Minutes of the ordinary monthly meeting of the Korong Shire Council held in the Shire Hall Wedderburn on Monday the 20th December 1886.

Present

Cr Devine President (in the Chair) Gray Cato Coutts. Kling and afterwards Cr Buncher.

Correspondence

1 Secretary for Mines & Water Supply enclosing an extract from the Regulations constituting Prospecting Boards. Received

2. Public Works Department notifying appointment of E. Morres Esq as Cost Auditor of Municipal Acts in place of Mr H. Cobb resigned. Received

3. Edwd Morres Cost Auditor relative to arrangement for audit.

4. H. Williams local auditor re same

5. Constable Hect. Charlton asking annual value of Hotels at Charlton. Subpoened by Secretary

6. Receiver & Paymaster Charlton for same

7 Chas Cullen Inglewood for same in Inglewood District.

8. A. Kennedy Solicitor Inglewood for certificates of valuations of licensed Hotels
Secretary has replied to each of the foregoing

9 Inquiry in reference to certificates for annual assessment of licensed premises.

Secretary stated he had separated valuation on Cr Kling licensed properties from properties not licensed
Cr Gray, That Secretary's action be confirmed

10 Mr Erwin acknowledging receipt of donation of £2 towards the funds of the W.W. Agricultural Society. received

11 F.W. Day Messrs calling attention to the necessity for repairs to the crossing near his place. The Secretary authorised the repairs on the spot. The cost for which was laid on the table & passed for payment.

12 E. Maggard asking Permission to mine under Booth road near his private property in Kurting no action was taken in this as applicant had not supplied information as to exact locality also requested.

13 Shire of North Oxley calling attention to Clause 15 of the Bill to further amend the Local Govt Act 1894. which seeks to abolish the Provision for granting Certificates of Service.
received

14. Lands Department notifying Gazettal of reservation of 46.a 15 perches land for Toowoo East for Water Supply purposes.

15 Secretary Benevolent Society Sandhurst stating that 4 Cases had been received from this shire during the present year & expressing the hope that the amount of donation voted by the Council would be largely in excess of previous grants.
The annual vote from the Council had been distributed but it was decided to ask the Committee to consider the Claims of the Asylum when next years vote is under consideration

16 Lands Department inquiring whether Council had any objection to the issue of a grazing licence shewn on tracing attached.
Secretary explained that the land in question was a quarry reserve of about 4½ acres in extent between Chisholm's land & Wordhaven Berrimal
It was decided to offer no objection to issue of licence

17 Secretary for Wychitella Racing Club applying for proclamation of a public Holiday on the 26th Dec. Secretary had attended to this matter

18 Adam Laidlaw Wychitella expressing intention of placing his Claim for damages in the hands of his Solicitor to be tried at law.
Secretary was instructed to inform Mr Laidlaw that the Council had not taken Charge of the road where the accident occurred and were therefore not responsible for accidents.

19 Railway Department stating that all dangerous holes in the Proposed Station yard at Wedderburn will be filled.

20 Govt Statist with form "Municipal Districts" for Completion.

21 Pat O'Brien reporting on Condition Kangaroo Reserve

22 Rebecca Chambers Korong Vale asking Council to withdraw application for Reservation of certain land included in an application made by herself
Mr Chambers attended and explained that by the plan he came was shown and that he desired to obtain this particular land was the reason he accepted the worthless land

Council decided to recommend the issue of a grazing license for the Reserve Spring Bore
The Secretary was instructed to again apply for the exclusion of part of the Heddesburn & Holdfield Common infested by rabbits

23 Inspector Rennie Murrayboro for list of the annual assessments of Hotels within the Licensing Districts of Kingower, Avoca & Inglewood
Secretary had attended to same.

