Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Korong Shire Council held in the Shire Hall Wedderburn on Tuesday 16th June 1885.

Present

Mr Redwood, President in the chair Bourchier, Coutts Paterson, Ross, Burke & Cahill

Minutes of previous meeting were read & confirmed

Correspondence

1. Railway Department re extension of platform Buckrabanyule Station received

2. Same re sanitary arrangements Korong Vale Station

3. Secretary Commission for Colonial & Indian Exhibition acknowledging Council's intention to Co-operate

4. Postal Department that a clock will be placed at Wedderburn P.O. in the lobby. Council did not approve of the position and instructed the Secty to suggest placing it in the front of the building

5. P. O'Brien reporting on Kingower Reserve.

6. Lands Department that surveys of roads in parishes of Tarnagulla & Glenalbyn etc had been noted on the locality plans as requested by the Engineer received

7. Water Supply Department requesting information concerning income & expenditure upon Shire Water Works. Secretary has supplied

8. Messrs Dunn & Collins Melbourne offering to supply Hydrants. pending

9 Department of Agriculture with a/c for £19. 15.. 10 for signature by Treasurer. attended to.

10 Mr Packham (Korong Vale) calling attention to necessity for clearing road running through G. H. Laity's selection to meet Powlett & Widderburn Road

Cr Bourchier
Cr Ross } That Tenders be called for the work required by Mr Packham. Carried.

11 Boort Red Dog Suppress Society to Cr Bourchier with a/c for £10 for bonus on Skins of 10 dingos purchased, a portion of the a/c had been previously paid and the balance £4 was passed for payment on the motion of Crs Bourchier and Ross.

12 Secretary of the new Group up Country Shires with report and minutes of proceedings of adjourned meeting held at Horsham on June 3rd 85.

Cr Ross stated that according to instructions he had attended the meeting as a representative of the Council and it had been agreed to hold the next meeting of the Group at Charlton on the 24th Inst.

Cr Bourchier
Cr Paterson } That the thanks of the Council be given to Cr Ross for his action at the Group meeting. it was also resolved that Cr Bourchier and Ross represent the Council at the Special Group meeting to be held at Charlton.

13. Ellen McMullen Rhoda asking Council to reduce the arrears for rates on her hotel (which had been removed to Wehla) to 10/- for which licence now applied.
Request agreed to.

14 Carter & Co Photographers offering to take views

of public buildings etc and to give estimate of cost on being supplied with information as to distance etc

Cr Redwood
Cr Ross } That 4 views be taken in each Riding, the Secretary & Engineer to select sites etc advertisements to be made for exhibits of wheat etc for exhibition and Statistics to be prepared — Carried

15 Jas Grimmett Senr Korong asking permission to temporarily close a road.
Secretary had replied that Council had no authority to grant permission.

16. Central Board of Health with suggestions for preventing the spread of Hydatids & Fluke etc

17 Gutherie & Simms for extension of time on their Contract at Cohuna. Granted one month.

18 Alexander Kimmimmonth with further particulars as to clearing applied for at previous meeting

19 Shire of Wimera with copies of resolutions adopted at Conference of Municipal Bodies on the Rabbit question held in Melbourne on 27th May and in accordance therewith requesting to be furnished with a detailed Statement of all sums expended by the Council in the destruction of rabbits during the two years ended 31st May 1885.
The Secretary had supplied information

20 Committee of the Gordon Memorial Fund asking Co operation in the Collection of Subscriptions

Cr Redwood
Cr Bourke } That £5 be voted from the Presidents allowance
Carried

21 Thos. Cosh (Rate collector) for leave of absence he to provide an efficient substitute

One months leave of absence granted on the motion of Cr. Bourchier & Ross.

22 George Lemon Murraca relative to a road laid out through his selection and asking permission to be allowed to explain the matter with a view to having it altered.

Mr Lemon attended personally and produced a plan of the road referred to. It was decided to refer the matter to Members for the Riding and the engineer for inspection of the locality and report for next meeting.

23 Messrs. McCurk Bros asking Council to provide Box drain across road between their property & McGovans in Kangroon. referred to the Engineer.

