

17 Jan 1879

Ordinary Meeting

Shire Hall

Tisbury

17 Jan 1879

Present

Mr Coult

President

Mr J Raleigh

" C Laird

" A Edwick

" J Potter

" J Lettice

" W Gill

" W Pentreath

Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting were read and

Confirmed

Correspondence

No. 1 From Shire of Looe
in re fees to Auditors

Read

No. 2 J. G. Hornblower

relating to the order effecting the exchange of
land with Messrs Listerbank

Read

No. 3 Shire of Ararat

in re the endowment paid to Shires and Boroughs
and advocating their continuance

Read

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No. 14 Shire of Mansfield
forwarding subscription list towards the Police Memorial
fund
The President said he would take charge of one
of the lists

Recd

No. 15 Prof. & Quamb. Josephson
acknowledging the receipt two guineas towards the
funds of the Institution

Received

No. 16 J. W. de Wosch
asking the Council to subscribe to his "Topography
of Victoria"

Received

No. 17 Chas. Hutton Treasurer
enclosing letter from Mr. Coffey in the matter
of the New Publicans Licences

Recd

No. 18 Lands and Survey Office
in the matter of Closed Roads

Recd

No. 19 Treasury Melbourne
forwarding returns to be filled in according
to Sections 346 & 352 in order to secure
the endowment

President ordered returns to be filled in

Recd

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No. 20 Shire of Borong
in re Bridge over Loddon and stating
that in consequence of absence of members
the matter had postponed for one month
Recd

No. 21 Constable Timothy
asking for 12 years Salary

Recd

No. 22 W. Flynn
rendering for supply of refreshments for members
and feed for horses

Recd

No. 23 W. Streshank Esq
making suggestions about the road near to
Maughtons house
it was afterwards arranged that a Committee
should go out, inspect the ground, and report
at next meeting

Recd

The Secretary reported that the rates
collected together with the amount of arrears
made up an amount of £1850 on which
amount he thought they might fairly estimate
the subsidy they should receive

Rates recd
Arrears

£ 1850
£ 594

1849

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The Engineer brought up his report of the several Contracts now in hand and said that during the month there had not been much work done.

The Secy brought up his report and Monthly Statement showing a credit balance in the Bank of Victoria of £352.

It moved by Cr. Lethlean seconded by Cr. Potter that the reports be received

Carried

The President called the attention of the Council to the necessity that existed of more Magistrates being appointed within the Shire he moved that Secretary write to the Minister of Justice calling his attention to the fact

Seconded by Cr. Lethlean

Carried

Cr. Gill moved that so soon as the maintenance men had completed the work at which they were at present employed, their services be dispensed with

Seconded by Cr. Potter

The Engineer gave the men an excellent character and spoke highly of their services while working on the roads

The motion was carried

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Cr. Lethlean moved

Cr. Raleigh seconded

That the Secretary write to the Shire of Marong calling attention to the state of the Maywood Road between the Race Course and the Squatters Lane

Carried

The following accounts were then passed and ordered to be paid

Moved Cr. Lethlean second Cr. Raleigh

JA	Secretary	✓	✓	15	11
JA	Engineer	✓	✓	16	11
E & V	W. Carvagh Cont 158	✓	✓	5	"
JA	Geo. Crossland	✓	✓	2	2
JA	Chas. Stutton	✓	✓	30	17
JA	Mr. Timothy 1/2 year salary	✓	✓	5	"
JA	James Barlie off dy	✓	✓	15	7
JA	R. W. Bressie 10 1/2	✓	✓	2	18
JA	G. M. Brown on Sal	✓	✓	10	"
				£	104
					11

The Council then went into Committee when it agreed to leave the settlement of S. Priestly case intrasy with the President

The Council decided to have their lunch next time with the proprietor of the Commercial Hotel

On resuming the following Notices of Motion were tabled for next meeting 21. 2. 79
Tenders to be called for next meeting

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By Mr. Kalinga

1 { Cutout and embankment in Gallok opposite to Baylors selection

2 { grubbing and clearing about 100 Chains in or 2 between parishes of Kamarooka and Landara

3 { grubbing & clearing about 80 Chains in or 2 between Watson & Wilkinson parishes Landara

4 { Cutout and approaches on main Road near Winters selection parish Kamarooka

By Mr. Gill

5 { Cutout and approaches down Winters Creek boundary Parish of Calvert

By Mr. Adwick

6 { forming road and repairs to Bridge between Priestly and Blind Creek parish Pompapiel

7 { ^{reporting meeting} A drain cut on each side of Road and earth thrown into centre of Road from allot 30 B to 54 A about 2 miles between parishes Gallok & Pompapiel

By Mr. C. E. Laird

8 { grubbing and clearing road (as per list) between the boundaries of North and South Kidney

9 { that the usual sum of £100 per annum be paid to Mr. Hutton as an aid to the Justice to the Telegraph Office Superintendent

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By Mr. Lethlean

10 { 20 Chains formation and 120 Chains grubbing and clearing on N + S Road between Lambert and Bacon parish Galambie

Notices of Motion

Notices of Motion

By Mr. Lethlean
to call for tenders for grubbing and clearing about 60 Chains road east of Matram road

By Mr. J. Partridge
to call for tenders for repairs to road between Duncan and Phillips selections.

It was arranged that the Committee to report on the roads in the parish of Lethlean and the Committee to report on Naughton Road should meet on Saturday the 1st day of February

The Committee to report the road between the parishes of Gallok & Pompapiel to meet on the 4th day of February.

The President then adjourned the meeting to the third Friday in February

~~Confessed~~ at Perthshire Feb 21/79
W. J. B. B. B.
President

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Meeting Monthly

Three Hall
Serpentine
February 1879

Present

- Mr. P. Courts Chair
- Mr. Hardy
- Mr. Hill
- Mr. Pentreath
- Mr. C. Land
- Mr. K. Knight
- Mr. J. L. Lethlean
- Mr. J. Potter

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting read & Confirmed

Correspondence

The letters sent by the Council (by order) were then read from the Letter Book and approved of

Letters received

- No. 1 From Public Works
re order for transfer of land

The Secretary was instructed to comply with the wishes of the Department received.

- No. 2 From Brown & Allison

Asking what rates were due by Patrick Burke stating

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on receiving that information they would immediately forward a cheque for the amount
The Secretary said he had forwarded the information, but had not received the promised cheque.

- No. 3 J. P. Priestly
in re Action Indemnity

Received

- No. 4 Public Works Department

Asking for a long list of information as the Government propose to amend the present Local Govt. Act

The Secretary said he had furnished the Department with all the information required, a great deal of which he had to wade through the old books to obtain, and which the Govt. had been furnished with years ago.

Received

- No. 5 From Jackson & Small

stating that Decretions would be forwarded in a fortnight

Received

- No. 6 Englewood Hospital

requesting donation
Moved by Mr. Lethlean
Second by Mr. Land

That the sum of Ten pounds be granted

Passed

- No. 7 From Mansfield Memorial Funds

Acknowledging receipt of £1. 1. 0 from Mr. Courts

Recd

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No. 8 Kirwan & others

Petition against erecting a bridge over the Loddon
in the North Riding

Cr. Hardy thought that the ratepayers had been
misled as to the cost of the bridge, in fact a good
many of those who signed the petition did not know
what they were signing

The President said that the petition was altogether
premature, the Council did not intend to rush
headlong into building a bridge, what the action
was now to fix a site on which to build a bridge
at some future occasion

Cr. Land moved that the petition be received

Carried

No. 9 J. B. Hill - Constable at Berlin

Asking for a copy of Rate roll for the purpose
of compiling a jury list

Read

The Secy said he had already furnished one

No. 10 From Minister of Justice

Stating that the Minister will give every attention
to the Council's application for additional Magistrates
to the Turpentine District

Received

No. 11 W. H. Coffey, C. P. & Ingham

Applying for a list of Rate payers under
Section 15 of the jury Act.

Received

The Secretary said he had already furnished Mr
Coffey with a copy

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No. 12 From Shire of Marong

Stating that attention had been paid to this Shire's
suggestions as to repairs to the Maywood Road

Received

No. 13 From J. D. Lee

Complaining about the drain between Mellars and
Moffatts being an annoyance to the farmers carting
their wheat to markets

And forwarding an account for £2. 15. for damage
done to Wagon

The Engineer said the damage to the Wagon could
only have been done by care of driving

The President said a great of time would be saved
if these small matters were reported in the first
instance to the members for the riding none of whom
appeared to know any thing about the affair

Cr. Hardy moved

Cr. Land seconded

That the letter be not entertained

Cr. Hill moved an amendment

See ~~Cr. Hill~~ Lettleson.

That the matter stand over till

next meeting

Carried

No. 14 Shire of Ichinea

Asking if Shire would join Ichinea and Swan
Hill Shires in erecting a bridge over Picanning Creek
in or near Mitiamo

Received

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No. 15

Shire of Horong

Stating that the Members of the North Riding of the Shire of Horong together with Mr. John Coultts and the Engineer had been appointed to meet Members of the Shire of East Lothian at the Major's Lane on the Lothian in conference about the Bridge

ReceivedMr. From P. O. Legelin

Asking for some compensation on account of the Contract at Mrs. Kimmons Dam being cancelled

Received

Mr. Portcull said he had been informed by a Member of the Dechna Shire that the side of the Bridge was to be at the junction of the three Shires

Mr. Lethlean moved

Mr. Portcull seconded

That the Members of the last Riding be together with the Engineer appointed to meet the Shire of Dechna at Mithams in the Bridge over the Aiseminy

Carried

Mr. Coultts brought up the report on the Closed Road and said the Secretary had informed the petitioners of the day of meeting, but on their arriving at the North Riding, only two of the petitioners were present one of whom said he had refused to sign the second petition and now withdrew altogether

Mr. Coultts stated the petition was withdrawn

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Mr. Coultts brought up the report on Naughton's Road and said it was the opinion of the Committee that the sum of £25 be expended on repairs

Mr. Coultts moved that the reports be received

Mr. Potter seconded

CarriedReports

The Secretary brought up his monthly report and the monthly statement of the position of the different ridings

The Engineer reported on the various contracts in progress during the month

In accordance with the engineer's request £10 extra was on contract near Geemys

Some remarks made by the Falkirk correspondent of the Dundee Advertiser in reference to some works in the last riding were brought under the notice of the Council as being not only untruthful, but personally impertinent

The Council did not know who the correspondent was or whether he understood anything about engineering, but rather doubted it.

After several members had expressed disapproval of the correspondence the matter dropped

Mr. Hardy said he had something to say with regard to the accounts, at the end of last year the South Riding were indebted to the North £500 and the last Riding also £50 - he should to know when the amount would be paid

Mr. Coultts moved

That the following gentleman be a Committee to meet the Committee appointed

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by the Poroug ~~Store~~ on the Subject of
choosing a site near Major's Point
viz

- Cr Hardy
- Cr Potter
- Cr Gill

accompanied by the Engineer the day
to be fixed afterwards

Cr Laird was Cr M'Laughlin was Cr Lethlean was Cr M'Laughlin was Cr Lethlean was Cr M'Laughlin was Cr Lethlean was Cr M'Laughlin was Cr Lethlean was Cr M'Laughlin was Cr Lethlean was

Tenders

Tenders were opened for the following
works, and the following being the
lowest tenders were accepted

N^o 1

Grubbing and Clearing 1/2 Chain
wide Parish of Ramarooka

Deposit 18/ Thomas Weaver 2/11 per Chain

N^o 2 Grubbing and Clearing 1/2 Chain wide
Parish of Ramarooka

14/ Thomas Weaver 2/9 1/2 per Chain

N^o 3 Grubbing and Clearing 1/2 Chain wide
Parish of Poupafield
£1 William Corby 3/ per Chain

N^o 4 Stone Metal Crossing as per
£1 Specification
P. O. Loughlin £28-2-0

N^o 6 Formation of Road as per
Specification Parish of Poupafield
£3 Bear & Bloomfield £49-1-8

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Cr M'Laughlin was Cr Lethlean was

N^o 7

Formation of Road and Laying Pipe (Drain
as per Specification Parish of Galloke

£7 P. O. Loughlin £1- £145-0-0

N^o 8

Laying Drain Formation of Road
and Grubbing and Clearing
Parish of Galambe

£10-0-0 Bear and Bloomfield £245-0-0

The Engineer was instructed to have
fresh tenders called for N^{os} in a
modified form tenders to be in by
next meeting

Instructions were given to have the
Specifications for the several works
required sent to the various Ridings
and also to allow more time for the
tenders to be in

The Secretary was instructed to have
the dog tax strictly enforced and to
have all those persons sued who did
not register their dogs

Notices By Cr Potter

of motion That I will at next meeting
move that Tenders be called for
Culvert and Approaches on the 3 chain
Durham Dy Road near William Hardy

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By A Laird

That I will move that
tenders be called for Culbert and
Drains near fingerpost as recommended
by Committee

By B Hardy

That I will move that
at at next meeting Tenders be
called for grubbing and clearing
30 Chains more or less between
Millers and Roberts

The following accounts on the motion
of A Raleigh seconded by A Laird
were ordered to be paid

		£	S	d
J. A.	Secretary	r	16	13 4
J. A.	Engineer	r	16	13 4
A. R.	John White N.D.	r	2	0 0
A. R.	John White Cont 154	r	1	7 9
J. A.	C. called call refreshments	r	1	14 0
A. R. J. A.	Joseph Alleggs Cont 155	r	5	0 0
A. R.	R. H. Roberts Cont 154	r	35	0 0
J. A.	J. Schultz W. I	r	1	10 0
A. R.	J. Doozy Mand I	r	1	10 0
A. R. J. A.	William Caranagh C 5-8	r	12	0 0
J. A.	Govt Act C 5 5 5 Sec III	r	6	0 0
J. A.	Thos Sly N.D. Cont 147	r	4	0 0
A. R.	Roberts and Sons 154	r	28	9 1
A. R.	George Bloufield	r	18	2 0
A. R.	Robert Bear	r	17	17 0

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		£	S	d
A. R.	A. Leslie Cont 157	r	30	" "
J. A.	G. C. Burrows. Guarantee	r	4	" "
J. A.	H. Smith Mand I	r	5	3 "
J. A.	William M. Haue	r	1	5 "
J. A.	C. W. James Assistance	r	2	9 "
A. R.	Miller and White Cont 156	r	20	" "
J. A.	J. E. Lethlean	r	2	16 "

The meeting then closed and the
adjourned meeting was then ordered
to be held on the 21st of March

Witnessed at Belfast
21 February 1879
Walter Gault
President

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Ordinary Monthly Meeting

Shire Hall
Tupentone 21st March
1879

Present
 B. D. Coates Chair
 " Hardy
 " Reutrecht
 " Gill
 " Potter
 " Lethlean

Minutes The minutes of the previous meeting were read and Confirmed

Correspondence

Letters sent by order of the Council since last meeting were then read and approved of by the Council

