Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Korong Shire Council held in the Shire Hall Wedderburn January 13th 1885.
Present Cr Redwood (President) in the Chair Messrs Martin Ross Coutts
Correspondence:—Bourke Paterson & Cahill
Minutes of the previous meeting were read & confirmed.

1. Lands Department re "Rabbit Extirpation" dealt with later at Special meeting
2. Dr McGlew relative to sickness in family of Mr Pat K Hurley W Chitella received
3. Mrs Brown re road through her selection Burkes Flat
4. Water Supply Department with return to be filled up shewing what ~~waterworks~~ works in connection with Water Supply had been performed during year. Secretary had attended to same
5. Bendigo Benevolent Asylum acknowledging receipt of Councils donation of £2
6. Melbourne Orphan Asylum with receipt for donation of £1—
7. Society for the Protection of animals receipt for donation
8. Victorian Eye & Ear Hospital receipt for donation of £2
9. Deaf & Dumb Institution receipt for £2.
10. Victorian Blind Asylum receipt for donation of £2—
11. Victorian Infant Asylum receipt for £1—
12. Water Supply Department relative to Complaint of Messrs Dowling & others that their water supply was being

polluted by the brackish water from the Wehla mines and stating that the Wehla Mining Co denied having allowed "one drop of water to ever find their course to flow into either of the creeks mentioned." Copy had been sent to complainants

14 Loddon United Water Trust declining to entertain request from Council relative to the construction of Bridge across the Kingparnel Creek ~
Secretary read Mr Webb's opinion as to liability of Water Trusts. No action taken.

15 J. Phillips acknowledging receipt of donation of £2-10/- from Council to Aug Benevolent Society ~

16 Frederick Dunn stating the conditions under which he is prepared to act as Public Analyst.
Received

16a Constable Morris Korong Vale reporting cases of "Hawking" Camping on roads at night with sheep &c
received

17 E. Humphries Charlton applying for permission to erect horse trough in front of his Hotel ~
granted subject to Engineers Instructions.

18 P. O'Brien Kingower reporting favorably on Condition of Reservoir ~ Received

19 Lands Department re mode of proceeding to be adopted in road surveys received

21 the Same directing attention to proclamation in Government Gazette of January 2nd '63, relative to Trustees of Kingower Cemetery — received

22 Constable Mitrio reporting case of Scarlatina near Korong Vale received

23 Dr McVean reporting case of Typhoid Fever at Wychitella and that the usual precautions had been taken Received

24 Public Works Department with form of Claim for signature &c in connection with balance due on Kingparnel Bridge

25 Dr McVean reporting 6 cases of measles at Borung and that usual precautions had been taken. Received.
Presented by C. Martin

27 Petition, signed by 24 Ratepayers in the parishes of Borung, Mosia, and Kingparnel &c protesting against the proposal to open a road through an allot recently selected by William Brennan, on the ground that such road was not required in the interest of the Public and if opened will injure Mr Brennan
Referred to Members for North Riding and Engineer.

28 W. Steel reporting a good supply of water in the Reservoirs and tanks in the Central Riding ~

R. Baker applies for extension of time on his Contract No
Cr Redwood
Cr Hall } That an extension of 3 months be granted
Carried
Cr Coutts reports that Complaints are made of Machine having left fallen timber on the road at his Contract near Fernihurst. Engineer to attend to same.

Treasurer Reported Receipts since last meeting £1075-10-3
Expenditure £552-0-4 Overdraft £1384-15-9
Cr Coutts
Cr Paterson } That the Treasurer's report be received and approved. Carried

The Secretary submitted a scale of Weighbridge Fees ~ those in force being found inconvenient ~

Scale of Fees

For weighing 10 ~~bags~~ sacks of grain or one Ton of other produce	6d
Over one Ton and not exceeding one Ton & a half	9d
Over 1½ Tons and not exceeding 2 Tons	1/-
Over 2 Tons and not exceeding 2½ Tons	1/3
Over 2½ Tons and not exceeding 3 Tons	1/6
Over 3 Tons and not exceeding 3½ Tons	1/9
Over 3½ Tons and not exceeding 4 Tons	2/-
Over 4 Tons and not exceeding 4½ Tons	2/3
Over 4½ Tons and not exceeding 5 Tons	2/6
Over 5 Tons and not exceeding 6½ Tons	2/9
6 Tons and upwards	3/-

Cr Paterson (with leave) moved that a special order of the Council be made rescinding the existing scale of Weighbridge Charges and that the above scale be substituted.
Seconded by Cr Martin and Carried.

