14 th SEPT .1920.

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council of the Shire of Korong held at the Shire Hall , Wedderburn on Tuesday the 14th.Sept.1920 at 11 a.m.

(Chairman)
Present :- Crs.Kiniry / White , Hendry , O'Brien , Kelly , Howe , Andrews , Chalmers and Thomas .

PRESIDENTS ALLOWANCE :- On the motion of Crs White and Howe the Presidents Allowance for the ensuing year was fixed at £90.

On the motion of Crs.Kiniry and Thomas , Cr.OBrien was unanimously elected President for the ensuing year , the motion being supported by every member of the Council, each making reference to the ability and impartiality of Cr.OBrien .

On the motion of Crs.OBrien and White it was resolved to place on record the Council's appreciation of the services rendered to the Council by the retiring President Cr.Kiniry.

NEWLY ELECTED COUNCILLORS .

Cr. White for the Central Riding was introduced by Cr.Kiniry .
Cr.Andrews " North " " " Cr.Chalmers.
Cr.Howe " South " " " Cr.Kelly .

The newly elected members were welcomed by the President and congratulated on their un-opposed return .
The welcome and congratulations in each case being suitably acknowledged .

MINUTES of the previous meeting were read and confirmed on the motion of Crs Thomas and Howe .

CORRESPONDENCE.

1—From Chief Secretary, intimating that Thursday the 16th September (Charlton Show Day) had been proclaimed a public holiday throughout the North and Central ridings of the Shire—

2—From Lands department notifying that 48 acres have been excised from camping site in the parishes of Kurraca and Wedderburn (old Pound site)—

3—From Lands department, notifying that 1ac. 3 ds 26 per. has been excised from the Police paddock at Korong Vale, in order that the existing road may be increased to a width of two chains—

4—From same, stating that there is not any objection to the site near Bell's, Wedderburn, being reserved for water supply purposes providing the council pays the cost of survey—

5—From Country Roads Board, notifying council that the following amounts have been allotted for maintenance of main roads—Borung-Huntwood £200, Charlton-Bendigo £200, Serpentine £300—

6—From Water Supply Commission, requesting that estimates in connection with Korong Vale and Wedderburn water supply be submitted for the year 1920-21—

7—From Country Roads Board, intimating that the Board has approved of the works on the Bendigo-Charlton road near the railway crossing being classed as permanent work if the specifications provide for the road being substantially gravelled—

1. Received .

2. Received .

3. Received.

4. On the motion of Crs White and Hendry it was resolved to have the survey made .

5. Received.

6. On the motione of Crs O'Brien and Kelly it was resolved to refer the matter to the Central Riding members .

7. On the motion of Crs White and Hendry it was amended resolved to have plans and specifications prepared.

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SHIRE OF KORONG.

DECLARATION OF COUNCILLOR.

I, Robert Andrews 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* ~~1903~~ 1915."

Declared at Melbourne
in the State of Victoria this 14th
day of September 1920
Before me

Robert Andrews

Thomas Chalmers

One of the Councillors of the Shire of Korong

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SHIRE OF KORONG.

DECLARATION OF COUNCILLOR.

I, Alexander Dawson White 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* ~~1903~~ 1915."

Declared at Wedderburn
in the State of Victoria this 14th
day of September 1900
Before me

A. D. White

John O'Brien

One of the Councillors of the Shire of Korong

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CORRESPONDENCE (continued)

8—From same, confirming the opinion that the council has power under Section 495 of the Local Government Act to recover from any person, by whose act or order, damage has been done to a road by an excessive weight being carried thereon—

9—From I. J. Weaver, M.L.A., forwarding copies of correspondence received from Public Works department and Country Roads Board relative to money being made available for C.R.B. permanent works—

10—From Inglewood Borough, intimating that the Powlett road near the reservoir is receiving attention—

11—From Metropolitan Board of Works, stating that the water meter tested for the council had been found to register correctly—

From Wajpeup Shire, suggesting that council should take action with a view to amending legislation re soldier settlements, and suggesting further that, under certain conditions, rates should be abandoned, especially when, owing to soldiers being absent at the war, their properties had not been profitably worked—

13—From Municipal Association, submitting copies of "Rating on Unimproved Values Bill" and "Hospitals and Charities Bill," and requesting to know if council has any suggestions to offer regarding either of these bills—