Letters Received

N^o 1 Government Statist
 re Statistess
 Received

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N^o 2 Mr. J. Jackson
 re directories
 Received

N^o 3 H. H. Hayter Government Statist
 re Statistics
 Received

N^o 4 Sandhurst Industrial Exhibition
 re Public Holiday
 Received

N^o 5 J. G. Starr
 Re Bridge over the Loddon
 Received

N^o 6 Borough of Warruambool
 re License Fees
 Received

N^o 7 Shire of Echuca
 Relative to the proposed Bridge
 over the Piccaquini at Mitta
 Received

N^o 8 Bendigo Easter Fair Committee
 Soliciting Cooperation
 Received

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And the Secretary was instructed to reply that in consequence of the letter^s having been received in time the Council regret being unable to comply with its requests

N^o 9 Board of Health
Enclosing four to be filled up

Received

N^o 10 Shire of Echuca
re Bridge at Clifton asking Council to pay 1/3 of Cost

Received

N^o 11 Euglewood Hospital
Asking this Council to join in the Procession at the Annual Fete on St. Patrick's day in aid of the Euglewood Hospital

Received

N^o 12 Government Statist

Pointing out that the 494 Sec of the Local Government Act gives power to the various Councils to impose a penalty on persons who refuse to give any information to the Collector of Statistics

Received

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N^o 13 Melbourne International Exhibition
in the Exhibits

Received

N^o 14 Andrew Cheque
re Closed Roads
To be reported on next Meeting

Received

N^o 15 Bear & Bloomfield
Asking for Extension of time on Contract at Humberts

Granted

N^o 16 D. C. Laird
Excusing attendance on account of illness and asking leave of absence

Granted

N^o 17 Secretary Serpentine Surf Club
Asking for a return of the License Fee at the Serpentine Races

Request complied with

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Reports

Mr Hardy brought up the report on the Loddou Bridge and although the deputation had not fixed on a particular site the members of this Council had fixed not to go farther north than the Majors live the question was therefore left for the present settled but would be brought up again at a future time

Mr Pentreath reported that on behalf of the East Loddou Shire he had had met the deputations from Swan Hill and Echuca Shires and they had agreed upon the site and adopted the plans of the Swan Hill Shire. They had also agreed jointly to pay the travelling expenses of the Engineer of the Echuca Shire

He was also glad to say that he had had the share to be borne by this Shire reduced from one third to one fourth of the entire costs

Reports received

And on the motion of Mr Coutts

seconded " Lethlean

That a vote of thanks be passed to the deputations for the able manner in which they had carried out

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the duties entrusted to their care

The Engineer brought up his report and stated that contracts generally were progressing favourably in the Shire but that owing to the great want of water the contractors were thrown back a good deal. Leslie's Contract had been rather delayed Messrs who had applied for an extension of time he would recommend be granted

Moved by the President

Seconded " Mr Pentreath

That the Engineers report be received

Carried

The Secretary's Report shewing the financial position of the different Ridings was laid on the table

The Treasurer's Report shewing the Monthly statement with a balance in the Bank to the credit of the Shire of £ 33-3-3

Moved by Mr Pentreath

Seconded " Lethlean

That the Reports be received

Carried

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The President pointed out the inconvenience arising from the want of J. P. in the district and stated that a letter had been written to the Minister of Justice to that effect two months ago and an answer was received that the letter would be attended to since which time nothing had been heard of the matter he thought it desirable that the subject be forwarded without delay. Mr Hardy coincided with the remarks of the President and thought the remarks of the President were very opportune as the want of sufficient Magistrates has long been felt in this District.

Mr Potter said he understood that the President was on the eve of going to town if that was correct he had a motion to move to the effect

That the affair be left in the hands of the President to see the Minister of Justice when in town and to urge upon him the necessity of appointing additional J. P.

Seconded by Mr Lethlean

Carried

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Tenders

The following tenders were then opened

N ^o 1	Construction of Boy Culvert and approaches over Seven Mouths Creek boundary Road Parish of Calivil	
Deposit £5	Johnson & Davis	£80 = 12 = 3
	Refused fresh tenders ordered to be called	
N ^o 2	Construction of Culvert &c also beq culverts for drains and earthwork approaches on one chain Road North of Duncan Hotel Parish of Dungee	
£10	W. Youkin	209 = 6 = 8
12	B. G. Phillips & Co	255 = 3 = 4
12 = 10	Johnson & Davis	285 = 2 = 0
14 = 7 = 6	G. G. Evans	304 = 5 = 8
N ^o 3	Grubbing & Clearing 50 Chains more or less 1/2 Chain wide near Evans Parish of Yandarra	
8/	W. Lethlean per Chain 2/6	7 = 10 = 0
	E. Wood " " 3/	9 = 0 = 0

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Moved by C^r Lethlean
 Secouded " " Neutreath
 That Youkins tender
 be accepted for Tunder N2 and
 W. Lethlean for N3

Notices
 of
 motion
 for next
 meeting

C^r Potter moved
 C^r Gill Secouded
 That tenders be called
 at next meeting for Culverts and
 earthwork near W. Hardy's on the Haywood
 and Durham By Road

Moved by C^r Hardy
 Secouded " " Gill
 That tenders be
 called for grubbing and Clearing about
 30 more or less bet Millers and Roberts
 and near Hacketts

The following accounts on the motion
 of C^r Potter
 Secouded C^r Lethlean
 Were ordered to be paid

The settlement of Whiseous account
 was left in the hands of the
 President he having undertaken to
 see that gentlemen in Sandhurst

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J A	Secretary	✓	16	13	4
J A	Esquire	✓	16	13	4
J A	J Harcourt P. A	✓	1	17	6
J A	H. Byron Moore Haps	✓	3	0	0
J A	Balsillie & Goodissow	✓	2	4	"
J A	Arnall & Jackson Directories	✓	2	1	6
J A	McKays & Co P. & A	✓	6	19	"
S R	Miller's White Coat 156	✓	59	"	"
N. R	A Leslie Coat 157	✓	38	"	"
N R	W. Cavauagh Coat 158	✓	1	"	"
J A	Englewoods Hospital	✓	10	"	"
J A	G. A. Burrows	✓	10	"	"
E R	Thos Weaver Coat 159	✓	10	"	"
E R	P. O. Loughlin Coat 162	✓	5	"	"
S R	Bear & Blooufield 163	✓	2	"	"
J R	E. Robertsow S. P.	✓	3	"	"
S R	Bear & Blooufield Cat 163	✓	38	10	8
J R	Ch James Assistance	✓	2	3	"
E R	Jesse Eeles W+L	✓	5	12	"
E R	William Eustace W+L	✓	7	10	"
J A	Serpentine Surf Club	✓	2	"	"

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Notice of motion

By C^r Potter

That I will at next
 meeting move that tenders be called
 for grubbing and Clearing 100 Chains
 more or less near Douglass Parish of
 Clarkland

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By Mr. Hardy
 That at next meeting
 I will move that tenders be called
 for the erection of a culvert and
 approaches near Andrew Cheyne

The meeting then closed and the
 President declared the next meeting
 to be held on the third Friday in
 April 1879

Confirmed at Serpentine
 April 18/79 Woodhouse
 President

18 Apr 1879

Monthly Meeting

Shire Hall
 Serpentine
 April 18th 1879

Present
 Cr. Coult's Chairman
 Cr. Edwick
 Cr. Neutrecht
 Cr. Lethlean
 Cr. Gill
 Cr. Potter
 Cr. Hardy

Minutes The Minutes of the previous meeting were
 read and
 Confirmed

Correspondence

N^o 1 Thomas Weaver Kararooka
 Asking for the cheque on his
 Contract passed at last meeting

Received

N^o 2 Secretary Inglewood Hospital
 Acknowledging the receipt
 for the sum of £10 - being the Council's Donation
 towards the funds of the Institution
 Received

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N^o 3 Thomas Weaver Kaurarooka
 Asking that the amount passed
 on his Contract be forwarded to the Manager
 of the Bank of Victoria, Epsom

Received

N^o 4 Bank of Victoria, Epsom
 Acknowledging the receipt of
 the sum of £10 - which he had placed to the
 credit of Thomas Weaver

Received

N^o 5 City of Fitzroy
 Suggesting a communication with
 the Government relative to future Municipal
 Loans based on the principle of deferred
 payments for a certain number of years
 (say ten)

Received

N^o 6 Government Statist
 Acknowledging the receipt of a
 packet of Statistics relating to this Shire

Received

N^o 7 Revd Father Meade
 Asking for the use of the Shire
 Hall on Sunday the 20th for the purpose of
 holding Divine Service.
 The Secretary said he had already replied

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stating the hall to be at his service on that day

Received

N^o 8 Mr Delaney Secretary S. Benevolent Society
 Asking for donation towards the funds
 of the Institution
 Moved by Mr Potter
 Secunder " " Lethlean
 That the sum of £2-2- be
 granted

Carried

N^o 9 Department of Public Works
 Return of plan of proposed Road
 diversion to be verified by a Certificated
 Engineer

Received

The President after consulting the Local Government
 Act asked Mr Robertson whether he would
 certify to the plan as he was well acquainted
 with the locus in quo

The matter was then left in the hands of the
 Secretary to be completed and returned

Reports

Mr Potter reported that Mr Hardy and himself
 had visited the road in the Parish of Jarrahan
 complained of by Mr Cheyne as being closed and
 he was of opinion that the road in question
 should be thrown open for public traffic

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Mr Hardy said he agreed with Mr Potter that the road should be thrown open

The President said that Cheques request ought to be complied with he would therefore move that the Secretary write to the owner of the land in question to that effect

Seconded by Mr Hardy

Carried

The Treasurer brought up his report and monthly statement shewing an overdraft in the the Bank of Victoria England of £193-

The Report was received on the motion of Mr Hardy
Secom by Mr Lethlean

The Engineer reported that the several Contracts within the Shire were progressing satisfactorily. The Bridge over Bullock Creek required some repairs

It would require £20 - to be expended on it - He complained of the fence at Bacous selection being on the road and interfering with the Contract - At Evans selection also in the Parish of Gaudarr a the drain on the of the bank overflowed it banks in wet weather and it would require an expenditure of from £3 - to £5 pounds in making an embankment.

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Moved by The President
Seconded by Mr Lethlean

That the report be received

Carried

Moved by Mr Lethlean
Seconded by Mr Neutreath

That the Engineer be empowered to spend a sum not exceeding £5 - in carrying out the necessary repairs near Evans

Carried

The Secretary was instructed to write to Mr Bacon requesting him to remove his fence from off the road in order to enable the Contractors to finish their work

The Secretary reported on the Financial position of the Ridings in the Shire from the 30th of September to the present date.

Money expended together with liabilities £554 = 17 - 11 -

South Riding 760 = 11 -

East Riding 1037 = 6 = 5 -

Amount set apart for the various Ridings at the beginning of the Financial Year Estimate

North Riding £656 -

South Riding 862 -

East Riding 1108 -

No Government Subsidy had yet been received so that he was at a loss in estimating that amount

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The President said they had just heard the account read and that the amount awarded had very nearly been expended besides that they had an overdraft in the Bank of Victoria and he would advise the Councillors to be cautious in expending money he would rather see a credit balance at the Bank at the end of the Financial Year than an overdraft

Or Hardy

Introduced the subject of the amount owing by the South and East Ridings to the North Ridings

Or Potter agreed with Or Hardy and would move that at next meeting the Secretary buy up a detailed statement showing the various amounts expended in each Riding since the Shire had been divided into Ridings

Seconded by Or Hardy

Carried

The Engineer produced a plan showing the deviation of road on the Gaudarra Estate. In this plan it was shown that the owner of the land would be giving more land than he would receive

After a long discussion on the subject the matter was allowed to stand over until Or Raleigh attends at the meeting

18 Apr 1879

The President stated that in accordance with the wishes of the Council on his visit to Melbourne he had called on the Minister of Justice with regard to the appointment of Magistrates for the District but had received no satisfactory answer The Council was advised to recommend suitable persons for the office and to have their names forwarded through the members for the district.

He thought ~~was thought~~ that the Council had now done their part of it and it remained for the ratepayers to take any further action

Tenders

The following tenders were then opened

N 1	Culvert and approaches over Seven Cloughs Creek	
3-10	Thomas Weaver	£ 69 = 12 = 6
3-0	Johnston & Davis	64 = 13 = 4

N 2	Grubbing and clearing 1/2 Chain wide near Robert's four Parish of Calivil	
8/-	William Cavanagh per r. chain 2/9	
6/-	M. H. Roberts per ditto	4/-
6/6	D. Campbell " "	2/6
7/-	J. Burford " "	2/8

N 3	Box Culvert earthwork approaches Baywood Durham of Raad Parish of Calivil	
3-	A. Leslie	£ 59 = 12 = 10
4-10-	M. H. Roberts	96 = 5 = 0
4-	Johnston & Davis	73 = 10 = 0

18 Apr 1879

Moved by Cr Gill
Secounded by Cr Lethlean
That the following tenders be
accepted

- N^o 1 Johnson & Davis £ 64 = 13 = 4
- N^o 2 D. Campbell at 2/3 per chain
- N^o 3 Alexander Leslie 59 = 12 = 10

Carried

Instructions
to
Officers

Cr Hardy moved that the Engineer
report at next meeting on the advisability
of forming a pathway to the School in
the parish of Parkland
Secounded by Cr Potter

Carried

The motions standing in the names of
Cr Hardy Potter and Laird were by
permission of the Council allowed to
stand over

By permission of the Council the standing
orders were suspended to allow Cr Pentreath
to move that tenders be called at next
meeting for repairs to Bullock Creek
Bridge near Youghusband
Secounded by Cr Lethlean

Carried

18 Apr 1879

Moved by Cr Gill
Secounder " " Lethlean
That the following accounts
be passed for payment

	£	s.	d.
JA Secretary	✓✓	16	13 4
JA Engineer	✓✓	16	13 4
JA Burrows and Co claps for Councillors	✓	1	6 0
JA Cleary Shire Hall	✓✓	9	- -
JA Harcourt Kerang Tues. P. A.	✓✓	3	15 -
JA Howblower. J. G. P. A.	✓✓	14	16 6
RR N. O'Loughlin Cont-164	✓✓	25	- -
RR Bear & Bloomfield Cont-165	✓✓	40	- -
RR William Boukier Cont-166	✓	2	2 -
JA CW James claps	✓✓	5	9 =
JA J. A. Weiborn Stationery	✓✓	3	13 3
JA E. Robertson Assistance L. S.	✓✓	1	10 -
JA J. W. James Bonus 1/2 Year	✓✓	25	- -
JA Henry Wrayson Law Costs	✓✓	50	- -
NR A. Leslie Cont-157	✓✓	82	- -
NR W. Caranagh 158	✓✓	7	- -
RR N. O. Loughlin 162	✓✓	35	3 3
RR Miller & White 156	✓✓	86	16 10
RR Thomas Weaver 159 x 160	✓✓	1	12 =
RR Thomas Weaver 159	✓✓	10	5 5
RR Thomas Weaver 160	✓✓	24	7 1

