Minutes of an ordinary monthly meeting of the Korong Shire Council held in the Shire Hall Wedderburn on Thursday July 16th 1891.

Present Cr Ross, Procter, Chalmers, Laidlaw, Catto Loretto & Redwood.

Minutes of previous meeting were read & confirmed.

Correspondence.

Warrnambool Shire asking Council to urge upon the Government the propriety of giving bonus on Rabbit skins.

Cr Procter Seconded by Cr Chalmers. Cr Ross Seconded by Cr Catto. That Council give its support to the proposal and urge upon the Govt the necessity for it. Cd

2 Railway Commissioners Consenting to fill up drain at Korong Vale on condition that Council will pay for same. Received no action

3 Wm Hallow Fentons Creek applying for permission to erect wire netting gate across road between his stock & parish of Weald. Postponed to next meeting.

4 Treasury with an a/c for £1466 2 11 in augmentation of subsidy to Shire. Received

5 Henry Hicks Charlton claiming 25/- for repairs to his conveyance damaged by crossing the drain on Charlton road.

Cr Procter moved it be paid but the proposal lapsed for want of a seconder.

6 J. Hubard Burkes Flat asking Council to resume possession of a road taken possession of by Mr Bond.

Secretary to order Bond to open road at once

7 London United Water Trust Secretary acknowledging receipt of Cheque in payment of Council's share of office & staff expenses and expressing pleasure at Council's action to pay the [illegible]

8 Secretary Mara Mara Shire inquiring what reward Council paid for 4 oz skins and if any idea was entertained of increasing the reward. Secretary [illegible]

9 Lands Department (Sales Branch) stating that the Mining Department objected to the alienation of the whole of Section 3 township Wedderburn.

The President suggested that the letter be referred to the Mining Board with an application for the sale of the allotments in North Wedderburn, also to the Municipal Association to urge the right of getting gravel for road without licence.

10 The Municipal Association for any business Council may have to bring under the notice of next half yearly meeting

11 Country Fire Brigades Board
Claiming the sum of £3 12 6
being the first contribution for the
quarter ending June 30 1891. by the
Korong Shire.

Mr Laidlaw
by Gray } That the amount be paid and
and charged to North & Central Ridge.
Cd

12 James McKinnon & other Ratepayers
residing near the twelve mile dam
at Egbert supporting application
of Peter Hamilton for the selection of
the Reserve less 5 acres around the
tank.

Mr Smith
by Redwood } That Crs Ross & Chalmers
be authorised to visit and
report to next meeting of Council
Cd

12 Drought & Vermin Board asking
Council's co-operation in the movement
to suppress the free pass system on
the Victorian Railways

Mr Smith
by Watts } That the Council object to the practice
of issuing free passes and that our
local representatives be asked to
assist in having it abolished
Cd

14 Secretary Exhibition Trustees for assistance
in representing Victoria at the Imperial
Institute London by use of photographs
&c of interesting objects in the Shire

Chief Inspector Vermin Destruction Act
offering Council a subsidy of 5/- per skin on
any foxskins that may be purchased at 10/-
and one half for any that may be purchased
at 7/6 or less.

16 Department of Agriculture with an offer
to grant a bull to Ratepayers in the Shire
if the same with an additional offer of £2 [illegible]

18 Eliza Harvey Springhill for permission
to erect gates on an unused road between
her land &c
Referred to Engineer & Ranger

19 John Isaac Inglewood for improvements
to drain along the Simpson Creek road
Referred to South Ridge members.

20 The same giving further particulars as to last.

21 Donald Agricultural Society asking Council
to have a public and Bank holiday
appointed for Charlton and District
on 5th the 2nd next. Council refused.

22 James Ambrose Kearder claiming a
reward in connection with the
convictions of Wheelhouse & Holland for
cutting trees on Mile road

Cr Gray
by Ross } That Ambrose receive £1 for the
information given. Cd

23 Jno Morgan renewing his request to
have creek near his farm parish of Korong
fenced off. Referred to Engineer

24 Isaiah Olive for water near his place, referred to Central Ry Committee

25 Jas Edward & applying for the appointment of a polling Booth at the Avoca river between Connors & Logan. Council decline to ask for another booth in that locality

26 Mr. MacRae Secretary Perrinville & Farmers Ottawa directing Council's attention to necessity for repairs to certain crossing and to the practice of leaving logs in unguarded lanes and Creek frontages

27 Foreman Bro suggesting that Council authorise them to have the metal at Charlton bridge as it is delivered, Council decided that tenders should be called for the work of stonebreaking

28 Lieutenant Swyford, of Salvation Army Redesborough for permission to march the streets with musical instruments. Granted

