Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Council of the Shire of Koroondy held in the Shire Hall Weddenburn on the 17th November 1885.

Present

Cr Ross, Catto, Cahill Burke Kleeg & Coutts Martin and afterwards Cr Bourchier

Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed & Cr Ross appointed Chairman during the presidents absence

Correspondence

1 Shire of Mt Moor inviting co-operation in the endeavor to obtain for Municipalities the land Tax levied within their respective limits.

Cr Kleeg
Cr Ross

That Cooperation of the Council be granted and that the President represent the Council at the Conference to be held in Melbourne on the subject. Carried

An Amendment by Cr Bourke & Catto that consideration be postponed for one month was lost

2 Central Board of Health re Bye law for preventing spread of Typhoid fever.

3 the same with recommendations for preventing spread of Cholera.

4 Lands Office St Arnaud for plan of area applied for as garden site. Engineer stated that the plan was being prepared.

5 Secretary Bet Bet Shire acknowledging with thanks receipt of Council's donation towards costs in case of Sanderson v Fotheringham

6 Pat^k O'Brien upon Kingower Water Supply

7 Central Board of Health re mode of procedure in connection with its bye laws

8 Treasury with a/c of Interest accrued on Book Stock to 1st Octo 1885.

9 Mc Bradeck & Craig application for permission of the Council to erect Verandah across footpath. Weddenburn received

Cr Coutts
Cr Martin

That permission be granted. Carried

10 R.C. Brown Contract Surveyor with a/c for making additions to Shire plan, which was passed for payment on the motion of Cr Coutts & Catto

11 Jas Gallacher Secretary Farmers union Burkes Flat applying for survey of road from Burkes Flat to Ochiltree. Engineer stated that he has instructions to make the survey which will probably be completed by next meeting.

12 Secretary Shire of Gordon suggesting the appointing by this Council of Mr Bertoli as Rabbit Inspector for the North Riding as he holds a like appointment for the Gordon Shire. Council declined Cr Bourchier here took the Chair.

13 W. Walker Kingower Station asking Council to cancel an order made at previous meeting for the destruction of his brush fence. agreed to.

14 J.R. Gray Rabbit Inspector stating that Mrs Murphy declined to pay the cost incurred in clearing her land of Rabbits.

Cr Kleeg
Cr Coutts

That the Inspector be instructed to sue Mrs Murphy for the expense incurred in destroying rabbits on her land. Carried

Telegram from
15 C.B. of Health reporting cases of measles
at Coonoor Bridge. Referred to Health officer

The Hon. D. Coutts was here accomodated with a Chair at the table

16 Alfred Nelson, Wedderburn applying for an
additional payment on a/c of his Contract for
painting & fixing mile posts throughout the Shire

Cr. Kling moved that no action be taken in the matter as
Nelson took the contract knowingly, no seconder

Cr Ross
Cr Martin } That £10 be given to Nelson ~ (lost)
For – Ross, Martin & Bourke. against the rest

17 D. Gutherie asking for appointment as
Clerk of works at Contract for Avoca bridge

Cr Bourchier
Cr Kling } That Applications be invited for the office
of Clerk of Works at the Avoca bridge at
a salary of £3 per week, applications to
be accompanied by testimonials. Carried

18 H.S. Steel Curator of Wedderburn Reservoir that
water is disappearing rapidly from the Reservoir
and requesting instructions to close valves
at the junction of the mains at sights.

Cr. Ross
Cr Coutts } That the water from the Wedderburn Reservoir
be turned off between the hours of 6 P.M. &
8 A.M till further notice. Carried

19 J.S. Bennett & others Berrimal asking that
the Spring excised from Thomas's selection
Berrimal may be stoned up & otherwise improved

Cr Ross
Cr Cahill } That Engineer be empowered to expend £10
in improving the well near Thomas's selection
Carried

20 W. Crisp applying for additional payment on his
Contract on the Inglewood & Wedderburn Road and also
for the sum of £5. that amount being incurred for
licenses to quarry stone ~

Cr Kling
Cr Ross } That £5 be paid to Crisp to recoup him for
licenses paid by him, carried.