14—From Country Municipal Association, notifying that the annual conference of the Association will be held at the Town Hall, Bendigo, on Thursday, September 30th, at 11 a.m., asking Council to appoint delegates; Also bringing under notice of council a movement made by metropolitan Councils to have more time given at the annual conference of the Victorian Association to those matters affecting Melbourne suburbs—

15—From Royal Life Saving Society, bringing under notice of Council the work of the society, and asking for assistance—

16—From Municipal and Shire Council Employes' Union, submitting log of wages and conditions, and asking that salaries and wages be paid in accordance with same, or that a conference be arranged with a view to discussing same—

17—From Municipal Association inquiring if council desires the association to act in connection with claims being made by various organizations representing municipal employees—

18—From James Round, Buckrabanyule, thanking council for certificate presented in memory of his late son (Pte W. A. Round)—

19—From John Mutch, Wedderburn, expressing thanks for certificates presented to his sons who served in the A.I.F.—

20—From H. M. Chambers making application for a slaughtering licence at Korong Vale—

21—From Walter Breedin, making similar application—

22—From Secretary Rheola Hall Committee, requesting the president to call a meeting at Rheola for the purpose of electing a committee of management in connection with the hall—

23—From Railway department, stating that it had been found necessary to make renewals at the level crossing at 148 miles 21 chains between Wedderburn Junction and Wedderburn, and suggesting that the road should also be widened. The council to pay the cost of making the approaches to within seven feet of the rails on either side—

24—From A. H. Brownhill, Arnold West, drawing attention to the dangerous state of the crossing between his property and Mr Jack Hayes', Also to the fact that a gutter has been cut along his fence by Mr Hayes, and that the same is likely to do damage—

25—From Secretary Woosang Cemetery, complaining that the natural flow of the water across the road fronting the Woosang cemetery has again been interfered with causing flooding of the cemetery—

8. Received .

9. Received .
Mr.Weaver to be thanked for his efforts in the matter .

10. Received.

11. Received .

12. On the motion of Crs.White and Chalmers it was resolved to inform the Walpeup Shire that this Council will support any motion providing for the suggested legislation when same is brought before the Municipal Assn.

13. On the motion of Crs O'Brien and White it was resolved to inform the Municipal Assn. that this Council is opposed to the centralizing clauses in the Hospital and Charities Bill which would have the effect of taking powers from local Hospital committees and vesting same in a central committee .

14. On the the motion of Crs Andrews and Hendry the President and CrWhite were appointed to represent this Council .

15. Received .

16. Resolved to refer the matter to the President for consideration .

17. " " " " " "

18. Received .

19. "

20. On the motion of Crs Kiniry and White the application was granted .

21. Held over . The applicant to be advised to confer with the Health Officer before choosing a site .

22. The president agreed to take steps to convene the necessary meeting .

23. On the motion of Crs White and Hendry it was resolved to leave the matter in the hands of the Shire Engineer .

24. On the motion of Crs O'Brien and Kelly the matter was referred to the Shire Engineer for early inspection and necessary action .

25. On the motion of Crs Kiniry and White the mater was left in the hands of the Shire Engineer .

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CORRESPONDENCE . (continued)

26—From Ballarat Progress Association, outlining scheme for bringing before the new commissioner the disabilities under which trade and commerce are hampered through present inefficient railway service; also intimating that financial assistance would be acceptable—

27—From department, stating that there is not any objection to the piece of land near Hard Hill, Wedderburn, being reserved for road making material, in accordance with council's application, providing the council has the necessary survey made.

26. On the motion of Crs Andrews and Howe it was resolved that support be given to the movement .

27. On the motion of Crs Hendry and White it was resolved to have the necessary survey made .

27—From Miss M. S. Wiggins, acknowledging council's letter of appreciation in connection with services rendered at the time of the influenza epidemic—

28—From Wedderburn branch R.S.S.I.L.A., thanking council for its thoughtfulness in presenting certificates to soldiers—

29—From Wedderburn Fire Brigade requesting council to take steps to have Wednesday, 22nd September, the date of the demonstration at Charlton, proclaimed a public holiday—

30—From Messrs Colvin and Brumby (Clifden Home) thanking council for certificates—

27a. Received .

28. Recd.

29. On the motion of Crs Kiniry and Hendry it was resolved to aply for the holiday .

30. Received .

31. From John Brown , Arnold , staing that recent rains had caused a deep and dangerous scour on a road in Arnold West .

Referred to the Engineer .

32. From P.McKinley - Timor West - bringing under notice of the Council that ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ considerable damage had been done to the road between th parishes of Borung and Buckrabanyule through and alleged diversion of the water from its natural course .