Moved by Cr Potter
That the sum of £25 be granted to the Engineer
as a bonus for the last 1/2 Year
Secounded by Cr Hardy

Carried

18 Apr 1879

Notice of Motion for next meeting

By Cr Coult

That Tenders be called at next meeting for works required at North's Road as recommended by Committee

By Cr Lethlean

That tenders be called for culvert and Earthwork in allitians as per notice

The meeting then closed and the President directed the next meeting to be held on the 3rd Friday in May 1879

Confirmed this 11th day of May 1879 At Serpentine

Confirmed at Serpentine May 16/79 W. G. Coult President

16 May 1879

Monthly Meeting

Serpentine
16 May 1879

Present

- David Coates Dr
- J. C. Laid "
- Wm Hardy "
- N. Y. Pentreath "
- A. Edwick "
- Geo. Raleigh "
- Geo. Lethlean "
- Geo. Potter "

Meeting

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed

Correspondence

Letters received

N1

Burrows & Co

re Printing and Advertisements

Received

N2

Garnet Walsh

Asking the Council to become subscribers to a Book called the New Decade

Received

16 May 1879

N3 Bank of Victoria Epsom

Acknowledging the receipt of cheques on account of Thomas Weaver

Received

N4

Henry Wrisjon Solicitor Sandhurst
Forwarding papers and plans in the matter of Samuel Priestly

Received

N5

Royal Insurance
Re Insurance of Chire Hall

Received

N6

Bendigo Benevolent Asylum
Asking
Donation

Received

Moved by Dr Potter
Seconded " " Lethlean

That the sum of £2-2-
be granted to the funds of the
Institution

Carried

N7

J. Garland Builder
Building repairs to the Hall

Received

16 May 1879

N8 Royal Closed Roads Commission
In the matter of
Closed Roads
Recused

N9 P. O'Loughlin Contractor
Asking for a
months extension of time on
Contract at Taylors
Granted

N10 Thomas Spear
In the matter of
Culvert North of Duncaus
Recused

N11 R. G. Phillips & Others
Petition
Asking for a Culvert to be made and
road formed near Phillips
Ordered to stand over for report
In the case of Thomas Spear it
was referred to the members of the
East Riding to report on at next
Meeting

16 May 1879 Reports

The Secretary brought up his report
and Monthly Statement
The President on reading the report
said. That on the Debit Side of the
account the matter stood as it was
last month because the Council had
not received any Government Subsidy
A matter which he could not understand
as they were expending large sums of
money in Melbourne while the
upcountry Chires were deprived of their
Subsidy in consequence of which a
great many necessary works had to
be delayed. He would therefore
advise the Members to be as careful
as they could with carrying on any
works until they received their
1st instalment of the Subsidy which was
now 2 months overdue

Dr Potter said

That he had examined
the Books carefully and found that
at the end of the last financial
year the South Riding were indebted
to the N. Riding in the sum of
£300- and he wished some
settlement could be arrived at

Dr Hardy

Also spoke in favour of
the amount being returned to the
North Riding

16 May 1879

The East-Riding took also overdrawn their account - £50 but he was told by the Secretary that that £50 was due to the Shire funds

He moved

That the sum of £300 be paid from the funds of the South R to the North Riding so soon as the subsidy be granted

Seconded by Cr Potter

Cr Raleigh said that the East-Riding were for a long time in a successful condition and until lately had a balance to its credit - he thought the matter had better stand over and it would ultimately adjust itself

The President stated that the amount claimed by the members of the North Riding had been really expended for the benefit of the Ratepayers of that Riding

The Main Road through the South Riding was kept in repair for the benefit of the North Riding as well. he thought that at present the motion was premature

16 May 1879

Cr Hardy in Reply said

He did not wish to press the matter he only wished for a return of the money when the Government Subsidy was paid

Cr Raleigh moved an Amendment that

The matter stand over till the end of the financial year in the mean while the North Riding could proceed with their works

Cr Laird

Supported the Amendment

He could not see how Cr Hardy could claim £350 - whilst the Secretarys books shewed that the South R. were indebted to the North R. only £300

The President seconded the Amendment which on being put to the vote was carried Cr Hardy & Potter dissenting

The Engineer reported on the general Contract in progress through the Shire and also having attended the Royal Commission on Closed Roads in Sandhurst

Moved by Cr Laird
Seconded " " Hardy

That the report be received

Carried

16 May 1879

Cr Hardy moved

That the work recommended by the Engineer namely making a footpath to the new school at Lark Blau be carried out by the Engineer and the Members of the North Riding

Seconded by Cr Potter

Carried

Cr Hardy moved

That notice be given to a Selector named Dobie that after the present harvest he remove his fence from off the leading part his selection

Cr Lethlean moved" Reubrecht seconded

That tenders be called for rolling the embankments as suggested by the Engineer

Mr Shaw made application to the Council to have all obstructions removed from off the Road leading from Rodgers to the chain road over Gaugus Creek

The Engineer was ordered to report on it at next meeting

16 May 1879

on the motion of Cr Edwick
Seconded by Cr Potter

Cr Edwick said there was no good road from Salisbury Bridge to Gaugus
There were several obstructions which should be moved

He would move that the Engineer report at next meeting on the road in question - Agreed to

Cr Hardy brought under the notice of the Council the short time that had been allowed for the president and officers of the Council to attend at the closed Roads Commission

He thought that gates should be allowed so long as they were allowed to be opened what he complained of was that there was no time allowed for the Council to give an opinion on the subject

Tenders

The following Tenders were then opened

N1

Repairs to Bullock Creek Bridge near Young Husbands Station Ferricks

William Caranagh
Johnsons Davis

19 - 5 - 0

17 - 0 - 0

16 May 1879

Moved by Cr Neutrecht
 Secouded by Cr Lethlean

That Johnsons Davis Tender be accepted
 for £ 77-

A motion standing in the name of
 Cr Coult's was allowed to lapse for
 stand over

A Motion standing in the name of
 Cr Lethlean was allowed to lapse for
 want of a seconder

Cr Hardy that tenders be called for
 footpath to the State School Larklan
 and the same be left to the members
 of the North Riding

Agreed to

Cr Potter moved

That tenders be called at
 next meeting for grubbing & clearing
 Road near Douglass 1/2 ch wide 100 ch
 more or less

Secouded by Cr Hardy

Carried

The Treasurer brought up his report
 shewing a debit balance of over £600

16 May 1879

On the motion of Cr Raleigh the following
 accounts were passed for payment

		£	s.	d.
J A	Secretary	✓ ✓	16	13 4
J A	Engineer	✓ ✓	16	13 4
J A	Luglewood Benevolent Asylum	✓	2	2 -
J A	Counelly Lamps	✓ ✓	1	10 -
J A	Mallison & England	✓ ✓	1	11 6
J A	L. A. Rodlech office expenses	✓	11	16 4
E R	P. O. Loughlin R. D. Cont-162	✓	1	- -
N R	R. H. Roberts's Cont-154	✓	29	11 8
E R	P. O. Loughlin Cont-164	✓	50	- -
E R	J. E. Lethlean. W. L.	✓	5	10 -
E R	William Loukin Cont-166	✓	14	8 -
E R	Bloomfield & Bear Cont-165	✓	76	- -
N R	Joseph Burford W. L.	✓	5	2 -
N R	A Leslie Cont-157	✓	1	6 6
N R	A Leslie R. D. 157	✓	5	0 0
N R	William Caranagh Cont-158	✓	5	3 -
N R	William Caranagh R. D. 158	✓	1	- -
N R	William Caranagh Cont-158	✓	2	- -
N. S. 1/2	Joseph Meggs Cont-155	✓	9	- -
J A	E. Robertson expenses to Sandhurst	✓	1	- -
N R	R. H. Roberts's Sons R. D. 154	✓	5	- -
J A	W. James evidence & plans	✓	3	3 -
S R	Miller & White R. D. 156	✓	5	- -
J A	G. N. Burrows on Ac Salary	✓	20	- -
J A	Royal Insurance (Hall)	✓	4	- -
S R	Joseph Meggs R. D. 155	✓	1	- -
S R	Joseph Meggs Cont-155	✓	1	16 3

16 May 1879

Notice of Motion

By Mr Lethlean

That all printing
required by the Council be let by
tenderThe Meeting then closed and the
President declared the next
Meeting to be held on the 3rd Friday
in June 1879

Confirmed at September.

June 20th / 79
David Gault
President

20 Jun 1879

Shire Hall
Perpetua
June 20 1879

Present

Cr Coultis Vice President
Cr Kebleath
Cr Laird
Cr Gill
Cr Hardy
Cr Potter
Cr Edwicks
Cr Lethlean

Minutes

The minutes of the past meeting were read and confirmed

Correspondence Letters Received

N1 Patrick Delaney Secty I.B. Society
Acknowledging receipt of
cheque and thanking the Council for
the donation
Received

N2 J. G. Connelly
Acknowledging receipt of cheque
Received

20 Jun 1879

N3 J. G. Edwards
Asking for copy of last years
rolls

The Secretary said he had forwarded the
same

Received

N4 Government Statist Melbourne
Forwarding Packet of Statistics

Received

N5 Shire of Avoca
Requesting this Council to
Co-operate to prevent inconvenience arising
from indiscriminate granting of selections
without reference to road requirements
Received

N6 Department of Public Works
re Road Diversion Lane East-

ordered to stand over

N7 Shire of Mount Rose
Requesting this Council to
join the Municipal Association of Victoria
Cr Potter moved
Cr Lethlean seconded
That this Council join the Association
and the President and Cr Malough be
appointed delegates from this Council
to meet on the 30th of June
Carried

20 Jun 1879

- N⁸ The Treasury Melbourne
 stating that the Government
 Grant for the 1/2 year amounting to £1800
 had arrived
 Received with thanks
- N⁹ J. Garland Builder Lytlewood
 enclosing account for £1-11-
 for inspecting building
 Received
- N¹⁰ Ordered to stand over
 Shire of Claroug
 Asking the Council to co-operate
 in the matter of water conservation
 and to send representatives from their Council
 to meet a Conference to be held at the
 Shamrock Hotel Sandhurst on the 9th
 of July 1879
 Mr Laird said this matter requires
 the careful consideration of the Council and
 which should not be lightly passed over.
 He considered that this Council should
 heartily co-operate with the Shire of Claroug
 and endeavour to get a Grant of Government
 money to expend on water conservation in
 the country districts
 Mr Hardy agreed with the remarks of
 Mr Laird and considered it time that
 some steps were taken to conserve water
 Mr Laird moved
 That the President and Mr
 Hardy and Lethlean attend the

20 Jun 1879

- Meeting in Sandhurst as delegates
 Seconded by Mr Edwick
 and Carried
- N¹¹ Department of Public Works
 re Road Deviation in Lam East
 Ordered to stand over
- N¹² Department of Public Works
 re 1st Society of Endowment
 Received
- N¹³ Canalisation in the Colony of Victoria
 A Treatise on the value of
 Received
- N¹⁴ Mr James Engineer
 Applying for leave of
 absence and furnishing report
 Received
 Mr Laird said the Engineer was not treating
 the Council properly in not being present
 at this meeting
 The necessity for his giving professional
 arose from his performing other duties
 The President held a similar view
 but Mr Hardy did not see how the
 Engineer was to blame considering that
 the Council did not pay for him to give
 them the whole of his time

20 Jun 1879

Mr Edwick agreed with Mr Hardy but the Engineer should have written to the President a few days before hand. The President said he would not have objected so much if Mr James had attended fully to his duty at other times

NT5 Chief Inspector of Distilleries
Asking if Mr R. F. Dyke of Clifton was the holder of a Wine & Spirit Merchants License for the present year

The Secretary said he was and he had replied to that effect

Received

NT5 A Leslie Contractor
Stating he had made a mistake in tendering for Contract No 170 and hoping the Council would allow him to throw up the same

The Secretary said there was a deposit of £3 paid when the contract was accepted

Mr Hardy moved

That Leslie Contract be cancelled and his deposit money forfeited and that the next lowest tender be accepted

Seconded by Mr Potter

Carried

20 Jun 1879

NT7 Mr John Raleigh Gaudarra
Stating that he was unable to attend the meeting and also that he was opposed to the views of Mr Edwick in wishing to throw open a road running East from Kirkham which ratrayers generally stated was in no way required
He was quite willing to open any road that the Council wished but he had no idea of opening up country that was not required by anybody

Mr Edwick moved

That the letter be not received

The motion passed for want of a seconder

An amendment was moved by Mr Laird that the letter be referred
Seconded by Mr Hardy
Carried

Reports

The Engineer reported that with the exception of A. Leslie's the contracts through the Shire were progressing satisfactorily. He asked that the sum of £50 be passed to complete O'Loughlin's cut near Taylors. Mr Kebleath objected to that officer having the power to incur such an expense. The President and Mr Lethlean held a similar view. The amount however was passed
Moved by Mr Lethlean
Seconded by Mr Kebleath

20 Jun 1879

That the Engineers report be received

The President called Mr A. Shaw and spoke to him concerning the road to be cleared from Rogers Selection to the 2 chain Road leading to near Mr Shaw place eventually Mr Shaw said he would leave it to the Council to decide and it was resolved ^{that the road} should run West from Rogers Selection about 10 chains thence North about 80 ch thence about

X 17 1/2 ch to the 2 ch road in question

The President directed the Secretary to give the Station Owners notice to remove all obstructions off the road in question 4 months time to be allotted

The Treasurers statement showed an overdraft of £92 1/2 but taking the Government subsidy into consideration a credit balance existed

With reference to A. Moleys letter
Mr Edwick moved

That the Secretary write to the owners of the Auchmore and Fandarra estates asking them to be good enough to alter the position of gates placed on the road running East from Kirkhaus so that the same may be passable

20 Jun 1879

Seconded by Mr Hardy

Carried

Mr Gill said that he thought the joint expenses were not properly apportioned according to the Ridings

Mr Laird said that he thought should have a separate book allotted to itself

The Secretary was instructed to prepare a statement for next meeting showing the amount of rates received and general expenditure in each Riding

Orders

The following tenders were then opened

N 1 Grubbing & Clearing near Douglas Larklam
100 ch more or less
J. Whinifry at per ch 2/6

N 2 Culvert and approaches near Andrew Cheyne
North Riding
Johnson & Davis Culvert £11 - 10
Earlthorpe 1/ for cubic yard

N 3 Rolling Embankments on Main Roads
Only 1 Tender was sent in for N 3 and the Council considering it too high it was not accepted
closed by Mr Laird
Seconded by Mr Hardy

