Minutes of an ordinary monthly meeting held on Monday 16th April 1894

Present Cr Gray President (in the Chair) Crs Ross Bourke, Watts Redwood and Coutts

Correspondence (Minutes of previous meeting read & confirmed)

1. Mr Ferguson tendering resignation of the office of Councillor, for the North Riding

Proposed by Cr Watts — That the resignation be accepted with regret & that the thanks of the Council be conveyed to Mr Ferguson for his energetic services to the ratepayers & general courtesy to members during his term of membership.

The motion was carried

Crs Coutts & Ross expressing the opinion that had Mr Ferguson acted more firmly with respect to the Water Trust dispute the movement for severance of the north eastern portion of the Shire would never have been started

2 Secretary for Lands directing attention to the fact that the first instalment in repayment of loan granted to Council for purchase of rolling stock must be paid in May next.

On answer to a question as to amount of instalment not paid the Secretary produced a list of those persons in arrear and he was instructed to take proceedings within one week from date for recovery of amount outstanding

3 Mr Secretary Moldon with series of resolutions in favor of reducing the Rly freight on small packages of fruit to towns in country districts & the colonies & asking support of Council

Cr Redwood seconded by Cr Ross — That the Council give its support to the efforts of the Moldon Council to have the freight on fruit reduced

4 H. Tamout re Watts claim for Compensation.

5 Town Clerk Maryborough with statement of Revenue & Expenditure in connection with late municipal conference on Rabbit question. Received

6 Mr Gillies calling attention to few small repairs necessary on Port Fairy tour. Engineer to attend to same.

7 Shire Secretary of Belmont urging Council to join in an effort to have the "Star Thistle" included in the Thistle Act at the earliest opportunity.

Received no action

8 H. Tamout Solicitor re proposal to make certain alterations in the Storm Channel at O'Sullivan's Point and giving particulars of terms required by the several land holders.

Received & consideration postponed to next meeting & Secretary to enquire about road through O'Sullivan's.

9 Inglewood Town Clerk calling attention to proposed visit of the Railway Standing Committee to take evidence re proposed line from Tancoora to Wheelo Bridge

10 Secretary Institute Charlton for donation to book fund & Secretary to reply that Council had recently made donation to Tech. funds.

11 C. A. Pherard Solicitor Charlton intimating that a client of his Mr Bernard Sidney of Jeungroon intended to hold Council responsible for damages sustained by him through an obstruction on a Mine road Jeungroon. and suggesting that Council should endeavor to effect a friendly settlement.

Cr Gray
Cr Ross } That Council does not consider itself responsible and that no action be taken in the matter. Cd

12 Municipal Water Trusts League asking Council to send a delegate to the second meeting of the League on the 6th day of May 1891. the object being to receive and consider suggestions in detail for amendment of "Water Act 1890".

Cr Richardson
Cr Smith } That the support of Council be given to the Water Trusts League.

13 Mr. Wilson Rossit Inspector Crown acknowledging receipt of resolution of Council expressing regret at his removal from Shire and returning thanks for same.

14 Jas Kay reporting on Koroglale Reservoir

15 Jas Nesbit withdrawing previous letter to Council and applying for its resolution to his selecting 10 A land Burke Flat Common at the site indicated on the sketch plan accompanying his letter.

Council agrees.

16 Public Works Department stating that a petition for severance of part of the Shire had been presented and asking to be supplied with a copy of the Municipal Roll now in force on which the names of persons living within the area may be indicated.

Cr Ross
Cr Smith } That Council oppose the attempt to sever a portion of the Shire and annex to East London. Carried

Cr Bourke voting against it.

17 John A. Finch Fenton's Creek for permission to erect a swing gate across a road.

Council declines to grant permission till applicants land is fenced with wire netting.

18 Peter Mauldon applying for Council permission to select part of the dam reserve near Sutherland's Boring.

postponed to next meeting

19 Lands Department stating that the scheme for reduction of width of road at parish of Charlton has been confirmed & gazetted.

20 Secretary Koroog Agricultural Society for repairs to road along west side of Show ground Heddesdorp. Referred over to next meeting

21 Thomas Thompson tender for footbridge referred to engineer.

22 Jas. Clarke for permission to erect netting swing gate between his paddocks in the parish of Heddesdorp.

granted on motion

23 R. Morrice Secretary N.W. Municipal Association re arrangements for submitting resolutions recently adopted by the Association to the various Departments.
Cr Roxo reported having attended the Association meeting and the action taken on behalf of this Council.

24 Treasury with an app for £49 5 10/- being amount payable for year 1891 as License Fees equivalent.

25 Secretary Country Fire Brigade Board for information which will enable the Board to apportion the Contributions under the Act.

