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MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE SHIRE OF KORONG HELD AT THE SHIRE HALL WEDDERBURN ON TUESDAY THE 11th.MAY , 1920 at 11 a.m

PRESENT :- Crs Kiniry (President) White , Hendry , Thomas , Andrews Chalmers , Kelly & O'Brien.

MINUTES of the previous meeting were read and confirmed on the motion of Crs . Kelly & Andrews.

At this stage the Standing Orders were suspended inorder to hear Mr. Sutherland - a representative from the Blind Institute of Melbourne , Vic.

Mr.Sutherland stated that the Institute had for some years been sorely in need of funds and that it had been intended to launch an appeal in 1917 - the Jubilee year of the Institute ; In that year however the war was at its height and it was then decided to postpone the appeal to allow the Country to devote its eneggies to the winning of the war.

The appeal was now being made and the Council was asked firstly to appoint two delegates to ~~XXXXX~~ from a deputation to wait upon the Government and endeavor to induce the Government to take over the responsibility of maintaining the Institute . The Council was also asked to give the Institute its financial support to tide it over the period until such time as the Govt. might undertake the responsibility.

Regarding the delegation On the motionof Crs Andrews and Kelly the President and CrO'Brien were appointed to represent the Council .

On the motion of Crs Kiniry and Andrews it was resolved to donate £100----- to the Institute . £50-- to be paid to the Institute in June 1920 and £50-- in June 1921.

CORRESPONDENCE.

1 From Education Department, requesting the co-operation of council in carrying out Empire Day Celebrations.

2 E. Jowett, M.H.R., bringing under the notice of Council the fact that H.R.H. The Prince of Wales will spend 20 minutes at Kyneton on June 4th, and that an address of loyalty will be presented to him. Mr Jowett suggested that every shire and borough in the Grampians should be represented in that address, and desires to know if this council agrees to being included.

3 Country Fire Brigades Board, intimating that the contribution payable from this council for the current year is £16 19 10d.

4 East Loddon Shire, approving of the acceptance of the tender for works on the Major's Line Rd.

5 Alliance Insurance Coy., expressing the opinion that the claimant who caught cold and was subsequently attacked with rheumatism was not the subject of an accident and was not therefore entitled to compensation

6 Closer Settlement Bd., stating in reply to Council's letter re the loading of land for Soldier Settlement, that a uniform loading is added to the purchase price to meet expenses for roads and legal expenses. The letter states that no additional charge is made to the settler and the payment is spread over the period of the lease.

7 Closer Settlement Bd., submitting the name of A. Gray to be added to the list of local valuers.

8 Country Roads Bd., stating that owing to the depletion of funds no permanent works can be authorised at present.

1. The members of the Council were requested to co-operate in their respective districts

2. The proposal made by Mr.Jowett was agreed to and it was resolved to advise MrJowett that Korong Shire would be pleased to be represented in the address along with the other Municipalities of the Grampians.

3. Received.

4. Received.

5. The Secretary was instructed to again communicate with the Company re the matter.

6. Received.

7. Received.

8. Received. The desirability of the Engineers (Past & Present) co-operating with a view to having specifications submitted at an earl. Date was mentioned.

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9 Charlton Shire, forwarding a copy of a letter and plan received from Robert Univin, of Kingower, suggesting to the council a site near Mt Kooyora where a large amount of water could be stored and from which Charlton could be supplied with water

10 Mayor of Clunes, forwarding particulars of the meeting, newspaper reports, etc., in connection with the Clunes De-centralization movement.

11 National Road Association of Australia, requesting council's support in a movement to launch a Publicity Propaganda Campaign throughout Australia in favor of good roads and urging on the Federal Government their responsibility in the matter.

12 Water Commission, stating that before approval can be given to the raising of the by-wash at the Wedderburn Reservoir, it will be necessary for the Trust Engineer to make a close investigation and submit a report dealing with the position of the puddle wall in the existing bank, also suggesting alterations with regard to the by-wash and floating arm.

13 F. G. Braun, requesting permission to put a gate on the road running east and west through his property. Parish of Woosang.

14 Mrs Mary Sutton, of Fenton's Creek, requesting permission to remove dead trees and timber off the road leading to her house from the Fenton's Creek-Wehla Rd

15 Dr Deravin submitting his anual report for the pear ending 31 | 12 | 1919.

16 H. Sterling, requesting permission to mine in the south east corner of the market square, Wedderburn.

9. It was resolved on the motionof Crs Andrews and Kelly to leave the letter with CrO'Brien and to hold he matter over for one month.

10. On the motionof Crs Hendry and O'Brien the President CrKiniry was appointed to attend the conference to be held at Clunes on on Thursday the 20th. May, at 11 a.m.

