Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Kyvong Shire Council held in the Shire Hall Yeadamburn January 15. 1884. Present Cr Ross. Hall. Redwood Martin Paterson, Cahill Coutts —

Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Correspondence: —

1. C Martin read a letter calling attention to incompetency of K. Beaton who had been appointed Keeper of the Myrpie Weighbridge, and produced Receipts showing mistakes in the subtraction of the tare from the gross.

The President reported with reference to this subject that together with the Secretary he had opened applications for office of caretakers to weighbridges in the north Riding and that K. Beaton Junr as he understood, was the applicant in this case and was recommended with James Stewart and A. Sinclair for the Boxing and Wychitella bridges respectively.

The following were applications received

For Boxing James Stewart 50% on gross taking
" " W. H. Bilton 70% " "
" Myrpie K. Ashton 50% " "
" " K. Beaton 50% " "
" " W H Bilton 65% " "
" Wychitella Edwd Roberts 50% " "
" " John Prion 75% " "
or 10% on all fees above £1 per week that amount or under to be kept
" Wychitella Alex Sinclair 50% " "
" " W. H. Bilton 60% " "

Moved by Cr Martin Seconded by Cr Hall } That William Ashton be appointed Keeper of the Myrpie Bridge in place of Beaton who had been recommended under a misapprehension and that Mr James Stewart be appointed for Boxing and Mr Alexander Sinclair for Wychitella —

Correspondence Carried.

1. Letter from C. McAdam pointing out necessity for weighbridge at Dunolly Railway Station.

Moved by Mr Paterson seconded by Cr Martin That

weighbridges be erected at Banakee and Buckrabanyule Railway Stations as soon as funds are available Secretary to inform Mr Adam to that effect — Carried

2. Shire of St Arnaud declining to increase bonus on rabbit-scalps and ears unless the Govt also increased their subsidy — Received —

3. Shire of Shepparton soliciting Cooperation in testing case re new Licenses —
Cr Paterson } That Council join in paying expenses
Cr Martin } of test case re new licenses Carried

4. Secretary for Lands that it was intended to withhold, departmentally, from Selection about 1000 acres of land adjoining reserve of 160 a on Mt Korong —
Received

5. Lands and Survey Department — that reservation of 136. 1. 24 (a. r. p) for supply of gravel parish of Boorong had been Gazetted —

6. Land Office St Arnaud forwarding order to pay the sum of £3. 1. 6 as fee for Survey of Market Square Reserve Wedderburn. Cheque had been sent —
The Secretary thought the Council might obtain a share of the Grant for Public Parks.
Cr Paterson moved that application be made for same
agreed to.

7. John Beveridge & others Glenalbyn with petition for fence along road near gully by Mrs Allens Half way Hotel.
Cr Redwood moved & Cr Hall seconded that the Engineer inspect dangerous place complained of by Beveridge and others and have same protected if deemed necessary — Carried

8. Thos Kellett Tintons Creek complaining of overflow of water upon his land through recent road works

Secretary to reply that matter would be attended to — Engineer to report.

Cr Coutts } Moved that the Secretary obtain a copy of
Cr Redwood } the Post Office directory — carried

9. Crown Law Office in reply to inquiries relative to proclamation of Special licensing district at Caaiga Lea that nothing was known to the Department in the matter beyond the terms of the application which had been followed in the proclamation —
Received

10. Deaf & Dumb Institution, Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Society, Blind Asylum,
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12 Orphan Asylum, Infant Asylum, & Inglewood Hospital and
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14 Sandhurst Benevolent Society acknowledging receipt of donations
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16 from Council. Received —

17. Govt Statist acknowledging receipt of the annual Statistical Shire Return for year 1883, and requesting Copy of Balance Sheet —
Received

18 The Same asking for return of livestock slaughtered —
to be supplied

19. Railway Department that no objection existed with regard to removal of fence and gateway at Wychitella Station and that work would be done by the Department and charged to the Council — The Engineer had also purchased from Mr Eames 12 perches for the same purpose — Action taken was approved

20. Messrs Crabbe & Kirby (Solicitors Sandhurst) with reference to drain cut by Council adjacent to Mr Trimbles land Wedderburn and intimating that unless drain was altered and water allowed to resume its natural course legal proceedings would be taken —
Cr Paterson was averse to "legal proceedings" and thought the drain should be altered as desired, he would refer the matter to the members for the Central Riding.
The President was of the same opinion and moved That the water be allowed to run as before — Cr Coutts

pointed out the many contrary complaints relative to the turning off and the turning on of water —
The motion was not seconded and no action was taken.

