Minutes of an ordinary monthly meeting of the Korong Shire Council held in the Shire Hall Wedderburn on Thursday the 19th February 1891.

Present Cr Gray President (in the Chair) Cr. Ross Lowrie, Coutts, Catto, Laidlaw & Ferguson

Minutes of previous meeting were read & confd

Correspondence

1 Lands Department asking if Council had any objection to issue of licence for strip of land between selections of Kierce & Dunstan Parishes Council

Council does object

2 John Geary for a crossing at Boring

Cr Ferguson will attend to it.

3 Lands Department stating that the Village Reserve Woosang held under licence for grazing purposes.

4 Railway Department stating that the sum of £50 paid to the Council in June 1887, was upon the express condition that the Department was thenceforth relieved of all responsibility for drain at Korong Vale

Referred to Engineer & Riding members to inspect & report as to further work necessary

7 C. G. Albrecht C.E. proposing to visit Europe with the object of gaining information on the subject Tramways & Light Railways for Country Districts and inquiring if this Council will delegate him to act on its behalf and contribute a sum towards his expenses.

Received

8 S.C. Jones for Statistics relative to the proposed Railway from Inglewood to Dunolly &c.

Received Secretary to attend & Cr Coutts to attend Railway Committee & give evidence

9. R Mahilly Substitute Returning Officer for Marybrough Prospecting Board with list of Candidates for election. The Secretary had struck off all names by Mr Ritchie from the ballot paper and returned same,

10 Treasury Department with an acc £42. 18. 4 Interest due on Water Loans, ordered to be paid

11 Jas Craig & Co Commission agents re Moorne re discrepancies between Shire & Railway bridges, In the discussion which followed the Secretary submitted the offers which had been made for rentals of bridges during ensuing year which were very low. The matter was left in the Secretary's hands

12 J. Tuckett Kurraca for permission to close with wire setting gates certain roads adjoining his land.

Cr Ross
Cr Gray } That the Council is of opinion that the roads indicated on the sketch accompanying Mr Tuckett's letter are not required for public use and that he have permission to close them.

Cr

13. Constable Morres Korong Vale applying for rewards in the cases of Keith Cooper & Blackhart Convicted at Wedderburn for felling trees on roads. Secretary had paid same

14 Treasury Department with usual forms on which to claim Subsidy. same had been filled in & returned.

15 Lands Department giving Consent of the Minister to obtaining gravel from a reserve at Glenmaggie.

16 Stawell Council inviting the Council to appoint delegates to a conference on the Proposal to erect a new bridge over the Avoca at Charlton.
Postponed for engineers report.

17 J. W. Horwood Castlemaine Foundry bringing under notice his prices for Light Carts & Fire Beds &c. Received.

18 Public Works Department fixing a date for a meeting at Dunolly on the question of re adjusting the boundaries between the Shires of Bet Bet & Korong
Councillors Coutts Catto & the Secretary had attended the meeting at Dunolly & an amicable settlement of the boundary had been made & published in the last issue of the Gazette & the Secretary produced to Council a plan showing the amended boundaries which was approved on the Motion of Cr Coutts & seconded by Cr Rae.

19 D. A. Stewart Richmond Plains for repairs at Barraskee South State School
Referred to engineer

20 A. V. Municipal Association Donald asking Council to forward any business desired to be considered at the March meeting of the association, and also asking that the sum of £5 Councils annual subscription should be paid. The Secretary was instructed to attend the meeting which will be held before next Council meeting.

21 James Walker Gooes asking for road repairs Referred to engineer.

22 Lastretty applying for 1/- reward for tail feet of which he had produced to Secretary. ordered to be paid.

23. Chief Secretary forwarding copy of the Regulations relating to the election of Fire Brigades Board. A number of Candidates for election applied to the Council for its support and the Mayors of Sandhurst & Ballarat advocated the election of Messrs Robert Hoskins of Sandhurst & William McKee of Ballarat, municipal men free of any personal relation with the brigades and whose election it was urged would help to secure a fair balance of representation of the several interests.

Cr Bourke moved that Messrs Hoskins & McKee
Cr Coutts } receive the vote of this Council for the Country Fire Brigades Board. Cd

33 Treasury enquiring whether the re adjustment of Shire boundaries in 1890 has had the effect of bringing in or excluding from the Shire any licensed hotels.
Secretary to reply no.

34 Public Health Department for Annual Report of Council Health Officers.

36 Jas Coutts asking for road repairs to Mennah & Kistings road
postponed

37 Peter Mauldeen for leave to plough two furrows along the fence ~~adj~~ and on the road near his land Bowning.
granted.