(1) Health Correspondence

1 Public Health Dept enquiring what action Council propose to take for carrying such recommendations of M.O. with regard to Burks Falls. Secretary to notify

2 Dr MacVean M.O. report on Central Ridg

3 Public Health Department stating in connection with proposed registration of dairies that it is important that milk supplied to creameries should be wholesome and that such farms come within the meaning of the term dairy farm and should be registered. Received

4 Public Health Department relative to the Presbyterian Church Cleaveton, & requesting Council to say whether the Board's requirements have been carried out. Attended to

Ordinary business

Cr Redwood that the Secretary write to the Morung Council pointing out that their Contractors are depositing gravel on road in this Township without [illegible]

Revision Court

A Court for the Revision of the Voters lists for the several Ridings of the Township of Ryerson was held in the Town Hall Redesborough on Thursday the 16th July 1891. present Cr Gray President in the Chair and the whole Council with exception of Cr Bourne. The Secretary produced the lists and stated that the necessary legal notices had been given and that the only Claim to be entered on the lists was from Mr Ben O'Brien of Mc Dutton. Cr Gray / Cr Ross / That the name of Ira Sykes be inserted in the Central Riding list in place of George Peyers deceased. Carried

Cr Gray / Cr Ross That the Central Riding list be approved and that they be passed and published [illegible]

Revision Court Continued

Mr Proctor — That the South Riding lists be passed as printed.

Ellen O'Brien claimed to have her name inserted in the list for the South Riding for land formerly held by Patrick McGrant the Collector attended and stated that the Claimant did not reside upon the land which was rated at less than £10 per annum

Cd Mr to Mr Laidlaw } That the name be not inserted

Cd

The South Riding list was then passed and ordered to be printed on the motion of Bro Coutts & Carter.

Council Resumed

Treasurers Report

Receipts during month £1655:4:3
Expenditure £555:8:3
Credit Balance (Net) £319:13:1

Mr Chalmers moved the suspension of the standing orders to enable Mr Fisher of Mzelitsa to apply to Council for cutting of a drain along a road near the Quarry [illegible]

Mr Laidlaw
Mr Chalmers } That tenders be invited returnable within 14 days for the work (about 23 Chains) Tenders to be addressed to Mr Laidlaw & Chalmers Martins Hotel, Notice of work to be hung up at Martins Hotel, Brummer [illegible]

Cd

Engineers Report

2 Contractors for maintenance work have been retarded by severe weather but Engineer expects the Contracts to be Completed at next meeting.

3 Finds that important works are required for the improvement of road near Smith's Lagoon and will submit plan at next Meeting

4 Is of opinion that the expenditure of about £10 would remove cause of Complaints re drainage Armstrong & Charlton.

5 The Engineer hoped now the weather had Changed for the better to be able to carry out all instructions given at the previous meeting

Report dealt with as follows

Mr Redwood was much dissatisfied with Clause 5 of the report & is of opinion that if the Engineer cannot look after the Riding once a month someone should be got who can. Ratepayers in his district were Complaining very bitterly of the neglect shown by the Engineer.

Mr Proctor
Mr Laidlaw } That Tenders for work required in Armstrong & Charlton be invited Cost not to exceed £10.

Mr Chalmers
Mr Laidlaw } Tenders to be called for work to improve [illegible]

The Public Works Committee then brought up the following

Reports

No 1

Work opposite Lennon's Store [illegible]
Kierce £17 " 10/- Estimate £15 " 0 " 0
Weldish 15 : 10/-
Baker 29. 18/-
Hurst 13 : 15/- ×
Ross 14. 18/-
Recommended Hurst

2 Work on Inglewood & Kingower road West of Caledonian Hotel
Lyons £36. 10. 0 Estimate £35 : 0 : 0
Weldish £16. 0. 0
O'Hannasy 30. 10. 0
Weldish & B 24. 0. 0 × Recommend W. Weldish
Wooding 27. 15. 0

3 Clearing from Lane to South boundary of Mine
Thompson £29. 0. 0 Estimate £30. 0. 0
Quirapel 29. 15. 0
Lyons & Co 28. 17. 0 ×
Weldish & B 31. 0. 0
Recommended Lyons & Quirapel

4 Drainage, Shands Dam & Cutting
Wooding £23. 19. 0
Ross 16. 0. 0 Estimate £25. 0. 0
Weldish 11. 19. 0 ×
O'Hannasy 18. 6. 8
Heenan 16. 0. 0 Recommended W. Weldish
Morgan & Co 22. 0. 0
Mann 20. 0. 0
Weldish & B [illegible]

5 Lamplighting Carlton
Dowson 1/9 per lamp [illegible] Recommended Hurst

6 Clearing about 30 Chains at Bopeep Gully
Mc Ross £5. 12. 6 × Estimate £8. 0. 0
Phillips 13. 7. 0
Weldish 6. 0. 0
Henderson 8. 6. 0
Recommended Ross