24 Lands Department re rabbits on Richmond Plains Run
25 The same re infested lands South Riding

26 Ayr & Fuller C.P.'s re infested lands in the Central Riding.

27 Wm Pheeze East Brook re rabbits

28 Saml Deeble calling attention to dangerous condition of 3 dead trees near his Stand Inglewood and suggesting that W.A. forces be employed to Remove them

29 Share of Directors asking for Councils approval of the agreement between the Govt and the Messrs Chappey Bros and requesting that same might be transmitted to the Minister in Charge of the Bill.
Resolved the bill having been altered prior to receipt of above letter. The Secretary was instructed to reply regretting that the Govt had been forced into altering the bill in such a way as to entirely destroy its intended effect of establishing an irrigation Colony on the Murray

30 Under Secretary stating that in Compliance with request of the Council Wednesday the 29th inst had been appointed a public and Bank holiday, at Charlton —

31 Department of Mines v Water Supply for Statistical information, Secretary to attend to same

32 Department of Lands stating that C.B. Council could not approve site chosen for a manure depot at Charlton and suggesting that another one be selected received

33 Saml Deeble acknowledging receipt of Council's donation to the Dargaville Hospital

34 Receipts for annual donation were also received from the following institutions. Viz
St Arnaud Hospital, Blind Asylum, Eye & Ear Hospital, Society for Protection of Animals, Deaf & Dumb Institution, Infant Asylum, Orphan Asylum

35 Telegram from John Clark stating that at a Public Meeting held at Korong Vale it was decided to form a Small Water Trust and requesting Council to take the necessary Preliminaries as soon as possible to deal with same

36 G. F. Oakleigh Solicitor Donald claiming the sum of £50 for damages occasioned to the Rev Fathel Scanlon through the contact of his vehicle with the Posts of a Culvert near Boonoo Boonoo Bridge last September upon the motion of Cr. Kling the matter was referred to the Engineer for report at next meeting

37 Public H. Department forwarding forms for report of local Board of Health for the year 1886.

38 W. S. Steel Curator of Headenburn Reservoir.

39 James Hurst applying for position of Pound Keeper Charlton

Cr. Kling
Cr Boothe } That Hurst be appointed Pound Keeper at Charlton from the 1st January. Cd

Secretary to get necessary books etc required.
Fees to be paid £3 per annum & mileage fees

40 Department of Mines & Water Supply enclosing copy of memorandum by the Chief Engineer of Water Supply together with memo by Geological Surveyor on the application of certain residents of Glenbolt and Narrewillock districts for a water bore - and asking Council to furnish the Department with its views thereon.

The matter was referred to Cr. Bourchier & Engineer for report.

Council then sat as a Local Board of Health.

Correspondence was read from the Health Officers as to the General Health of their respective Districts. The Officer for Charlton recommended an alteration of the drainage system of that place.

Council investigate

Treasurers Report

Receipts since last meeting £97. 5. 5 Expenditure £398. 19. 1 Bank Overdraft £1052. 11/-

The report was received & approved.

Cr. Bourchier has left his seat

Engineer Reported

1 That he had inspected the ranges near Korong Vale & failed to find a suitable site thereon a reservoir could be made. He then examined the Railway Reservoir & found that the

Engineers Rept. Korong Vale Reservoir

Storage Capacity is more than sufficient to meet the combined requirements of the Railway Department and the residents of Korong Vale but the gathering grounds will require to be considerably increased. recommends that a Channel be cut to the South of Reservoir at probable cost of £200 -

2. Recommends that steps be taken to form a small Irrigation Trust composed of the farmers in the Parish of Korongek with a view to the construction of a large storage reservoir at the place known as the Big Gulf

3 Had arranged for carrying out the fencing required at Inglewood Station by private contract at a cost of £24. 10. 3. As all tenders received were greatly in excess of the estimated cost.

4 Recommends purchase from Mr Dixon of piece of land which can be substituted for the site of the proposed works near Kellys, Dixons & Keeples at Eastbrook

5 Recommends draining & forming on Inglewood and Bursia road near opening at Jennings land Kurting, probable cost of which would not exceed £20.

6 Recommends erection of pumps & troughs at Browns tank Parish of Wehla at probable cost £15 and asked for authority to procure pumps & troughs for six additional tanks where found necessary

7. re Mr Laidlaw's complaint of stumps on road near Buckrabanyule whereby his buggy was damaged stated that Council have been taking charge of this road and he [illegible]

has been done on it but the particular cause of the complaint together with other stumps along the same road for a distance of two miles will be removed at a cost of Four pounds.