21 Petition from Mr. Brownsill and other Ratepayers
praying for the Construction of a large dam at Simpsons
Creek.

Cr. Bourchier
Cr Ross } That the matter of constructing dam in compliance
with the above petition be referred to the
members for the South Riding. Carried

22 Lands Department stating in reply to a complaint
made by John McGovern (through Cr. Bourchier)
of rabbits at Korong Vale that complaint should
be made to this Council received

23 Jas. McSinclair to Cr Kling & Bourchier ~~that~~
calling attention to discrepancies in weighings of wheat
effected at the Wychitella Weighbridge & afterwards
in Melbourne.
Engineer was instructed to inspect the Wychitella
Weighbridge and report to next meeting ~

The ordinary meeting then adjourned for the
purpose of holding the annual meeting

The Annual Meeting of the Korong Shire Council was held in the Shire Hall Wedderburn on Tuesday 17th November 1886.

Present

Cr. Bouchier (President) in the Chair Ross Catto, Coutts, Kley, Martin Bourke & Cahill.

The Secretary submitted the annual Statement of Accounts which had been duly audited and read the Auditors report which testified to the Correctness of the same in every Particular.

Cr. Bouchier
Cr. Kley
That the Balance Sheet & Statement of accounts be passed and adopted
Carried.

The annual meeting then closed.

Ordinary Meeting Resumed

Cr John Coutts introduced Mr D. Coutts who applied on behalf of the Trustees for a grant to assist in putting the fence around the Kingower Cemetery in repair.

Cr. Coutts
Cr Burke
That £30 be voted to assist the Trustees in re-fencing the Kingower Cemetery.
Carried

Mr D. Coutts thanked the Council for the Vote and promised that the money would be judiciously expended.

Mr Coutts also stated that the use of a diamond drill might be obtained for Wedderburn if applied for. Cr. Bouchier endorsed the statement of

Mr Coutts and promised to help in the matter. after a better further discussion it was decided to allow the matter to stand over till next meeting.

Treasurer's Report

Receipts since last meeting £139.9.0
Expenditure £681.0.5 Bank overdraft £1415.9.2
The Report was received and approved on the motion of Cr Kley & Bouchier

Engineer Reported

1st With regard to application to construct bridge over Fentons Creek near Holts & Kellets land finds that the cost would be about £240 and as the settlement there does not justify such an expenditure he recommends the reparation of "Turners crossing" which is within 3 or 4 chains of the proposed site. at a cost of
2. £5 - Also recommends that about 12 chains of forming be done on road leading to the crossing near Holts & Kellets.
3. Relative to Mr Curtis application to have Sandhill at Connors improved and formed for about 10 chains, recommends that the work stand over for Consideration with next years Estimates
4 Recommends about 40 loads of gravel in lieu of forming etc applied for by Messrs Boyle & Ashton at Bayeia Rly
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In Connection with the Engineers report Cr Ross moved that Turners crossing be repaired at a Cost not exceeding £5 seconded by Cr Bourke & Carried.

Cr. Bouchier
Cr. Kley
That Tenders be called for about 40 loads of metal at Bayeia Rly Station. also for metalling on Charlton road near Mr Lennons
Carried

It was decided to postpone all clearing contracts till the end of the Summer.

Cr Bourchier, Cr Ross — That the Engineer's Report be received and adopted. Carried

Reports from the Rabbit Inspectors were read for the three Ridings and received with the exception of the report from Inspector Gray Central Riding which was ordered to be sent back for amendment on the motion of Cr Bourchier & Kleeg —

Motions under Notice

Cr Bourchier — That Tenders be called for Tank near Howards. Postponed

Cr Redwood — That Tenders be called for bridge across Bul a Bul Creek. Postponed

Cr Bourchier, Cr Martin — That Tenders be called for Constructing a bridge over Tinypanel Creek near Johnstones. Carried

Cr Catto, Cr Coutts — That Tenders be called for crossing on Lord Forest & Nhea Road. Carried.

