Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Kowong Shire Council held in the Shire Hall Headbourne on the 15th September 85.

Present

Crs. Bourchier, (President in the chair) Ross. Watts Kleg, Coutts Bourke Redwood Martin & Cahill.

Minutes of previous meeting were read & confirmed.

Correspondence

1. Toddon United Water Trust for Permission to construct drain along road being the southern boundary of allots 26 & 27 Sup'd

Cr. Martin
Cr. Bourchier } That the Trust be allowed to cut the drain & that the portion of the road required for it be transferred to the Trust. Carried

2. Lands Department that it is not considered desirable or legal to confer on Local Bodies the right to let the grazing of Reserves ~~under their control~~, but that the Council might draft and submit regulations in respect of any Reserve under its control. ~~Pending submission regulations for approval.~~

Cr. Bourchier
Cr. Ross } That the draft regulation read by the Secty in respect of reserves under the control of the Council be approved Carried

3. Railway Department that the gangers have been instructed to keep the culverts & Embankments free from Rabbits on the Railway lines.

received

4. Lands Department re proposal to revert to system of scalp buying.

5 the same re rabbits

6. Shire of Swan Hill declining to recommend the Govt to buy scalps.

7 Hugh Ennis Buckrabanyule complaining of rabbits at Buckrabanyule Range.

received

8. Secty Shire of Kara Kara declining to adopt system of scalp buying as that Council is of opinion that "the present act has worked satisfactorily".

9. Secty Shire of St Arnaud asking Council to share cost of a test action against the Water Trust to compel the destruction of rabbits on the Reserves.

Council declined

10 Clerk of Maryboro Mining Board re rabbits on Commons. received

11 Jas McColl & other ratepayers threatening to take Proceedings against the Council unless the rabbits on certain lands in the Central Riding were destroyed within 4 weeks

12 Geo Barlow offering to rent a Shire Reserve in Kingsbaniel. received

13 Lying in Hospital Melbourne soliciting donation

received

14. Chief Secretary's Office intimating that Public & bank holidays had been appointed on the days of the various Agricultural Shows throughout the Shire.

received

15 E M Cullough Charlton applying for assistance in establishment of a local fire brigade

Held over for two months

16 Central Board of Health forwarding
Copies of Circulars on Hydatids:

17. Treasury with A/c for Endowment £1763. 17/10

18. James McLinclair Moreany drawing
attention to destruction of the oak on the
Nordor Hills. The Secretary had reported
the d.t.; to the Police who had obtained
a conviction against one offender

19. Thomas O'Keefe applying for refund
of deposit lodged with his tender
paper in August and which had been
forfeited received no action taken

20 R. Lamfred stating that through not having
seen the specification for the contract which
had been let to him he had underrated the
culvert required & would have to forfeit his
deposit. It was decided to omit the
culvert from the work

Inspector of Nuisances
21 James Bannon Charlton asking for
instructions relative to drains in Charlton
Secretary had given instructions

22 A. L. Balding Charlton complaining of
the appointment to the position of Inspector
of Nuisances of James Bannon

23 "An old Ratepayer" Charlton re the same

24 Henry Dudley Charlton complaining of the
nuisance caused by piggeries in Charlton

The foregoing letters were discussed together & Cr
Kleeg moved that one months notice be given
to Messrs Foreman to remove their pigs ½ mile
from the Township of Charlton and that notice
be given to the butchers of that place that they
will not be allowed to slaughter within the
Township boundaries Seconded by Cr Martin
& carried

The Secretary suggested that a bye law be passed
for the purpose.