8 Calls attention to the absence of any provision for direct communication with High Street Wanderburn & the site of the goods shed at the Rly Station & recommends that the Department be requested to provide for the crossing over the line of Reef Street which the Council should extend to a point about 3 chains South of the passenger platform

Relative to Water Supply for Kovordy Vale Council is of opinion that the Ratepayers should make some move in the matter and it was moved

By Cr Gray, Cr Bouchier — That the Secretary furnish them with an estimate of the total cost of supply and of probable revenue and ask them to sign an application for formation of a Trust. Cd

Cr Coutts, Cr Klug — That Action of Engineer in accepting private offer for work of fencing at Knights suspd be approved Cd

re road at Eastbrook the Secty was instructed to inquire what ~~the price~~ price Mr Kinson required for sufficient land to make the road there passable.

Cr Coutts, Cr Catto — That Lessee be informed that unless his Contract on the Tinglewood & Kingower roads be completed by the specified time it will be cancelled and his deposit forfeited Cd

Cr Gray, Cr Bourke — That pumps though be placed on Brown Tank Mr Krehl also on Bronder & Charlotte Cd

Cr Bouchier, Cr Klug — That pumps be provided where necessary in the North Riding. Cd

Cr Gray, Cr Bourke — That Roadway ~~near~~ at Pound Dam be fenced and a Pump placed there.

Secretary was instructed to inform Mr Laidlaw that the Council ~~did~~ does not hold itself responsible for the accident which occured to him while driving along the Shire Road near Buckrabanyule but that the Mr for the North Riding will interview him on the Subject —

Engineers report received & after [illegible]

Rabbits Grant — Inspectors reports from the Several Inspectors were read — The Inspector for the South Rdg complained of the Crown Lands at Kurting Salisbury West and Simpsons Creek as being badly infested with rabbits and that the Department was doing little to clear them

Cook — The Inspector for the North Riding called the attention to the fact that many of his notices to proceed with rabbit Poisoning had been disregarded and inquired whether he should take proceedings.

Cr Catto, Cr Bouchier — That the Inspectors be empowered to take proceedings against the Lessees where the Crown Lands are neglected. Cd

Cr Bouchier, Cr Klug — That the Inspector for the North Riding be empowered to take whatever steps he may consider necessary for the enforcement of the Act

The Public Works Committee then brought up the following

Tenders

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No. 1. For 9 Chains of Forming & 24 Chains of Side drains South of Hall's selection Berrimah and 22 Chains of Forming on Spring Hill to Rooca Forest Road east of Kellett's and Lyons selections Kooch.

Estimate £50. 0. 0

John Polich £45. 0/-
E. Whitney 59.

recommended Polich

2. Supplying 100 C. yds. two inch metal Charlton

Estimate £52. 10. 0

H. E. Hickmott £45. 0. 0
E. Goodwin 41. 13. 4

Recommended Goodwin

3. Forming & metalling 8 Chains on Headerbum and Charlton Road

Estimate £120. 0. 0

H. E. Hickmott £74. 10/-
W. Crisp 74. 0. 0

Recommended Crisp.

Cr Kling
Cr. Boutts } That the Tenders of Messrs Polich, Goodwin and Crisp as recommended by the Committee be accepted, Carried

Weighbridges The following Tenders were also received for the use of the Weighbridges during the year 1887.

Saml Smale 50% on gross amount of fees received at Bakrokka Rly,

Tho Hindson 50% on gross amount of fees received Wychitella Rly,

Jas Drinkley 60% on gross takings at Buckabangalo.

Joseph Bancroft £10 for exclusive right to all takings at the Headerburn Weighbridge during 1887.

Wm. Tait £10 for exclusive Right to takings at Charlton or 70% on gross amount

William Hamilton 70% of Gross takings at Korong Vale during 1887.