20 Jun 1879

That Whiffys tender for N1 and
Lohusons & Davis for N2 be accepted
Carried

Cr Lethlean moved according to notice
That tenders be called for all job
printing required by the Council
Seconded by Cr Neutreath
The President considered the mover should
have some special reason for his motion
He had always found the proprietors of the
Suglewood Advertiser very reasonable in
their charges.
Carried

Cr Gill moved
That the Secretary write to
Messrs Elorshank & Co as to deviation of
road near Naughtons
Seconded by Cr Hardy
Carried

Returning officers for the different Ridings
were appointed as follows
The President for the South Riding
Cr Hardy for the North Riding
Cr Neutreath for the East Riding

The President moved that Cr Laird
be the returning councillor for the South
Riding

20 Jun 1879

The following accounts were on the motion of Cr
Coutts ordered to be paid

JG	Secretary	✓	-	15	13	4
JA	Receiver	✓	✓	15	13	4
JA	G. Williams & Co	✓	✓	2	5	8
S.P.	Fred. Davis W & L	✓	✓	10	-	-
ER	William Lethlean Cont-N 157	✓	✓	5	-	-
NK	A. Leslie W & L	✓	✓	3	-	-
N-S.K	William Corby Cont-151	✓	✓	18	-	-
ER	N. O'Loughlin Cont-N 154	✓	✓	77	11	11
ER	Bloomfield & Bear Cont-155	✓	✓	95	2	-
ER	William Lethlean R. D. Cont-157	✓	✓	-	8	-
ER	Lohuson & Davis Cont-171	✓	✓	15	-	-
NK	Lohuson & Davis - 158	✓	✓	50	-	-
NR	Donald Campbell R. D. Co 159	✓	✓	-	6	6
NR	Donald Campbell Cont-159	✓	✓	8	5	-
ER	William Lethlean Cont-167	✓	✓	3	2	6

Notices of Motion

By Cr Laird

I hereby give notice that it is my intention
to move at the next meeting of the Council
that a rate be struck of one shilling in the
pound on the net annual value of all
rateable property within the Shire

By Cr Edwick

That tenders be called to clear
about 50 ch of that portion of Allotment
a. Section 9 running east from Salisbury
Bridge 1/2 chain wide Parish of Yarrayne

20 Jun 1879

The meeting then closed and the President declared the next meeting to be held on the 3rd Friday in July 1879

Conference at Aupuntat
July 1st / 79
Davidson
President

18 Jul 1879

Monthly Meetings

Shine Hall
July 18th 1879

Present

- | | | | |
|--|-----------------|-----|------------------|
| | O. Poutis | Isq | <u>President</u> |
| | D. C. Sand | " | |
| | Wm. Hardy | " | |
| | O. Adwick | " | |
| | J. J. Pentreath | " | |
| | R. Gell | " | |
| | John Potter | " | |
| | Jno. Lettlean | " | |

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and

Confirmed

Letters

No. 1

Received from John Williams - Mologa suggesting some repairs to Raywood Road

Received

The repairs required were found to be outside the boundaries of the Shine

No. 2

from Shine of Maffa re Shine conference held at Huntly

Received

No. 3

Victorian in 1880 requesting the Council to become subscribers The Council decided not to become subscribers

Received

18 Jul 1879

No. 14

Shire of Ripon
on the question of Differential Rating advocating
a minimum Rate of 6/- instead of 5/-
Received

No. 15

Inspector of Fisheries
Asking if the President and Members of this
Council have any objection to receiving the appointment
of Conservators of Fisheries the appointment in
all cases to be purely honorary
On the Motion of Cr. Hardy
Seconded by Cr. Lathlean
The Secretary was requested to act as Conservator
Received

No. 16

Shire of Marong
With reference to meeting of the deputation
on the question of water conservation
The President said that the deputation
had already met in Melbourne on the 16th Inst
Received

No. 17

From Finlay Campbell
Stating that the wishes of the Council in re
the road running East from Northham should
be complied with
Received

No. 18

From John Raleigh
on the same subject and of the same
purpose
Received

18 Jul 1879

No. 9

John Raleigh
Stating that he had had about 40 chains
of a road cleared in the Parish of Sandara
Received

Cr. Lathlean stated that he had to apologise
for the absence of Mr Raleigh from the meeting
that gentleman being unavoidably detained
leave of absence was granted to Mr Raleigh
for the day.

No. 10

Treasurer Melbourne
Stating that the moiety of the endorsement
£1308 had been passed for payment
Received

No. 11

Shire of Sandenong
Stating that at the Conference to be held in
the Town Hall, Melbourne, a resolution will be
submitted, affirming the desirability of steps
being taken to obtain an act of Parliament
similar to that in force in South Australia
entitled the "Width of Lanes" Act
Received

No. 12

Inspector Slaughter Yards
reported the number of Cattle Slaughtered
for the past 6 months
Recd

No. 13

Sho. Turner
Applying on behalf of the Trustees of the
Marayne Cemetery for a donation toward
fencing in the ground

18 Jul 1879

Mr Edwick

said as several bodies had already been buried in the Cemetery something should be done towards fencing in the ground

Mr Hardy concurred and thought that the ground should be fenced in without loss of time He moved that the sum of Twenty pounds be granted to the Trustees towards fencing in the Marayne Cemetery
Seconded by Mr Edwick

Carried

The Revision Court

Mr David Coates in the Chair

was then opened for the purpose of revising the rolls of the North, South and East Ridings

Mr Edwick requested that the names enrolled on the voters lists be read separately

The Clerk then proceeded to read the lists and stated that there were no objections to any name on the list made legally and within the time as specified by the Act

The Secretary said he had received application to have the names of James Moore and Albert Mack placed on the East Riding

and also the names of Arthur Wilson and Joseph Halsegh placed on the South Riding. he had no objection to offer as they held the required quantity of land

18 Jul 1879

Mr Edwick objected to several names appearing on the list of the South Riding and mentioned the names of Balderson, Gratton and others as being these dummies having no land within the Thire

As the required notice had not been served on the parties as required by the Act the President declined to receive any objections

The rolls with the additions made as above were then signed and passed

The Secretary was then instructed to have the same printed

The Council then resumed

The President reported that in company with Mr Hardy and Mr Bellan he had attended a conference at Sandhurst on the question of the conservation of Water. on the question of subsidy he had stated that the Council was quite willing to lay out £500. provided the Government would subsidize that amount by a vote of £2 for £1. Although no definite reply was given to the deputation, from the replies given by the Minister the delegates were led to infer that a sum of money £50,000 would be placed on the Estimates for the Conservation of Water in the Country Districts

Mr Sand moved that votes of thanks be passed to the delegates for the able way in which they had fulfilled the duties entrusted to them

Mr Edwick said he quite agreed with what had been said and he had much pleasure in seconding the vote of thanks

Carried

18 Jul 1879

The Engineer reported on the several works within the time at present progressing and those which had been completed since last meeting with regard to Goulkins Contract he had to report that he was very much dissatisfied the work had in fact from the first been carried on in slovenly manner and he had given him a certificate this month most reluctantly

On the motion of Mr Hardy the report was received

Mr Hardy moved. That the Engineer be empowered to employ day labourers in the North and South Ridings from Salisbury Bridge to the North Boundary

Seconded by Mr Potter, who considered that the day labourers had given very satisfaction

Mr Edwicks objected so far as the South Riding was concerned, he would much rather see any work they might require in the South Riding let by Contract.

Mr Laird also objected to any day labor employed in the South Riding he believed that the work could be done cheaper and better if let by Contract

Mr Hardy said he was of a different opinion and in the opinion of the Engineer being asked he said he did not think the work in both ridings would exceed £40.

The motion was put and carried

Mr Latham moved

That the Engineer furnish Goulkin with instructions about obtaining the earth, necessary for the completion of his contract in bridge

Mr Hindle seconded. It being understood

MEMORANDUM

18

July 16th 1879
To The President & Councils,
Joint of East & West

FROM J. G. HORNBLOWER & CO.,

GENERAL PRINTERS;

'Advertiser' Office, Inglewood.

Order for Job Printing.

4000 Note Poles, 1/2 Cap paper, 50 Copies for each Riding	total	6 00
" Plate Collector's Books, triplicate, bound and labelled, in notes of 50 each, per book		3 00
" Post 1/2 Cap Circulars per 1000		1 00
" Note Envelopes, endorsed, and of good quality per 500		11
" Pocket Envelopes (Official) endorsed, and of good quality per 500		15
" 4000 Note of Cap, as per ordinary form, per 500		1 00
" Payment Vouchers per 100		6
" Drawing posters per 50		10
" Drawing folio posters per 50		2 6
" Dog Collector's Books - per books of 100, each book		3 6
" Ballot Papers, as formerly supplied, per 100		3
" Contract Returns of Cap, ruled to order, per 500		1 0
" Contract Conditions, 2 page of Cap, per 100		15
" Memorandum forms, best quality per 1000		13 6

J. G. Hornblower and Co.

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could be done cheaper and better if let by Contract
Mr. Hardy said he was of a different opinion and
in the opinion of the Engineer being asked he
said he did not think the work in both readings
would exceed £40.

The motion was put and carried

Mr. Lethlean moved

That the Engineer furnish Gordon with
instructions about obtaining the earth, masonry for
the completion of his contract in bridge

Mr. Parkin seconded - It being understood

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that the present resolution applied only to Gordon's
Contract

Minutes were then opened
for job & general printing as required by the
Council

On the motion of Mr. Laird

seconded by Mr. Lethlean

The tender of J. G. Thornblower Esq. of the
Inglewood Advertiser Office as per prices stated
was accepted vide Minute Book

Mr. Gill said all contractors had to pay the
Engineer for any plans &c he thought that contractor
if capable should be allowed to take copies of the
plans in the office

The Engineer said he never compelled payment
for any plans and only made them when specially
ordered

Moved by Mr. Gill

seconded by Mr. Lethlean

That all contractors be allowed to make copies
of plans if they thought fit

Carried

Valuation

The President moved that the Council adopt the
valuation as submitted by the Secretary. It was
the same as last year

Seconded by Mr. Lethlean

Carried

The Secretary produced his estimate for the coming
year amounting to £3120 0 0. Approximately
the income was rated as follows and upon
that income, the amount required was estimated

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Mr. Laird Moved

That a rate of $\frac{1}{4}$ in the $\frac{1}{2}$ on all rateable property within the Shire be struck for the ensuing year

On the motion of the President the proper officers were authorized to collect the same

Mr. Hardy moved that the standing order be suspended to enable members to bring forward motions for works much required without giving the usual notice

Mr. Potter was also in favor of work being pushed on more particularly the grubbing and clearing which required to be done which if possible should be done before harvest

The President said that if any work was absolutely necessary and required to be done at once of course the Council would not insist on the usual notice being given, he thought therefore that the motion was not necessary.

The motion was withdrawn

The following motions were with the leave of the Council then moved without the usual notice

By Mr. Laird

Works required near finger post

By Mr. Edwick

Grubbing & clearing parish Ganaypa

By Mr. Laird

Repairs to Serpentine Bridge

By Mr. Potter

Grubbing & clearing North Riding of Chain side

I move that Dr. Laird & Mr. Patrick John Potter be appointed a Finance Committee and their duties are to inspect all accounts before the meeting of the Council and to certify to their being correct. The Secretary to have all Certificates submitted for inspection of said Committee at the hour they may appear to attend on meeting days of Council. Contractors to sign Certificates in presence of Committee and all Cheques for Contracts & other moneys to be handed over to the Committee to their respective owners and receipts signed by them.

Unsuccessful tenders deposits on money to be returned - if present at Council meeting - immediately after meeting, and receipts to be produced from all who are not present whom ^{deposits} money may be sent to.

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Minutes to be called at next meeting 22nd Aug
seconded by Cr. Lethlean and Edwick

Carried

Cr. Hardy read a paper in which certain instructions were laid down to the Engineer

Cr. Laird did not think the Engineer should have absented himself from the meeting with explanation, or without the permission of the President

The President stated that all instructions to the Engineer were in the Minute Book from which any information could be obtained, and if those instructions were not carried out the Council had a right to complain. He did not agree with what was laid down by Cr. Hardy

The Engineer gave an explanation for his absence from last meeting - He was subpoenaed to the County Court on that day and it was impossible for him to get to the Dispensary, or he most certainly would have done so. He also spoke of the manner in which he had carried on his duties since he had held the appointment - which was received as satisfactory

Cr. Hardy having withdrawn his motion the matter then dropped

General

Cr. Lethlean moved that the sum of £25 be voted to the President to defray his travelling expenses during the year he had held office. Cr. Coulter had had a good deal of travelling both to Melbourne and elsewhere and he was certain that not only entailed considerable loss of time but expenditure of money.

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Seconded by Cr. Pentreath

Carried

Notices of Motion

N. 1

By Cr. Lethlean

That a Colvert and Approaches be tendered for at next meeting on Phillips Road

By Cr. Pentreath

New Colvert near Curcan

By Cr. Raleigh

Cutting drains & Cropping near Atkins

By Cr. Lethlean

Clearing 30 Chains Road 1 Chain wide near Golburn road

By Cr. Gell

Grubbing & Clearing parish Pomfret

The President called the attention of the Council to the fact that the General Elections would take place during the month of August and at the same time a Ballot would be held under the Leasing Act

On the Motion of Cr. Laid

Seconded by Cr. Lethlean

The following accounts were passed and ordered to be paid

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JA	Secretary		✓	16	13	12
JA	Ingraves		✓	16	13	14
JA	James Mottram	repairs to Hall	✓	9	9	6
JA	C. Medcalf	W + L	✓	1	10	"
JA	J. Hornblower	P + A	✓	10	1	6
JA	Mackay Co.	Sandhurst	✓	7	8	"
ER	Bloomfield + Bean	Contract 165	✓	10	"	"
ER	Bloomfield + Bean	" 165	✓	14	14	9
ER	William Bonkin	" 166	✓	13	10	"
NR	J. Burford	W + L	✓	13	10	"
ER	Johnston + Davis	Contract 170	✓	9	15	"
NR	"	" 168	✓	14	13	14
NR	"	" 170	✓	20	"	"
SR	William Corby	" 161	✓	2	12	"
SR	"	" 161 R	✓	1	"	"
ER	N. O. Loughlin	" 164	✓	41	16	"
ER	"	" 164 R	✓	7	"	"
ER	Johnston + Davis	W + L	✓	5	"	"
SR	Henry Smith	W + L	✓	5	2	"
JA	Yerrayne Cemetery	Donation	✓	20	"	"
ER	William Manning	W + L	✓	7	"	"
JA	President	Travelling Expes	✓	35	"	"
SR	Shor. Connaughton	W + L	✓	5	"	"
ER	N. J. Pentreath	W + L	✓	10	"	"
JA	Inspector of Stoughton yards	41 pence	✓	5	"	"

Carried

The president declared the Meeting closed

The retiring members viz Messrs Cr. Laid, Potter and Lethlean having taken leave of the Council

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The president appointed Sunday the 22nd Aug
as the day for next meeting

Annual Election.