7 Clearing by Mitchell's flat [illegible]
Estimate £15.
Thompson £12. 0. 0
Weldish 15. 0. 0
Mann 14. 11. 8 ×
Flaherty 15. 0. 0
Wooding 19. 11. 8
Recommended to Mann

8 Brick drain by Allowan & Redbank
[illegible] tenders to be [illegible] [illegible]

Mr Batto objected to the specification for [illegible] and it was decided to have [illegible] prepared and tenders [illegible]

Mr Ross } That the tenders of Messrs Hurst, Lyons, Weldish, Bannon, Ross & Mann be accepted.
Mr Batto

Cr Smith enquired why Thompson the lowest tender was objected to. The President replied that he had given [illegible] with his tender [illegible]

The President advocated the appointment of a Clerk of Works & referred to Richmond's case where Council has lost £300 through want of an Inspector.

Cr Redwood moved that the ~~Engineer~~ Secretary write to the Minister of Water Supply inquiring about the safety of the Lancecoorie Weir and that arrangements be made to telegraph along the wire on the first appearance of danger. Agreed to.

Motions under Notice

Nos 1 & 2 postponed.

Cr Laidlaw
Cr Procter } Tenders to be called for forming 1½ Perks on Barooree road. Cd

Cr Boothby
Cr Batto } " for drains & culverts on Whitehead's road Nalisbury Creek. Cd

Cr Gray
Cr Ross } That the Treasurer be instructed to not have any accounts for extras on Contracts or day work unless marked & Correct by a Councillor for the Riding in which the work is done, and also exceeding £5 0 0 in amount to be on the endorsement of two Riding Councillors before they are paid. Carried

Cr Gray
Cr Ross } That no payment be made on any Contract on which the time for Completion has expired unless a Certificate from the Engineer or Clerk of Works to the effect that the Contract is Completed accompanies it. Cd

Other Notices postponed.

The following were appointed by Ballot

North Riding — Cr Laidlaw
Central Riding — Cr Gray
South Riding — [illegible]

Cr Ross & Batto & Procter the retiring members thanked the Council and Officers for the courtesy shown them.

Cr Chalmers with leave — That tenders be called for gravelling a road lately formed & Bordering also the road leading to Koroing Dale. Cd

Instructions

By Cr Chalmers Secretary to write for on Council asking them to repair a road from Kyeeid to Booth's road forward to boundary of Shire.

By Cr Ross
Engineer inspect road near Rentlemen's gate Koroing Dale, also drain applied for by Mrs Brown near her place [illegible]

Notices of Motion

Cr Redwood Tenders to be called for 200 c.yds gravel stacked near Bridgewater.

Cr Batto " for forming 50 Chains in various places on Inglewood & Tungower roads.

Cr Boothby " for spreading 200 yds gravel on Dhamung Contract between Drinkwater & Bastows Sale's bars.

Cr Chalmers " for forming and locating main road between Kyeeid and Eaglehawk for two miles where required.

Motion That tenders be called for next meeting for 100 yds metal at Charlton.

Secretary was instructed to apply for half cost of bridge built near Gordon Boundary.

Cr. Laidlaw That Mr Procter be authorised to remove the fence on the Avoca river bank near Leitch.

Cr. Laidlaw Tenders be called for draining the road 1 chain wide & filling scours asked for by J. Dunn.

The following accs presented by the Finance Committee were then passed for payment, with the distinct understanding that no accs not upon the list the day previous to the meeting shall be passed in future.

543	Harrison Council chairs	22	11	0
544	Peachfoot Hotel	11	14	6
545	Cook do do	12	12	6
546	Frank do do	10	15	6
547	Con 1540 Crisp	6	0	0
548	Rocke Thompson & carbon	15	3	6
549	Sandell repairs	4	0	0
550	Con 1509 Crisp	1	19	3
551	Water Loans Interest	42	11	4
552	Reach dog Cousen	4	2	6
553	Inspector Delown	3	7	6
554	Inspector Steel salary	2	10	0
555	Cook dog Cousen &c	15	0	0
556	Cook Cousen asphalt	8	10	0
557	Con [illegible] Crisp	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