11. Received.

12. Received.

13. The Engineer was instructed to inspect and report on the matter.

14. On the motionof Crs Hendry and White the permission was granted . The work to be done to the satisfactionof the Shire Engineer

15. Received.

16. On the motion of Crs White and OBrien the matter was left in the hands of the Central Ridings Councillors to be ~~XXXXXXXXXXX~~ considered when the question of sports grounds is being considered.

17. F.HARRISON applied for an increase in the price of his lamplighting ee Contract at Bridgewater . The increse was applied for on the ground of the increase in theprice of materials - Kerosene and Lamp glasses.

On the motion of Crs O'Brien and Kelly the matter was referred to Cr?Howe and the Enginner to report to a later meeting as to the necessity for the lamps - increase justified etc.

18. Dr.Talor reporting an epidemic of measles in various partes of the Shire. Also reporting that Mrs.Pratt - who had previously applied for registration of her premises as a Private Hospital - had now complied with the conditions required by the Central Board of Health as stated in their letter . On the motion of Crs.Kiniry and Thomas it was resolved to again refer the matter to the Health Board and request their approval to the application.

19. Dr.Taylor submitting his annual report for the year ending 31/12/1929. The report was received.

COUNTRY ROADS BOARD ---- T E N D E R S. ---- SERPENTINE ROAD.

Contract 5P.19/20. Gravelling etc. on the Serpentine Road between Coutts and Oldfield.Parish of Salisbury West.

Only one tender was received and it was resolved on the motion of Crs OBrien and Kelly that fresh tenders be called for the work.

Contract 6P. On the mtion of Crs OBrien and Kelly the tender of W.J.TAIG at £309-8-8 was accepted for the works on the Serpentine Road between Hendry and Redwood - Parish of Inglewood, subject to the approval of the C.R.B.

F I N A N C E.

On the motion of Crs.Andrews and Thomas acounts amounting to

£241:18:10 on the General a/c of the Shire , and

£416:9:1 on the ~~XXXXXXXXXXX~~ Water a/c,were passed for payment.

At this stage of the meeting the standing orders ~~XX~~ having been suspended Deputationsas under waited upon the council .

Deputation from the Fottball and Tennis Clubs.

Mr. P. Hansen and Mr. Thomas Saunders, as a deputation from the Wedderburn Football Club and the Tennis Club, asked the council to take steps to have the Market-square extended on the east side, and to allow the club to make its football ground there. The club also requested permission to remove the present hedge and to remove the fence now round the playing ground in the racecourse, and to erect same in the Market-square. The club agreed to erect a fence around the reserve, and to effect the necessary improvements to the playing ground. The council was also asked to plant a new hedge and carry out repairs to the pavilion.

Rev. O. Jones and Rev. R. F. Jagger attended to watch the interests of the Tennis Club.

On the mtion of Crs O'Brien and Kelly the matter was left in the hands of the Central Riding Councillors to be dealt with by them . They to have full authority to make waht agreement they considered advisable.

Mr.E.Appleby attended the meeting and requested permission to have a pipe through the bank of a reservoir drain to enable him to fill a dam situated on his eucalyptus lease .

On the motion of Crs.Hendry and White it was resolved to hold the ~~la~~ matter over . The Engineer to ~~XXXXXXX~~ inspect and report on the matter.

SECRETARY' S REPORT.
(as under)

Secretary's Report.

The secretary (Mr. E. Hargreaves) reported: —

Receipts for month ending 30th April, 1920:—Current rates, £618/ 6/1; arrears, £8/5/; interest, 8/; pan fees, Wedderburn, £47; pan fees, Korong Vale, £2/15/; contract deposits, £3; water trough sold, £1/ 12/6; half cost of temporary hospital at Korong Vale (donations and fees from patients), £74/14/1/14/; workers' compensation, £7/13/; rate certificate, 1/; licence equivalent, £216; total, £979/16/7.

Bank overdraft at above date, £208/10/2; out cheques, £12/7/; cheques issued, £23/12/8; net balance, debit, £197/4/6.

Since the end of the month the Government endowment has been received and paid to the bank, with the result that the bank account today shows a credit balance of £110.

Financial Position of Ridings.—North, credit, £275/17/8; Central, debit, £990/12/8; South, credit, £488/4/2; trust account, credit, £29/ 6/4; balance, £197/4/6.

Water Account.

Receipts: Rates current, Wedderburn, £41/17/; Korong Vale, £26/ 12/; arrears, Wedderburn, £1; Korong Vale, £9/10/9; interest, 6/3; water charges per meter, £5/7/; meter installations, £14/1/4; interest, £1/2/; total, £100/16/4. This account is now overdrawn at the bank, £661/0/6. The works at the Wedderburn Reservoir are responsible for the overdraft. This expenditure will, of course, be chargeable to loan funds, and when the loan is eventually obtained the account will be adjusted.