The annual meeting was held on the 2^d Thursday in
August 1879 (21st August) and the voting was as
follows

in the South Riding

On Polls, Returning Officer

Thos Hall Serpentine

John Davidson 108

Donald C. Laird 110

Majority for Mr. Laird 62

I therefore declare Donald C. Laird to be a member
of the Thire for the Council of East Lothian

North Riding

Returning Off for South Riding

For the North Riding

Patrick Flynn 44

John Potter 72

Majority for Mr. Potter 28

I therefore declare John Potter to be a member
of the Thire for the Council of East Lothian

East Riding

Returning Off for North Riding

for the East Riding

Joshua Sewell 113

John D. Littlean 181

Majority for Mr. Littlean 68

I therefore declare John D. Littlean to be a member
for the Thire for the Thire of East Lothian

R. F. Bentreath

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Under the Licensing Act 1876
held in the Thire of East Lothian 4th 1879

For an Increase

East Riding	19
North "	49
South "	4
	<u>72</u>

Against an Increase

East Riding	126
North "	50
South "	71
	<u>247</u>

Majority against Increase

Confirmed
22nd August

R. F. Bentreath
President

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Monthly Meeting

Three Hall
22 August 1879

Present

Mr. Courts
Mr. Hardy
" Pentreath
" Edwch
" Raleigh
" Gill

Messrs Said Potter + Lallean the newly elected members having made the usual declaration and been introduced then took their seats at the table

Moved by Mr. Said
Seconded by Mr. Hardy
That Mr. Courts take the Chair

Carried

Mr. Courts said the first duty that had to be done was the election of ~~Chairman~~ ^{President}, he should have liked much before he left the chair to have laid before the Council the yearly financial statement but as the financial year would not close before the 30th of September, he was unable to enter into that matter as fully as he could wish, nor would he have spoken on the matter at all, had not one of the candidates lately made a most unfounded statement with regard to the financial position of the Council

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Mr. Courts could assure the Council and the gentleman who would be President next year that he left the Council in a fair and prosperous condition when he took office last year there were several amounts owing for contracts taking previously, these had since been all wiped off, a lot of new work had been undertaken and completed and when the work which was at present in hand was finished it would still leave a small balance in hand to the good of the Ship
He had now much pleasure in proposing Mr. Pentreath as President for the ensuing year
Seconded by Mr. Hardy.

Carried

The President on taking his seat, expressed his thanks to the members for the position in which they had placed him, he trusted that cordial support would be accorded to him, so that he might be enabled to carry out the duties of his office satisfactorily

Mr. Raleigh moved a vote of thanks to the retiring President he said and he said it without fear of any contradiction the the affairs of the Council had never been better managed or attended to, than during the year Mr. Courts had occupied the Chair
Mr. Potter seconded the motion and spoke in high terms of the retiring President

The motion was carried unanimously

Mr. Courts thanked the members for their expression of good will towards himself he said it had always been his desire to see the East London take its proper place amongst the neighboring Ships and if he had succeeded in that end, it was

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quite what he desired, as he should always have the welfare of the Thire at heart

Ordinary

Meeting was then held the three members being present

Correspondence No. 1 From Government Statist forwarding Agricultural Statistics

Received

No. 2 From Municipal Association of Victoria

Received

No. 3 " Charles Hutton

Asking for use of Thire Hall for a lecture by the Rev. H. Tucker on the 8th Aug

Granted

No. 4 " Inspector of Fisheries

Stating that so soon as the other Thires had forwarded replies, the names would be gazetted as assistant inspectors of Fisheries

Received

No. 5 " C. W. James

Forwarding his resignation of his office as Engineer and recommending Mr. C. A. Barker of Sandhurst temporarily to fill the position as he would have to leave the East London Thire almost immediately

Theld over

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No. 6

From J. Bassett

Stating that his name was not on the roll, altho he had paid his rates

The Secretary said that were areas on the land held by Mr Bassett.

The collector said the areas that were charged was before Mr Bassett legally held possession of the land.

~~The areas were ordered to be struck off~~

Received

No. 7

Margaret Rogers

Stating that she had transferred allotments to parish of Mallock to William Priestly and asking for her name to be removed from the roll

Received

No. 8

" Thire of Ramsgate

Asking what group this Thire belonged to in the Victorian Association and requesting that delegates maybe appointed, to meet in Sandhurst immediately after the passing of the new Local Government Bill

The Secretary stated that he had already replied that Mr. Coult & Raleigh were appointed Delegates

Received

No. 9 " John Kibble

Asking for the use of the Thire Hall to hold a Ball and concert in on the 12 September for the Benefit of the Inglewood Hospital

Mr. Redwick moved that the use of the Hall be granted subject to the supervision of the Secretary

Granted

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No 10 Henry Smith

Asking the Council to reduce his rates on his property in the Turpentine
Mr. Coutts thought that 15% was too much for Smith's cottage & moved that it be reduced to 10% -

carried

The rates were accordingly reduced to 10% -

received

No 11 G. H. J. J.

Applying for the office of Clerk of Works, as he heard Mr. James was about leaving

received

No 12 Patrick Flynn

Complaining that the Council had not treated him with courtesy in not replying to his previous letter in which he tendered for supplying the members with refreshment

read

Mr. Coutts stated that as the Council did not call for tenders, there was nothing to reply to

On the motion of Mr. Laird the following committee were appointed

Finance Committee

Mr. Portreath

Mr. Laird

Mr. Potter

By Mr. Coutts

seconded

Public Works Committee by Mr. Potter

Mr. Coutts

Mr. Hardy

Mr. Raleigh

To open all tenders & recommend to Council

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The Engineer brought up his report and said he had shown Mr. C. R. Barber the works in progress in the Thine all of which were in a fair state except London who was very slow he had called for tenders in different parts of the Thine all of which had been received responses

Moved by Mr. Coutts

seconded by Mr. Laird

That the report be received

Carried

The Secretary handed in his report showing the amount expended by each Riding separately and said that according to the Act the second moiety of the Government Endowment ought to be received in September

Account examined

Moved by Mr. Edwards

seconded by Mr. Raleigh

That the report be received

Carried

Mr. Portreath moved

Mr. Coutts

That the Secretary communicate with the Thine Solicitor for the purpose of having the exchange of land ratified between Messrs. Sturshank & Co at Lancaster East and Messrs. Raleigh Bros. at Yallock

Carried

The Treasurer handed in his report and monthly statement showing a debit balance in the Bank Victoria - Inglewood £317.

Moved by Mr. Hardy

seconded Mr. Laird

That the report be received

Carried

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The Public Works Committee having examined the
tenders brought up their report and recommended that
the following be accepted

174
Deposit
£ 1.0.0
No 1 Grubbing & Clearing Calivil
John Burford £ 20 0 0

175
£ 3.0.0
No 2 Grubbing & Clearing Calivil
James Gordon 2/4 p. Ch

176
£ 1.0.0
No 3 Grubbing & Clearing Calivil
Charles Brock 2/5 p. Ch

177
£ 0.7.6
No 4 Grubbing & Clearing
Yamaguchi 2/10 p. Ch
Howard

178
The whole according to specifications
No 5 Repairs to Serpentine Bridge
near Township
A. Nicol £ 40

179
No 6 Pipe Culvert and drain near
Serpentine Bridge
The Kinney £ 16 14 6

180
No 7 Dish drains & formation of
Road near Sings post
P. O. Loghin £ 135 0 0

Moved by Cr. Raleigh
Seconded by Cr. Lethlean
That the above tenders as recommended be accepted

Carried

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Cr. Gill moved

That the Secretary write to the Shire of Swan
Hill asking for the 1/2 share of the works at Swan Mouth
Creek

Seconded by Cr. Potter

Carried

Touching the consideration of the letter from
Mr. James

Cr. Hardy said that as it appeared that Mr
James was anxious to go to Tasmania as soon as
possible he should move

That Mr. James letter & resignation be accepted
and that W. E. L. Barker of Sandhurst be appointed

pro. tem. to fill his place
Seconded by Cr. Raleigh

Carried

Moved by Cr. Laird

That the Secretary write a letter to Mr James
under the Seal of the Council testifying to the
satisfactory manner in which he had carried out the
duties as Engineer to the Shire

Seconded by Cr. Potter

Carried

Cr. Gill moved

That the rate collected being up at every monthly
meeting an account of the rates he has collected
during the previous month

Cr. Gill moved

That a report be furnished of the receipts & expenditure
of each riding, showing the amount charged to
each riding separately

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Mr Coult's moved

That the Secretary report at next meeting the names and amount of all contracts that have been entered into since the time has been divided into ridings with the amount due if any, specifying the different readings

Mr Raleigh with the leave of the Council postponed a motion standing in his name clearing in Sand over

On the motion of Mr Potter

Seconded by Mr Lettlean

The following accounts were passed for payment

✓ JA	Secretary		✓	✓	16	13	u
✓ JA	Engineer		✓	✓	16	13	u
✓ JA	H. Harcourt P.A		✓	✓	8	.	.
✓ JA	Wilson + Mackinson		✓	✓	1	6	u
✓ JA	Jos. Hoobyer (Ballot Boxes)		✓	✓	3	.	.
✓ NR	Johnston + Davis	Cont 170 R. d	✓	✓	2	.	.
✓ NR	"	Cont 170	✓	✓	45	1	u
✓ ER	"	" 170 R. d	✓	✓	6	.	.
✓ NR	"	" 173	✓	✓	2	.	.
✓ NR	"	" 173	✓	✓	42	16	u
✓ NR	"	" 168 R. d	✓	✓	5	.	.
✓ ER	Wm. Jonkin	" 166	✓	✓	45	.	.
✓ NR	Joseph Whimpey	" 172	✓	✓	19	15	.
✓ NR	M Bloomfield + Bear	W + L	✓	✓	20	13	u
✓ SR	Henry Smith	W + L	✓	✓	3	19	9
✓ ER	Geo. Hiatt	R. Officer 2 Ridings	✓	✓	2	2	u
✓ ER	Steele	Poll Clerk	✓	✓	1	.	.
✓ ER	P. O'Loghlin	W + L	✓	✓	5	.	.
✓ JA	A. J. Wenborn	Stationary 2 1/2	✓	✓	2	16	3
✓ SR	H. Connaughton	W + L	✓	✓	22	6	.

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✓ JA	Burner (Sandhurst)		✓	✓	2	3	.
✓ SR	H. Smith	W + L	✓	✓	1	11	.
✓ JA	R. Robinson	his Survey	✓	✓	2	11	.
✓ ER	Wepinger	Ballot Box	✓	✓	2	.	.
✓ SR	Poll Clerk	South Riding	✓	✓	1	11	.
NR	Whimpey	W + L	✓	✓	1	.	.
NR	Donald Campbell	W + L 1/2 1/2	✓	✓	5	.	.

279 4 8

Carried

Notices of Motion for next meeting for tenders to be called by

1. Mr Lettlean
Subvent to near Phillips
2. Mr Pentecost
Subvent to near Duncan's
3. Mr Hardy
Grubbing & clearing boundary road near Miller's + Robert's 98 Chain
4. Mr Harrison
Grubbing & clearing from G. Harrison block 166 to all 159 100 Chain
5. Mr Cr. Gill
Grubbing & clearing from Cuffy's selection east to change road to chain wide parish from parish
6. Mr Cr. David Coult
Grubbing & clearing west of Townshill near Lawsons

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Mr. Raleigh would defer a notice of motion for
some repairs required in the Serpentine Township

There being no other business before the Council

The President Adjourned till the 2nd Monday in
September

Confirmed this 14th
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J. F. Pentreath

19 Sep 1879

Monthly Meeting

This Hall
September 19th 1879

Present C. W. Pentreath

President

- " Mr. Raleigh
- " C. C. Laird
- " Wm. Sturdy
- " Mr. Potter
- " Pat Gill
- " O. Edwick
- " David Coulters
- " Mr. L. Lettman

The minutes of the previous meeting were read
and confirmed

Correspondence

Letters received

1

From J. J. Wapsett
asking whether they will be placed on the roll
for the ensuing year and stating that they owed no
back rates

Received

2

From J. Rinder
re Municipal Operation of Victoria

3

From Treasury - Melbourne
re Licensing Act No. 5th

Received

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No 12 Treasury - MelbourneForwarding 2nd moiety of Endowment amounting
to £1308.15.8ReceivedNo 13 Crown Law OfficeInforming the Council that a writ of Admiralty
Potestatum had been forwarded to the Police Magistrate
at Sandhurst for the purpose of swearing in the PresidentReceivedNo 14 Joseph WhimpeyAcknowledging receipts of cheques and asking for
return of depositReceivedNo 15 John Burford SacklanAsking to forward to Mr Hardy Stone his contract
for grubbing & clearing in order that he might sign
the sameReceivedNo 16 Thomas WeaverAsking the particulars of any contracts that were
coming out at next meeting.
The secretary had already furnished the information
requiredReceived

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No 9 Shore of Swan HillStating that the account for the work
at 7 mouths Creek would receive the consideration
of the Council at their next meetingReceivedNo 10 Chief Secretary MelbourneStating that Mr Henry Irvine
had been appointed Auditor for the Shore of
East LoddonReceivedNo 11 Shore of Swan HillTelegram notifying the arrival of
a deputation from the above Shore re
Water SupplyReceivedNo 12 Municipal Association of VictoriaReceivedNo 13 G. W. Burrows. Rate CollectorReporting that he had commenced
collecting the ratesReceived

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14 G. A. Burrows

Applying for an increase of Salary

Ordered to stand over till December

ReceivedReports

The Engineer reported on the several contracts in progress within the Shire.

They were all progressing satisfactorily, he would recommend about 100 c. y. of earth to be placed on the embankment at Yonkins Contract near Duncaus. He had also made plans for the works about to be let

Report was receivedThe Secretary reported on the ~~exp~~ monthly expenses for the different ridingsReport received

The President stated he could not understand the report the Secretary had sent in and requested that in future a written report be furnished at the meeting

The Monthly report of expenditure shewed: —

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North Riding £ 141-5South Riding £ 28-10-9East Riding £ 56-3-0Lowt Expenditure £ 53-5-11Total £ 279-4-8

The Treasurer brought up his report & monthly Statement which shewed a credit balance in the Bank of Victoria of £ 754-11-8

Dr Coult's stated

That at the last meeting he asked for a report of the amount of all Contracts let since the Shire was divided into ridings. The report he received was not what he wanted. He asked for the report to be left over till next meeting and in the mean time he would show the Secretary what he really wanted.