£ 178 . 19 . 7

Brought forward £ 178 19 7

558	Con 1538 for Ross	25		
559	Con 1561 H Baker	10		
560	Ritchie labour per acc	4	15	0
561	Con 1539 H. Letts	19		
562	Con 1559 Polich	[illegible]		
563	Con 1541 J. Ambrose	[illegible]		
564	Con 1545 Nicholson	12		
565	Con 1588 O'Shannon	10		
566	Secretary 1 month salary	25		
567	Engineer 1 do	29	3	4
568	Jury fees do	4		
569	Independent office	7	7	9
570	Jackson do	4	9	6
571	Joyce do	2	5	3
572	Knight bird trees	2	15	
573	Watson lamplighting	3	3	9
574	Con 1522 Weldish	3		
575	Con 1529 do	7		
576	Con 1530 do	2	17	6
577	Fire Brigade Board	8		
578	" " "	3	12	6
579	Miss Western for Board Rec address	6		
580	Connell curator as salary	3		
581	Mrs O'Brien do	2	10	
582	Dawson labour acc	8	9	6
583	Mr Dawson lamps labor	11		
584	Jer Ryan labor Charlton	2	2	0
589	Henry Arnold do K. Vale	1	5	0
590	Dr Macvean to salary	5		
591	Scott lamplighting & labor	3	4	10
592	Sundry accs per voucher	14	15	6
593	Fault Rate Collector	18		
594	Reach do	12	10	
595	Fire netting refund	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
596				

£ 740 . 14 . 11

Confirmed this [illegible] day of [illegible] 189[illegible]

[illegible]

John Coates 20/8/91

Since last meeting of the Council Mr Doerke tendered his resignation and the Secretary had arranged to hold the Extraordinary election on the day of the Ordinary Elections, viz the 13th August 1891.

Annual & Extraordinary Elections 13/8/91.

Messrs Conrad Klug & Geo Thos Procter being nominated to fill the Ordinary Vacancy in the South Riding a poll was taken with the result that each Candidate received the votes set opposite his name.

Geo Thos Procter	443
Conrad Klug	141

and I therefore declare the said Geo Thos Procter to be duly elected.

Adam Lindsay
20/8/91. Returning Officer

Central

Messrs Wm MacKay and Donald Ross being nominated to fill the ordinary vacancy in the Central Riding a poll was taken
13/8/91. when the Candidates received the votes set opposite their names

Wm MacKay	293
Donald Ross	349

I therefore declare the said Donald Ross to be duly elected

Returning Officer
20/8/91

Electors Continued.

Central

Messrs Pat McCann & Bernard Mansfield were duly nominated for the extraordinary election and received the number of votes set opposite their names

Pat McCann	34
Bernard Mansfield	24

I therefore declare the said Pat McCann to be duly elected

Returning Officer
20/8/91.

South Riding

Mr John Catto being the only Candidate nominated for the office of Councillor for the year 1891-92. I declare the said John Catto to be duly elected

Returning Officer
20/8/91. John Catto

* see page 276. for auditor

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Conrad Klug	141

and I therefore declare the said John Thos Procter to be duly elected.

Adam Laidlaw
20/8/91. Returning Officer

Central

Messrs Wm. MacKay and Donald Ross being nominated to fill the ordinary vacancy in the Central Riding a poll was taken on 13/8/91. When the Candidates received the votes set opposite their names

Wm. MacKay	293
Donald Ross	349

I therefore declare the said Donald Ross to be duly elected

Returning Officer
20/8/91

Extraordinary

Central

Messrs Patk. McCuaig & Donald Fraser

nominated for the ~~extraordinary~~ election and received the number of votes set opposite their names. John Watts returned unopposed

I therefore declare the to be duly elected.

Returning Officer
20/8/91

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Declaration

I Charles Proctor do solemnly and sincerely declare that I will faithfully and impartially according to the best of my skill and judgment execute all the powers and authorities reposed in me as a Councillor by virtue of the Local Government Act 1874.

Taken before me at Wedderburn the 20th day of August 1891 before me a Councillor of the Shire

C Proctor

I Donald Ross do solemnly and sincerely declare that I will faithfully and impartially according to the best of my skill and judgment execute all the powers and authorities reposed in me as a Councillor by a virtue of the Local Government Act 1874.

Taken before me at Wedderburn the 20th day of August 1891.

D. Ross

Councillor for the Shire

I Patrick Quirk do solemnly and sincerely declare that I will faithfully and impartially according to the best of my skill and judgment execute all the powers and authorities reposed in me as a Councillor by virtue of the Local Government Act 1874.

Taken before me as a Councillor of the Shire this 20th day of August 1891 — J P Gray

Patrick Quirk

I John Catto do solemnly and sincerely declare that I will faithfully and impartially according to the best of my skill and judgment execute all the powers and authorities reposed in me as a Councillor by virtue of the Local Government Act 1874.

Taken before me at Wedderburn the 20th day of August 1891.

John Catto

J P Gray — Councillor of the Shire

Election of Auditor

Mr Wm Williams of Charlton being the only Candidate nominated for the office of auditor I hereby declare him to be duly elected.

J P Gray — President

John Catto