Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Korong Shire Council held in the Shire Hall Wedderburn on the 19th May

Present Crs Redwood President in the Chair, Hall Coutts, Ross, Martin, Paterson Cahill & Bourchier.

Correspondence:—

1. Wimera Shire Council re Conference in Inglebourne on Rabbit question with a view to obtaining from the Govt a copy of portion of the Survey Report & the Council and in future ~~paying~~ obtaining Pound for Pound incurred by Municipal Councils in Rabbit expenditure

Cr Paterson
Cr Redwood } That Cr Bourchier and Mr Langdon be appointed to attend the Conference on the Rabbit question

2. W. F. Sheridan Secty Central Irrigation League stating that it had been determined to present the Resolutions adopted at the recent Irrigation Convention to the Premier, by a deputation consisting of Members of Public Bodies etc and asking that Name and Address of gentleman who might be appointed by this Council

Cr Bourchier moved that the Council Co-operate with the League but an opinion was expressed that the delegates to the Rabbit Conference might attend

3. J. Frame Land Office St Arnaud with plan of Woofang showing Reserve and inquiring how much of Crown Lands for the Reserve.

Cr Coutts
Cr Paterson } That five acres be reserved round the tank and a plan sent to be kept over the Mantelpiece and that it be bound under Section 37 of the Act

Amendment by
Cr Martin } That the amount received for the Blank Cancell[illegible] was last.—

The Voting for being for the Amendment — Councillors Burchell, Cahill, Ross & Seaton; against, Councillors Peterson, Smith, Redwood & Ford.

The amendment was lost by the Casting Vote of the President.

4. Mort Conie Secy to proposed new Group of Mfs Country Shire — where interests are identical and requesting appointment of delegate to attend next meeting to be held on June 3rd at Horsham

Mr Burchell & Seaton — That Cr Ross be appointed to attend the meeting of delegates at Horsham.

Carried

5. Pat.k O'Brien reporting favourably on Water Supply

Carried

6. Railway Department acknowledging receipt of Health Officers Report relative to sanitary condition of Morong Bell Station which had been referred to Engineer for Report.

7. Mort Statist re payment of bonus to Collectors

received

8. Dowling & Rogan Inglewood for re lighting

Carried

9. Inspector Delaney's report thereon

Noted

10. the Dame with a/c for destroying a horse whose leg had been broken and burying same.

The Secretary stated that the owner of the horse had subsequently been found and the [illegible] paid.

11. Mr Thompson Melbourne relative to Colonial & Indian Exhibition.

Mr Burchell & Peterson — That the Council be represented

with the Commissioner for Victoria in the endeavour to form a thoroughly representative Court in London, and that the matter be left in the hands of the Secretary & Engineer.

Carried

12. Ratepayers Richmond Plains drawing attention to necessity for clearing in the vicinity of Kilmore.

To be provided for on next estimate.

13. Secretary for Railways that Commissioners can give no promise as to when the contract for the line from Heathcote Road to the Township can be let. Received

14. Mort Statist with Pay Sheet re Bonus to Collectors for Signature by President & Clerk.

Attended to

15. Lands Department declining to comply with petition from Ratepayers Parish of Bonnie Doon for throwing open for selection the Crown Lands in that Parish. Received

16. Post & Telegraph Dept stating that the application for ~~the~~ a public Clock at new Post Office Heathcote will receive consideration.

Noted

17. W. L. Boyle Surveyor applying for trees and guards on condition that he attended to them. The Secretary stated that he had not received them from the State Nursery, but would be left in the Office.

18. G. Bertoli stating that Cash Rabbit Inspector had made use of his name in a reprehensible manner.

19. Mice & Kane Hard suggesting Deputation to wait on Railways re Broad Gauge, Heathcote to Echuca [illegible] Echuca [illegible]

seconded that Mr Donnelly attend the Deputation re Bridge over Rock and also apply for Subsidy to Bridge over Kingsmill Creek and for Engineer and Mr Hamilton, Engineer to accompany him. Carried

20 R. McAdam Barrake resigning office of Weighbridgekeeper and suggesting Mr Smale as his successor.

21 Smalldale agreeing to take charge of W. Bridge if appointed

Mr Donnelly / Mr Nelson — That Mr Smalldale be appointed Weighbridge Keeper at Barrake. Carried

22. East London Shire asking Corporation in endeavour to remove native Commonage from protection of the Game Laws.

Mr Donnelly moved that Corporation be given seconded by Mr Thomas carried.

