Minutes of the ordinary monthly meeting of the Korong Shire Council held in the Shire Hall Wedderburn on the 21st April 1885.

Present:- Mr. Redwood president (in the chair) Hall, Ross Coutts, Paterson, Bourke, Cahill & Martin.

Minutes of previous meeting were read & confirmed

Correspondence:-

1. Railway Department that gate L.C. on Inglewood & Korongvale line is being widened.

2. Capta Jayne Treasurer Royal Humane Society received acknowledging receipt of Councils donation.

3. C.L.B. Rothery re boundaries of districts.

4. Govt Statist re complaints by Argus and Australasian as to the tones system of collecting Agricultural Statistics.

5. Railway Department received re correctness of Scales at Bridgewater Station.

6. Public Works Department re refusal of the petition for severance, and stating that notice of refusal is published in Gazette of 20th March

7. Treasury with statement of Interest due on Hospital Stock forming Sinking Fund.

8. Treasury received relative to the more frequent attendance of the Receiver and Paymaster at Wedderburn

9. Public Works Department with receipt for deposit which accompanied Severance Counter petition and intimating that the Clerk of P.S. had authority to refund the amount

10. P.O. Green reporting favorably on the Water Supply of Kingower. received

11. Shire Secretary Donald intimating that a Conference would be held at Donald on 22nd April with a view to forming a group of up country Shires whose interests are identical, and asking Council to appoint delegate &c.

Secretary was instructed to reply by telegraph that this Council approves of the idea and is willing to join the proposed Group.

12 H. N. Davis Korong Vale applying (on behalf of the Hospital Sub Committee) for Public and Bank holiday within the Shire on the 23rd April.

Secretary had attended to the matter and had the holiday proclaimed at Korong Vale

13 Secretary for Railways stating in reply to an application for a strip of land on each side of the Inglewood Rly Station for roads that the Commissioners had no power to allow the land to be used for such purpose &c

14 Geo Laity Bowing Complaining that Contractors for work near his land had damaged his fence and requesting Council to have same repaired

Engineer had attended to same

15 Secretary Shire Bet Bet re specification for work near Metelmans. Engineer had replied.

16 Treasury that Receiver and Paymaster from Inglewood will visit Wedderburn weekly in lieu of fortnightly as hitherto

17. Resp. Coutts Bros Boort stating that they had replaced their dead wood & rank fences [illegible]

and requesting Council to compel their farmers adjoining them to do the same
Referred to Inspector for N. Riding

18 John A Craig Secretary Koroing Agricultural Pastoral & Horticultural Society, with copy of resolution ~~passed by~~ carried at a meeting held in the Shire Hall under the auspices of the above Society, to the effect "That the Shire Council be requested to advocate the Construction of the line from Wedderburn Road to Wedderburn in time for next harvest". ~~and Solicitor~~

Cr Paterson
Cr Ross } That the Council support the Application to have the line to Wedderburn Constructed ~~in~~ time for next harvest.
Carried

19 Shire of Beechworth re appointment of an Auditor.

20 Shire Secretary Koroing enclosing letter from Mr Cronin which had been wrongly addressed

21 T. F. Cronin Dunolly calling attention to various repairs needed in the vicinity of Bridgewater, dealt with by notice of motion

22 John A French suggesting that the Council when having the Finger posts throughout the Shire painted, should have a board with the words "Walker's Buck V.O." placed near Walker's land —
Referred to Engineer

23 Treasury with Endorsement a/c for completion and return, received

24 Secretary Avoca Trust stating that the Weir and Crossing in the Avoca river near Murphys Hotel, was completed and requesting payment of £50 which Council had agreed to contribute —

Cr Ross
Cr Cahill } That the Engineer inspect the crossing and if satisfied with its construction that the sum of Fifty Pounds be paid.
Carried

25 W. Steel reporting on Water supply Wedderburn.
received

26 John Burke asking payment of Shire bonus of 1s per head on a dingo skin purchased by the Society for Suppression of Wild Dogs at Richmond Plains.
To be paid

27 Geo Nixon pointing out necessity for clearing and a crossing over creek on road leading from Laidlaws Railway gate to East brook
Engineer to report to next meeting —

28 Drury & Burge applying for leave to erect veranda opposite their premises High St Wedderburn — granted subject to Engineers Supervision —

29 Cr Martin presented a petition in favor of road alluded in previous letter at Inglewood Railway Station, and urged Council to support the prayer of same and moved that the land required be purchased from Mr Wright, the members for the North Riding and Engineer to arrange price, seconded by Cr Cahill & carried,

Treasurer Reported since last meeting
Receipts £ 277. 7. 3. Expenditure £ 737. 11. 5.
Bank Overdraft £2153. The report was received and approved.