Agreed to

Dr Langdon & Kelly who formed a deputation from the Shire Hill Shire Council were then introduced by Dr Hardy

Dr Langdon saidThat the object of the deputation was, to suggest that the ~~water~~ ^{water} now running

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down the Loddon to waste be conserved by placing a weir across the Loddon and throwing the water down the Serpentine Creek through which it would find its way not only to those selectors who were living in East-Loddon but also to those in the Swan Hill Shire. Swan Hill was willing to pay its fair proportion to the expenses incurred if the works were carried out at once it would be a great convenience to the ratepayers in both Shires and would provide them with a good supply of water during the summer months.

Or Kelly of the Swan Hill Shire

Coincided with the remarks of Or Langdon and also urged immediate action.

Or Hardy considered

That the Swan Hill Shire deserved every encouragement and he heartily supported their proposition.

Or Laird said

That before he heard of the proposition of the Swan Hill Shire he had resolved to bring the matter before this Council. He would support the objects of the deputation and would also support an application to the Government for a special grant to enable the Councils to throw the waters of the Loddon back so that they should run

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into the neighbouring Creeks, he would like to see a scheme proposed of much greater magnitude than the one now before the Council. He would support the proposition so far as it went but before its adoption he certainly would like to know what the large landed proprietors through whose land the Serpentine Creek ran were going to contribute towards the scheme and he would also like to know what amount the Swan Hill Shire were prepared to grant.

Or Coult's thought

That as this was a case of emergency too much time would be taken up before the matter could be brought before the Government. He would suggest that the Engineers of both Shires meet and produce a plan and estimate of the cost.

Or Raleigh

Supported the proposition. He thought that whatever expense this Council went to in the matter, should be defrayed out of the whole Shire, it was a matter of general importance and he considered of urgent necessity.

He moved

That the President Or Hardy Coult and the Engineer accompany the deputation to the proposed site when some more definite arrangements be made by Or Lethlean.

Carried

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Or Laugdon

In reply to a question stated
that a rough estimate the cost of the work
would be between £400 & £500

The Council then adjourned for half an hour
and the members visited the site of the
proposed scheme

On resumingOr Coult

Recommended that the proposed scheme
be carried out provided it did not interfere
with vested interest

As the present scheme would not benefit the
whole of the ratepayers in the Shire he
considered that only those ratepayers who
were benefited by it should bear part in
the cost

Or Hardy

Agreed - and expressed an opinion that
at least £100 - could be collected by private
subscription to fulfil the object in view
He hoped the Council would assist in carrying
into effect the proposals made

Or Gill

Objected to any money being voted from
the funds of the North Riding unless the

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owners of property on the Creek paid their fair
share, as the scheme would not benefit the
Selectors in the North Riding on the Eastern
Side

Or Potter

Stated - that he would support the
proposition but considered that part of the
expense should be borne by the owners of land
through which the Serpentine flowed

Or Laugdon said

That the Swan Hill Council would
agree to pay the cost of the proposed work
he considered both Councils would have a good
claim on the Government for a refund of the
money as this was a case of urgent necessity

Or Raleigh

Agreed with the remarks of Or Laugdon
but thought that the greater part of the cost
of the work should be paid by the Swan Hill
Shire

He moved

That a Committee consisting of Messrs
Coult & Edwick for the South Riding
Or Hardy & Potter for the North Riding and
the President for the East Riding be appointed
to act with the Swan Hill Shire after the
inquiries have made their plans the latter
to notify the Councillors when they are
prepared

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Seconded by
C^r Lethlean Carried

C^r Hardy moved
That the Engineer be instructed to attend with the Engineer of the Swan Hill Shire and to make the necessary survey for the proposed deviation and to take immediate action in the matter.

Seconded by C^r Lethlean
Carried

Public Works
Tenders

The Public Works Committee then retired to open tenders and on returning recommended the following to be accepted

N1 Culvert & earthwork on Raywood Station Road
N. Y. Phillips £69-17-8

N2 Taking out old Culvert and replacing it with new Parish of Dungee
Addison Nicoll £39-5-8

181

4x-

182

4x-

£39-5-8

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N183.
£6-16-0

N3 Grubbing & clearing 12 chain wide on North Shore
Boundary 98 more or less
R. H. Roberts £9-16-0

184

£9-0-0

N4 Grubbing & clearing 12 chain wide on road west of Allot 167-168-169 Parish of Barklan
80 chains more or less
John Burford £8-0-0

185

£21-1-8

N5 Grubbing & clearing 12 ch wide on road north of Allot 163-164-165-166-167 Parish of Pomphriell
220 chains more or less
R. H. Roberts £21-1-8

186

£8-0-0

N6 Grubbing & clearing on road West side of the Serpentine Township Parish of Launceston East near Lawsons 60 chains more or less
Joseph Whimpey £8-0-0

On the motion of C^r Raleigh the Council agreed to accept the tenders as above

Carried

C^r Hardy moved
That all specifications for work within the Shire be sent to the following places

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For the North Riding - P. O. Larklan
 " South " " Shire Hall, Serpentine
 " East " " P. O. Mitham
 " " " " P. O. Yallock

Seconded by Mr Gill

Carried

Moved by Mr Gill
 That tenders be called for
 grubbing & clearing about 80 ch in the North
 Riding

Seconded by Mr Hardy

Carried

Mr Potter moved
 That the Engineer be instructed
 to inspect and report on certain road
 in the Parish of Larklan

Seconded by Mr Hardy

Carried

Mr Raleigh moved
 That tenders be called for the 3
 contracts omitted at last meeting
 (7-8-9)

Seconded by Mr Lethlean

Carried

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Mr Hardy moved
 That the Secretary be
 instructed to give all instructions every
 month in writing

Seconded by Mr Lethlean

Carried

Notices of Motion

Mr Lethlean
 1. Culvert & approaches near
 Blackfellows Clump

Mr Coulls
 2. Draining road and forming footpath
 in Serpentine Township from Davidsons
 to the Schoolhouse

Mr Coulls
 3. Culvert and approaches on road bet
 Storeys & Hunters

Mr Coulls
 4. Culvert & approaches near Mr Humes

Mr Laird
 5. Burning off timber on Echuca
 Road about 3 miles from Serpentine

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Nb By G Laird
Grubbing & clearing North & South road
between Blakes & Shehans Parish of Pomphriell
and bet McHunnis & East-Liddon Parish of
Pomphriell 80 chains more or less

Ny By G Laird
Grubbing & clearing bet N Millon
and John Davidsons

8 By G Hardy
That £100 be reserved for the
purpose of water supply for the North Ridway
and the President & members of that Ridway
form themselves into a Committee to select a
site for water conservation

Accounts The Finance Committee brought up the following
accounts to and on the motion of C^r Polter passed
for payment-

J. a	Secretary	v	16	13	4
J. a	Treasurer	v	16	13	4
J. a	M ^r Byron Moore	v	5	5	-
J. a	John Godlech Refreshments	v	17	10	-
J. a	Lames Bailie Super	v		9	4
J. a	L. G. Houlbrow P. A.	v	25	16	-
J. a	C. Hutton	v	1	4	-
J. a	C. Medcall W. L.	v	1	10	-
J. a	Marcourt C ^o P. A. H. Y.	v	8	9	-
J. a	Mackay's P. A.	v	8	6	-
J. a	Clearing Hall 1/2 Year	v	9		
J. a	Richard Bulter	v	3	15	

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J. a	Lacey Bentley	v			15	-
E. R	William Montree Cont-1166	v	40			
S. R	Robert Howard " 187	v	7	5	10	
N. R	John Burford " 181	v	10			
N. R	Joseph Whispey R. D. 172	v	1			
S. R	Thomas Comaughton W. L.	v	23	12		
J. a	G. W. Burrows Salary	v	5			
J. a	L. L. Lethlean Deputation	v	2			
J. a	William Hardy "	v	2			
S. R	Thomas Comaughton W. L.	v	5			

The Council was then adjourned
the meeting till the 3rd Friday
in October

Confirmed

this 14th October 1878

R. F. Pentreath

4 Oct 1879

A Special Meeting

of the Joint-Committee of the Shires
of East Loddon & Swan Hill was held
at the Shire Hall Serpentine on the 4th
day of October 1879

Present For East Loddon Shire

Cr Pentreath in the Chair

Cr Coultis

Cr Hardy

Cr Potter

For the Swan Hill Shire

Cr Langdon

Cr Kelly

Reports The following reports were then read

From Mr Neufson Engineer Swan Hill Shire

I have the honor to report that I examined
the ground in question with Mr Barker
He was unfortunately too unwell to assist in the
field. I made the necessary surveys and took
the levels which latter proved that my original
idea was right as to the possibility of the work
The results are shown in accompanying
specification, estimate & drawing. The latter
however I have been unable to complete but it

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is so far advanced as to enable the Committee
to understand the scheme fully with Mr Barker's
explanation. I have to request that when the
Committee have decided on their course the plan
may be returned to me for completion
The work required is of a very simple character
and if my view of the price of material is
correct it will not cost so much as I at first
supposed, my estimate being only £446.17-6

Report from Mr C. E. Barker Engineer to the Shire of East Loddon

I have the honor to report in the matter of
the proposed works in the River Loddon at
the head of the Serpentine that I had
several consultations once on the ground with
Mr Neufson and that our views as to the
nature and extent of the works necessary to
carry out your object are pretty nearly in accord
the greatest diversity of opinions being in
reference to the relative quantities of water to be
apportioned to the Loddon & the Serpentine
respectively.

The reports were received on the
motion of Cr Langdon Seconded by Cr Kelly

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Mr Langdon moved

That the plan as presented be accepted and recommended for adoption to the Councils interested save and except that provision relative to the proposed Secorded by Mr Kelly

small weir or dam across the byewash

and the waters in the Loddon to be Carried always the lowest and the last to flow

During the discussion which followed

Mr Coulls pointed out that care must be taken not to endeavour to divert the whole of the summer stream from the Loddon into the Serpentine

Mr Langdon stated

That there was no desire to make the Serpentine Creek the River Loddon All that was asked for was a fair share of the surplus water passing down the river and which would otherwise go to waste

Secorded by Mr Kelly

Carried

Mr Hardy

Advocated the construction of a lock at the mouth of the Serpentine to regulate the supply

Mr Buntreath asked

If the Swan Hill Shire Council was willing to take its share of responsibility with regard to any future complications should such arise

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Mr Langdon stated

That there could not be two opinions as to the necessity for the work and his Council would take its full share of responsibility

Mr Kelly

Was of opinion that it would be necessary that a bill to legalise the work should be immediately obtained from Parliament After further discussion the motion was adopted

The question of the proportion of costs to be paid by the Councils interested was then discussed the basis of calculation being fixed at £500-

Mr Hardy moved

That the East Loddon Shire Council join the Swan Hill Shire Council in defraying the cost of the works to the extent of £500- at the rate of £2-10-£3- the East Loddon Shire to pay £200 & the Swan Hill £300- in accordance with the amount expended

Secorded by Mr Dutton

Carried

Mr Langdon moved

That the East Loddon Shire Council be empowered to call for tenders for the work immediately upon receiving notification of the approval of the Swan Hill Shire Council

Secorded by Mr Kelly

Carried

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The matter of forming a joint deputation to Melbourne to ask the Government for a grant in aid of the work was then discussed and it was resolved that Cr Coult's be appointed to represent the East Loddon Shire and to assist the Swan Hill Shire representative

Cr Pentreath moved

That the Honry Shire be written to and its permission requested with respect to the proposed erection of the weir

Cr Langdon & Kelly

Having thanked the other members of Committee for the courtesy with which they had been received withdrew and the meeting then closed

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R. F. Pentreath

*Inspector
C. M. 1879
G. M. 1879
Government Auditor
Miss Anna
Local Auditor*

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Ordinary Monthly Meeting

Shire Hall 17th Oct 1879

Present

- Cr Pentreath Chair
- Cr Coult's
- " Raleigh
- " Hardy
- " Potter
- " Gill
- " Lethlean

Minutes

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and

Confirmed

Correspondence

N1 Melbourne Orphan Asylum
Asking for donation

Received

N2 Thomas Crabbe
Lupre by change of land

Received

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N 3 M. W. Stone. C.E.
Offering services as Engineer in re
Dam over the Loddon

Received

N 4 Georgerly Edwards
In re the same

Received

N 5 Charles R. Barker
In re Loddon Dam

Received

N 6 Henry Irvine
In re Annual Audit - appointing
early in November for annual Audit -

Received

N 7 North Western Agricultural Society
Soliciting Donation

Moved by Cr Peubeth
Seconded by Cr Hardy
That the sum of £2-2-6 be granted
as a donation to the Society

Carried

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N 8 Miss Jane Connor
Acknowledging receipt of Statistics
and information relating to Shire

Received

N 9 W. R. Kempson
Re Loddon Dam

Received

N 10 Municipal Local Government
With information as
to amount of Subsidies granted to Shires

Received

N 11 Thomas Brable
In re Exchange of land

Received

N 12 Henry Irvine Newbridge
Appointing with
Mr. Hird in re Audit -

Received

N 13 Shire of Swan Hill
In re Loddon Dam

Received

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N^o 14 David Coult's
 Allegance in re Loddon Dam

Received

N^o 15 H. Biers Board of Land and Works
 Asking for return of plan of
 Parish of Pomfret

Received

N^o 16 District Survey Office Sandhurst
 Referring to an application
 of Patrick Glynn for sale of some land
 on Serpentine Creek objected to by
 John Lawson and asking that the opinion
 of this Council be forwarded to the office
 as soon as possible

Referred to Mr Barker to bring up a report
 at next meeting

Received

N^o 17 H. R. Kempson
 Plans & Report of Works over
 Loddon Dam
 to stand over

Received

N^o 18 James Coult's and others
 Re Petition for repairs

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to road near Mount Hope Hotel
 The Engineer to report on it at
 next meeting

Received

N^o 19 Discharged Prisoners Aid Society
 Asking for donation

Received

N^o 20 Nicholas Whili Photographer
 Offering to take views in
 the Shire

Received

N^o 21 John Davidson
 In re expenses allowed to
 Richard Kirkham in re Priestly v. East-
 Loddon Council
 The Secretary was instructed to
 inform Mr Davidson that he must
 obtain an order from Mr Kirkham

Received

N^o 22 William Debridge
 In re rates

Received

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Reports

That in company with C. Raleigh
 Mr Coult's reported that he had attended a
 Synod Meeting in Sandhurst on behalf of the
 Shire Council and had again attended in
 Melbourne together with C. Langdon of the
 Swan Hill Shire and waited on the
 Government for the purpose of obtaining
 assistance in constructing a weir over the
 Loddon for the purpose of throwing the water
 into the Serpentine Creek. They had obtained
 a promise of $\frac{1}{2}$ the cost of the dam and
 in case they further assistance was required
 the Government would allow £1 for every
 £1 expended provided plans and specifications
 were forwarded to the Government for their
 approval. He had also visited the Strong
 Shire who had received him very cordially and
 had granted the permission sought for
 provided that the dam did not interfere
 with the flow of the summer stream or with
 vested interests