26 P. Mooney for Slaughtering License at Symonds. Granted subject to Inspectors report.

27 A. Chalmers for footpath and drain opposite Market Square Henderson
See over

28 John Lemon applying for 1 mile of netting for erection on land at Waterloo Flat
Refused as application had not been made in time.

29 Shire of Warrnambool calling Conference on subject of Roads and Bridges at Kerang on the 28th April.
C. Monti was appointed to attend

30 John A. Finch applying for repairs to road between Fenton's Creek and Hesse.
Reply Will be attended to as soon as funds are available.

31 G. Whitney for donation to funds of the Deakin and Charlton Railway League
Received no action.

32 J. W. Truscott applying for permission to select 20 acres land on Cochranes creek boundary of D. Flat Common.
Granted

33 Telegram for Cr Laidlaw (Merbourne) apologising for non attendance.

Health Correspondence
From Dr MacLean on Sanitary condition of Barkers Flat which he recommended should be improved by removing manure heaps & making a new well for water supply.

Dr Beckett reporting that only one case (a mild one) of typhoid had occurred at Charlton during the month.

Inspector Satchwell who desired instruction as to dealing with families in Henderson which have no closets.

Dr. Macrae reporting on health of Woorinen which was good

Cr Roxo Cr Foley } With respect to Inspector Satchwell's report that he be instructed to enforce the Health Act & Bye laws. Cd

Council resumed

Treasurer's Report:-

Revenue during month £ 347. 0. 3
Expenditure do £ 641. 9. 5
Bank Overdraft £ 2977. 12. 3

The Treasurers report which was attached to the above called attention to the continually increasing overdraft which with the Acts to be passed that day would exceed the amount of total subsidy.

Report received & approved.

Cr Coutts
Cr Redwood } That all ~~xxxxxx~~ Tenders called for on his motions be allowed to stand over for two months & that if the lowest tenderer leave his deposit the work be given to him at the June meeting. Carried

It was then resolved that the tenders for works in the other Ridings be also held over till June.

Cr Gray
Cr Bourke } That no money be expended in any part of the Shire except by instructions of the Council except in cases of danger to life or limb and then only with the Consent of one Councillor and at a cost of £5

Engineers Report:-

1 Arrangements have been made for completing Mr Fovers Contract Parkett and at his expense.

2 Anticipating Councils approval engineer had arranged for removal of stone and earth in Bye wash at Wendouree Reservoir.

3 With a view to increase the pressure from the taps connected with the local Water supply engineer suggests lifting portions of the main under the Reservoir and replacing them with scour valves.

4 Recommends employment of two day labourers clearing the crossing mouth to repair footpaths and street crossings &c ~~xxxxxx~~

5 Recommend calling tenders at next meeting for necessary works by Stewarts Creek Forest.

6 Also for 25 Chains of forming by Creek parish of Weeka.

7 Also for 3 miles clearing between Mt Emu and Cuthbertson

8 Recommends improvements to footpaths Clarkton (those parts not asphalted) at a cost of about £45. 0. 0

9 Recommends culvert approaches instead of existing open crossing by Bernard Station Wendouree Reservoir

~~Report on [illegible]~~

The following Tenders were opened and the lowest for each Contract ordered to be kept by Secretary.

No 1 Formation and Ditched drain north of 4 mile Reservoir Estimate £ 0. 0. 0

Guthrie & Co.	
Kiddish	43. 15. 0
Wooding	61. 5. 0
Goodwin	70. 0. 0
Shannon	72. 10. 0

2 Formation by Dowds & approaches
by Kite & Rooth Rdg. Estimate £63.
Mc Veich £41
O'Shannassy 62
Phillipps 36
Weedish 32 " 10/-
Kierce 46 " 10
Baker 38
Recommended Baker

3 Formation & Crossing by Mitchells Creek
Goodwin £7 " 10/- Estimate £15
Kierce 8 " 0
Weddish 8 " 15/-
Wooding 8 " 10/-
Flasheen 8 " 0
Recommend Goodwin

4 Formation by Blair & Narrewillock
Estimate £50
McGovern 38
O'Shannassy 60 " 1 " 0
Goodwin 39 "
W Baker 30
Weedish 35
Recommended Baker

5 Supplying 200 cds gravel at
Bull Bull Gully Station
Estimate £20
Smith 37
McCarthy 37 " 11
O'Shannassy 15
Gibson & Repan 20 " 13 " 4
McCannon 27 " 10
W Rodgers 23 " 13 " 4
D Foley 52 " 10
Geo Fraser 37 " 10
Recommend O'Shannassy

6 Metalat Black Swamp on the
Yarrawonga & Charlton road
Estimate £45 " 0 " 0
Jno. Veich 37
D. Guthrie 57
W. Baker 45
E. Goodwin 41 " 5 " 0
Jas Shannon 25 " 0
Recommended

7 Crossing by Gibney & Sycamore
Goodwin £19 " 10/- Estimate £65 " 0 " 0
Weedish 36
Wooding 25 " 10/-
Recommend Goodwin

Cr Coutts, Cr Gray } That all notices of motion stand over for two months.