Engineer's Report.

1. Re application for draining between Phillips Selection and Salisbury S. R. finds the natural drainage is through the PR northwards and that a drain to convey the water towards the river as requested would require to be ~~[illegible]~~ of considerable depth, is of opinion the best way would be to form the road and allow the water to follow its course.
2. Re bridge across Flights (Anglewood Storm Channel) had consulted the President as to advisability of providing new deck, & other substantial repairs and tenders had been called for same.
3. Halliday has removed the fence through the swamp near Kelly's and should be paid.
4. Recommends that clearing be done as requested by Strongs and Dixons parish of Wehla.
5. Re the Complaint that Mrs Woods house obstructs the traffic on a road near the Meadenbaum Road Station finds that though a part of the house is on the road it cannot inconvenience the Complainants.
6. Has been informed ~~that~~ by the Lamplighter at Charlton the subject of Mr Miles Complaint was purely accidental, and this statement has been confirmed by Mr Kleeg.
7. Finds that the road (Meadenbaum & Salisbury) near Sorgs and Kelly's Swamp requires forming and draining etc the total cost of which will be about £57.
8. Had arranged with Mr Lemmon Charlton road to repair the fence broken by Kinsey for 10/-

9. Had met Mr Long and the Secretary & Engineer of the Wandandian & Stroud road relative to the proposal to construct a bridge at the joint expense of the Shires of Kara Kara and Korong - the delegates from Kara Kara agreed to the construction of the bridge but stated they would be unable to proceed with the work till next Summer, in the meantime it was agreed to apply to the Govt for one third of the cost.
9a. They also agreed for proceeding at once with the work of screwing up & strengthening the bridges at Gorman, Rome and Avoca Forest.
10. Had in Company with Cr Ross & Burke arranged with Mr R. H. Holmes Parish of East Charlton for a deviation of the Charlton and Yangroon road, the length of the deviation required would be about 60 Chains and the price agreed upon £75, in full of all demands.
11. Re Complaint that a hole had been dug in the road at Waterhole Flat, had ascertained that the offender was Jas Simons of Stuartown Creek who had evidently left the hole "through want of thought" for on being informed of the wrong he immediately filled it up again. The Engineer asked if he should prosecute.

The report was dealt with as follows:-

The Secretary was instructed to write for a grant for Storm Channel Anglewood
also for grant to Kara Kara and the Shire for one third cost of bridge over Avoca.

Cr Hall
Cr Booth } That the action of the Committee in arranging for a deviation of the Charlton & Yangroon road at a cost of £75 be approved.

Cr Hall
Cr Redwood } That the Engineers report be received & approved.

Reports from each of the Rabbit Inspectors were read and approved —

Cr Paterson introduced Mr Cameron who applied for the forming of a piece of road in Boroing near his place and stated that Gravel could be obtained within a mile of the place

Cr Paterson moved that Mr Cameron's application be attended to as soon as funds are available and that the Engineer report to next meeting as to cost etc. Seconded by Cr Barton & carried.

The Public Works Committee then brought up the following tenders.

Tenders

No 1 Forming 40 Chains by Moorhouse & Baskeville in Salisbury West Constructing Culverts, excavating tank &c Estimate £178 " 8/-

A. B. Smith	£171 " 8 " 9
C. Lucas	160 " 12 " 0 +
J. Kinniry	234 " 3 " 0
W. Crisp	199 " 9 " 0
J. Sly junr	219 " 6 " 0
W. Maclure	260 " 6 " 0

Recommended C. Lucas

2. Painting & lettering fingerposts &c in Shire Tippett 4/5" post 3d 4/9 per hand } Cost 12/- per post
1/- per foot for Board } 13/4 " letter
Richmond 5/- & 2/6 — 3d — 6 } 1/- per foot board
Crisp 10/6 3½d 1/- "
Wilson 15/- 2d 1/—
Recommended ~~that~~ Wilson at Engineers Estimate of 12/- per post and 1¾d. per letter if he will accept it.