Cr Bourchier referred to an alleged error made by Jas Wm. Nichol in an acct for labour and moved that the Engineer examine the account and if the error exists he pay the acct in full seconded by Cr Ross & carried

Treasurer Reported Receipts since last meeting £1241.15.8
Expenditure £729.9.6 Bank overdraft £210.13.6

Cr Ross
Cr. Redwood } That the Treasurer's report be received & approved
Carried

Revision Court

The Secretary alluded to the resolution carried at the previous meeting authorising the holding of a second Revision Court at Charlton. He expressed the opinion that the Council cannot hold two courts. Cr Bourchier suggested that a Committee of the Council attend at Charlton and receive claims

to be put on the roll. the proposal was agreed to and the 15th July fixed as the date. any Councillor to attend who chose, The date of holding the formal Revision Court was fixed for July the 20th on the motion of the President seconded by Cr Bourke, the next ordinary meeting of the Council to be held on that day.

Engineer Reported

1. That in conjunction with Cr Bourchier he had attended the Conference on the subject of Rabbit extirpation called by the Kerera Shire Council and had the resolutions of which had been presented to the Minister for Lands who had declined for the present to adopt them.
2. With regard to the road at Mt Egbert which it was alleged had caused the damage to Mr Alford & conveyance finds that it is rough on both sides.
3. Re drainage of street running past R.C. Church Charlton the pipes would have to be extended southward from the Cricket Club Hotel as soon as convenient but for the present a little metal had been spread and a Water table cut that will bring the water along to the pipes by the Cricket Club Hotel.
4. With regard to the drainage of Armstrong street recommends laying a line of 9" inch earthenware pipes from the corner of the street by the Bank of Victoria in an oblique direction ~~to~~ and ultimately to the river The total length of which would be 8½ chains and the cost about £7.
5. The Railway Department have so cut their Storm drains that all the water is brought down for nearly a mile and discharged on the 3 chain road near Korong Vale Township. had communicated with the Department but had not yet received a reply.
6. Had asked the Constable at Bealiba to attend the matter of cutting trees on the Bealiba & Simmons road
7. Bates, Rose & Wooding & McCarthy had abandoned their

Contracts. with those exceptions the Shire works were making fair progress.

Cr Bourchier
Cr. Paterson } That engineer have puts at Granite range filler up and the road made safe at once.

Carried

Cr. Coutts } That fresh tenders be called for the abandoned
Cr Redwood } contracts of Baker in Kunting McCarthy by Mrs Pounds and that 1 mile of Clearing by Ryanes and Pounds and Ross be added to the latter

Cr Redwood } Engineer's report be received carried Carried
Cr Bourchier }

Cr Bourchier Instructs the engineer to have gravel put on footpaths Charlton between the P.O and Deslandes also by Proctors

also to have pumps erected at Boruny & Sugia as ordered at previous meeting.

Cr Bourchier introduced Mr McLeg of Charlton who wished to explain his remarks at last meeting re Revision Court &c What he said was, that a great number of householders were not on the roll last year and the distance to Wedderburn prevented their personal application to be put on the roll. He did not intend to impute any negligence to the Secretary or other officers but that changes in occupancy had taken place.

The Secretary was satisfied with the explanation and only desired to correct the impression created by the Tribune report that he had neglected his duty.

Rabbit Inspectors Reports for each Riding were read and received.

Cr Coutts called attention to fact that the Bet Bet Shire Council had not appointed any Inspectors and that their territory along the boundary of this Shire is badly infested with rabbits. Secretary to write calling attention to necessity for appointing an Inspector. Seconded by Cr Redwood and carried.

The Public Works Committee then brought up the following.

Tenders

No 1. Forming & gravelling road by Koonans & McArthurs & Chitters.

This works was not provided for on the estimates but it had been proposed to expend about £30 on it ~~the work~~. the engineers estimate was £83. 5/ and as there were no funds available ~~for the work~~ Cr Paterson moved that the Tenders be not opened seconded by Cr Coutts

Cr Bourchier urged that the tenders be opened and the work carried out. the motion was carried the voting being for Paterson Coutts Redwood Bourke against Bourchier, Ross & Cahill.