On the motion of Crs Thomas and Chalmers the Engineer was instructed to inspect and report.

33. From H.Turnley(Korong Times and Farmers Advocate) staing that he had started a paper in Korong Vale and asking for a fair share of Shire work and advertising .

It was resolved on the motion of Crs Howe and Kelly to advertise in in the above paper on the same terms and conditions as other papers in which the Council already advertises .

SECRETARY'S REPORT .

Secretary's Report.

Receipts for month ending 31/8/1920:—Rates, current, £203/18/8; arrears, £7/7/; interest, £5/13/6; pan charges, Wedderburn, £18/6/; Korong Vale, £18/2/6; contract deposits, £6/16/; shire plan sold, £1; Wychitella water rate, £6; miscellaneous, 4/6; dishonored cheque repaid, £4/16/; total, £272/4/2; credit balance at bank, £1007/6/2. Outstanding rates, £396/15/7.

Financial position of ridings.—North, credit, £281/5/3; Central, debit, £234/6/9; South, credit, £904/6/4; trust, credit, £56/1/4; credit balance, £1007/6/2.

The above shows the financial position after having paid £650 to the Savings Banks and the advance to the water account of £1000.

Secretary report received and adopted .

1. Specifications prepared and alternative tenders called for gravelling or loaming 80 on the N.S. road between G. Hampson and J. Hall, parish of Buckrabanyule

2. Borung-Major's Line road and Borung-Hurstwood road have been damaged by flood water, and i will be necessary to have check banks repaired anp scours seen to along these roads.

3. On the Borung-Major's Line road between Huggins and Alfrey the road is in a bad state. I recommend that 80 chains of formation be made.

4. Wychitella-Buckrabanyule—In places this road has been badly scoured by the recent rains, and it will be necessary to have same repaired; also I recommend that 20 chains of forming be done between McPherson and Hindson, and 30 chains of road reformed between Bird's and railway line and the agron on the open crossing near McPherson's repaired.

CENTRAL RIDING.

5. Plans and specifications prepared and tenders called for 11 chains of gravelling on the St. Arnaud road near the Pound dam.

6. Plans and specifications prepared and tenders called for 20 chains of forming and loaming in Greig st., Korong Vale.

7. Wedderburn-Logan road—This road badly needs draining, repairs, and erection of check banks, filling in of ruts and scours, etc. Bridge of Fenton's Creek requires the debris cleaning away and re-metalling at the approaches. Culvert near P. Lyons requires extension to the inlet wings and minor repairs to the outlet.

8. Wedderburn-Berrimal road requires drains cleaning out, check banks repaired, crossings attended to and ruts and scours filling in.

9. Old mill site—I recommend that rubbish be cleaned up and ground levelled up and graded.

SOURH RIDING.

10. Plans and specifications prepared and Tenders called for 30 chains of loam formation in different portions near R. Barr's, Dywer's and on the Bridgewater Newbridge road near J. Sloan's.

11 The Main Bendigo-Charlton road between Samers and Hendry requires re-topping, the surface being worn in its ruts. I recommend that 20 chains be re topped.

12 Plans and specifications prepared and tenders called for 40 chains of formation on the Korong Vale-Kinypaniel road east of Faulks.

13. Plans and specifications prepared and tenders called for 10 chains of gravelling on the Inglewood-Powlett road, north from Appleby's.

14. I have inspected the Burke's Flat-Bealiba road to the Shire boundary. This road requires side drains cleaning out, repairs to check banks, and general repairs. I recommend that a gang be employed on the (day work. Near Truscott's Bridge, a stone crossing is required, and between Rodgers and Gallacher it requires 14 chains of formation and side drains. I recommend that tenders be called for these two jobs.

15. Burke's Flat-Wedderburn road near State school, Burke's Flat, requires the erection of a check bank. Between Fuller and Rodgers the hill is badly scoured. I recommend that 13 chains of formation be erected.

16. Whilst we have a day work gang in the vicinity it would be advisable to clean out side drains and repair check banks on the Burke's Flat-Logan road the Burke's Flat-McIntyre's road and the Burke's Flat-Moliagal road.

17. Cochrane's Creek-Bealiba road—This road requires repairs to check banks and crossings and side drains needs attention, and general repairs. I recommend that a day work gang be employed, at the junc with the Wehla-Moliagul road requires 10 chains of formation, a crossing and the erection of two check banks near Harnetty's. I recommend that tenders be called for this work.