38 ½ 43. Rachel Holt
George Wharton
Joseph Wharton
J. F. Roach
Ann Wharton for permission of Council to select 10 acres each on the Burkes Flat Common.
Secretary to request applicants to furnish tracing showing where road crosses creek &c

It was also resolved to ask Brown the Herdsman to send statement shewing all fees received for ~~depasturing of stock~~ on the Burkes Flat Common.

43 R. C. Murphy complaining of Sutherland a Contractor having cut down Cyp. trees on his land at Coonoor.
Council cannot interfere

44 Herbert & Lamouth solicitor relative to proceedings proposed to be taken by Council for recovery of a penalty from Fryspitt & Coonoor for placing an obstruction upon a road.

Cr Gray } Mot the matter be postponed for
Cr Coutts } one month during which time an
enquiry

be made to induce Fryspitts to pay the amount of Compensation paid to Mrs White, Cd

45 Post Statistics re Collection of Statistics

46 Mrs O'Brien Kingowee complaining that certain persons in Crayfishing at the Reservoir there had loosened the stones with which the bank is pitched. This matter had been referred to Constable Maddigan who reported having cautioned the offenders.

47 Railway Department declining to construct a level crossing near the Hedderwardn Rly Station.

48 D. C. Logan applying for setting & barbed wire to enclose the dam at Logan
To be supplied.

49 Blue & Loan for metalling & other works at Bul a Bul Station.

50 Mrs O'Brien reporting on taxes at Kingowee

51 Jas L. Smith & others for permission to include in a mining lease certain roads near Hedderwardn. Leave to be given on usual conditions.

52 G. H. Free asking Council to cut a storm water channel so as to prevent the water from the Charlton road flooding the Chamberlain Co mine north Hedderwardn.

54 F. R. Foran Barrister at Law Inglewood Claiming on behalf of Mr F. W. Watts Powell the sum of £160, 3/, 7 damage

alleged to have been done by the Council through the divergence of water on to Watts cultivated land.

Cr Coutts
Cr Ferguson } That a Committee consisting of Crs Gray Catto Redwood & Laidlaw & Mr John East Loddon Shire Engineer inspect the site on the 24th February & report to the Council, Carried

55 Inspector Steel reporting favorably on the sanitary condition of Charlton & urging the construction of a new bridge over the Avoca river.

56 Railway Department declining to restore the train reaching Wycheproof at 8.p.m

57 East Loddon Water Trust with a/c £8.0.4 being Councils share of quarterly a/c for Office expenses.

Cr Coutts
Cr Ross } That the a/c be paid (lost)
For the motion Crs Coutts & Ross
against the rest.

58 Reginald Seaman Law Reader Kingower asking Council to repair the foot path opposite St Mary's Church there.
Cr Catto to have work done at a cost not exceeding £6 —

59 John Hutchinson Kingower for permission to erect swing gates with wire netting across roads adjoining his land. Referred to Cr Catto for report

60 Mrs Fletcroft complaining that she could not afford to pay the fees for services of the nightman at Bealiba,

Cr Gray
Cr Coutts } That Council pay the fees in Mrs Fletcrofts case. Cd

61. Mrs Gregg to Bealiba requesting Council to allow her to pay 6/ per week instead of 1/- for night service on the ground that her boarding house was poorly patronized
Referred to Secretary

62 John Gordon jun asking Council to take steps to have the road running west from Bealiba Rly Station clearly defined as he desired to erect a fence & house &c adjoining it.
Referred to Engineer

63. John Dillon engineer renewing application for additional salary

Cr Gray
Cr Bourke } That the engineers application be not entertained. Cd

Health Letters

64 P.H. Department for list of particulars connected with the milk supply in Shire

Reports were received from various Inspectors & Health Officers Sackett & Macvean reporting cases of typhoid & diphtheria but on the whole the District was healthy.
Inspector Satchwell reported that horses & cattle were straying in streets at Boort & damaged the trees.

Treasurer Reported Receipts during month £1301.16.4
Expenditure £1827.1.1/3 Bank overdraft £1949.3/2
Received & approved

Engineers Report:—

2 Contract 1489. Jas Guthrie has been abandoned

3 Recommends offering no objection to sale of road between J O'Doherty & Fitzpatrick parish of East Charlton applied for by the latter.

4 Recommends that a two chain road be excised from north & West sides of Reserve at Mitchells tank & that a small piece of fencing & a crossing be made there.