3. Constructing masonry drop Hopetoun Creek Nr Bacons to Tenders Estimate £

4. Clearing etc foundations West Road Aitken & Collins & by Tanner & Hawes &c parish of Bonnal
R Henderson £37 " 6 " 8 Estimate £37 " 7 " 0
H. Cameron? 40 " 13 " 4
Recommended Henderson

5. Clearing etc Rly Kelly's Corner & Broca Forest road to Edwards & Robinson's Kilbarnie
A Catherine & Hassett £28 " 10/- Estimate £24.
Recommended

6. Various alterations to Red Dam near Lemon
W. Crisp £82 " 15/- Estimate £70 —
postponed Fresh tenders to be called.

7. Tarring, painting & screwing up bridges in the Central & South Redings
W. Crisp £430 " 10/- Estimate £317 " 10/-
Thos Sly junr no bulk sum
J. Hughes £220 —
J. Whitfield no bulk sum
Recommended Hughes

8 Forming & gravelling 8 Chains by W Chitell Rly Station
A. Kinniry £86 Estimate £66
W. Crisp £40 " 14/-
Recommended Crisp

9. Clearing etc by Aird & Lauts Kingsland
Catherine & Hassett £10 " 12/6 Estimate £12
Recommended

10. Clearing about 40 Chains & Constructing Crossings near Rt Egbert Est. £15 " 16/-
Dadrett & Kinney £8 " 10 " 8.
C. Spring 17 " 16 " 0 recommd Dadrett

11 Forming footpath & Kerbing &c in
Kent St Wedderburn
Estimate £28 " 15/-

Duckett & Arney £23 " 10/-
F. Hughes 29 " 7 " 6
W. Crisp 39 " 15 " 0
Recommended Duckett

12. Forming & draining Charlton & Wychitella
road between Gladstone Hotel & Holmes's
Wm Forest £95 Estimate £90
W. Crisp £91
J Kenny £88
W. McLure £80
Recommended Maclure

13 Cutting 80 Chains side drains and
repairing Bye wash to Pound Dam Wedderburn
Duckett & Arney £25 Estimate £31. 15/-
Chas Rose 29 " 17. 6
recommended D & A

14 Removing Culvert and Supplying metal Kingower
Chisholm £17 " 17. 0 Estimate £20 " 0/-
Crisp 18 " 5 " 0
F. B. Welsh 26 " 0 " 0
Recommended Chisholm

15. Constructing new Deck & Hand rails to bridge
over Storm channel near Flights Inglewood
Estimate £20 " 14
Thos Sly & Co £27. 3. 6
Chas Lucas 21 " 10 " 6
Recommd Lucas

Cr Redwood } That the Tenders of Messrs Crisp
Cr Ross } Lucas, Henderson, Guthrie & Hassett &
Hughes, Cr Duckett & Arney &. Maclure & Chisholm
as recommended by the Public Works Committee
be accepted. Carried

Notices of Motions under Notice

Cr Redwood Tenders be called for breaking metal
Cr Hall & Bridgewater. To stand over

Cr Redwood " For draining between Keigo & Youngs
Cr Hall Kingsbeach Carried

Cr Paterson } " Kerbing 6 chains at Charlton
Cr Hall } Carried

Cr Bourke " for metalling Korong Vale
postponed

Cr Bourke } " Clearing from Caldwells selection South
Cr Ross } to Wedderburn & Boonoo Road
Carried

Cr Ross (in the absence of Cr Cahill)
Cr Paterson } for drains on Avoca Forest Road by
Cr Crutto } Holts & Lyons. Carried
Cr Redwood } for Crossing by Ratchelles & Stephens farms Nosebrook
Cr Ross } for Clearing road running East
Cr Paterson } and West by Mr Jeffries & Bartletts &c
Tokeys Hill. Carried

