existed in their neighborhood and asking Council to do something to relieve their wants. Cr Bourchier thought the Engineer should have carried out the works at Windmill Shaft long ago and it was decided the members for the North Riding be empowered to proceed with work required immediately.

25 R. Webb Charlton asking permission to slaughter Sheep on East side of Avoca river without a license as he has to pay to Stannard for slaughtering in his yards which are on the west side of the river. Recieved Council being unable to grant Concession asked for.

26 R. Proctor Sons Charlton objecting to valuation of their property as being to high including acp re requesting Council to refund half cost of bricking footpath in front of their premises.
Moved by Cr Steel } That the valuator take Proctors Case into
Sec by Cr Ross } consideration, but that the acp be not entertained.
Amendment moved by Cr Coutts } That Messrs Proctors
Sec by Cr Redwood } letter be received but not entertained - Against 3 For 4 Amendment Carried

27 Secty Loddon United Trust stating that acp preferred by the Council had been referred to the Engineer for the Trust to report on the value & utility of each item.
Moved by Cr Bourchier } That the Council declines to take
Seconded by Cr Steel } any outside valuation for the works transferred to the Loddon Trust & insist on the actual cost as charged being paid for them. Carried
Cr Bourchier stated that the Olga Plains tank is going to ruin and that a large flock of Sheep is continually in and about it and that the Trust be requested to attend to it at once.

28 W. Machne applying for one month extension of time on Contract at Hope Creek. Granted

The Treasurer reported receipts since last meeting £1444 2 8
Expenditure £437 11 4 Bank overdraft £568 2 9
Moved by Cr Steel } That Treasurers report be received
Seconded by Cr Coutts } and adopted. Carried

Report from engineer with offer from Messrs. Bremner to supply engine and pump for Buckrabanyule shaft for £595.
Instructions were given to enquire as to cost of boiler, engine and pump.
Report of Inspector of Works received & approved.
Report of Rabbit Inspector received.
The Secretary brought up a bye law for the management of watercourses, drains &c within the Shire numbered two, and also a bye law for preventing the destruction of Game on roads &c numbered three and stated that the necessary notices had been given and that copies of the bye laws had been deposited in the Shire Office for inspection.
Moved by Cr Bourchier
Sec. by Cr. Steel } That this Council agree to pass the bye laws submitted numbered two and three, and that the necessary

notice be given for the confirmation of such by-law by special order at the next ordinary meeting of the Council. — Carried.

Moved by Cr. Clark
Sec. by Cr. Ross That application be made to the Railway Department for the opening of a crossing in line with a road between Allen & Hamilton Lane in the parish of Bonny.
Carried

Motions under notice.

By Cr. Martin.
Sec by — That a well be sunk on the boundary of the North and Central Ridings near Mr Cattle
The motion, not being seconded, lapsed.
The engineer was instructed to report on the advisability of sinking a well at the place proposed, & of sinking a tank if more suitable

Cr. Bourchier withdrew his motion for draining and filling near Cannon & Williamson's land
Moved by Cr. Bourchier
Sec. by Cr. Martin That tenders be called for forming about 15 chains South of H. Kitchin's land in Wyhetitta. — Carried.

Moved by Cr. Clark
Sec. by Cr. Ross That tenders be called for the erection of a bridge near Kitchin on the Meddebourn & Carrow road.
Carried

Moved by Cr. Steel
Sec. by Cr. Ross That tenders be called for cutting drains where required on the road from Meddebourn to the railway station.
Also that the portion from Thomas Ross

lane towards Meddebourn between the fences be drained and formed.
Carried

Moved by Cr Hall
Sec by Cr Coutts That tenders be called for the erection of a bridge over the Ferribee creek near Adams'. Carried

Moved by Cr. Bourchier
Sec. by Cr Clark That the present valuation of the Shire be a standing valuation for two years
The motion was lost

For	Against
Cr. Bourchier	Cr. Hall. Steel. Ross
Clark	Coutts & Redwood
Martin	

Moved by Cr. Bourchin
Sec. by Cr. Ross That an additional Thousand yards be excavated from the South Wyhetitta tank, the work to be given to the present contractor at contract price.
Carried.

Cr. Redwood withdrew his motion for cutting drains on the Meddebourn & Rhodes road pending the survey of the road.

Moved by Cr. Bourchin for the President
Sec. by Cr. Steel. That tenders be called for 25 chains of forming in various places on the Charlton & Glenlotta road
Carried

Moved by Cr Hall
Sec. by Cr Coutts That Cr. Redwood be authorised to expend about £5 in keeping blinding put on newly made road at Bangworth. Carried.

C. Martin asked leave to move without notice that tenders be called for constructing a tank in Myrtle.
Objection being made the motion could not be put.

Instructions to Officers.

Moved by Cr. Bouchier
Sec. by Cr. Martin That the engineer have the pump at the Myrtlebank tank put in proper order and have a trough placed there.
Carried

Cr. Steel. That caretakers of tanks furnish reports at each meeting of the condition of the tanks, depth of water &c.

Cr. Ross. That the Inspector of Works' reports be in future attached to the engineer's reports for reference only.

