Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Morong Shire Council held in the Shire Hall Heidelbrook July 20th 1885.

Present

Cr Redwood President (in the chair) Cr. Ross Coutts, Cahill, Bourchier Burke Martin and Patterson.

Correspondence:-

1 Lands Department relative to Shire Rabbit Inspectors' reports.

2. Inspector Cox (Rheola) that whooping cough had been mistaken for some colds at Burkes Flat and that the sanitary arrangements were now satisfactory.

3. Inspector Nolan reporting favourably on sanitary condition of Charlton

4. Ratepayers Charlton praying for certain improvements to footpaths Charlton. Cr Paterson moved that plans & specifications be prepared and submitted to next meeting and the cost be included in next years estimates. Tenders to be accepted at next meeting. Seconded by Cr. Martin and carried

5. Yoddon United Water Trust with letter from N. Irving Inspd Rly Station asking Compensation to the amount of £50 for land taken for Woolshed race. The Secretary stated that the land was in the Swanhill Shire and was not occupied when the race was cut nor was any claim for compensation made at the time, Reply to that effect.

6 Department of Agriculture bringing under notice of Council the application to remove from the Game Laws Native Companions and requesting an opinion thereon

The Secretary had replied stating that the birds were very destructive and his action was approved.

7. Shire of Berwick ~~was~~ asking Co-operation in an endeavour to bring about an alteration of the Local Government Act relative to the Severance of Shires. It was agreed to heartily co-operate in this matter

8. A. C. Marshall Secretary North Eastern Grain Freights Conference Wangaratta with copy of resolutions adopted and asking Council to send delegate to Melbourne Exchange on the 7th Aug 85. Cr Bourchier had attended.

9 James Cheetham Dunolly asking for appointment of Representative to attend Conference with view induce the Govt to proceed with the line from Inglewood to Dunolly at once. Attended to.

10 Shire Secretary Morong with copies of Correspondence relating to the case of the Youth Gunn and the Eye & Ear Hospital and asking Council to uphold its support till a satisfactory explanation has been given by the Committee of the Hospital.

Cr. Coutts
Cr. Paterson } That the Council consider the explanation given to the Committee is satisfactory, that it continue its support but that it is of opinion that a paid Surgeon should be appointed.

11 Duncan McKenzie Barraker complaining of want of Crossing over Avoca opposite [illegible] Railway Station

12 Railway Department that the Complaint re delay at Crossings the will be [illegible]

13. Secretary North Western Group with copies of minutes of Special meeting at Charlton and an a/c for annual subscription £9 9

Council objects to the amount and Secretary to inquire how it is arrived at and what the proportion paid by other Shires is.

14. G. P. O. Melbourne re Clock for Wedderburn P.O.

15 Central Board of Health (Telegram) re fatal Case of Typhoid at Wychitella

16. Dr. McVean Health Officer's report on same

17 Central Board of Health re sanitary precautions

18 John A. Craig Secy Agricultural Society Wedderburn applying for grants to prize Fund and also to fencing and Improvement Fund

Cr Bourchier moved that donation of £5 be given to the N. Western, Boort, Korong, & Charlton Societies
Cr Paterson
Amendment
Cr Coutts } That £5 be given to the N. Western
Cr Redwood } Charlton & Korong Societies and £3 to the Boort Society carried
against Bourchier
Cr Paterson & Robison

Cr Ross } That £30 be given to Korong Society
Cr Paterson } as an Improvement Grant, to be paid from the Riding Fund in two instalments one in this Municipal year. carried
Cr Coutts opposing

19 Secretary Colonial Indian Exhibition urging expedition in forwarding Exhibits. The Secretary recommitted specimen leaves etc and cost of same and was authorised to use his own discretion in the matter.

20 Secretary Avoca Waterworks Trust with plans and description of works proposed to be carried out under a fresh loan. received

21 Petition from Ratepayers Burkes Flat Common praying the Council will devise means to prevent the Trespass of sheep on the Common there.
The Secretary was instructed to obtain Counsel's opinion as to best mode of dealing with this & the travelling sheep question and act upon it.