Cr Kling
Cr Boutcher } That Bancroft's & Tait's offers of £10 each for Charlton & Headerburn Weighbridges be accepted and that the other bridges be let to the present Keepers at the same Commission on fees as they are at present receiving — Carried

Motions under Notice

Cr Batto for Cr Redwood gravelling from Hope Creek Cr. Boutts to Spring Creek on Dingleywood and Headerburn Road. Cd Tenders to be called

Cr Kling
Cr Boutcher } That Tenders be called for construction of Sewer and drainage system at Charlton Cd

Cr Kling
Cr Boutcher } Tenders be called for metalling Street to Railway at Charlton. Cd

Cr Kling
Cr Boutcher } Applications be called for persons to take Office of Pound Keeper Charlton at a salary of £3. 3/- and the fees — deal with

Cr Gray
Cr Burke } (with leave) Tenders be called for clearing the road ~~near~~ to the Headerburn Station and making crossing over road by Institute. Cd

Cr Batto
Cr Boutts } (with leave) Tenders to be called for building up well near Mitchelmans and providing Windlass rope and bucket. Carried

Instructions

By Cr. Kling Engineer to have repairs effected to road from Charlton to Coonoor Bridge

By Cr. Boutts Engineer to see that bones repairs carried on Dingleywood & Headerburn roads

By Cr. Kluey — Engineer to have stumps removed Charlton and a drain cut to relieve culvert near Kirks.

By Cr. Bouchier — Engineer to have repairs effected to Buckenbowyale and Meadowbank Road.

Notices of Motion

Cr. Watts — For draining & forming Inglewood & Bayera Road also for

Cr. Gray — That preference be given to clearing the roads in the vicinity where the Ratepayers are agreeable to contribute one fifth of the cost.

Cr. Gray — For about 8 Chains forming on wicked road near Davis old selection 4 miles S of W. Burn

Cr. Kluey, Cr. Bedrichos — That the following accounts as recommended by the Finance Committee be passed for payment. Cd

100	Inspector Steel salary to October 86.	2	10	0
101	Davy & Brien labour near Kixons	3	"	"
102	Graham & Nelson labour Spring Hill	5	4	0
103	Inglewood Hospital donation	20	0	0
104	St Arnaud Hospital	5	0	0
105	Charitable Donations various	25	13	0
106	Valuation expenses	10	0	0
107	Con 1128 H. Cisto	2	14	4
108	Cook labour Korong Vale	3	10	0
109	Cross grubbing Charlton	2	10	0
110	Con 1138 John Volich	7	0	0
111	Steel Curator St Reservoir	3	0	0
112	Dillon 1 month salary as Engineer	39	3	4
113	Dillon special surveys at Korong Vale	12	10	0
114	Mc Cook Inspector under Rabbit Act	5	0	0
115	Gray for [illegible]	5	0	0
	Rinder 1 month salary as Inspector	25	0	0
	Forward £	166	14	8

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117	John Reach salary as Inspector	5	0	0
118	Geo F. Grant do	5	0	0
119	Wild Dog Suppression	3	0	0
120	Maxwell Law Reports	4	4	0
121	Connell salary as Curator	2	0	0
122	Day repairing crossing Bayera	3	0	0
123	Franklin making gate Stars Lane	1	2	6
124	Wingler labour S. Rdg	8	8	0
125	Wilson various jobs per a/c	17	1	6
126	John Barron labour do	5	5	0
127	Guthrie labour W Burn & Boonor Road	4	10	0
128	Steel labour per a/c	2	2	0
129	Barron labour per a/c	2	10	0
130	Nicholson labour per a/c	7	3	0
131	Barron labour, lamplight etc	11	14	9
132	Duckett lamplight	5	8	4
133	Advertiser office adv't per a/c	2	5	6
134	Tribune Office adv't	4	15	0
135	Star Office adv't & Printing	1	17	6
136	Mrs Hourigan Pres allowance	4	4	0
137	Con 1185 Hickmott	20	[illegible]	
138	Con 1183 Volich	6	10	0
139	Con 1184 Guthrie	10	0	0
140	Con 1189 Lucas	28	6	8
141	Con 1175 Damodd	7	13	3
142	Con 1161 Mc Houlston	6	0	6
143	Con 1178 Fielding	1	11	2
144	Cook & S. Kluey	[illegible]		
	£	351	7	4

The next meeting was ordered to be held on the usual day and the meeting then [illegible] Confirmed February 1886

J. Bourke Chairman
Jan 7th 1887