Cr. Ross That a report be furnished of all expenses incurred in the erection of the weighbridge at Kerrigobe

Moved by Cr. Coutts
Sec. by Cr. Ross That one month's leave of absence be given to the Secretary
Carried

Cr. Bouchier on the part of the Committee appointed to report on the agreements with the engineer consisting of Cr. Hall, Cr. Clark, and himself stated that they recommended an alteration in one of the clauses to the effect that no allowance beyond the salary fixed be permitted, and that not more than three pounds be allowed when making road surveys. Eight hours to be a day's work independent of the

time occupied in travelling to and fro. —
Also that in future the salary paid to the engineer be £250 per annum with an allowance of £100 per annum for travelling expenses.
Cr. Clark stated that though he had signed the report in deference to the wish of his colleagues on the committee he considered that the total amount paid to the engineer should be not more than £350 per annum, and he asked that the question should be discussed by the Council
Moved by Cr. Coutts
Sec. by Cr. Redwood That the discussion be postponed to next meeting as the engineer is not present
The motion was lost by the casting vote of the Chairman
After further discussion it was —
Moved by Cr. Steel
Sec. by Cr. Clark } That the salary of the engineer be reduced from £330 to £300 per annum, to take effect at the expiry of one month from this date.

(See page 222 this motion ruled to be ultra vires as irregular)

Carried

Cr. Ross contractor, applied personally for an additional payment on his contract for supplying metal on the Broadmeadows station road on the ground that the metal was partly delivered at a greater distance than the specification required.
He was requested to apply in writing at next meeting.

Notices of Motion.

1 Cr. Coutts. That a culvert be constructed on Cuttle's, Mr. Coughlan's farm on road from Lyndhurst towards Emu Bridge

2 Cr. Martin That a tank of 2000 c. yards be excavated at Nyrrie

3 Cr. Redwood That tenders be called for the repair of the Nyrrieweir storm channel within the Shire, and that the Nyrrieweir Borough Council be asked to join in the work within the Borough, the Engineer to superintend both

4 Cr. Redwood That the road from Riddlesburn to Rhodes be improved and necessary draining done thereon

5 Cr. Ross That two crossings be made at Nyrrieweir in Comer Est

6 Cr. Clark That a committee be appointed for the purpose of considering the necessity for retrenchment in the management of the Council business, to consist of Cr. Hall Crutts, Beerchie, Martin, Stut, Ross, and the president

Moved in Cr. Redwood
Sec. by Cr. Crutts That the Rabbit Inspector for the South Riding be re-appointed as before

Carried

Moved by Cr. Crutts
Sec. by Cr. Beerchie That the following accounts as recommended by the Finance Committee be passed and paid.

Carried

170	Con 811	Crisp & Rose	5 - 0 - 0
171	Con 871	Crisp	7 - 7 - 6
172	Con 861	Maclure	20 - 0 - 0
		£	32 . 7 . 6

Forward £ 32 . 7 . 6

173	Road Survey		31 - 19 - 0
174	Con 854	Lucas	15 - 0 - 0
175	Labour	Wm Holt	3 - 0 - 0
176	Flitcroft	erecting bridge Korong Vale	2 - 5 - 0
177	Rose	removing Survey Camp	2 - 2 - 0
178	Interest	on first Instalment of Water Coun	12 - 0 - 6
179	Con 812	Crisp & Rose	2 - 0 - 0
180	822	A Forrest	85 - 0 - 0
181	Goudge	Carting bricks to Korong Vale	3 - 10 - 0
182	Flannery	erecting weighbridge Korong Vale	16 - 15 - 0
183	Maclure	Labour at Commons tank	2 - 10 - 0
184	McLean Bros & Rigg	Weighbridge for K V	95 - 0 - 0
185	Inspector	Delaney Salary to Dec 31st	2 - 10 - 0
186	Sundry	accounts	11 - 2 - 0
187	S. Reider	Valuations	50 - 0 - 0
188	Moncrift	Weighbridge Commissions	4 - 3 - 3
189	Wedderburn	Water Supply wages of pipelayers	6 - 3 - 4
190	Lamont	transfer of Charlton Weir	3 - 3 - 0
191	Coffey	Salary to 31st December	2 - 10 - 0
192	Con 814	Jones	2 - 0 - 0
193	Chisholm	various works South Riding	8 - 8 - 0
194	Con 851	Keogh	25 - 0 - 0
195	Con 852	Keogh	15 - 0 - 0
196	Mrs Moncrift	Res allow etc	4 - 2 - 6
197	Hornblower & Co	advertising etc	7 - 5 - 0
198	W S Steel	day labour	6 - 12 - 0
199	Purchase of	rabbit scalps & Common Jams	5 - 19 - 5
200	Con 861	Maclure	10 - 0 - 0
201	MacClure	Salary as Rabbit Inspector	7 - 10 - 0
202	Paterson	Salary as Inspector of works	16 - 13 - 4
203	Engineer	1 mo Salary	29 - 3 - 4
204	Secretary	1 mo Salary	25 - 0 - 0
205	Gray	4 Weeks Salary as Assist Secty	6 - 0 - 0
206	Guthrie	various works at K V Weighbridge	4 - 19 - 0
207	Health Statistics	Mr Vean visiting Kingsparadise	5 - 5 - 0
208	Office	Expenses	2 - 19 - 1
		Forward £	564 - 14 - 3

		Forward £	564 - 17 - 8	
209	Bon 872	Garonne	5 - 0 - 0	
210	" 821	Lucas	2 - 0 - 0	
211	Labour R & S Martin		1 - 10 - 0	
212	Reach salary as rate collector to Dec 31st		12 - 10	
213	Donation to Brunswick Relief Fund		10 - 0	
214	Donation to St Arnaud Hospital		6 - 0 - 0	
215	Thos Cosh Salary as Rate Collector to Dec 31st		12 - 10	
216	G. F Grant salary do	do	18 - 0 - 0	
		£	631 - 7 - 8	

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

Carpenter

20 February 1883

Robt Stee Chairman