18 Roads about Rheola and Mc Intyre's require attention, side drains cleaning and check banks repaired. I have instructed Webb to carry out the necessary work.

19 Inglewood-Kingower road is in fair order with the exception of a bad patch between telegraph poles No 90 to 110. I recommend that 40 chains of forming be done.

20 McIntyre-Inglewood road, near McDonald's, requires 3 chains of gravel formation and two stone crossings.

ENGINEER'S REPORT.

1. Received.

2. On the motion of Crs Andrews and Thomas the Engineer was authorised to employ a day-gang to do the necessar repairs.

3. On the motion of Crs Andrews and Thomas it was resolved to call tenders returnable at next mtg.

4. On the motion of Crs Thomas and Andrews resolved to call tenders forthe work.

5. Received.

6. Received.

7. On the motion of Crs White and Hendry the Engineer was authorised to employ a day-gang and to carry out the work mentioned in clauses 7 & 8, and later on the works in the Nine Mile district.

9. Site to be inspected by the Central Riding members and report to be presented to next meeting.

10. Received.

11. On the motion of Crs Howe and Kelly it was resolved to call tenders for the work.

12. Received.

13. "

14. On the motion of Crs O'Brien and Kelly it was resolved to carry out the work as recommended by day work, and to call tenders for the stone crossing mehtioned in clause 14 and the and the 13 chains of formation mentioned in clause (15) - omitting the 14 chains of formation recommended in clause (14)

16. On the motion of Crs O'Brien and Howe it was resolved to have the work done.

17. On the motion of Crs O'Brien & Howe the recommendation was adopted.

18. Engineers action approved.

19. Tenders to be called for the work.

Motion of Crs. Howe and Kelly.

20. Tenders to be called for the work also for the 2 necessary work on same rd. towards Inglewood. O'brien & Howe

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FINANCE .

On the motion of Crs .Kelly and Thomas accounts as under were passed for payment :-

General accounts.	£	£341 : 7 : 9
Country Roads Board	a/c	£80 : 9 : 4
Water Account	"	£192 : 5 : 3
Wire Netting	a/c	£ 6 : 6 : .

TENDERS .

The recomendations of the tender committee were as under :-

No. 96—Forming and gravelling 11 chains on St. Arnaud road near the pound dam, parish of Wedderburn.
No. 98—40 chains of forming and loaming on the Korong Vale—Kinypaniel road east from Tonkin's.
No. 99—20 chains of forming and loaming in Greig street, Korong Vale.
No. 100—30 chains of forming and loaming in detached portions near R. Barr's, Dwyer's and J. Sloan's, parish of Inglewood.
No. 102—10 chains of gravelling on the Inglewood—Powlett road near Appleby's.
No. 101—Alternative tenders for loaming and gravelling 80 chains on the north and south road between G. Hampson's and J. Hall's, parish of Buckrabanyule.

Contract No.

96. The tender of S.F.CRISP @£34:17:3 to be accptd.

98. " 2 "John Ross @£78: 0: 0 " " "

99. " James Crisp to be accepted as shown below.

100. " OF F.J.HARDING @ £56:12:6 to be accepted

101. " of F.J.HARDING @ £126:0:0 " " "

102 " " " F.J.HARDING @ £34:7: 0

Contract No.99 . The specifications in regard to contract No.99 to be amended and the contractors tender for loaming to be accepted without the formation making the tender price £46 :0:—

On the motion of Crs.O'Brien and Thomas the above recommendations were were adopted .

ORDINARY BUSINESS .

EXTRAS TO CONTRACTS amounting to ~~£55:9:9~~ £52:16:3 were passed by the Council . (shown in detail in Contract Ledger)

CONTRACTS ACCEPTED :- The action of the tender committee in accepting the Tender of S.F.CRISP for contract No.91 at- Works on the St Arnaud Rd. at Gunings Crossing - at £26:10:---- & the tender of Thos. Waters at £30:18:0 for works on the Nine Mile Rd. near White Bros. was endorsed by the Council on the motion of Crs.White and Thomas .

LINEHANS LANE. On the motion of Crs Andrews and Thomas the Secretary was instructed to take steps to have an Order proclaimed bringing the above under the Transfer of Land- Act & vesting same in the Council of the Shire of Korong .

MUNICIPAL DINNER :- It was resolved to take no action with regard to the proposed dinner .