2. Grubbing about 60 Chains and Constructing a Stone Crossing by Bremners Mt Egbert.

Estimate £15. 0. 0

G. Irving	£15. 16. 0
W. Hogan	18. 8. 0
G. Duckett	11. 16. 0
S.B. Weldish	10. 0. 0
W. Crisp	13. 19. 0

Recommended Weldish

3. Grubbing etc by Andersons & Alexanders, Scrapes and from Butterys to Black Dam.

Estimate £11. 5/

J. Flynn	£25. 10. 0
G. Lemon	9. 15. 0

No 3 Continued
S.B. Weldish £12 . 15 . 0
G. Ricketts 23 . 6 . 8
C. Goodwin 10 . 10 . 0
recommended Lemon 9 . 15 . 0

4. Grubbing and Clearing by Strongs & Dixons parish of Kehla.
Estimate £10 . 0 . 0
R. Baker £10 . 13 . 4
recommended

5 Re grubbing Kingower & Powlett Road &c &c.
E. Bacon £22 . 0 . 0 Estimate £32 . 0 . 0
J. Rogers 21 . 3 . 4
A. Chisholm 23 . 15 . 0
Recommed Rogers

6 Re grubbing Kingower and Newbridge road &c &c
Arney Bros £62 . 13 . 6 Estimate 40 . 2/-
W. Crisp £120 . 0 . 0
not let, too high.

7. Clearing & lopping all branches between Bridgewater township and their boundary on Newbridge road and forming 10 chains by Harries.
R. Baker £79 . 2 . 0 Estimate £42 . 9 . 0
J. Whimpey 26 . 3 . 0
J.B. Smith 20 . 8 . 0 ✓
A. Hughes 60 . 15 . 0
C. Lucas 43 . 16 . 0
Recommended Smith

8 Repairing road by Axes parish of Weddenburn
Weldish £11 . 19 . 0 Estimate £12 . 15/-
R. Baker 15 . 5 . 0
C. Rose 9 . 15 . 0
G. Duckett 7 . 5 . 0 ✓
John Kinsey 15-0-0
W. Crisp 9 . 17 . 0 recommended Duckett

9. Grubbing etc by Gillespies parish of Inverid and on Weddenburn & Fernihurst road from Boroing Station to boundary of North Riding
Estimate £18 . 5 . 0
S.B. Weldish £16 . 11 . 4
A. McDonald 19 . 18 . 6
Ns Ritchie 16 . 11 . 4 ✓
recommended Ritchie

10 Grubbing etc on North & South road by Bailey & in Powlett.
Estimate £9 . 0 . 0
S. Gavone £12 . 13 . 9
W. Baker 11 . 2 . 6
not let fresh tenders to be called

Moved by Cr Coutts that the tenders of messrs Weldish, Baker, Lemon, Rogers, Smith, Duckett & Ritchie as recommended by the Public Works Committee be accepted seconded by Cr Redwood & carried

Motions under Notice

Cr Cahill
Cr Ross } That tenders be called for grubbing from Kilbrennie to Waterhole Flat.

General Business

Cr Peterson called the Engineers attention to the condition of the works near Roberts Weddenburn & Charlton road and also to the drain and crossing near Lennons especially the small bridge over the drain. and instructed him to have these matters improved at once

Cr Redwood instructed engineer to attend to Weddenburn & Inglewood road at Keogh's contract and have stones broken and road rolled etc

Cr Rees inquired if the road through Edwards' land had been surveyed. Secretary stated that the fees for same had been paid but he had received no intimation of the survey having been effected.

Cr Burke suggested that the engineer should survey a road through the scrub towards the Pigeon Hole dam. Agreed when opportunity occurs.

Bye Law

Cr Coutts
Cr Boucher } That a special order be made adopting by bye-law Part I of Schedule 13 of the Local Government Act 1874 for the regulation and protection of Streets and footpaths and that such bye law be adopted.

Carried

Instructions

By Cr Peterson engineer to attend to crossing by Pullens & Threlfalls.

By Cr Redwood
Cr Peterson } That Secretary write to members for the province and district and to Councils interested urging Co-operation in endeavor to obtain the early construction of the Inglewood & Dunolly line.

Engineer was instructed to have the culvert etc at Korong Vale filled up with gravel also to have bad place on Burkes Flat & Bealiba road by Milleys repaired at a cost of £3 or £4 also to have gravel placed on road to Quinnetts at the Red Hill

Cr Redwood
Cr Coutts } Tenders be called for repairs to Burkes Flat & Wehla road etc Carried.