22 Ratepayers in the South Riding asking that the Old McIntyres Cemetery might be fenced in
Cr Hall wrote also recommending the same.
Cr Coutts
Cr Redwood } That Tenders be called for fencing the Old Cemeteries at McIntyres & at Old Inglewood and for repairing the one at Wedderburn. Carried

23 Ratepayers of McIntyres & Cochranes Creek etc asking that a road be laid out and cleared from McIntyres by Cochranes [illegible]
Cr Coutts
Cr Redwood } That the track applied for be surveyed ~~and~~ the Engineer to first inspect and report on the track

24 W. Maclure applying for bonus of £10 on contract for Redbank Church as he charged for only 1 instead of 5½ chains. declined

25 Mary White applying for permission to fence in a quarry Reserve adjoining her land, on the ground that it is too strong to fence along her proper line. Mr Martin attended in support of the application.

Cr. Ross
Cr. Rahill } That leave be given to fence in the Reserve Applicant to pay 10/ per annum and leave gates for access. Carried

26 Department of Agriculture with a/c for signature Grant in aid Weaubourn Public Garden.

attended to

The Secretary was empowered to expend £20 on the Market Square and was instructed to again apply for Reserve below the Reservoir

27 James McMahon asking compensation for mare valued at £50 lost in a dam near Strongvale

Cr. Burke } That the Council is in no way responsible but
Cr. Branchi } That £10 be paid to Mr McMahon to enable him to get another horse.

Carried

28 Morgan Connell applying for leave time to remove fence from off road. Referred to Engineer

29. James Hendry applying for leave to erect his fence on the road to admit of a hedge being planted on the boundary

Granted to the extent of fencing in

30 Lands Department replying to extracts from Rabbit Inspectors Report

31 John Martin applying to have his name inserted in the Valuation Book in place of Jas E. Bourchier

Cr Ross
Cr Peterson } That the application be granted
Carried

32 Dr McVean Health Officer's Report.

received

33 Jas Hendry and other Ratepayers of Bridgewater requesting alteration of fence at Dodson Bridge in order to facilitate access to the river on the South side

Cr Redwood
Cr Bourchier } That Engineer have alterations effected

Carried

34 M. Coghlan & others for improvements to new bridge and Bridgewater Road

Referred to members for the Riding and the Engineer

35 Ratepayers of Charlton applying for improvements to streets there.

Cr Paterson moved that Engineer submit an estimate of the whole work at next meeting, any temporary works required to be effected at once Bridge over the Avoca to be attended to at the same time.

Seconded by Cr Bourchier and carried.

36 Petition from Ratepayers at Pyrenees asking for repairs to road by hoonans in Buckrabanyule

Cr. Paterson
Cr Bourchier } That the prayer of the petition be granted and tenders be called at next meeting

Carried

Deputation

Mr Hendry was introduced to the Council and asked for the laying of a pipe drain etc across roads to conduct water upon his holding at Salisbury and Bridgewater.

permission granted subject to Engineers approval

The Council then adjourned for the purpose of holding the Riding Council

Revision Court

A Court for the Revision of the Voters' lists of the Korong Shire was held at the Shire Hall Wedderburn at noon on Monday the 20th July 1885

Present

Cr Redwood President in the Chair, Crs Ross Coutts Paterson Bourke Bourchier Cahill & Martin.

The Voters' lists for the several Ridings were produced and applications were made to have their names inserted in the North Riding ~~List~~ Roll in place of

Revision Court

Present the whole Council with the president in the chair

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The Voters' lists for the several Ridings were produced and applications were received to have their names inserted in the North Riding Roll from Alfred Elgin Bilton of Charlton Chemist
Jonathan Bangrove Journalist, Charlton
Charles E. Cripps tailor Charlton
Bourchier George E. auctioneer do
Deslandes John, Barber do
Dillon Thomas Draper do
Gillies John labourer do
Leeder William bricklayer do
McCullough Joseph Contractor do
McKenzie George miller do
O'Brien John Butcher do
Owen William Robert labourer do
Zahringer Charles watchmaker do
Ward Stephen Journalist do
and from James E. Bourchier who claimed to have his name inserted in place of Thos. Postick, who was not in occupation on the 10th June
also from Thomas Henry McGill who claimed to be inserted in place of J. Becroft on the same grounds,

Cr Paterson
Cr Bourchier } That the names of the above applicants be inserted in the Roll, and those of Becroft and Postick to be removed. carried

Cr Bourchier
Cr Paterson } That the lists as submitted with the alterations made be passed. Carried

The Revision Court then closed.