Duncan Kennedy

23. D. McCallum & others Buckrabanyule calling attention to bad road near Rosanna which Mr Nichol had agreed to put in repair for £5. Mr Donnelly moved that the Engineer be empowered to let the work to Mr Nichol at £5 for Chain. An amendment by Mr Smith seconded by Mr Redwood that tenders be called for the work by Mr Neat was

24. Duckett & Amey stating they had made an error in tender for work at Eyeleet Cut & then at last meeting asking to be relieved of same. Mr Smith moved that the Contract be cancelled and the deposit £6 stopped from Contractors money. Carried

Mr Palmer moved that fresh tenders be called for

the Contract abandoned by Duckett & Avery
Seconded by Cr Ross & Carried.

25. Sitie of Rutherglen suggesting Conference re Sydenham to consider the propriety of urging upon the Government the necessity of enforcing the Act which prohibits the Importation of Dingo &c

It was resolved that Mr Bonwhier and the Engineer represent the Council at the proposed Conference

26 Mr B Aprill Complaining of bad roads at the Granite Range which had caused the upset of his Conveyance and injury to members of his family Claiming Compensation to the amount of £ [illegible]
Application for Compensation was declined by the Council.
The Engineer was instructed to inspect the locality and report to next meeting

27. Chas Hartley & others Henderson asking that Water supply may be extended to their premises.
Moved by Cr Cahill } That the request be granted and
Seconded by Cr Ross } That the Engineer report as to costs.
Carried

Treasurer Reported Receipts since last meeting £201-5-6 Expenditure £461-14-9. Bank Overdraft £ 593-4-

The Treasurer stated that the actual amount of Endowment was £294 less than had been estimated.
Cr Cahill }
Cr Atwood } That the Treasurer's Statement be adopted.
Carried

Engineers Report:-
1 With reference to proposed purchase of Land from Mr Stephen Wright at Dryden Mr Stephen the Committee appointed had decided to [illegible]

settlement of the question for the Consideration of the Council.

2. The works necessary in connection with Mr. McCons application for clearing from Laidlaw's gate to Charlton R.R. will be 120 Chains clearing and two crossings total cost about £30. about 4 Chains of metalling is necessary for the repair of road between Mr. Allans & Smellie's which is the principal outlet for people ~~living~~ living near the mount, recommend inclusion of these works in next years estimates.

3. Re Cameron's Application for Road formation Boring Field that about 81 Chains is required by Cameron's, McMahon's & Williamson's to connect the hard road ground on the West with the Wanderbiern & Wyalkatchem Road, probable cost will be about £144.

4. Re application of Clarence Benimal, Approved between Edwards & McCutcheon, thinks the one now being cleared from Boorder & Corrigin Trust road by Kelly's will probably meet his requirements.

5. Recommend steps being taken to open road between Pollinghorne's & Phillips selection Benimal at once, before the auction of these dividing fences is completed.

6. Mr. Kenny had not yet commenced his Contract for drains Probett; for Kolan has for the excavation of Shunk, near Mrs Eguss Swapper.

A discussion ensued relative to the amount asked for land at Bryan Station a difference of £30 it existed between the price offered and the price asked by ~~Mr.~~ Wright Kamela £85 & 119 which included fencing, Councillor Patterson did not see the necessity for the work, Cr Smith thought it was much required, it was eventually agreed on the motion of Cr McCrath seconded by Cr

Bouchier and Carried that Mr Wright's offer be accepted at £7. per acre for the land.

Mr Mc Cons application for works between Laidlaws gate on the Inglewood & Korrong Road line was ordered to be held over till next years Estimates were framed.

Also was the matter of repairs between Allans & Smellies and Mr Cameron's application for [illegible]

The matter of road exchange near Phillips & Pollinghorne was entrusted to the members for the Riding and the Engineer for arrangement.

Cr Ross
Cr Redwood } That the Engineer's report be received and approved. Carried

Cr Bouchier from the suspension of standing orders
Cr Patterson } for the purpose of introducing Mr Kling.

Mr Kling stated that he had been delegated to ask for the appointment of a Revision Court at Charlton, he affirmed that houses had changed hands of late, and though the rates had been paid the names of former occupiers had been retained. The Secretary stated he had gone through Charlton ~~but~~ at the time the current valuation was made but the changes had [illegible]

Cr Patterson said that seeing the present dissatisfaction he would move the appointment of a Revision Court at Charlton to be held on the 15th July ~~it would~~ seconded by Cr Ross & carried.