Cr Martin } That the Council do resolve to pass by
Cr Catto } special order at the next ordinary meeting
a bye law for the purpose of carrying into
execution the provisions of the Public Health
Amendment Statute 1883. such bye law to be
formed in accordance with the model drafted
by the Central Board of Health.
Carried

Gutherie & Timms with an a/c for extras
occasioned by the delay in obtaining orders
to proceed with their contract for metalling etc
at Barraklee

Cr Kleeg } That £4.7.6 half the amount of Gutherie & Co's
Cr Martin } claim be paid in full of the above Carried
For Kleeg, Martin, Bourchier, Cobiell, Burke, Ross
& Catto against Coutts & Redwood

25 Mr Steel reporting on the water supply for the
Central Riverina

26 Central Board of Health enclosing copy of letter
from Mr Brownbill pointing out inadequacy of
accomodation afforded by Simpsons creek water

27 R. Crisp applying for permission to lease the Market Square Mozelgrove at the rate of £2 per annum

Cr. Ross
Cr Martin } That the offer of Mr Crisp be accepted.

Carried

James Powell Reddenburn applying for leave to erect gates on road between his allotments received

28 James Hedley a Candidate for the Council in August last asking for the return of his deposit .. received

Cr Martin presented a Petition from Wm Johnson William Pattison and other Ratepayers living in the vicinity of Fernihurst urging the Construction of a bridge across the Kingfaniel Creek at Fernihurst

Held over till next meeting

Cr Kleeg moved the suspension of standing orders for the purpose of introducing a motion of which notice had been ~~given~~ previously given.

Day of meeting

Cr Kleeg
Cr Bourchier } That the day of meeting be the third Monday in each month instead of the third Tuesday as at present.

Carried

Treasurer's Report

Receipts since last meeting £218.11.4
Expenditure £563.8.3 Bank Overdraft £478.7.5

Cr Coutts
Cr Redwood } That proceedings be taken against all Ratepayers who are in arrear and that the costs of procedure be ~~obtained~~ recovered in all instances ~~carried~~ Carried.

Engineers Report:-

1 Relative to proposed deviation of the Dog leg wood and Kingower road, had in company with Cr Catto examined the country through which the road would pass and considers that the appearances warrant the expenditure of a survey line, after which he will be able to report fully as to the advisability of the deviation or not

2. Had finished Plans etc for bridge over Bal a Bal Creek by pennings also for the bridge over the Avoca Plans for the latter had been approved by the Public Works Department and tenders may be called at any time

3. The road running East from ~~Fernihurst~~ Evans' past the Fernihurst School requires about 40 chains of forming extending Westward from Hanans crossing the road ~~from~~ across the Plain to the south of Temples land should also be formed in places about 30 or 35 chains will be sufficient for the present

4. To clear and make the road passable between Simons & Birthistles land (a distance of about a mile) it will be necessary to put a crossing in the creek at a probable cost of £20 and purchase about 3/4 of an acre of land to obviate the necessity of two other crossings The total cost of work required will be about £45

5 Had in company with Cr Ross Burke & Cohill met ~~the~~ a great many of the farmers interested in the proposed change of road through Phillips & Polkinghorns selections Berrimal and it was decided that in view of the erection of the new bridge over the Avoca the road was not required

Cr Coutts
Cr Redwood } That Engineer have the police surveyed from Kingower to Inglewood to see whether a better road can be made or not.

Carried

It was resolved to put the amount required for clearing by Bitheatles upon the Estimates

Cr Coutts
Cr Redwood } That Maroney be paid for his contract at Sowlett according to the Scheduled Price in his tender Viz 5/ per chain.

Carried

Reports from the various Rabbit Inspectors were read & received

The Public Works Committee then brought up the following Tenders

While the Council were in Committee the Secretary read an address to be presented to Mr Hall who had for many years represented the South Riding. the address was approved.