The expenditure to last pay day was £883/2/4, and it is estimated sundry accounts unpaid and yet required to complete the works will bring the total expenditure to a sum that will slightly exceed the £1000.

Wire Netting Account.

Instalments, £5/3/10; interest, 7/6; total, £5/11/4.

The Secretary's report was read and received .

ORDINARY BUSINESS.

MR SMITH - BORUNG. EARTH ON ROAD. On the motion of Crs Andrews and Chalmers permission was granted to Mr.Smith of Borung to place earth removed from a dam - on theroadside.

SILT ON ROAD WYCHITELLA . The action of CrThomas in allowing silt to be placed on theroad at Wychitella , was approved.

EMERGENCY HOSPITAL at KORONG VALE. On the motion of Crs O'Biren and Kelly it was resolved to com municate with the Hospital Committee at Korong Vale , expressing the Councils appreciation of their ~~XXXXXXXX~~ work in organizing and controlling the hospital and thus making provision for dealing with the epidemic at Korong Vale.

The Motion was carried unanimously.

RESERVOIR -KORONG VALE . At the instance of CrKiniry it was resolved to urge upon theRailway Department the advisability of continuing the works at the reservoir - now that all the necesssry materials were on the ground - to continue the works so long as weather permitted.

GUNNING'S C ossing. On the motion of Crs Hendry and White it was resolved to call tenders for for about 6 chains of ~~XXXXXXXXXXX~~ of formation (gravel or metal) on the South side of Gunnings crossing - St Arnaud rd. Tenders returnable within 14 days.

ORDINARY BUSINESS (Continued)

NINE MILE RD. ON themotion of Crs.White and Hendry it was resolevd to call tenders for about 15 chains of formation on the Nine Mile Road.

MYSIA DAM in RAILWAY RESERVE. ON the motionof Crs Chalmers and Andrews it was resolved to call tenders for enlarging the dam in the Railway reserve Mysia.
Tenders returnable within 14 days.

CERTIFICATE FRAMES. The Secretary was authorised to allow soldiers living at a distance , the cost of the XXXXXX frame usually supplied with the certificate , and to request the soldier to himself provide the frame with the allowance thus provided.

INGLEWOOD HOSPITAL A/S. ON the motion of Crs White and Thomas Cr.O'Brien was appointed provisional delegate in the event of a Conference being held to deal with the accounts.

DAMAGED GATE at RACECOURSE. it was resolved to repair same.

HOLIDAY - PRINCE'S VISIT. The Secretary's action in making application for a holiday for June the 4th. , the date on which XXX H.R.H. THE PRINCE OF WALES XXX is due to visit Bendigo was approved.

CLIFDED HOME :- The question of giving to the Clifden Home an Honor Roll or Soldiers Certificates was discussed .

It was resolved on the mtoion of Crs OBRien and Kelly to present certificates to those actually entitled to them.

OLIVER GRAY'S VALUATION. it was agreed after discussion to reduce the valuation of Mr.Gray's properties to the valuation shown on the amended schedules viz:- £674-------
(motion of Crs Kiniry and Chalmers)

MUNICIPAL AWARD - Municipal Employees . The matter was held over for further consideration.

INSTRUCTIONS TO ENGINEER.

CR WHITE :- INSTRUcted the Engineer to have the dangerous scour repaired between R.D.OLIVE & D.A.STEWART ; also the approach to the Bridge on the same road.

CR HENDRY :- Inspect the ironstone hill to the west of hard hill wedderburn with a view to having it reserved for road-making material ; also to have bridge on the creek-- bridge on the creek on the south side of the Wedderburn Ploice Station , attended to .

CR.THOMAS :- Inspect andreport onthe condition of the bridge on the East & West road fromWychitella to Buckrabanyule near Ennis and if necessary have repairs effected thereto.

CR.KINIRY Inspect and report on the 3 chn. road north from Thompsons and W. Chambers - Korong vale Rd.

CRO'BRIEN Inspect and report at next meeting re the raod leading to D. CORNISH'S residence - Glenalbyn - as to small repairs required.

Cr.KELLY :- Inspect and report as to repairs required on theroad leading south from the Glenalbyn Railway Station , also report om the road known as Kelly's Lane.

MOTION UNDER ----NOTICE XXXXXXXXX

CRKIniry moved in accordance with notice "That the Council take over the old MILL SITEWEDDERBURN , at the cost at which it was acquired by the R.S.S.I.L.A. ; that the cost be aqually shared by the three ridings of the shire and that the responsibility of improving the site-,-fencing planting etc. and keeping same in order-, be undertaken by the Central Riding " CR.OBRIEN seconded .
The motion was carried.

CONFORMED

Peter Kinn PRESIDENT.

Date :- 15/6/20