Engineer
1 Reported that in company with Cr Hall he had endeavored to arrange with Milne the Contractor for the Bridge over Simpsons creek to relinquish the work and had offered £20 as Compensation for the loss of time etc this amount Milne refused and asked for £25.
2 Re asphalting footpaths in Charlton had asked Mr Day Sandhurst to ~~quote~~ a price per super yard but had not yet received an answer, did not think the cost would exceed 2/6 per yard.
3 Re Mr Braybons application to select a part of the watercourse that joins the Wehla creek near Birthistles saw no objection to its being taken up in the manner shown on the parish plan laid on the table.

Cr Ross
Cr Paterson } That the Council again offer Mr Milne £20 as Compensation for loss of time and timber in Connection with ~~work~~ Contract for bridge over Simpsons Creek near Hargreaves.
Carried

Cr Paterson
Cr Redwood } That Mr Chisholm be employed to erect a Crossing at Hargreaves for £7
Carried

Asphalting at Charlton postponed.

Cr Ross
Cr Bourke } That the Council do not oppose the inclusion of the blind creek (mentioned by Mr Braybrow) in his selection in the Parish of Wehla.
Carried

The Public Works Committee then brought up the following tenders.

For Right to Graze horses in Market Square for 12 months

No 1.	G. W. Abson	£3. 10. 0
	R. Trimble	4. 4. 0
	Burge & Treble	2. 0. 0
	J. R. Grace	1. 15. 0
	W. Crisp	2. 0. 0

Council declines to accept any tender, on the ground that the admission of horses might be dangerous to Children.

2. Cutting down Sandhill near Geo & the Burchard property Tenders

Thos Murphy	£109. 7. 0	Not £75. 0. 0
H. Nickmott	90. 14. 0	
W. Machine	80. 15. 6	
W. Crisp	74. 12. 0	

Moved by Cr Redwood and

seconded by Cr Cahill that Bricks tender be accepted and that the Engineer be instructed to enforce the Conditions of this and all other Contracts without further Notice or authority —

Carried

Motions under Notice

Cr Paterson } That tenders be called for 60 chains of drain
Cr Martin } between Wm & Thos Groves selections and that the Material excavated be spread in crossholes in the centre of road — Carried

Cr Ross } " for Culvert on road to Whites by Winters corner
Cr Cahill } Carried

Cr Cahill for Bridge over Avoca postponed.

Cr Cahill } " for culvert in creek opposite
Cr Bourke } Sutherlands Tawong Carried

Cr Bourke } " a Jack on road near Walkers and
Cr Cahill } O'Neils, Spring Hill, clay from track to form roadway through Swamp.

Carried

General Business

Cr Martin stated that an Inspector of Nuisances was greatly needed at Korong Vale and moved that Constable Moores be appointed at a salary of £10 per annum to be paid out of all three Ridings seconded by Cr Ross carried —

The Engineer asked for assistance in providing travelling ~~expenses~~ Conveniences or for and addition to his allowance for that purpose.

Cr Paterson is of opinion that Engineer should have some addition and —

moves that a bonus of £20 be paid him out of the Presidents allowance seconded by Cr Hall

Cr Coutts moved as an amendment that the matter be allowed to stand over till next meeting seconded by Cr Bourke — Argument hot and The motion was carried the voting being

For the motion	Against
5	3

Cr Ross } That 30/- be paid to D. Box for collecting rabbit
Cr Cahill } scalps at Boorowa East —

Carried

Instructions

Cr Ross } Engineer to report on Crossing wanted between
Cr Cahill } Rylands and Carlons and if cost will not exceed £15 tenders to be called for same carried.

Mr Cr Paterson Engineer to have road rolled near Woorang State School

Cr Paterson } Tenders be called for contract abandoned
Cr Ross } by Cutherie from Roberts to Rounds Wedderburn and Charlton road Carried
also for metalling at Barrooka if abandoned by present contractor —

Cr Coutts Engineer to have break removed from road between Dinnotts & Burkes Flat —

Notices of Motion

Cr Hall Tenders be called for culvert over drain South of the present culvert by Routers towards the State School also for completing formation on old Inglewood Road near Routers also for removing culvert further South to a place a little further North and some small repairs on the same road in Kingower.