Cr Martin, Cr Bourchier — That tenders be called for Forming near Templers on Major crossing & Boring Road also for forming by Cameron & Williamson. Carried

Cr Kleeg, Cr Bourchier — That the services of the Assistant Secretary be dispensed with. Carried by Casting Vote. For the motion Crs Kleeg, Bourchier, Cahill & Martin against Crs Ross, Catto, Coutts & Bourke.

Cr Kleeg — moved that in the event of the Secretary requiring assistance it be paid for out of his own salary

Cr Bourchier, Cr Bourke — That the offer of the Secretary to pay half the assistants salary on condition that the Council pay the other half to the assistant (as office keeper) be accepted & that Mr Gray jun. be appointed office keeper as per offer. Carried

Cr Kleeg, Cr Martin — That at the Expiration of the Present Health officers term of appointment Dr Jeee be appointed for the North Riding. Carried

The President here left & Cr Ross was appointed Chairman

The Public Works Committee then brought up the following Tenders —

No. 1 Forming &c Kingower & Pheola road Est £29. 10. 0
A Bluiholm £17
W. Crisp £35 × Bluiholm recommended

No. 2 Forming &c Korong Vale — Estimate £45
John McGovern £38. 18. 8
E. Dillon 24. 0. 0
Jas Willis 35. 16. 0
R. Donaldson 22. 0. 0
Gregson & Jackson 18. 10. 0 ×
John Forest 24. 10. 0
D. Guthrie 27. 8. 0

Recommended Jackson & Gregson

Cr Catto, Cr Ross — That the Tenders of Messrs Bluiholm & Jackson & Co as recommended by the P.W. Committee be accepted. Carried

Cr Bourchier, Cr Coutts — That Mr J. Cosh be appointed Rate collector at the same salary as before for 12 months. Carried

Cr Ross, Cr Martin — That the Rate collectors be appointed Rabbit Inspectors till the February meeting at £1 per week. Carried

General Business

Cr Kling — Called attention to the fact of the Postmaster Charlton having laid a pipe drain across the footpath Charlton through which foul matter was being discharged and instructed the Secretary to give notice for prevention of dirty water being conveyed to the street channels. He also referred to necessity for a lamp at the corner of High & Halliday Sts Charlton and moved that one be erected at the spot indicated. Seconded by Cr. Kling & carried.

Cr. Kling, Cr. Ross — That applications be invited from persons willing to undertake the duties of Weighbridgekeeper for the various bridges in the Shire, applicants to state terms. Carried.

Cr Kling, Cr Cahill — That a grant of £25 be made to the funds of the Charlton Fire Brigade the same to be taken from the North Riding a/c. Carried

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Cr Kling — Instructed the Engineer to bring up a report (at next meeting) on the condition of the Charlton bridge as to painting, & screwing up etc, also on metalling road from Martens to Mill & Wesleyan Church.

Cr Catto — Engineer to make approach to Rheola Cemetery

The Secretary was instructed to communicate with Lands Dept relative to the survey of road through Edwards land, Barraba.

Cr. Martin — Engineer to have wires put in fence at Mayors lane bridge.

Cr. Coutts, Cr. Ross — Engineer was instructed to call tenders for crossings on road from Caldwell's to Padworth also for painting Cooner & Avoca Forest bridges.

Carried

Cr Cahill — Engineer to have crossing near Mrs Ritchie's Cooroo repaired.

It was decided to allow the question of crossings by Shands & McGuigans to stand over.

Engineer was instructed to have additional gravel beams attached to Weighbridges where required

By Cr. Kling — Engineer to provide hand rails to Culverts at Charlton and have same painted white.