Tenders

No 1 Fencing in old burial ground at McIntyres

C. Belcher	£12 . 0 . 0
E. Pistarini	15 . 0 . 0
John Hessett	20 . 0 . 0

Recommended Belcher

2 Grubbing & clearing from Gordons Northward past Racs to the Weaderburn & Spring Hill road

R. Baker	£15 . 3 . 4 +
E. Goodwin	15 . 3 . 4
J. Boyd	19 . 5 . 0
H. Crisp	17 . 17 . 6

Estimate £19 . 10/-

Recommended Baker

3 Grubbing & clearing by Stephens & Burrows and Watkins in Korting

John Dermody	£12 . 12 . 0
Jas Campbell	17 . 0 . 0
R. Morse & Shaw	11 . 4 . 0
H. Baker	11 . 4 . 0 +

Estimate £10 . 0 . 0

Recommended H. Baker

4 Grubbing etc by Olsons McGregors & Shaws in the Parishes of Korting & Thealbyn

S. Garrone	£33 . 16 . 8
Morse & Shaw	28 . 0 . 0 +

Estimate £28

Recommended Morse & Shaw

5 Grubbing etc by Steeples & Kellys & Nixons Parish of Korong.

R. Henderson	£16 . 3 . 0
S. Garrone	17 . 3 . 9
Jas Willis	11 . 19 . 7 +

Estimate £12 . 10/-

Recommended Jas Willis

6 Grubbing etc from Weaderburn & Spring Hill Road by Morris & Dowling & etc

R. Henderson	£49 . 10 . 0
W. Crisp	46 . 13 . 4

Estimate £45 ?

Recommended W. Crisp

7 Grubbing Weaderburn & Korong Vale Road

S. Garrone	£15 . 11 . 4 +
Geo. Gregson	18 . 4 . 0
Jas. Willis	16 . 0 . 0

Estimate £13 . 10 . 0

Recommended Garrone

8 Breaking 600. Yds metal Bridgewater

J. B. Smith	£92 . 18 . 9 per yd
Chas Lucas	85 . 0 . 0 " 3/10 +
E. Goodwin	92 . 10 . 0 " 3/4

Estimate £82 . 10 . 0

Recommended Lucas

9. Grubbing etc by Bourchier & Lovell etc in Kingsland Estimate £47. 0. 0

Rex & Strachan	£35. 14. 3
W. Baker	22. 13. 9
L. Garrone	21. 3. 6
J. Willis	24. 4. 0
W. Lovell	18. 7. 10 +

Recommended Lovell

Tenders for Printing were received from the Charlton Tribune, Inglewood Advertiser, and Inglewood Star the following are the schedule of prices.

	Tribune	Advertiser	Star
Rate Books	4/-	3/6	3/6 & 4/6
Dog Books	2/3	2/6	1/9
Notice of Motion forms	1/6	11d	10d
Memo forms	1/-	11d	10d
Ballot papers	1/-	10d	9d
Neighbourhood Books	4/-	5/-	10/-
Rate Collectors Reports	1/-	4/-	2/-
Labour a/c forms	2/-	2/-	1/9
Conditions of Contract	20/-	10/6	14/6
Tenders forms	2/6	2/3	1/9
Specification forms	7/6	3/6	3/6
Contract Payment Voucher	2/6	2/3	2/6
Memo of Agreement	7/6	3/-	3/-
Specification Covers	7/6	2/6	2/-
Balance Sheets	45/-	22/6	20/-
Notice Rolls	90/-	7/6	7/-

Cr. Cahill, Cr. Martin — That the "Star's" tender be accepted. lost

Amendment by Cr. Redwood, Cr. Cotto — That the printing be divided between the Advertiser & the Star at an average price based on their ~~tx~~ tenders. Amendment Carried

For Amendment Redwood, Coutts, Cotto, Burke, Ross

Cr. Redwood, Cr. Ross — That the Tenders of Messrs. Belcher, R. Baker, & W. Baker, Morse & Shaw, Willis, Crisp, Garrone, Lucas & Lovell as recommended by the Committee be accepted. Carried

Motions under Notice

Cr. Martin, Cr. Bourchier — Tenders be called for widening the Cleaning by Stewarts. Borung. Carried

Cr. Cotto, Cr. Redwood — " for forming & metalling & metalling Inglewood & Kingower Road from Borough boundary to Khans Corner. Carried

Cr. Cahill, Cr. Burke — " for erecting bridge over the Avoca river on the Wedderburn Mt Arnaud road

Cr. Coutts, Cr. Cotto — " for about 40 Chains of drains between Isaacs & Guilfoyle's. Carried

Cr. Ross asked that his motion for work at Korong Vale be allowed to stand over till next meeting. agreed to

Cr. Bourchier, Cr. Ross — That the annual valuation be prepared for next meeting. Carried

Cr. Ross asked that all vacant allotments in Wedderburn be rated. agreed to.