21. R. S. Steel Curator of Wedderburn Reservoir reporting depth of water of Lake to be 9 feet 2 in that the small leak at the bottom of the embankment had ceased running. that complaints had been made regarding the impure state of the water of Lake and submitting probable causes for same and that water was now very good — received —

Cr Ross
Cr Paterson

The President stated that complaints had been made respecting the extravagant use of water for gardens and moved that the Engineer be instructed to prosecute all persons found wasting water. Carried —

22. H. Lamont (Solicitor Inglewood) forwarding transfer of land from Mc James to Council (for Weighbridge) for signature.
Received

23. Manager Bank of Australasia (Wedderburn) re transfer of a/c. that Council could be accommodated to full extent authorized by the Local Govt Act the rate of interest at the present time to be 8% Received

24. P. O Brien report on condition of Kingower Reservoir
Received

25. Residents of Wedderburn soliciting support of Council in endeavor to obtain additional postal accommodation —

Cr Paterson
Cr Cahill

That Council apply for additional mails as requested per letter from Messrs Graig & others — Carried

26. John Collins Rooseng applying for four months time to remove fence obstructions on road between Mr Kinnaugh and himself — Moved by Cr Cahill & seconded by the President — That Collins application be granted Carried

27. C. Campbell Powlett That drain recently cut by Shire was broken at both ends and required fencing
Received

Treasurer reported Receipts since last meeting £1244.3/6
Expenditure £804.10.10 Overdraft £1192.16.6

~~The Annual Meeting adjourned for the purpose of holding the annual meeting.~~

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Continued from ~~Previous Meeting~~.

Engineer reported having taken Section along Inglewood and Serpentine road near Pilleck Milling Co's Hotel, with a view to diverting storm water from near south side of Mr Griffin's property into the Creek by Pilleck. The length of cutting required would be about 140 yards and the average depth being 3 feet three inches, the cutting would require fencing and the cost of fencing ~~and the fencing~~ would bring the total cost up to nearly £100. That is omitting two bridges which would be required. He suggested as a better way to cope with the difficulty would be to cut a drain from main road from the Serpentine road to the Loddon &c &c. The three weighbridges for the North Riding had arrived and been erected and are now working well. As there seemed considerable doubt as to the Department sanctioning the removal of the Railway fence at Inglewood to allow claims to him he had purchased a piece of land from Mr J McInnes opposite the entrance to the Goods Sheds on which to erect weighbridge. The area of the land taken from McInnes was 13 perches and the price agreed on was £10. The Shire works are nearly all at a standstill and as labour is very scarce will likely continue so for the next month or six weeks.

Cr Coutts moved that the report be received and the matters recommended dealt with later on.
Seconded by Cr Hall and carried.

Motions under Notice

Moved by Cr Ross — That motions under notice for works be postponed — Carried.
Seconded by Cr Redwood

Cr Redwood, Cr Hall — That the use of the South Riding be kept at the Bank of Victoria Inglewood and all moneys collected in that Riding be paid into that Bank.

For: Cr Redwood, Cr Hall, Cr Coutts — Against: Cr Ross, Cr Martin, Cr Carroll

Appointment of Health Officer

Cr Redwood moved that Dr Adam be appointed Health Officer for the South Riding at the salary mentioned in his letter viz £20 per annum and allowance of 5/- per mile one way in cases where authorised.
Cr Coutts Seconded the motion. Carried

Cr Paterson thought one Health Officer enough for the Shire but did not wish to oppose the South Riding members, he objected to any allowance being made for travelling expenses as pointed out that for 11 years the average expenditure was £11 yearly. He was against paying ~~which in that~~ £100 a year when one half that amount would do. Cr Redwood thought that as the ~~Revenue~~ salary would come out of the South Riding revenue no other Riding had any right to complain. Cr Paterson thought it a bad precedent, ~~and~~ the number of ratepayers in the different Ridings were about the same. He moved that Dr Adam be appointed for the South Riding at a salary of £10 per annum and 5/- per mile travelling expenses for 12 months. Seconded by the President the voting being

	lost	For	against
Cr Carroll, Cr Martin	That Dr McVean be appointed Health Officer for the North & Central Ridings at £40 per annum & 5/- per mile travelling expenses ~~where~~ one way, where specially authorised for 12 months	2	5

Carried

General Business

Cr Hall brought up a/cs for Printing and pointed out that the Charges made by the Dunolly Tribune in an a/c for ~~advertising~~ Printing weighbridge books was double amount charged by Inglewood Advertiser and was also in excess for advertisement, and moved that ~~in future~~ the Council will in future pay only the same rates to each newspaper. Carried.

Cr Hall called attention to the rabbit plague in the South Riding and recommended that some steps be taken to

destroy them.
Moved by Mr Cavill, That the provisions of the Rabbit Act be enforced with respect to land in ~~the~~ Ringmer and Chualwyn. Carried
The Secretary was instructed to make arrangement with Mr Phillips of Inglewood to supply arsenic & oats at ratepayers on Road holder in the South Riding for Rabbit poisoning.