Cr Coutts requesting if he has inspected a culvert between Tailboyles & Mills. Engineer said he reported and it is in a very dangerous condition at present.

General Business

Engineer to inspect culvert by Hansons Mills.

Cr. Coutts called engineers attention to the state of a culvert near Old Inglewood

Resolved Engineer to call tenders for light of a gig & house for lamps Weaderburn also for pipe laying

Cr. Coutts, Cr. Rees } That Cr Laidlaw be appointed Returning Officer for the North Riding at the forthcoming election. Cd

Cr. Coutts, Cr Batto } That the word out or others be inserted to 15/- others to be produced to Secretary

Moved by Cattor, Ross That the following accounts brought up by the Finance Committee be passed and paid viz.

413	Order pumps &c	Barrow	5		
414	Con 1553	Thompson	Ross	4	
415	Con 1482	O'Shannon	Thompson	8	
416	Con 1508	O'Shannon	Letts	1	
417	Con 1529	Wildish	Letts	1	
418	Con 1460	McDuide	Ross	5	
419	Kay collector to 31/3/91.			10	
420	Con 1450	Wrisy		16	5
421	Con 1533	Barrow & Co		5	
422	W Barrow	Reservoir labour		15	15
423	Con 1534.	Phillips		25	
424	Con 1544 & 1538	Ross		32	
425	Goode	Printing & advertising		2	1 0
426	O'Shannon	Health Officer		12	
427	Gray	Insp salary as Assistant		4	
428	McKean Bros	Rigg pumps		2	18 3
429	Jas Bannon	Labour & labour		22	
430	McCook	Rate Collector salary		12	10
431	P. Beckett	Health Officer		6	
432	Murphy	repairs to tank		4	
433	Mr Wilch	labour Barrow Hill		13	10
434	Crocker Brothers	pumps &c		21	2 10
435	Con 1533	Thompson		4	17 6
436	Con 1448	O'Shannon		2	12 6
437	Con 1508	do		3	15 6
438	Con 1529	Wildish		10	
439	Con 1460	McDuide		2	2 6
440	Con 1444	Guthrie & Co		40	
441	Con 1539	Letts		20	
442	Neeley	labour Salisbury Road		7	
443	Con 1541	Ambrose & Co		20	
444	Con 1526	McRoss		10	
445				12	
				£ 360	3 1

446	Nelson	lamplighting	3	0 0
447	Mo Welch	culvert W Barrow	3	12 6
448	Wilson	repairing &c	29	15 8
449	Con 1543	Wildish	10	
450	Dalrymple	approaches on Lagoons	3	
451	Secretary	1 mo Salary	25	
452	Engineer	do	29	3 4
453	Inspector Steel	Clarke salary	2	10
454	Jas McDonnell	assisting engineer	6	
455	Engineer	attending pumps	2	2
456	Independent	advertising	3	16
457	Advertiser	Office do	2	13 0
458	Mrs Moycroft	Council dinner	3	15
459	Office	Expenses	1	16 6
460	Sundry	[illegible]	10	18 10
461	Mrs	reporting on Watts Case	4	4
462	Sewer Rate	Collector salary	18	
463	Brunel	salary as Curator	3	
464	O'Brien	do	1	5
465	Con 1507	O'Shannon	1	8
466	Con 1515 & 1528	W Rodgers	12	
467	Con 1542	Wildish	15	
468	Con 1476	Walker	[illegible]	[illegible]
469	Con 1545	Chisholm	[illegible]	
470	Con 1484	McGovern & Con 1467		
471	Delaney	salary & marching office		
472	Cook	salary as Curator		
473	to 31 March 1891		4	0 0
			£ 589	19 11

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

Confirmed

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Extraordinary Election

As David Chalmers being the only Candidate nominated for the Office of Councillor for the North Riding in the room of Br Ferguson resigned I therefore declare the said David Chalmers to be duly elected.

William Hairsine
Returning Officer

April 28/91.

I David Chalmers do solemnly 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 1890.

Taken before me at Wedderburn the 21st day of May 1891.
Adam Hairsine
Councillor of Kowupkirk

David Chalmers