5 If the Reserve is leased 10 acres should be secured around it.

5 Recommends clearing by Jones & Martin Salisbury West

6 Recommends tenders for 500 yards gravel at Bulla Bul Station

7 Recommends repairs to road between Metcalfs & Rheola before the setting in of Winter.

8 Recommends erection of a public watering trough in some part of Charlton, — townships.

9 Recommends shutting off the Heathcote Water Supply at 6 o'clock p.m during the remainder of the summer or till the supply is considerably increased.

10 Recommends construction of a new bridge at Charlton at a probable cost of £400 — which would probably be borne by the St Arnaud & Korong Shires & the Public works Department.

11 The Engineer had conferred with Mr Farquhar engineer for Kara Kara and they decided to recommend to their respective Councils that a trappic bridge be erected at Synnotts, costing about £600 & that a foot bridge be erected immediately below Cooper Weir to cost about £150 & a "stone ford" on upstream side or crest of same weir at a probable cost of £50. & advised re application for the lapsed vote of £500. passed last year towards cost of low water bridge by Sutherland & Cooper, which might be applied to these works.

12 Finds the cost of placing silt bars along road by Roberts Woodsing will far exceed amount placed on estimates and so has deferred action till Council gives fresh instructions

13 Recommends tenders for work at Vanstone & Cooles as soon as the parties consent to transfer strips from their holdings

14 The engineer had been unable to complete all the surveys but expects to have them finished before next meeting

Engineers Report dealt with as follows:

A considerable discussion took place as to whether Tenders invited by the engineer for maintenance works should be opened Cr Coutts being of opinion that Contractors could not properly understand the specifications & that consequently the cost would be too great. and he moved that the Tenders be not opened. seconded by Cr Gray. lost.

Cr Ferguson thought all objections should have been made at last meeting &

Cr Cattor moved as an amendment, that the Tenders for these works
Cr Bourke be opened and dealt with.
Carried

The voting for the amendment being as follows

Crs Cattor
Bourke } against Cr Gray & Coutts.
Ross
Laidlow

The engineers report was then proceeded with as follows.

Cr Laidlaw
Cr Ferguson } That no objection be offered to the sale of the road applied for by Fitzpatrick parish of Sach Charlton. CR
also
that a road be surveyed at Mitchell dam as recommended.

Cr Coutts promised to give notice re metal at Bulla Bal

Secretary was instructed to ask the Sch Bd Council to do the work required by Metelmans &c

Consideration of the proposal to erect a tough Charlton was postponed for attendance of Cr Procter.

Cr Ross
Cr Ferguson } That the Caretaker be instructed to cut off the Headworks water supply between the hours of 6 pm & 6 am for the present and that he give notice to persons found wasting water that it will be cut off from their premises.
CR

Re Charlton Bridge Cr Ferguson who was of opinion that there is no immediate danger moved that Crs Laidlaw ~~Bourke~~ Procter & the mover be appointed to meet the Harcourt Council relative to the proposal to construct a new bridge seconded by Cr Bourke & CR

No action was taken with regard to bridges recommended for Bonnie & Agnotts.

Cr Ross
Cr Bourke } That the President, Cr Ross, Ferguson & Laidlaw inspect the road by Roberts and decide what should be done
CR

With regard to work required by O'Toole it was decided to have a form of permit drawn up by a solicitor and signed by the parties concerned after which the work will be done.

Deputation consisting of Messrs Montgomery and Latchford was introduced to the Council and asked that the Market Square Headerbourne be placed in order for recreation Purposes

Cr Gray
Cr Bourne } Moved a sum not exceeding £30 be expended on the ground & Tenders be called within 14 days from day of meeting. Cd

The following Tenders were then opened

No 14 Culvert at Wychitella Estimate £65..0..0
Crisp £59. ~~Deposit £8~~
Phillips 52..6..8
Guthrie 71. 0. 0
Hickmott 62. 0. 0
Weldish 79. 0. 0
Baker & Wooding 72. 4. 6 Recommd Phillips

15 Formation at Wychitella Estimate 50..0..0
Weldish 42
Ross & S. 42
Crisp Hy 47
Ditto H Jr 50
Curran 45
Baker & Wood 28..10/-
Kierce 51
Hickmott 32..10/-
J. James 52..10/-
J. Graham 40..10/-
R. Irving 42
E. Goodwin 54
Recommended Baker & Wood

Maintenance Contracts

Dealt with in Committee and estimated for period of six months.