It cannot be neglected to acknowledge the extreme
 kindness of the members for the District viz
 Mess Casey, Williams and Moore who did all
 in their power to further their views and rendered
 all the assistance in their power and he
 would more

That the Secretary write to those
 gentlemen thanking them for the valuable
 assistance rendered to the deputation

Carried

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Engineers Report

I have the honor to report that since your last
 meeting a survey has been made and plans
 specifications and estimate been prepared by Mr
 Thompson for a dam in the river Loddon

Plans have been written for 8 contracts
 according to my instructions but owing to so
 much of my time having been occupied by
 the Serpentine Water Supply scheme I was
 unable to comply with that portion of the
 instructions that required copies of plans
 and specifications to be sent to Melbourne
 as well as Gallop in the East Riding

I have also inspected the road in the
 Parish of Parklaw referred to by C. Poller's
 motion and estimate the cost of draining
 the same and including a portion of formation
 in the centre of the road at £320

Moved by C. Poller

Seconded by

Report ReceivedSecretary's Report

The Secretary brought up his report shewing
 the respective expenditure for the different
 Ridings for the month. That he had received
 the sum of £32 = 6 = 8 from the Shire of
 Swan Hill being their $\frac{1}{2}$ share of Cont 168
 over Seven Months Creek. He also
 produced the list of defaulting ratepayers
 he also stated that at the Annual Balance
 on the 30th Sept there would be a credit
 balance in the Bank of £530 -

Moved by C. Raleigh

Seconded by Pethlean

That the Report be received Carried

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A Report asked for by Cr Coult's relative to the financial position of the Shire when it was divided into ridings shewed a £ balance of $\text{£} 100$

Moved by Cr Coult's
Seconded by Cr Deutrecht

That the report be received

In answer to Cr Gill the Engineer reported that R. H. Roberts had commenced his Contract in the North Riding

Treasurers Report

The Treasurer brought up his report and monthly statement shewing a credit balance in the Bank of Victoria of $\text{£} 544$

Moved by Cr Coult's
Seconded by Cr Lethlean

That the report be received

Carried

Cr Gill

Then introduced a deputation consisting of Messrs Mahony, Swinburn, Bell Dow

Mr Mahony

Urged upon the Council

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the necessity of granting a ~~rate~~ sum of money for water conservation and he thought the Council might reasonably grant $\text{£} 200$ as he thought there would be no difficulty in inducing the Government to grant $\text{£} 1$ for $\text{£} 1$

Messrs Swinburn & Dow

Strongly supported what Mr Mahony had said

Cr Hardy

While supporting the Deputation urged that plans and specifications should both be obtained and the best sites chosen to suit the greatest number of selectors

He would move

That the matter stand over until the Committee appointed to meet the ratepayers of the north Riding.

Cr Gill also supported the deputation but thought it advisable that the Council should assist in obtaining a boring apparatus to try if water could not be obtained in the neighbourhood

Cr Coult's

Contended that it was too late in the season to make dams he would advocate that dams to contain not

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less than 4000 yards of which plans and specifications would have to be submitted to the Government and this would necessarily take some time

Mr Potter

Was in favour of the object but doubted if the ~~Authority~~ ^{Public} at the present time could afford to spend £200. He thought if their ^{expenses} ~~aid~~ ^{of} £100 was obtained from the Government it was as much as they could expect at the present time

Moved by Mr Coulls

That the North Midway members meet the Deputation at Calver

Seconded by Mr Gill

Carried

Moved by Mr Raleigh

That in cases of all those ratepayers who had paid last years rates but who were left off last years roll for nonpayment of old rates such old rates be struck off

Seconded by Mr Lethlean

Carried

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Moved by Mr Coulls

That the Secretary give notice by advertisement that all defaulters that if their rates due be not paid to the Collector within one months time that legal proceedings will be taken to recover the same

Mr Hardy

Moved that a vote of thanks be passed to Mr Coulls for his exertions as their representative on the Deputation to Melbourne

After Mr Coulls had briefly thanked the Council It was

Moved

By Mr Hardy

That the sum of £10-10- be voted to Mr Coulls to cover his travelling expenses whilst on deputation and £2-2-0 for Mr Raleigh for attending a Group Meeting in Banahurst

Tenders

The Public Works Committee then retired to open tenders and recommended the following to the Council be accepted

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Dr. Contract

187 deposit 25 ct Weir over the Loddon at the head of the Serpentine Creek as per Specification subject to modification
Addison Nicholl £494-9-6

188

ct 1 Grubbing & Clearing about 80 ch East of Fishers Parish of Taudarra
Peter Jacobson £7-13-4

189

ct 2 Grubbing & Clearing 30 chains Gobbenu Hut
Peter Jacobson £5-17-6

190

ct 3 60 ch. of side drains constructing small Cubort Parish of Melianu Road
Joseph Whinney £26-0-0

191

ct 4 Grubbing & Clearing near 4 Posts Parish of Larklane
Joseph Thiel £8-0-0

192

ct 5 Cubort & Earthwork at Blackfellows Clump Parish of Melianu
Addison Nicholl £103-11-

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193

ct 6 Burmy of fallen timber on Echuca road
Joseph Whinney £4-17-6

194

ct 7 About 50 ch G.L. Parish of Pomphriel
R. H. Roberts £6-15-6

195

ct 8 05 ch G. C. Parish of Pomphriel
G. Hunter £9-8-9

~~Approved~~ by C. Lelklean
 Seconded by Doltor

That the tenders as read be received

The rate collector Mr Burrows complained of certain statements made through the press that his books were not kept in a systematic manner he produced his books to shew that others persons had granted receipts for money paid and therefore the receipts remained blank in his book although the money had been duly paid. Mr Coult's said that no person had a right to give a printed receipt except the collector

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The Engineer was instructed to inspect the dam at Meuders and also to interview Mr Raleigh Lethlean with respect to any works which may be required in the East River

Meuders were ordered to be called for the following works

- By Mr Coutts
- 1 For repairs and draining in the Serpentine township
 - 2 For Culvert &c at Mr Munnons
 - 3 For Culvert & earthwork bet Meuders and Storeys
 - 4 Repairs on Road from Turners corner to Turners Crossing parish of Yarrayne

Mr Lethlean asked that the motion stand any in his name might be postponed

Agreed to

On the motion of Mr Coutts The Secretary was instructed to obtain 4 Neuctian Blinds for the Shore Hall

No in Cont-13 out sep.

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On the motion of Mr Potter
Seconded by Mr Lethlean
The following accounts were passed for payment

	£	s	d
JA Secretary	✓ 16	13	4
JA Engineer	✓ 16	13	4
WS Charles Medcalf W.L. re Dam	✓ 2	4	-
WS M. C. Kempson W.L. " "	✓ 2	10	-
WS Robert Howard " " "	✓ 1	1	-
WS Edmund Robertson " " "	✓ 1	10	-
JA Henry Jackson	✓ 2	1	6
JA John Robshaw Stationer	✓ 1	2	5
SR Robert Howard R.D. Cont-177	✓	7	6
WS Nicholas Howells	✓ 1	6	-
NR Laues Condon Cont-175	✓ 7	10	-
NR John Burford " 174	✓ 10	-	-
SR Addison Nicholl Cont-178	✓ 40	-	-
ER William Monkton Cont-166 R.D.	✓ 10	-	-
SR Addison Nicholl R.D. 178	✓ 2	-	-
ER William Monkton Cont-166	✓ 60	1	2
S.R. Thos B. Munnery Cont-179	✓ 15	-	-
JA Edmund Robertson W.L.	✓ 1	-	-
WS Robert Howard W.L.	✓ 1	3	-
NR R. M. Roberts Cont-183	✓ 5	-	-
SR Joseph Whepsey Cont-186	✓ 6	-	-
ER Patrick O'Loughlin 180	✓ 40	-	-
JA N.W.A. Society	✓ 2	2	-

The meeting then adjourned
The next meeting was ordered to be held on the 3 Friday in November 1879

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Ordinary Monthly Meeting

Shire Hall
Serpentine
Nov 18 - 1879

Present

- Mr Kebleath President
- " Raleigh
- " Lethlean
- " Hardy
- " Laird
- " Coult
- " Edwick
- " Poller
- " Gill

Minutes

The Minutes of the previous meeting were after a slight alteration

Confirmed

Correspondence

Mr Secretary of Mines

Asking the Council to fix sites within the Shire for water conservation

Received

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Mr 2 Thomas Hill, Sec Melbourne Librationae Exhibita

Asking for copy of Malipayin Roll
Received
The Secretary said he had already forwarded them

3 William Hardy Jarblau

Asking the Secretary to forward Hills specifications

Received

4 Victorian Humane Society

Received

5 John Robshaw Sandhurst

Acknowledging receipt of cheque

Received

6 Mr H. Roberts

Asking for return deposit

Received

7 Hodgson & Sandhurst

Le re Venetian Blinds for the Shire Hall

Received

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Notices
of
Motion

1. By Mr Coult's
That tenders be called for a lobby painting and other repairs to the Shire Hall Serpentine
2. By Mr Pentreath
That tenders be called for an embankment near Coult's on the one chain road near Duffys
3. By Mr Polton
That tenders be called for the erection of a small bridge across Helph Lagoon about 2 miles west of the Parklan Post Office on road leading to Silisian Downs according to Engineers Report
4. By Mr Raleigh
I give notice that at the next meeting of this Council I will move that tenders be called for the construction of two tanks of about 4000 yards each in the East Riding of the Shire and that the members of the East-Riding be appointed a committee to decide upon the situation of such tanks and that the Engineer be instructed to give an estimate of the cost of a drain to buy the water from the Diccaunmy Creek into Gay Gay swamp

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A notice of motion by Mr Lethlean was at his request postponed

By Mr Lethlean
That tenders be called for grubbing and clearing road $\frac{1}{2}$ chain wide by 65 chains long, running East of the Miticaw Road commencing at the point where Whellean left off there to the plains Parish of Gaudarra

R. J. Pentreath
President

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N^o 8 John G. Starr
Luge Dam over the Loddon

Received

9 Samuel Rieder
Referring to Weir over the Loddon and Mr Kempsons plans

Received

10 A & A. Mack
Offering to allow a pump to be erected on a dam situated on the Pitman Road near Duncan's Mount Hope Hotel but he would not allow travelling stock have access to the bank

Moved by G. Laird
Seconded " " Lethlean

That the Secretary write to Messrs A & A. Mack thanking them for their kind offer

Carried

11 Henry Brown
Luge Annual Audit

Received

12 Chief Secretary
Referring to Electoral Rolls
The Secretary said the ~~Rolls~~ had been forwarded

Received

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N^o 13 Henry Hodgson
Luge Venetian Blinds

Received

14 The Treasury Melbourne
Withdrawing claim with regard to fees referred to in Section 2 of Act N^o 564

Received

15 Bendigo Horticultural & Agricultural Society
Asking for donation in aid of the Society

Received

Moved by G. Lethlean

Seconded " " Coull's

That the sum of £ 2 = 2 - be granted to the funds of the Society

Carried

16 C. R. Albrecht
Asking for ± cost of Contract at Boundary of Shire amount of Contract £ 124 = 2 -

Secretary was instructed was instructed to write for particulars

Received

17 William Manning Melbourn
Forwarding tickets for Banquet

Received

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18 C. E. Barker

Forwarding plans and specification
for Contracts within the Shire

Received

19 Government Auditors

Local. Stating they had examined
the accounts and statement and found all
correct

Received

20 A. M. Burrows

Making application for a
slaughtering license

Granted

21 Catherine Brown

Asking the Council to
have certain area in the Parish of Hayami
recommended as a place where Publicans Licenses
may be granted under the 44 section of the Act

Dr Coull's said

That as the ratepayers had already
voted that no new licenses should be granted
in the Shire he would move
that the Council decline to take any action
in the matter

Seconded by

Dr Lethlean

Carried

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22 John Hattery

With reference to conveying the
water from the loddon to Ballock and Calvie
Creek
to stand over

Received

23 James Ford and other ratepayers

Requesting the Council
to have a Bridge erected over Ballock Creek
near Mrs M'Ilroy's

Received

24 G. N. Burrows Rate Collector

Asking for £10 m
account

Received

Reports

The Engineer

Reported on the application of
Patrick Flynn for the sale of some land on
Serpentine Creek and recommended that the
road be reserved as marked on plan by the Crown
Lands Bailiff

On repairs to dam near Hendersons

Drain from Piccadilly Creek to Lang Lang
Swamp

On repairs to road near Duncan Mount Hope
Hotel

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After the account was examined by the members
it was

Moved by Mr Coult's

Seconded " " Selklean

That the annual accounts
and Balance Sheet as presented by the Secretary
and signed by the Auditors be approved
signed by the President and ordered to be
printed

Carried

In Resuming

The Secretary reported on the financial
position of the Shire for the Month
showing the accounts expended by the
different Ridings of

Mr Hardy

Wished to know whether any
arrangement had been made with reference
to the £300 - due from the South Riding
to the North

Mr Coult's

Objected to any discussion on the
matter as irregular

Moved by Mr Coult's

Seconded " Mr Raleigh

That the Report be received

Carried

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Treasurers Report

The Treasurers report - shows a
receipts for the Month to be £160 -
leaving a Balance in Bank of Victoria of
£464 = 16-

Moved by Mr Deubrecht

Seconded " Mr Edwick

That the Report
be received

Carried

Mr Laird

Brought up the question of land
applied for by Patrick Flynn on
Serpentine Creek this matter had been
left over from last Meeting

He now introduced Messrs Lawson & O'Neil
adjoining land owners and who were interested
in the matter both parties said that if the
land was sold no access would be left to
the Creek

Mr Hardy moved

That the Council object
to the land in question being sold but
recommend the Government to reserve the same
for waterway purposes for the use of the Rate
Payers

Mr Coult's

Suggested an addition viz

That should the Government decide on selling
the land in question a me chain road

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be left between it and Hyams land as marked in pencil on plan

The motion as amended was carried

The Secretary was instructed by the President to write to the District Surveyor Sandhurst to that effect

Dr Poller

Urged on the Council the necessity for relieving the want of water felt by the selectors and others in the Calivil District and desired to impress upon them the desirability of applying to the Government for assistance in the matter and advocated that a decided support should be given to the recommendations made

Dr Hardy

Agreed and that the Government should be asked to send an Inquirer to survey the District. He also thought the Swan Hill Shire would join and Deputation to ask for assistance as the scheme was one for sending the water through Calivil Creek and Bullock Creek into the Swan Hill Shire

He would move

That the Secretary write to the Swan Hill Shire in accordance with the suggestions made

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Dr Poller

Seconded the resolution on the understanding that the Government be asked to send up a Hydraulic Inquirer to the District

Dr Laird supported

The Proposition and urged the Council to adopt the same

Dr Edwick

While supporting the resolution was of opinion that if a weir or dam were thrown across the Loddon somewhere near Albert Park in Yarragone it would throw the water down Calivil and Bullock Creeks and also be of immense benefit to the back country