The ordinary meeting then resumed.

Treasurer Reported Receipts since last meeting £141.15.7
Expenditure £745.1.3 Bank Overdraft £89.2.2

Cr Bourchier
Cr Ross } That the Treasurer's Report be received

Engineer Reported:—

1 Re application by G. Lemon for an alteration of the position of a road through his selection at Waterhole Flat recommends that that road be allowed to pass along the South boundary instead of through it

2. Re application for road between Polkinghorn and Phillips selections Berrimal, considers the road desirable and suggests that the members for the central Riding meet Mess.rs Polkinghorne & Phillips on the ground and endeavour to come to some amicable arrangement,

3. The time allowed for the completion of the Tank near Mr Egans Tenderee expired on the 9th of last month and Nolan the Contractor had not commenced work, recommends Cancellation of the Contract and forfeiture of the deposit Fresh Tenders to be sign by 28th & to be opened by Secty & Engineer in Council present

4 With regard to the instruction to examine the road from Whitehead's to the Inglewood Borough boundary thinks the expenditure of say £5 in gravelling a portion of it - where it crosses the lead near Inglewood, will suffice to meet present requirements

5 Recommends the purchase of 500 yards of metal to repair the Streets and approaches of Wedderburn.

It was decided to adopt the recommendation of the Engineer with regard to alteration of road by Lemons. Relative to the Road deviation at Polkinghorne's Cr Bourke moved that the members for the Riding meet the residents and arrange — Seconded by Cr Ross & Carried It was decided to Cancel Nolans Contract and forfeit the

deposit, cash tenders to be sent in on 4th Inst.

Mr Coutts
Mr Redwood } The Engineer to expend £5 on the road near Whitehead's, carried

Mr Ross moved that Tenders be called for supplying 500 yards of metal for Wrenderson
Mr Paterson
Mr Bourke } That the Engineers report be adopted
carried

Rabbit Inspectors Reports.

by Cook, Gray & Grant.. It was decided to authorise Cook to engage some person to keep the Port Fairy and Thim Reserves clear for 12 months also to sanction prosecution
by Gray of persons who are not endeavoring to exterminate the rabbits on their lands

The Public Works Committee then brought up the following Tenders.

No 1

Grubbing etc by Stephen Burrows & Walkins parish of Kurting. Estimate £8.8.0

W. Baker £12.12.0
not accepted

2. Grubbing etc from Page & Cokhpole's northwards etc and west by Ryans etc to Inglewood & Tarnaguella road. Estimate £16–

J. Dermody £13.8.8
W. Crisp 32.15.0
recommended Dermody

3. Grubbing & clearing from Kilbarnie to Waterhole Flat.

E. Goodwin £40.1.8 + Estimate £65.10/-
R. Baker 46.5.0
Jas Simons 43.3.4
W. Crisp 55.10.0
R. Henderson 59.0.0
recommended Goodwin

4. Various repairs Avoca Forest & Beaufort road and Burkes Flat & Nevin Road

W. Crisp £36.9.6 Estimate 23.9.10
G. Whitney £29.4.0 +
recommended Whitney

5 Grubbing etc on North & South Road by Baileys Powlett

C. Campbell £8.15.2 Estimate £9.0.0
R. Baker 10.5.5
J. Mooney 8.3.1 +
J. Garvonne 10.11.5
recommended Mooney

6. Grubbing the Avoca & Newbridge Road to near Metalman's Inglewood & Tarnaguella Road
Estimate £42.9.0

E. Goodwin £62.12.6
A. Chisholm 49.12.6 +
recommended Chisholm

Mr Coutts
Mr Ross } That the Tenders of Messrs Dermody Goodwin Whitney Mooney and Chisholm as recommended by the Committee be accepted
Carried

Motions under Notice

Mr Bourke
Mr Cohill } Tenders be called for 25 chains forming by Papworths Kilbarnie etc
carried

Cr. Bourchier } Tenders be called for side drains
Cr. Martin } by McAdams. carried

Cr. Bourchier } Tenders be called for forming &c by
Cr. Paterson } McAllevoine's & Miss Ross's.
Carried

Cr Bourchier } That all contractors in this Shire be
Cr. Paterson } required to commence their Contracts
within 14 days after the acceptance of their tender.