No 1	Weldish	£228	for year 480.
	Goodwin	195	495
	Hickmott	270	570
No 2			
	Weldish	£258	546
No 3			
	Guthrie	£300	840.
No 4			
	Ross	204.	440
	Goodwin	228.	588
No 5			
	Ross	180	384
	Ditto H. Jr	150	320
No 6			
	Thompson	240	480
	Crisp	150	330
	Ross	222	480
No 7			
	Rich.	168	468
	Wooding	165	485
	Dalrymple	162.	452
No 8			
	Shannon	144	444
No 9			
	Cleishorn	102	312
	Shannon	240	640

Maintenance Contracts. Contd

No. 10

O'Shannassy ½ year £114 year £344.

No. 11

Crisp	210	510

No. 12

Nil

No. 13

Foley	73	392
O'Shannassy	180	480

after some discussion Cr Gray moved that the lowest tenders for the Contracts in the Central Riding for 4. 5. 6. 7. Ross £204. Cotts £150 Crisp £150 & Dalrymple & Ambrose £162 be accepted. Seconded by Cr Bourke & Carried

Cr Cotts
Cr Coutts } That the lowest tenders for the South Riding be held over till next meeting. Cd

All Tenders for works in the north Riding were also ordered to be held over

Motions under Notice

Cr Coutts
Cr Cotts } O'Tenders to be called for the Construction of 3 Culverts, bored & all in one contract. Cd

Cr Ross
Cr Gray } Tenders for 12 Chains forming & 2 flat crossings between Mt Egerton & Ercildoun Central Riding. Cd

Notices of Motion

Cr Redwood for Culvert N. bank & Dowd road

Cr Proctor " filling crab holes by Douglas & Blairs Narrewillock.

Cr Ferguson Tenders to be called for forming by Laity & Boring & ab dam west of Bonnie & Co's Culvert, & about two Chains at same place & Constructing a drope by Allfrey & Evans and about 5 Chains formation at 4 mile as provided on estimate

also for gravelling & banning by Evans & Ritchie & by Coutts & Chalmers & by Clifton as provided on estimate.

Cr Ross

for about 10 Chains metalling in the black swamp, Barraka

Cr Coutts for gravelling 22 Chains from Bulla Bul Creek to Rly Station.

Cr Liddiard " forming & Constructing a crossing by Mitchells dam ~~on~~ on Booth & Charlton road.

also

for 500 yds metal on road leading to Wychitella Rly Station.

also for 20 Chains forming by D. Blairs Narrewillock

also for 12 Chains forming between Douglas & Howards Terrace.

and for forming by Mrs Birds on Barraree Road.

General Business

Cr Ferguson moved that Secretary request the East Boorah Trust to gravel all bridges made by them within the Shire, and let go the water dammed back by their new bankments.

Also to repeat Complaint to Rly Commissioners about the double roofs harboring sparrows.

A Claim by Thomson for additional payment for work by Powlett was refused.

Leave of absence was granted to the Secty of 3 weeks.

Cr Gray moved that all accs not authorised by the Council be kept separate from other accs so that they may be readily examined.

The following Accs were brought up by the Finance Committee and passed for payment on the motion of Cr Bourke Ross.

237	Shelley labor	3
238	Con 1512 H. Lett	15
239	Con 1525 Noel	5
240	Ritchie labor	3
241	Con 1528 W. Crisp	10
242	Con 1489 Kinir	12
243	Con 1449 Hickmott	40
244	Clarke surveys	1.10
245	Allan cutting thistles	2.10
246	Water Loads Interest	42.18.7
247	Inspector Steel	5
248	Reid & Hall	35
249	Rinder Valuations	10
	Forward	£ 184.18.7

	Brought forward	£ 184:18:7
250	Phillips 4 bags Stry Chinie	10
251	Folk labor W. burn	3
252	Ferrand Weighbridge Cones & Stamps	12 1 9
253	Con 146 McLuaide	4
254	Delaney salary to 31/12/90.	4 5
255	Hurst Pound Keeper	2
256	Wire Netting repayment	250
257	Dr Beckett salary as P.O.	5
258	Noel repairs W burn	4 15
259	Robt Poor labor Kimpant	8
260	Griffiths surveys Koroung Vale	2
261	Rocke Tompart 760	23 15 0
262	Cundary ap	11 12 5
263	Con 1579 H Baker	40
264	Con 1578 Jno Volich	25
265	Saml Rinder Secty	25
266	Dillon Engineer	29 3 4
267	Gray P.I. mob salary	4
268	Cork Water Collector Sally	12 10
269	Reach do	12 10
270	Grant do	18
271	Watson lamplighting	3
272	Commed Curator to 31/12/91.	3
273	Independent Office	6 2 6
274	W Shelley Pow'lett	4 13 4
275	Con 1528 W. Crisp	10
276	Satchwell reward	4
277	Inspector Works do	4
278	Inspector Works salary	2
279	Dr Heavegan Xt of sick	5
280	Con 1459 McGovin	12
281	P Roberts surveys	7
282	Griffiths do	3
283	Con 1488 Curran	10 4
284	Con 1454 do	15
	Carried forward	£ 780:10:11