Also an open Crossing or Culvert over a dry creek crossing the deviation between Kingower & the Springs & Koyoora

Cr Cahill " for forming road running east from Boxes Bridge

Cr Brutto Tenders be called for drains on road running N. & W. between the farms of Guilfoyle & Isaacs Prowell about 1 mile

Cr Redwood
Cr Hall } That the following accs brought up by the Finance Committee be passed for payment — Carried

204	Cor 1027 Wilkish & Dillon	15		
205	Cor 1036 Guthrie	3	12	0
206	Cor 1058 Frank Rose	9		
207	Rose & Woodring making crossing Borrowed	3	18	0
208	Cor 1059 Wilkish & Dillon	15		
209	Korong Agricult. Society for fence Recorder Court	7	10	0
210	Foster repairing fence & pumps Mechanics	2	2	6
211	Cor 1025 R. Baker	15	0	0
212	W. Steel curator of reservoir Central Riding	3	0	0
213	Cor 1051 Maclure	25		
214	Stubbs 40% Commission on Weighbridge Fees	2	0	9
215	Inspector Coffey salary to 31st Decem 84	5	0	0
216	Inspector Delaney salary to do &c	3	2	6
217	Interest on Waterworks Loan	28	4	0
218	Inspector Nolan salary to Decem 31/84	5	0	0
219	Mess. Arnall & Jackson stationery &c	1	19	3
220	Robinson Bros C. S. Lumsho & bikeage	15	19	10
221	O'Brien curator Kingower Reservoir salary	2	10	
222	O'Connell salary as Curator of Rheola Reservoir	3		
223	Saml Rinder (Secty) 1. mo salary	25		
224	John Starr 1. mo salary	29	3	4
225	J. R. Grant Esq 1. mo do as Assist Secty	8	6	8
226	John Reach salary for qr as Rate Collector	12	10	
227	Thos Cosh " " also Commission on drgs	1	4	
228	G. F. Grant salary qr ending 31.12.84	8		
229	Office Expenses per voucher	4	13	10
230	Sundry accs per voucher	5	16	9
231	Mess. Jackson Bros advty for acc	6	0	0
	Forward	£ 315	- 0	- 5

	Brought Forward	£ 315	- 0	- 5
232	Councils annual subscription to the Exchange	5	- 5	- 0
233	Thos Phillips disinfectants &c	2	- 18	- 3
234	Annual Donation to Inglewood Hospital	20	- 0	- 0
235	" " St Arnaud Hospital	25	- 0	- 0
236	Mr Moncrieff President's allowance	3	- 16	- 0
237	T. W. Jones labour at Kerghs contract	8	- 16	- 0
238	Cor 1046. T. B. Kinsey	18	- 0	- 0
239	Cor 1054. C. Lucas	10	- 0	- 0
240	Road Surveys (wages of men & horse hire)	6	- 6	- 0
		£ 395	- 1	- 8

Cr Redwood
Cr Hall } That the next ordinary meeting be held on the 3rd Tuesday in February and the meeting then closed for the purpose of holding a Special meeting

Confirmed February 17th 1885.
Richd Redwood President

Special Meeting

Held in the Shire Hall on Monday 12th 1/85.
for the Consideration of the new Rabbit Act
Present:- The same Councillors that attended the ordinary meeting

Correspondence:-

A letter was read from the Secretary for Lands enquiring the terms upon which the Council is prepared to exterminate the Rabbits upon Crown Lands in the Shire and asking that the matter receive immediate attention, as the most favorable time for the destruction of the pest was during the summer months and stating that it ~~was~~ is desired that simultaneous action should be taken with the neighboring Shires

The Secretary read a report explaining the principal alterations &c in the new Bill Act.

Cr Hall called attention to the boundaries under the control of the Mining Board, the Bet Bet and Inglewood Councils & it was generally agreed that the most feasible way of dealing with the whole matter would be to let Contracts for the clearance of each Riding separately.

Cr Paterson
Cr Redwood } That tenders be called for clearing all unoccupied Crown Lands within the Shire of Rabbits! Tenders for each Riding to be sent in separately, to be completed within 12 months from acceptance of tender and the Tenderer to state a price for which he will keep the lands clear for 12 months ~~afterwards~~ after the expiry of his Contract progress payments to be made on the certificate of a Rabbit Inspector.

Carried

Cr Watts
Cr Ross } That applications be called for the office of Inspector under the Rabbit Act for each Riding applicants to name salary required.

Carried

Cr Ross
Cr Cahill } That the Secretary be appointed inspector for the month with instructions to serve notices (by post) to all landholders in the Shire to destroy rabbits ~~and brush fencing~~ &c

Carried

It was suggested that the 1st February be the date for commencing simultaneous action for the destruction of the pest. and the meeting terminated.

Confirmed 17. 2. 85
President