Leave was granted to Cr. Cotto to expend £5- in the Borough Riding on repairs wanted.

— Auditors Report —

With reference to Mr. Neel's application for an examination of the papers used at the recent election for auditors for the purpose of ascertaining whether Plural Voting had been practised or not

Cr Bourchier moved } That the rolls be
Cr Betts seconded } examined by a Committee consisting of one Councillor from each Riding who are to ask the Returning Officers at Moorang & Weedeburn to attend.

Carried

— Instructions to Officers —

By Cr Ross That the Engineer be raise the bye wash at the Weedeburn Reservoir about 2 feet & to take the level of Specimen Hill Dam and report to next meeting on probable cost of connecting them with Pipes

By Cr Burke Secretary to write again to Department relative to survey through Edwards block

By Cr Redwood Secretary to apply for Cost Grant of £250 in aid of Angle Wood Storm Channel

Notices of Motion

Cr Betts for forming & draining about 15 chains on Kingower & Wehla Road

Cr Betts for clearing about 20 chains on road leading from Simpsons Creek near Brownbill's selection

Cr Redwood for Bridge over Bulabul creek by McGuires Bloomers

Cr Redwood That a rate of 1/ in the pound be made on the nett annual value of all property within the Shire.

Cr Betts } That the following accounts be passed
Cr Ross } for payment

Ng	654	Thos Hudson Neighbourhood	4	4	0
	655	Election Expenses	69	18	4
	656	Forest Pipe drain by Seymours	5	0	0
	657	Contract payments Forest	6	10	0
	658	Con 1066 John Forest	27	9	0
	659	Con 1097. Hughes	50	0	0
	660	Con 973. do	5	0	0
	661	Con 1016 John Kinsey	7	15	0
	662	Con 1059 & 1094 Wiedisch & Co	10	10	8
	663	Con 1038 Sarrone	7	4	6
	664	Con 1108 Jas Ritchie	3	0	0
	665	Con 1082. Crisp machine Contract	13	0	0
	666	Crisp Pipe Culvert by Works	4	17	1
	667	Labour Weed & R. Road	8	0	0
	668	Bendigo Pottery Co pipes	6	0	0
	669	Con 1084. Cluishotm	16	17	0
	670	Con 1079 Cutherie & Co	7	0	0
	671	Con 1087. Machum	4	0	0
	672	Con 1091 Crisp	5	0	0
	673	Con 1076. Henderson	7	16	0
	674	Con 1121. C Rose	11	0	0
	675	Henderson labour Mr Wallance	2	8	0
	676	Road Surveys wages of men	2	0	0
	677	Geo T Grant Inspector Sly	8	0	0
	679	P. Ruder 1 mo secretary	25	0	0
	680	J R Gray Rabbit Inspector	10	0	0
	681	Thos Cook do	8	0	0
	682	J R Gray for 1 mo assist Secty	8	6	8
	683	J. G. Thow 1 mo sal as Engineer	29	3	4
	684	Tuppson Printing & advertising	4	0	0
	685	Office Expenses	13	0	0
		Forwd	389	19	6

	Forward	£389	19	6
686	Office expenses Stamps etc	5	5	3
687	Sundries	16	1	0
688	G. T. Grant Commission on dogs	22	12	6
689	John Reach Inspect of insurances etc	9	5	0
690	Korong Agricult Society	15	0	0
691	George T. Grant Stamps &c	1	10	4
		459	13	7

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

Confirmed 19/10/86

G. T. Cornelius, President