GRAVEL RESERVE - BORUNG . The Secretary reported having been in communication with the Lands Department re the matter , but that up to date no definite reply had been received .

ORDINARY BUSINESS (continued)

DEPOSITS FORFEITED . The contractors not having carried out the work according to specifications in connexion with contracts Nos. ~~XXXXXX~~ 19 /1917 and 47/1918 , it was resolved on the motion of Crs. Thomas & Kelly that the deposits in connexion with same be forfeited .

ROAD REDUCTION IN WIDTH. It was resolved on the motion of Crs White and Thomas to sign the agreement for the reduction of a road in the Parish of Wedderburn adjoining allot . 39b. Section 15 , and that the price for the excess area be fixed at ~~XXXX~~ Thirty shillings per acre .

WEDDERBURN RACECOURSE LEASE . It was resolved on the motion of Crs White and ~~XXXXXX~~ Kiniry to invite fresh tenders for the right to graze sheep in the Wedderburn Racecourse for a period of five years . Rent to be payable in advance . Details left to the Shire Secretary toarrange .

ROAD KINYPANIEL LEASE . It was resolved on the motion of Crs.Kiniry and White to offer no objection to the road between allots.115 & 115a in the Parish if Kinypaniel being leased to Thompson Bros of Korong Vale.

Road Lease PARISH OF BERRIMAL TO W.WALKER . Held over for another month .

MUNICIPAL CONFERENCE REPRESENTATIVE . On the motion of Crs.White and Thomas the President (Cr.O'Brien) was appointed to represent the Council .

ENGINEER'S COMMISSION WEDDERBURN RESERVOIR WORKS :- It was resolved on the motion of Crs.Kiniry and O'Brien to act on the instructions of the Shire Solicitor and the Central Riding members and to re offer to Engineer Gourlay the 2½% commission plus travelling allowance .

RIDINGS ALLOCATION :- On the motionof Crs O'Brien and Howe it was resolved "That it be an instruction to the Secretary to carefully review the present allocation of general expenditure between the ridings during the present year and to apportion the same fairly on the basis of the valuation in each riding .

DRAINAGE at DEVIL'S GULLY- KORONG VALE . On the motion of Crs Kiniry and Andrews the Engineer was instructed to inspect and report on the drainage from the above to the Reservoir with a view to recommending an improvement.

ROAD WORKS .

FOOTPATHS AND DRAINAGE AT KORONG VALE. On the motion of Crs Kiniry and O'Brien the Engineer was instructed to have same attended to by day-labor.

On the motion of Crs Chalmers and Andrews it was resolved to call tenders for 30 chains of forming and loaming between Stewarts and W.Eeles also about 20 chains loaming between J.Stewart and E.Evansalso about 7 chains of forming and loaming between chalmers and Eeles .

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INSTRUCTIONS TO ENGINEER .

CR. KINIRY - Have metal already broken spread on the Korong Vale Woolshed Flat Road .

Have the East & West road by Laity and Manlien - Korong Vale , repaired .

CR.CHALMERS :- Have repairs effected to the Kinypaniel Bridge known as days crossing . Also inspect and report at next meeting the road at Hughes Bridge - Kinypaniel .

CR.HENDRY :- Inspect and report on the raod running from the the bridge on the creek South from the Kurrada school via E.HOLT , Stephensons , Dalrymple and C.Connell also at W.Curnow's gate .

Inspect the road West of J.Polkinghorne - Parish of Berrimal .

Have repairs effected at Pound Dam also repairs to the crossing in creek in front of the Royal Hotel , Wedderburn .

Have fence erected near the dredge cutting alongside of the road leading to the racecourse , Wedderburn .

CR .Howe - Inspect complaint by Mr.Hendry at Bridgewater re drains and footpath , also inpect the drain in front of Mr.Bickham's house- Bridgewater Township and have same attended to .

Also W.E.Smith's complaint .

CR.KELLY - Make an inspection of Kurting Powlett by J.A.Sloan and Bacon and ~~to~~ submit scheme for effectively repairing same .

Inspect road South of the Church of England between H.Needs and J.Kelly's and ascertain if the water is being diverted on to this road by embankments placed across the creek close to H.Needs house .

NEXT MEETING OF COUNCIL . On the motion of Crs. O'Brien and Andrews it was resolved to hold the next meeting of the Council on Monday the 11th.October instead of Tuesday the 12th.

CONFIRMED :-

Wm O'Brien

CHAIRMAN .

11/10/1920