Carried.

Cr Redwood } That Tenders be called for breaking
Cr Coutts } the 500 yards of metal stacked at
Bridgewater.

Carried

Cr Ross } That Tenders be called for 80 Chains of
Cr Cahill } Clearing on road between the Selections of
Corlou and Ryan also about 20 Chains
by the Wedderburn Railway station.

Carried

Cr. Ross } For about 3 miles clearing from Kinton's
Cr Cahill } selection towards Kilbarnie.
Carried

Cr Coutts } For clearing about 5 miles of road between
Cr Redwood } the farms of O'Brien and Packham in
Kingsparnel. Carried

Cr Cahill } For about 6 miles grubbing from Kilbarnie
Cr Ross } to Waterhole Flat. Carried

Cr Coutts } for Cr Hall That a sandy hollow two
Cr Ryan } miles from Old Inglewood on the Kingower
road be formed and a culvert or open crossing
be constructed. Carried

Cr. Paterson with leave }
Cr Martin } That Tenders be called for clearing the
3 Chain from Nipper's Gate near W & Chiltella Rly Station
to John Stewart's house clearing to be extra 1/4 chain etc
also that road between Bourchier, Dacey's, Macure's etc
be cleared in the usual way and the whole
let in one contract.

Carried

Cr Ross } with leave for 10 Chains forming and metalling
Cr Cahill } and placing culvert on Inglewood & Wedderburn
Road near Ingram's & Bowell's land

Carried

Cr Coutts } That Tenders be called for clearing between
Cr Redwood } Reed's. Poyser's Abbott's and Butcher's in Powlett
and crossing over creek Fairy Flat.

Carried

Cr Coutts } Tenders be called for work near
Cr Redwood } Mackin's formerly let to Rose & Wooding
and forfeited. Carried

Instructions to Officers

By Cr Cahill. Engineer to report to next meeting upon
Allen's lane Korong Vale.

By the President Engineer to report upon the Rheola
& Dunolly road by Orville.

Cr Cahill inquired the cost of the Water Supply extension
to North Wedderburn. Engineer stated about
£115 for pipes & laying and about £6 a year
would be derived from it.
Engineer asks leave to lay pipes to conduct water
from Reservoir main to his house at a probable
cost of £22-14-6

Cr. Ross }
Cr. Cahill } That leave be granted
Carried

Instructions Continued

By Br Bourke Engineer to inspect road leading to Show yard Keadeburn and call ~~for~~ Tenders for work required there.

Agreed to.

By Br Cahill Engineer to obtain and have 50 yards of metal supplied for road near Br Geiger Kooring Dale.

By Br Bourke Engineer to have ~~inspector~~ scour in road near Tambourine Kelly Keadeburn

By Br Paterson Engineer to have scour on Charlton road filled up with metal now lying there

By Br Redwood Engineer to have scour near Gords Hotel Bridgewater filled up.

By Br Coutts Engineer to employ labour to repair the road to Poulett at the "Brass Button".

Elections

The following Returning Officers were appointed North Riding Br Bourchier; Central Riding; Br Cahill South Riding Br Bedwood;

Br Redwood } That the Bye Law numbered 7. for the
Br Ross } Protection etc of Streets and footways passed at last meeting of the Council be now confirmed

Carried

Notices of Motion

Br. Coutts Tenders be called for 40 chains drain near Isaac Guthrie

Br Redwood Tenders be called for about 10 chains forming & metalling and an open crossing or Culvert near Barrigals land Old Inglewood and Kingower Road.

Br. Paterson Tenders be called for Tank on 8 chain road near J. P Howards in lieu of the Tank at Cosgrove

Br Cahill Tenders be called for about 2 miles of Clearing from Gordon's running South

Br Ross Tenders be called for about 6 chains forming etc between the township and School at Koroing

The Finance Committee then brought up the following accounts for payment which were passed on the motion of Br Redwood & Coutts.