Dr Gill

Also supported the motion pointing out that this Council request the Swan Hill Shire Council to join with it in urging on the Government the pressing necessity of forwarding an Inquirer to inspect the District and fix sites for water conservation and to report on the propriety of damming the Loddon so as to throw its waters across the plains

Seconded by Dr Edwick

Carried

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Moved by Mr Hardy That the Secretary write to the Government for a Boring Machine for the purpose of boring for water in the East Loddon Shire also that the Secretary write to the Members for the District asking them to support the application

Seconded by Mr Edwick

Carried

Moved by Mr Pentreath
Seconded by Mr Hardy

That a Bump and Brough be erected on Mack's Dam near Mount Hope Hotel and the Engineer be instructed to have it done at once

Carried

The Public Works Committee having examined the tenders brought up Report and Mr Raleigh recommended that the following tenders be accepted they being the lowest

N^o 1 Culvert Draining & Formation near McInnes Parish of Somersfield

196 Deposit £2

Patrick D'Loughlin £46 = 0 = 0

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N^o 2 Culvert, Drains & Formation at Judson Brook near Hunters Barish of Somersfield

197

Deposit £5

Thomas Gout £65 = 16 = 0

3 Culvert Drains Formation & Clearing near Summers Barish of Yarragone

198

Deposit £5

£50.0

Thomas Gout £52 = 14 = 0

Moved by Mr Botter
Seconded by Mr Lethlean

That the Tenders as read be accepted

Carried

The Finance Committee having examined the accounts

Mr Botter moved

That the following accounts as passed be paid

Seconded by Mr Lethlean

Carried

Secretary £ 16 13 4
Engineer 16 13 4
Rate Collector on Account 10 - -
Government Auditor Mr. Irvine 12 4 -

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	forward	£	s	d
		55	10	8
Local Auditor James Thra	✓	9	9	.
Henry Hodgson Venetian Blinds	✓	6	3	-
Sarah Coulls Deputation Expenses	✓	10	10	-
John Raleigh	✓	2	2	-
Certificate Cont 193	✓	4	17	6
" " 191	✓	6	-	-
" " 190	✓	20	-	-
" " 189	✓	4	10	-
" " 188	✓	6	-	-
" " 186	✓	6	18	8
" " 185	✓	22	4	8
" " 182	✓	30	-	-
" " 181	✓	30	-	-
" " 180	✓	80	-	-
" " 179	✓	2	9	-
" " 176	✓	21	15	-
" " 175	✓	20	12	4
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" " 179	✓	1	-	-
" " 184	✓		8	-
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" " 186	✓	1	-	-
" " 193	✓		6	-
" " 184	✓	9	-	-
J. G. Houbbleton	✓	9	8	3
Patrick Flynn	✓		15	-
Edmund Robertson	✓	2	8	-

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G. W. Burrows Returning Officer	✓	2	12	6
Thomas Commaughton H. L.	✓	9	11	6
Cont 191	✓	4	-	-
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Mr Gill moved
 That the Council go into
 Committee
 Carried

Mr Resuming

Mr Raleigh
 Begged with the leave of the Council
 to withdraw the motion standing in his name
 relating to Gauchs in the East Division and would
 move

That a drain be cut from Biceenny
 Creek to Lang Gang Swamp and the
 necessary repairs to the road adjoining tenders
 to be in at next meeting
 Seconded by Mr Edwick

Carried

Mr Polder moved

That tenders be called at next
 meeting for excavating a Gauch of 4000 yards
 at the N. W. corner of allot 53 parish of
 Cabriel

Seconded by Mr Hardy
 Carried

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Mr Hardy moved
 That the Swan Hill Shire
 be asked to join in making a Gaug at the
 Seven Months Creek
 Seconded by Mr Gill
 Carried

Mr Pembroke moved
 That tenders be called
 next meeting for reurfacing near Coult's
 on the me Chau road near Duffys
 Seconded by Mr Lethlean
 Carried

Mr Potter moved
 That tenders be called next
 meeting for the erection of a Bridge over
 Welsh Lagoon
 Seconded by Mr Hardy
 Carried

Mr Lethlean moved
 That tenders be called next
 meeting for G.S. 65 on Road running East of
 the Williams Road Parish of Gaudarra

Moved by Mr Coult's
 Seconded " " Pembroke
 That the members of the

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North Ridway be empowered to spend £12 -
 on crossing at Welsh Lagoon

Carried

Mr Hardy moved that
 Mr Pembroke
 Mr Gill
 " Potter
 " Laird
 " Coult's

and the same be a Committee to act with
 the Swan Hill Shire Council in the matter
 of water conservation

Seconded by Mr Raleigh

Carried

The Secretary to write to the Committee if
 any matter of interest transpires

Moved by Mr Raleigh
 Seconded " " Laird

That applications be
 called for the January meeting for the
 office of Engineer to the Shire at a Salary
 of £250 per annum the Engineer to find
 his own assistance and to reside in the Shire

Carried

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1 By R Lethlean
 Motion That Genders be called for
 forming and drawing on crossroads at Duncan
 Mount-Hope Hotel Parish boundary of Salauke
 and Dwyer

2 By R Laird
 That a Gauch of 6000 yards be
 excavated in the Eastern portion of the
 South Ridway Sili to be fixed upon by
 the Members of the South Ridway

3 By R Edwick
 That a Bridge be built over
 Bullock Creek near Gauleys Dam Parish
 of Pomphriell

R. F. Pentreath

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Ordinary Monthly Meeting

Shire Hall Terperline

19th December 1879

Present

- Mr. N. F. Pentreath (Chair)
- C. C. Laird
- C. Coult
- D. Edwick
- J. Lethlean
- J. Potter
- W. Hardy

Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting were read and a

Confirmed

Correspondence

No. 1 Shire of Swan Hill
 in re Culvert west of Hayman's P.O.
 Received

No. 2 From Municipal Association
 enclosing account for year subscription £2-2-
 Moved by Mr Laird
 seconded by Mr Coult
 That the amount be paid

Carried

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N.3. N. J. Pentreath
asking the Secretary to write Thine of Rehwa in the
matter of repairs to the Dam near Hunder

Received

N.4. Deaf and Dumb Asylum
asking the Council to grant their usual yearly
donation

Moved by Cr. Sathlean

Seconded by Cr. Edwick

That the sum of Two guineas be granted

Carried

N.5. Arnold & Jackson
soliciting orders for next year's directors

Received

The Secretary said he had ordered 10 copies
for the use of the Members

N.6. Honble J. J. Casey
promising to support the application of the
Council for a Boiling Machine

Received

N.7. H. R. Williams
to the same effect

Received

N.8. Thine of Swan Hill
on the same subject

Received

N.9. Secretary for Mines
acknowledging receipt of Letter

Received

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N.10. Thine of Barron
re the establishment of Dells, asking the Government
to give power to Local Bodies to make their own Local
arrangements

Received

The Secretary said there had never been any Dells
within the Thine

N.11. From Minister of Mines

Referring to a letter of 25th ulto and stating that a
gentleman would shortly be sent up to the Thine to examine
and report on the best means of providing a
permanent supply of water

Received

N.12. Thine of Swan Hill

Referring to a Conference to be held of the Water
Supply Committee at Burham on the 18th Inst

Received

N.13. St. Lambert (Director)

re claim by J. Garland for examining Thine
Hall respecting repairs £1. 18. 0.

Moved by Cr. Sathlean

Seconded by Cr. Hardy

That the amount be paid

Carried

N.14. Thine of Rehwa

stating that they were willing to pay 1/3 of the
costs of repairing Dam South of Mack's Station on
the preceding Canal

Received

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Dr. Coult thought that the Leuca Shire should pay one half as they derived an equal benefit

No 15 Secretary of Western Water Supply League
in re the divergence of the waters of the river
Loddon

Received

No 16 Miss Jane Connor
asking for impresion of Seal of the Council for the
Geelong Sewerage Rehabilitation

The Secretary said he had forwarded it

Received

No 17 Kerang Times
on the subject of advertising in that paper

Received

No 18 Petition from Medcalf and other inhabitants of Turpentine
asking the Council to have a pump erected.
The Engineer was instructed to have one erected
at once on the motion of C. Sand

Decided " Hardy

No 19 Petition from Hester & others
asking that a bridge may be erected over Bullock
Creek near Mc. Shropps

Received

Reports

The Secretary reported on the monthly
statement of the various ridings,
showing the position in which they stood

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Also that a hydraulic Engineer had been
sent up by the Mining Department
That gentleman Mr. Bagge had already
inspected some portion of the Shire, and
would, in due time, forward a
report to the Council.

The Engineer reported on the progress
of the works within the Shire,
which were all progressing satisfactorily.
He also reported on the progress of the
works at the weir on the Loddon,
and suggested that extra piles and
struts be added to the work at a
cost of about £25.

C. Hardy suggested that if it was
required, he would move that
£50, or £100 be expended in order
to do the work effectually.

It was moved by C. Laird
seconded by C. Hardy
that the Engineer be instructed to
expend £25, in strengthening the
weir on the Loddon

Carried

The Treasurer brought up his
report and statement, showing
a credit balance in the Bank
of Victoria, England, of £280-5-9
Report received

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Mr Lardy reported that together with Mr Potter, and the President, he had attended at the Durham Dy, and met a deputation from the Swan Hill Shire Council, consisting of Mr Edwin Kelly, & Kemp.

The feeling expressed was that the Government be requested to send up an Engineer to examine both sides of the Loddon, and to forward report.

Mr Bagge having been shown the different places where it was proposed to make dams throughout the Shire.

The various reports were received.

The Council then went into Committee with Mr Bagge, the Hydraulic Engineer.

That gentleman reported to the Committee the state of the several works he had inspected, and what he proposed recommending to the Government as necessary to be done.

Mr Laird moved

Mr Lardy seconded

That the Council

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pass a vote of thanks to Mr Bagge for the careful way in which he has drawn out his report to the Council, and inspected the district

On the motion of Mr Lethlean

seconded by Mr Pentreath

Steeley's contract was transferred to S Phillips on the same conditions

Carried

Mr Potter brought forward the question of the £300. said to be due from the South Riding to the North Riding.

After Mr Lath, Lardy & Laird had been heard, the President moved that the matter stand over till next meeting

Carried

The secretary was instructed to advertise for applications for the office of Engineer to the Shire

seconded by Mr Laird

Carried

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Potter

South ~~South~~ Riding was indebted to the ~~South~~ ^{North} Riding in that amount, and hoped the South riding would pay the amount as soon as they possibly could

C. Lacey seconded the motion but thought that the money should be paid at once

C. Coutts was glad that the matter had assumed a tangible shape, he had thought the matter was brought forward by C. Lacey more as a matter of joke than anything else

A resolution was passed in Sept. 1877, that all liabilities should be paid out of the Shire funds. That resolution was confirmed and signed by C. Lacey as President and he thought that ought to settle the matter

C. Laird also supported C. Coutts and particularly to the resolution passed in 1877.

C. Lacey & Potter stoutly maintained their position, and said the money should be paid.

The President moved that the matter be adjourned till the next meeting.

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The Public Works Committee then retired for the purpose of examining the tenders, and on resuming their seats, recommended that the following should be accepted as being the lowest.

199 No. 1 Formation of footpaths and drains in Serpentine Township. £8.0.0 C. Hely. £149. Langford & R. J. Phillips

200 No. 2 Cutting drains from Picanniny Creek to King King Swamps. £8 C. Hely. £143. Langford & R. J. Phillips

No. 3 Excavation of Tark, Colvill to stand over.

201 No. 4 Timber Bridge, Parish of Sacklan £4.0.0 A. Nichol. £73.15.

202 No. 5 Grubbing and clearing 65 chains in the parish of Sandara Thomas Wear. £9.10.

The above tenders were all accepted.

C. Laird asked that a motion standing in his name be allowed to stand over

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Mr Edwick moved (according to notice), that a Bridge and approaches be erected over Bullock Creek, and that tenders be received for the same at next meeting.

In answer to a question the Engineer said, that the cost of the Bridge and Dam would be about £700.

Mr Laird objected to the South Riding paying the whole amount of the costs, if the North and East Ridings would pay their share, he would support the motion; but at present he would suggest that the matter stand over for a month.

The President said that the East Riding would pay £200 towards the Bridge.

Mr Potter hoped the Bridge would be commenced at once, as it would be a great advantage to the whole of the ratepayers of the Shire.

Mr Wray agreed as to the utility of the Bridge in question, as the ratepayers generally would derive a great benefit.

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Mr Coutts moved as an amendment and in order to allow the Engineer time to prepare a proper estimate that the matter stand over till February.

Mr Laird seconded the amendment.

For the amendment Mr Coutts, Laird, and Lethlean

Against — —

Mr Pentreath, Edwick, Potter, and Wray.
The amendment was therefore lost.

Mr Coutts moved a further amendment viz. that the cost of the Bridge and Dam be charged to the general fund.

The same division took place. The amendment was consequently lost.

Mr Edwick's motion was then carried.

Mr Lethlean moved that tenders be called for works required near Mount Hope Hotel.

The following accounts were presented for payment.

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✓	JA	Secretary	✓	16	13	4
✓	JA	Engineer	✓	16	13	4
✓	JA	L. A. Pollock Refreshment	✓	17	14	
✓	JA	Henry Jackson	✓		12	6
✓	JA	G. W. Burrows	✓	5		
✓	JA	E. Robertson W. & R. L.	✓	2	4	
✓	JA	Patrick Thym W. & L.	✓		10	
✓	SR	R. V. Roberts	✓	7	15	
✓	ER	Joseph Whimpey Con 190	✓	16	11	
✓	ER	Peter Jacobson Con 189	✓	1	15	
✓	ER	Peter Jacobson Con 188	✓	2	3	4
✓	ER	Patrick O'Loughlin Con 181	✓	48	18	9
✓	UR	Thomas Ant Con 197	✓	25		
✓	JA	Richard Kirkham	✓	4		
✓	ER	Joseph Whimpey Con 186	✓		18	8
✓	JA	Shackay & Co. O. P. & A.	✓	9	13	
✓	ER	Thomas Owen W. & L.	✓	1	1	
✓	TH. R.	Addison Nichol Con 187	✓	200		
✓	ER	R. J. Phillips Con 188	✓	20		
✓	JA	E. Robertson W. & L.	✓	1		
✓	ER	William Taylor W. & L.	✓	1	18	6
✓	JA	Municipal Association	✓	2	2	
✓	JA	Deaf and Dumb Asylum	✓	2	2	
✓	JA	J. Garland	✓	1	18	6
✓	SR	P. O'Loughlin Con 196	✓	30		

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Notice of Motion

That all real estate property in the Parish be revalued.

The Council then adjourned

Next Meeting to be held on Friday 16th day of January 1880.

M. J. Pentreath