General Business

Cr Paterson called attention to the obstruction of
road from his house by a deep drain cut by the
Council and asked that pipes be put in ~~the~~
he considered that when the Council cut a drain
in front of ~~property~~ a house access should be given.
Cr Ross suggested that 12 feet of piping be

given to any ratepayer desiring to give access across drains. No action taken

~~With reference to letter No 4~~

Cr Redwood instructed the Engineer to have the road from Kunting to Benanah repaired where the Crossings are damaged at a cost not exceeding £5 —

Notices of Motion

Cr Redwood Tenders be called for forming & clearing on Newbridge & Bridgewater Road.

Cr Hall " for re-clearing roads from Kunting railway to Kingower & Old Inglewood Road and from Kingower to Metalmaro.

Cr Rourke " forming & draining by Lexworthy and Fordo Melburnie.

Cr Paterson For kubbing etc about 3 miles near Alexanders & No 13 lock Dam &c

Cr Cahill " about 160 Chains grubbing by Stringers & Dixons parish of Wehla.

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

			£	s	d
362	"	Con 1061 Duckett	3	18	0
363	"	Duckett labour per a/c	7	4	0
364	"	Rach Commr on dog Registration fees	2	10	0
365	"	Insurance Expenses	35	0	0
366	"	Con 981 M A Beer	3	0	0
367	"	Wildish & Dillon labour	8	10	0
368	"	Con [illegible]	35	0	0
			£ 85	2	0

			£	s	d
369	"	Con 1015 Wilish & Dillon	5	2	0
370	"	Sundries per voucher	5	0	0
371	"	Guarantee Premiums Interest on Debt	12	10	1
372	"	Brennet Compensation for land for road	52	10	0
373	"	Kelley labour per a/c	10	0	0
374	"	Weighbridge Keepers Guarantees	5	0	0
375	"	Weighbridge Commr Hindson	4	0	0
376	"	Steel Salary as Curator of Reservoir	4	18	7
377	"	Con 1062 Crisp	3	0	0
378	"	Weighbridge Commrs Hutton & McAdam	10	0	0
379	"	Con 1031 Guthrie	2	19	6
380	"	Con 1065 Whitney	3	5	0
381	"	Weighbridge Commr Grraud	30	0	0
382	"	The Cashpaid Collector salary	4	2	9
383	"	Hamilton Weighbridge Commr	12	10	0
384	"	Hansen repairs to Wind & Buck road	11	5	0
385	"	Con 1062 Crisp	6	14	0
386	"	Con 1064 Hughes	6	0	0
387	"	Star Office Advertising	60	0	0
388	"	Jackson Bros do	2	18	0
389	"	Reach collecting Statistics	5	6	0
390	"	Grant do	12	0	0
391	"	Cosh do	16	10	0
392	"	Reach rate Collectors salary	12	0	0
393	"	Gray salary as Rabbit Inspector	12	10	0
394	"	Cosh " " "	12	10	0
395	"	Gray Jun salary as Assist Secy	10	0	
396	"	Secretary 1 month Salary	8	6	8
397	"	Engineer 1 mo do	25		
398	"	Grant Rate Collector Salary	29	3	4
399	"	[illegible]	28	0	0
400	"	Gray various accts for Rabbit Suppression	3	10	0
401	"	Tribune Office Advertising	4	6	2
402	"	Brett Wills Co Suppression	3	5	0
403	"	McNichol labour Cards	10	0	
404	"	Wilson [illegible]	8	0	
			[illegible]		

	Forward	£ 534	" 7	" 7
405	" Damon lamplighting & scavenger	£ 30	" 13	" 6
406	" Harden & Son repairs & N.B Charlton	3	" 8	" 8
407	" W. Steel various repairs per a/c	1	" 13	" 0
408	" McLean (Health Officers a/c)	16	" 15	" 0
409	" Son 1857. C. Lucas	20	" [illegible]	" 0
		£ 606	" 17	" 9

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

Confirmed May 19th 65.

Richd Richardson President