518	Con 1044	Gorland	50	0	0
519	Con 1046	Kinning	6	14	0
520	Con 971	do	9	18	4
521	Con 993	do	1	0	0
522	Con 912	do	2	0	0
523	Kinning labour	Charlton & Barrakurrot	2	10	0
524	Con 1024	Jas M'Nichol	8	11	8
525	Con 1074	C. Lucas	30	0	0
526	Con 1085	C. Lucas	5	0	0
527	Rent of Shire Hall to June 85		40	0	0
528	Sundries		19	11	9
529	Guthrie & Timms labour		6	15	0
530	Con 1036.	D. Guthrie	1	0	0
531	John Polic	labour for ajc	1	4	0
532	Mr Timms	erecting pumps	4	11	0
533	Hanson		5	16	[illegible]
534	Goudge	carriage for Yc	11	14	1
535	Mc Nichol	[illegible]	4	0	0
536	Con 1052	[illegible]	10		
		Total	220	5	10

	Forward £	220	5	10	
537	Box 1087. Mackie	15	0	0	
538	Box 1088. Crisp	5	14	0	
539	Box 1091 do	10	0	0	
540	Crisp repairing pumps. Wychitella	1	5	0	
541	Jos. Roberts purchase of land	8	0	0	
542	W. Shea Curator of Reservoir	3	0	0	
543	Phillips supplying arsenic & Rat pasts		14	9	
544	Box 1050 Sutherland & Simms	32	10	3	
545	J. Rose repg Wood Road Mt Egerton	8	10	0	
546	O'Brien salary as Curator of Reservoir	2	10	0	
547	Office Expenses Stamps etc	8	11	6	
548	Maxwell Law Reports	4	4	0	
549	Interest on Mortgage Loan	97	19	10	
550	Duckett Labour etc	2	5	0	
551	Boort Kier Dog Suppres. a/c	4	0	0	
552	Box 1025 Robt Baker	15	0	0	
553	J. Rose labour on Dog & Weed Road	4	7	0	
554	Box 1093. Keogh	39	0	0	
555	Box 1010 Ross & Strachan	3	18	6	
556	Box 1079 Hughes	70	0	0	
557	Box 1017. Hughes	2	0	0	
558	Box 1095 Robt Henderson	20	0	0	
559	Inspector Nolan ½ years salary	5	0	0	
560	Box 1091. W. Crisp	20	0	0	
561	J. Wheeler repg Wood & Spring Hill Road	2			
562	Box 1052. Chisholm	12	14	0	
563	Box 1038 Barrow	5	0	0	
564	Chisholm labour & Posts	1	6	0	
565	Dr McDean Health Officer Expenses	14	5	0	
566	John Danks articles for Water Supply	3	6	4	
567	Gray Rabbit Inspector's salary	12	10		
568	Grant do	10	0		
569	Box 1075 Kier & Lang	16	0		
570	Grant Rate Collector's salary	18	0		
	Forward £	625	17	0	

	£	625	17	0	
571	Felton. Grimwade & Co arsenic etc	10	8	0	
572	Connell salary as Reservoir Keeper	3	0	0	
573	destroyed	4	12	2	
574	Jackson Bros Printing etc	4	12	0	
575	Dark & Co labels for Registered Dogs	4	1	6	
576	Mandeville Councillors dinner	3	17	6	
577	Secretary 1 month's salary	25	0	0	
578	Engineer 1 month do	29	3	4	
579	Gray Rabbit 1 mo do	8	6	8	
580	Thos Cook Rabbit Inspector salary	10	0	0	
581	Grant various articles for Rabbit destruct	2	0	4	
582	Wilson various repairs for Kerr Kay per a/c	2	13	0	
583	Group meeting expenses of delegates	2	1	0	
584	W. Steel day labour per a/c	4	19	0	
585	John Reach salary as Rate Collector	12	10	0	
586	Box 1097 Adamson	1	0	0	
	£	754	9	2	

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

Confirmed August 18, 1885.

President

Geo. E. Bourchier