Notices of Motion

Cr Boucher Tenders be called for 80 chains side drains by
1 McAdams & Chamberlains selections Barraree the earth to be filled into crabholes;
2 also for forming 20 chains or so between McIlwaines and Miss Bowns selections Parish of Terrapee.
3 That all Contractors in the Shire be required to commence their contracts within 14 days after acceptance of tender and no Contractor to be allowed to hold over two Contracts at a time.

Cr Burke (postponed from April) For 25 chains of forming and draining between Papworths and Fords Kilbarnie

Cr Redwood For breaking the metal stacked at Bridgewater

Cr Ross For 80 chains of clearing between Carlows & Repans
1 and also about 20 chains by Weaderburn Railway Station
2 also for clearing about 3 miles from Winters selection towards Kilbarnie.

Cr Coutts for clearing a road running north and south between the Farms of O'Brien & Packham at Kingsmill about 5 miles in length.

Cr Hall for forming a sandy hollow two miles from Old Inglewood on the Kingower road with culvert or open crossing.

Cr Ross
Cr Coutts } That the following accounts brought up by the Finance Committee be passed for payment

456	Hansen labour per a/c	4	10	0
457	Voc 1054 Hughes	40	0	0
458	Lucas repairs Departure road	1	15	0
459	Voc 1085 D. Ryan	12	0	0
		58	5	0

	Forward £	56	5	0
460	bon 1057 R. Lucas	10	0	0
461	bon 995 do	3	0	0
462	Goudge Carriage	3	16	0
463	bon 994 Crisp	4	0	0
464	bon 1078 Crisp	12	0	0
465	Lamprell repg Bridge	1	10	0
466	bon 1068 Wildish & Co	25	0	0
467	Wildish labour Wood & Kingsmill road	2	5	0
468	bon 1082 Machure	40	0	0
469	bon 1051 Machure	3	10	0
470	bon 1081 Duckett	23	5	0
471	bosh bonus on agricult Statistics	15	15	2
472	Reach do	15	12	10
473	Grant do	14	8	8
474	bon 1154 Hughes	20	0	0
475	Omale Weighbridge Commnr	1	12	6
476	Derby labour Mooring Hole	1	16	
477	Bendigo Pottery Co. pipes for a/c	10	0	0
478	Robinson & Co pipes and bends	11	0	6
479	bon 1068 Wildish & Co	9	15	0
480	bon 1076 Cutherie & Hassett	10	0	0
481	bon 1060 Wildish & Dillon	8	10	0
482	bon 1027 do	5	0	0
483	bosh Commnr on dog Registrations	6	15	0
484	bon 1091 Crisp	20	0	0
485	bon 1025 Baker	5	0	0
486	Bannon lamplighting & Scavenging	17	6	0
487	bon 1088 Chisholm Superintendent	3	10	0
488	Gerrand Weighbridge Commnr	3	3	2
489	Ross deputation expenses	9	0	0
490	Pres allowance Mrs Moorecroft	4	3	6
491	Printing & Stationery Arnold & J	10	14	5
492	Municipal Association	4	4	0
493	Star office advertising Bill a/c	2	12	6
494	Tribune office do	3	0	0
	Forward £	397	10	3

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495	Advertiser office advertising	4	15	6
496	Gray various articles for Rabbit-Extirpation	2	16	6
497	Bosh destroying rabbits Port Fairy Down	2	0	0
498	Starr engineer 1 mo Salary	29	3	4
499	C. Rinder Sec & Treas do	25	0	0
500	Gray Jun. assist Sec do	8	6	8
501	Grant Rabbit Inspect do	8	0	0
502	Bosh do do	8	0	0
503	Starr deputation expenses	6	15	0
504	Wilson various jobs for a/c	2	19	0
505	Chambers labour Redd & Moyston road	3	10	0
506	Bosparin do Buckrabanyule	5	0	0
507	Steer day labour for a/c	1	4	0
508	Foster labour Heathcotte	1	0	0
509	Gray Rabbit Inspector Salary	10	0	0
510	Steer cutting shutters etc	2	11	0
511	bon 1065 Whitney	6	13	0
512	bon 1061 Duckett	3	18	0
513	bon 1074 Wilson	10	0	0
514	bon 1070 Kinsey	20	0	0
515	bon 1087 Machure	20	0	0
516	bon 1082 Machure	20	0	0
	£	579	2	3

The next meeting was ordered to be held on Monday the 20th July and the meeting closed.

Confirmed 20/7/85

Richard Redwood President