Rabbit Inspectors reports were read from each Riding.

Mr Mc Cull complained that on the Spring Creek the [illegible] & that the bounties charge put down by the Government

man was useless and that if the present state of affairs is allowed to remain farming cannot be carried on

Mr Ross considered it throwing money away in retaining Inspectors, he would suggest that instructions be given to the Inspectors to furnish a list to next meeting of names of persons having log or Brush fences harbouring rabbits

Mr Coutts said it was hard to deal with lands near the Mallee Scrub he was in favor of payment by results as being the best for the Council

Mr Cahill moved that Copies of the Rabbit Inspectors reports be sent to the Government every month seconded by Mr Bouchier carried

Mr Bouchier
Mr Hall } That the Inspectors be instructed to rigidly enforce the Act. carried

The Public Works Committee then brought up the following Tenders

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Fencing by Kings & Young, King parish

John Forest	£18 . 15/-	Estimate £10
W. Crisp	15 . 0 (no signature)	
J. Kinsey	11 . 10/-	
J. Forest	9 . 10/- +	

Recommended Forest

2. Improvements to Footpaths from Miles and the Albion Hotel and from Wardell's to Jenkins in Avenue

R. Goodwin	£51 . 1 . 9	Estimate £84 . 15/-
Hickmott	42 . 0 . 11	
Grant & Kinsey	71 . 13 . 9	

Bannon & Madden	£46 . 10 . 0
W. Maclure	38 . 19 . 0 +
W. Crisp	59 . 5 . 0
John Kinsey	47 . 0 . 0

Recommended McLure

3. Constructing masonry drop Spec Creek by Kinsey & Young

W. J. Garland	£94 . 5 . 0 +	Estimate £130 . 0 . 0
J. R. Mason	151 . 19 . 0	

Recommended Garland

4. Clearing from Caldwell's Benalla South to the Wanderboro Rd Remove rows of fences &c

A. Simpson	14½ per Chain	£38 . 13 . 4 + Estimate £40 . 0 . 0
W. Crisp	5/3 do	45 . 0 . 0
C. Lemon	8/3 do	37 . 10 . 0

Recommended Simpson

5. 120 Chains of drains and culverts by Bird, Kellett & Lyons on Wanderboro & Moorna Forest Roads

Whitney	£30 +	Estimate £57 . 0 . 0
Crisp	49	
Gregson & Co	45 . 11/-	

Recommended Whitney

6 Widening & Fencing and Constructing pipe inlet to Red Dam Footpath

Estimate £70 . 0 . 0

Hickmott	£72 . 0 . 0
A. Forest	68 . 0 . 0
Crisp	71 . 5 . 0

Recommended Crisp

as Forest has already as much work as he appears to be able to carry out

No 7. Clearing by Foley's Hill by Mr Goodwin, Bettetts and Mr Kitzpe's.

Estimate £15 " 10/-

G. Goodwin £15 " 6 " 8
W. Richmond 20 " 3 " 0

Recommended Goodwin

8. Contracting crossing through Hopa Creek by Deslandes, Letts & Chisholm's parish of Kuting

Jas. Walker & Co £34 " 17 " 6
Jno. A Jones 39 " 10/-
John Kinny 37 " 0 " 0
A. Keogh 30 " 0 " 0+
W. Crisp 37 " 15 " 0

Estimate £27 " 10/-

Recommed Keogh

Moved by Cr Redwood, Cr Coutts — That the Tenders of Messrs Forest McCue, Garland, Simpson, Whitney, Crisp Goodwin & Keogh as recommended by the Committee be accepted. Carried

It was resolved upon the recommendation of the Engineer that Mr A. Chisholm be employed to superintend the progress of Contract No 3 Masonry Coop Hopa Creek

Motions under Notice

Cr Patterson, Cr Hall — That tenders be called for Metalling by Alexander's Tenafee and from Butleys to Chisholm Road

Carried

Cr Baker, Cr Ross — For clearing by Strong's & Dixon parish of Kelso Carried

Cr Hall, Cr Coutts — For Reclearing from Kuting Rly Station to the Kingston & Old Inglewood road also that road from Kingston to [illegible]

be recleared.