The President alluded to the heavy expense of day labour & and moved that in future no labour be employed in the Central Riding without the consent of the Commission for the Riding.
Seconded by Mr Cahill and carried.
Engineer asks for instructions re Campbell's proposal to fence around his ground.
1. Mr Rexwood, That Ashton be employed to put up a
Mr Hall, fence there at 25/ per chain. Carried
2 Engineer was instructed to get bridge at Rowe
3 fixed and painted, also to have bridge near Coughlin's
4 repaired and to have fingerposts attended to &
5 repaired, & Summon & the roads have not been
6 opened after Notice, Kinsey's line on contract 220 to be excluded one month.
By Mr Cahill, Engineer to have crossings made by Cummings.

Notices of Motion

Mr Rose for crossing & 20 chains ~~of fencing~~ on road running South from Kammers bounded on one Western
Mr Cahill crossing on road running east from Hannah
(2) " for crossing Meadenburn St Orchard road by Johnstones
(3) " for 40 chains drains by Kellett & open Forest Road & also Cochrans gully
Mr Hall moved that the following accs be passed and paid

210	Chas Wilkin Dillon	80		
211	Vincent building Weighbridge foundations	4	10	0
	Forward	£84	10	0

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212	Weighbridge Cost Sutherland	3	8	0
213	Conyy. L. Rose	8	0	0
214	Rabbit Suppression	7	5	0
215	Conyy38. Crisp	16	15	0
216	Conyy64. Lucas	80	0	0
217	Weighbridge Cost	9	8	8
218	Paterson attending Conference re Rabbits	6	0	0
219	Martin " " "	6	0	0
220	Survey fees for Market Square	8	1	6
221	Weighbridge freight Brychitello	7	1	4
222	Pat Kavil balance on forming by Cummins	10	0	0
223	Board Rabbit Scalps & Commission	5	8	4
224	Refund of Crisp's temporary license	1	18	0
225	Reader rent of Thistlebed	40	0	0
226	Hamilton Weighbridge Commission	1	5	6
227	Sutherland Carpenter Work	4	17	6
228	Crisp carting bricks & Wychit	3	13	6
229	John Keegs Weigh Commission	3	6	3
230	John Leach rabbit Suppression	8	3	4
231	Cupples & Stud	6	0	0
232	Gilbert & Beck of Victoria Moncrieff Weigh Commission	56	8	5
233	Cash Dog Commission	2	7	3
234	Geo. Franklin building Weigh Office	14	0	9
235	Newton labour at Wychit Weighbridge	5	0	0
236	Crisp carting bricks for Bridge Ringwood	1	10	0
237	Secretary 1 month salary	6	2	0
238	Engineer 1 month salary	26	0	0
239	J. R. Gray Chairman Assistant 1 month	29	3	4
240	A. R. Gray Auditing Cpn	8	6	8
		14	14	0
241	R. G. Blackburn Auditing accs	19	8	0
242	Leach Rate Collector salary for qr	12	10	0
243	Cash " " "	12	10	0
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	Forward	£529	2	4

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245	Wilson 1 mo lamplighting	3	16	2
246	McKay Bros Weighbridge	180	0	0
247	Lock & Ming funding vehicles	3	9	5
248	Ross & Small & Jackson Stationery	4	13	0
249	McInnes Card for Weighbridge	10	0	0
250	Tomblower & Co printing &c	5	6	0
251	Tribune Office Printing &c	7	1	0
252	Sun Office do	2	13	6
253	Hewett & Ingram bricks	12	8	0
254	Cowper Rosser & Richardson	60	0	0
255	Chisholm filling holes by Cattle and Sheep	3	6	0
256	McKay Bros & Co incidental expenses separating weighbridge	9	2	6
257	Mr McGeorge Fees allowance	4	5	6
258	Office Expenses Stamps &c	3	18	6
259	W. S. Steel Dup. repairs	6	12	0
260	G. Boyle assisting at Survey of Roads	1	1	0
261	J. O'Brien Attend and drag labour	2	16	—
262	Inspect Molan 1/2 year's salary	5	0	0
263	Gunter & Burin 9 months salary & Bailiff	3	15	0
264	Laidlaw removing fence & architects	2	10	0
265	R. A. Jones making crossing Canning Road	2	4	—
266	sundries for Voucher	10	6	8
		£ 843	6	10

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

Confirmed 29th February 1884.

Donald Ross President

Annual Meeting.

The adjourned annual meeting of the Council was resumed on the 15th January 1884. at the Three Mile Woodbury.

Present Cr Ross in the Chair Cr Hall, Redwood, Paterson Gordon, Cahill and Watts.

The Secretary submitted Statement of accounts duly audited and read auditors report which certified to the books having been faithfully kept.

Cr Hall moved and Cr Watts seconded that the Statement of a/cs and report be received and adopted. Carried.

The meeting then closed

Confirmed 29th February 1884.

Donald Ross President