	Brought forward £	780	10	11
285	Con 1518 Jno Volich	15		
286	Con 1522 Wildish	30		
287	J. Thompson labor Cowper	4		
288	Con 1500 Thompson	15		
289	Ritchie labour Bowing	9	12	0
290	Con 1467 McGowan	8		
291	Con 1520 W Crisp	20		
292	Con 1523 Baker	2		
293	Con 1461 Jno Mann	15		
294	Buchy labor Bodett	3	6	8
295	Charlton Bridge Repairs	5	7	6
296	Con 1513. Jno Lyons	10		
297	Chisholm Alexa	12		
298	Con 1529 Wildish	8		
299	Con 1487 Kinning	38	5	10
300	Rocke Thomson & Co	5	10	
301	Con 1480 McQuaide	7		
302	Rose Con 1525	15		
303	Crisp repairs Kyongvale	2		
304	Con 1469 Whitten	50		
305	Con 1468 Foley	10		
306	Con 1440 Rose others	18	15	
307	Crisp labor Con 1520.	13	10	
308	Con 1519 H. Baker	65		
309	Con 1524 Duckett	7	17	
310	Con 1446 Guthrie	40		
311	Con 1485 Whitney	4		
312	Con 1395 do	2	19	
313	Con 1515 Rodgers	7		
314	Con 1410 do	4		
315	Con 1514 Graham	15		
316	Con 1527 Hickmott	100		
317	Con 1428 Grant	4	16	9
318	Dixon Monetta	29	3	4
319				
	Carried forward £	1378	14	0

	Brought forward £	1378	14	0
320	Charlton Bridge Repairs	13		
321	Watson lamplighting	3	15	0
322	Express office advertising	8	7	6
323	Tayson advertising &c	7	18	6
324	Con 1525 C Rose	10		
325	Con 1513 J Lyons	10		
326	Con 1500 Thompson	5		
327	Con 1487 Jno Kinning	9	7	6
328	Con 1517 Day	50		
329	Con 1518 Jno Volich	40		
330	Con 1530 Wildish	25		
331	Con 1529 do	5		
332	McCullagh parvego	16		
333	Chisholm labour per oc	8	14	
334	Ritchie labour Fezinhurst	2	8	
335	Hickmott labor Cemetery	4		
336	Blue Costa labour	6	0	6
337	Kellegas Barge do	2	5	9
338	Inspector Haddigan	2	18	6
339	W Rodgers 9 days labour	5	5	0
340	Jno Lyons repairs Logan	2	10	6
341	Jno Volich labour Springhill	1	15	0
342	Bendigo Pottery Co per oc	32	10	
343	Leckie & Gray various articles per oc	13	18	4
343	Scott & Sugrue bricks per oc	21	0	9
344	Secretary Mondalong	25		
345	J A Robertson 1 month do	5		
346	Rocke Thomson & Co	13	15	6
347	Moncrost Council dinner	4	4	0
348	Sundry acc per vouchers	15	16	0
349	Hickmott kitchens Charlton	15	9	6
350	Allen Nelson labor &c	22	9	0
351	M B Luth & Co material per oc	31	2	6
352	Bannon labour Charlton	5	8	0
353	W Scudder labor do	5	15	0
354	Jas Bannon labor Charlton	23	14	0
	Jas Bannon Mound keeper labor	5	10	
	Carried forward £	1858	15	10

Brought forward £ 1858 " 15 " 10

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

Confirmed
March 19. 1891.
President
W. R. Gray

In accordance with the resolution carried at the February meeting, Tenders were opened by Engineer & Assist Secy on the 2nd March 1891. for works required in the Market Square, Hedgeburn,

Chas Thompson	£ 11: 0: 0
Duckett & Son	14: 0: 0
Chas. Rose	22: 10: 0

Thompson accepted

Confirmed
March 19 1891.