By Cr Martin — Engineer to place guard on Weighbridge at Boomy

Cr Coutts, Cr Catto — That the following accounts brought up by the Finance Committee be passed & paid. Carried

96	Duckett lamplighting	4	17	6
97	Connell salary Curator Knigor Reservoir	3		
98	N.W. Agricult Society	5		
99	Charlton do	5		
100	Korong do	15		
101	Con 1022 20/- 968 20/- 991 20/-	3		
102	Lucas labour per a/c	5	2	
103	Lamprell do	4		
104	Bet Bet Council	10		
105	Danks various articles per a/c	1	13	6
106	Con 1039 & 1047 Keogh	2		
107	Inspector Horses salary	2	10	0
108	Gerrard Weighbridge Comm.n	4	15	0
109	Gordon Memorial Fund	5		
110	Geo Ward guarding per a/c	1	8	0
111	Con 1102 Goodwin	25		
112	Con 1119 Crisp	15	15	0
113	Con 1110 Crisp	10		
114	Mr Nancarrow Less allowance	3	19	6
		126	5	6

		£	s.	d.
	Forward	£126	5	6
115	Hanson labour Reservoir	3	1	6
116	Con 1111 Findlay	12	1	9
117	Con 1123 Belcher	10	16	0
118	Con 1098 J. R. Smith	4	0	0
119	Ashton weighbridge Commn	2	0	7
120	Hindson do	1	16	5
121	Con 1089 Simpson	14	11	8
122	Con 1112 Kane	18	0	0
123	Con 1129 Garrone	10	0	0
124	Con 1128 W. Crisp	10	0	0
125	Boundkeeper's salary	2	0	0
126	Interest on Current a/c	57	2	3
127	Vaudeville Council dinner	3	14	0
128	Town Office addty & Printing	3	8	9
129	Secretary 1 month's salary	25	–	–
130	Mr Moncrieff Pres allowance	1	12	6
131	Lest & Gray various articles	10	7	4
132	Engineer 1 mo salary	29	3	4
133	J. M. Gray Jr 1 mo salary	8	6	8
134	Gray Rabbit Inspector	10	0	0
135	Cogh do	8	1	0
136	Grant do	8	0	0
137	McLeanboro & Rigg Pipes etc	151	3	7
138	Con 1119 Crisp	7	15	0
139	Crisp refund of money for licence	5	0	0
140	Con 1074 Wilson	13	5	6
141	Con 1020 Hughes	2	0	0
142	Con 1024 McNichol	2	0	0
143	Con 1064 Hughes	2	0	0
144	Con 2108 Hughes	20	0	0
145	Con 1121 Kinion	19	10	0
146	Con 1135 Duckett	3	18	0
147	Con 1102 Goodwin	7	11	8
148	Con 1125 Baker	10	4	0
	Forward	£623	16	0

		£	s.	d.
	Forward	£623	16	0
149	Con 1125 W. Baker	26	10	0
150	Con 1126 Morse & Shaw	14	3	4
151	Con 1124 R. Baker	6	0	0
152	Con 1130 C. Lucas	1	6	0
153	Jackson Bros Printing - Water labor	2	18	0
154	Henningsen & Blunder advertising	1	15	0
155	Hughes disinfectants	2	18	0
156	Arnoldt labour Head Reservoir	1	0	0
157	W. Crisp day labour	2	10	0
158	Office Expenses per vouchers	5	19	6
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160	Sundry accounts per vouchers	14	2	6
161	J. McPretty bonus on 3 dump skips	3	0	0
162	Forest labour per a/c	8	10	0
163	Chisholm grubbing Simpson's blk	2	8	0
164	W. A. Jones labour per a/c	14	2	0
165	C. Lucas draining per a/c	2	4	0
166	Cowan labour per a/c Charlton	5	4	0
167	Cole Govt Auditor	24	9	6
168	Williams Local do	18	18	0
169	Brown adjusting Shire maps	44	8	0
170	Scott Wild Dog Suppression	6	0	0
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172		£833	1	10

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

Confirmed

William Anderson President