Carried

Cr Hall, Cr Redwood — That the term of maintenance on all Clearing Contracts in the Shire be for 12 months. Carried

Cr Bouchier, Cr Redwood — " for clearing etc between Bridgewater & Redwood the Shire boundary on the Bridgewater & Newbridge road and about 10 chains forming by Stone

Carried

Cr Ross, Cr Baker — That Tenders be called for repairs to Kelso road by Mr Jones.

Carried

Cr Redwood, Cr Hall — That at the next meeting of the Council a special order be made, adopting by bye-law Part 1 of Schedule 13 of the Local Government Act 1874 for the regulation and protection of streets & footpaths and that such bye-law be then brought up for adoption

Carried.

Instructions to [illegible]

By Cr Bouchier — Engineer to report on drainage requirements of Street running towards Roman Catholic Church past Cricket Club House, also re drainage of Armstrong St Chandos from the Bank of [illegible]

By Cr Ross — Engineer to inspect & report on drain [illegible]

Cr Patterson, Cr Bouchier — That the dog Inspectors enforce the provisions of the Dog Act and that letters be addressed to Collars of dogs [illegible]

Cr Martin
Cr Nelson } That Tenders be called for 20 Chains of Clearing in Bryan Green the Windmill to Gillespie's House also for Clearing dead timber from Barney Patterson's to the Newtownmore Road. Carried

Cr Boutto
Cr Redwood } Tenders be called for clearing Stumps &c by Bailey's. North & South Ridings. Carried

Cr Hall moved that the following Acc brought up by the Finance Committee be forwarded for payment. Seconded by Cr Redwood & Carried

410	Con 1061. G. Duckett	4	17	6
411	Con 1062. Crisp	4	4	5
412	Hughes labour per ap	22	0	0
413	Bonnell carting Rubble Newtown	1	0	0
414	Con 1063 [illegible]	3	0	0
415	Balance of purchase money Shambrook	4	8	9
416	Inspector Dilemy salary & burial of [illegible]	3	0	0
417	Chancery of land expenses	3	3	0
418	Acc [illegible]	2	2	-
419	Survey Fees connected with land [illegible]	1	15	0
420	Jackson & Sullivan Nat. Crisp	10	0	0
421	Hire of room for Chairman Sect.	2	0	0
422	Con 1064. W. Crisp	10	0	0
423	Minor labour Ag & Brennan wd	3	12	0
424	Dunkley weighbridge Commr	2	3	0
425	[illegible]	2	10	0
426	Tenders for [illegible]	11	2	9
427	Con 1065 Whitney	55	0	0
428	Con 1068 Walsh & Co	20	0	0
429	Flax Inspector for ap	6	15	6
430	[illegible]	6	0	0
431	Hire of [illegible] advertising [illegible]	1	5	0
		£ 179	18	11

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432	Gray Rabbit Inspector salary	10	0	0
433	Cosh do	8	0	0
434	Grant do	8	0	0
435	Ridder, Secretary 1 month salary	25	0	0
436	Stern Engineer 1 month salary	29	3	4
437	Gray Jr. 1 mo Sec as assist Secty	8	6	8
438	Mr Moorcroft Pres allowance	3	12	6
439	Tribune Office [illegible]	1	10	0
440	Advertiser Office Printing for ap	3	3	6
441	Arosa Water Trust cost of Crossing	50	0	0
442	Con 1066. John Forest	100	0	0
443	Con 1074. A. Wilson	20	0	0
444	Con 1050 Guthrie & Timms	20	0	0
445	Con 1075 Henderson	6	0	0
446	Con for [illegible]	3	0	0
447	Con 1000 J. B. Smith	2	0	0
448	Con 1029 [illegible]	4	7	0
449	Con 1061. Duckett lamplighting	3	18	0
450	[illegible]	3	3	0
451	Reach dog Registration Commr	2	15	0
452	Con 1024. W. Sachot	31	0	0
453	Con 1078. Crisp	12	0	0
454	Robson & Co C.S. pumps	30	0	0
455	W. Holton [illegible]	3	[illegible]	[illegible]
		£ 568	6	9

Notices of Motion

Cr Burke postponed from last sitting, Tenders be called for about 25 Chains of Forming & draining between Paparoa & [illegible] Kaipara.

Cr Cahill, for grubbing from Kilbarnie to Waterhole [illegible]

Mr. Redwood, Mr. Ross } That no tenders be called for any work except clearing until August next.

Carried

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

Confirmed June 16th 1885.

John Redwood President