

Oamaru Borough Council Minute Book 3 [33425] Transcription

August 1875 – August 1880

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Transcription

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Minutes of Council Meeting held August 5th 1875

Present HW. The Mayor (George Sumpter)

Crs. Scott, Mainland, Sinclair, Falconer, Galbraith, Grave, Morton, Hay Mackenzie

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Galbraith

That permission be given to Mr Johnston to erect premises as requested on Section 8 Block 4 on the approval by the Town Surveyor of the Plans & specifications carried

Resolved that Mr Christie have permission to make up the footpath in front of the Bank premises in Tyne Street under the supervision of the Town Surveyor

Resolved that the Lease of Municipal Section 11 Block 75 applied for by Mr John Thomson be sold by auction at the upset price L 4 pr. ann:

Resolved that Mr E. Wendon's letter re Levels in Tees Street be referred to the Publ: Works Commee and that the plans showing the the levels be laid on the table at the next meeting

Resolved that permission be given to Mr Chs. Galbraith to reduce Municipal Section 16 Block 4 to the level of the Street

Resolved that the letters from the under Secretary and W. J. Stevens M H R re Wighbridge site be acknowledged with thanks

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Resolved that Mr John Dooley have permission to assign his interest in the Lease of Section 6 Block 8 to Mr James Markham.

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Morton

That the letters from Messrs Meagher & H. Munn re Blasting at the Corporation Quarry be referred to the Solicitors / also the agreement with Mr J. May/

Propsd by Cr Grave as an amendment

Second by Cr Mainland

That permission be given to Mr Munro to blast in the Corporation Quarry.

Propsd by Cr Mainland

Second by Cr Scott

That the petition re Earth Closets be received and referred to the solicitor for his opinion as to whether the Public health Act 1872 with the regard to the Sections referring to Earth Closets is applicable to the Town of Oamaru and if not what suggestions he would recommend to make it so.

Carried

Propsd by Cr Mainland

Second by Cr Falconer

That the following be appointed Members of the Finance & Bye-law Committee

Cr Galbraith /Chr/

Cr Grave

Cr Scott

Cr Hay Mackenzie

carried

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Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Galbraith

That the following be appointed Members of the Waterworks Committee

Cr Falconer /chr/ Cr Galbraith

“ Grave “ Mainland

carried

Resolved that there be no Honorarium for the ensuing year

Resolved that the Town Clerks salary be L 200 per Ann with 2 ½ per cent added in all sums collected.

Resolved that the Town surveyor's salary be L 175 per annum.

Resolved that the Inspector of Nuisances salary be L 3 per week

Resolved that the Auditors receive L 7.10 each

Resolved that the Assessor receive L 40

The Town Clerk read Balance Sheet for the half year ending 30th June 1875.

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second. By Cr Hay Mackenzie

That the Balance sheet be received carried

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Propsd. By Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Grave

That the Council hereby proposes that the draft regulations numbered respectively 1. 2. 3. 4 and 5 now laid upon the table be regulations for the Town of Oamaru, and that a Special Meeting of the Council be held at the office of the Council situate in Thames Street Oamaru on Thursday the 19th August at seven o'clock pm. For the purpose of confirming and passing the said regulations

Carried

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Mainland

That tenders be called to be in by next ordinary meeting for the work in Wansbeck Street as reported upon by the Surveyor carried

Resolved that Cr Grave, be councillor for Severn Ward for two years, on account of his having polled the highest number of votes at the recent election

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Resolved that the pump be repaired at a small cost

Notices of Motion

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| 1 | By Cr Mainland
That the Surveyor and the Public Works Committee report at an early date re widening of Thames St Bridge |
| 2 | By Cr Grave
That an attempt be at once made to obtain Artesian water in the lower lying portions of the Town |

Correct Minutes

EWR TC

J. W. Scott

Chairman

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Special Meeting of Council held Aug. 11th 1875

Present Cr Grave /Chr/

Crs. Scott, Mainland, Galbraith, Hay Mackenzie

Meeting called to consider Gas question

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Mainland

That the clerk telegraph to Mr H. Coutes CE now at Timaru to ask him to call at Oamaru on his way down to Dunedin as the Council are desirous of consulting with him re The erection of Gas works

Carried

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Hay Mackenzie

That the following Councillors be appointed a Sub Committee to meet Mr Coutes CE.

Viz.	Cr Falconer	Cr Grave /conv/
	“ Mainland	“ Scott
	“ Galbraith	“ Sinclair

Carried

Correct Minutes

EWR TC

J. W. Scott

Chairman

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Special Meeting of Council held August 17th 1875

Present Cr Grave /Chr/

Cr Mainland, Sinclair, Falconer, Galbraith

This Meeting was called to consider Sub committee report & report from Mr Henry Coutes CE. Re Gas works

The Clerk having read the following report

Oamaru 18th Aug. 1875

Report of Sub committee appointed to meet Mr Coutes C. E. re Gas works questions.

Your commee having met & conferred with Mr Coutes on the subject of the supply of Gas for Oamaru it was decided that, that gentleman should furnish the Council with an exhaustive report on the subject which report we now hand you

We have to mention that we went over the various proposed rates for gasworks with him, and, in his opinion, that the site now occupied by the Pound is the most suitable; next to that the site on the Esplanade, or the site of the Market Reserve. The Market Reserve he considers perhaps more suitable than the Esplanade, but there is scarcely any choice in the three before mentioned, should there be found to be any obstacles in obtaining one or other of them – He considers the site at the Town Boundary, quite unsuitable.

You will find from his report that the cost of works will be exceedingly moderate, and your committee would recommend that the Council consider the advisability of making an effort to avail themselves of the present opportunity of obtaining Mr. Coutes's Services at once, as, unless the works can be carried out now, the Council cannot depend upon obtaining his assistance

Signed

James Grave, John Mainland

John Sinclair, C. Galbraith

J. W. Scott

Chairman

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Props by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Mainland

That the Committees report be adopted carried

The Clerk then read Mr Coutes report it was

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Galbraith

That the consideration of the report & the meeting be adjourned until after the normal business has been transacted on Thursday next carried

It was Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Falconer

That the clerk telegraph at once to Mr Steward M H B to request him to use his best endeavours to secure the Reserve bounded by the Railway Line on the South, Lee & Munro property on the East, the cutting of the Oamaru Creek on the North and Severn Street on the West, as it is the best site for the erection of Gas works, the same to be conveyed to the Corporation carried

J. W. Scott

Chairman

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Special Meeting of Council held 19th Aug. 1875

Present Cr Scott /chr/ Grave, Sinclair, Mainland, Hay Mackenzie, Morton, Galbraith

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Mainland

That this council having considered the regulations numbered respectively 1. 2. 3. 4 and 5 proposed at the Meeting of the Council held on Thursday the 5th August 1875 doth hereby pass and confirm the same as regulations for the Town of Oamaru carried

George Sumpter

Chairman

Minutes of council Meeting held 19th August 1875

Present Cr. Scott, Chr

Cr mainland, Hay Mackenzie, Sinclair, Grave Morton, Galbraith

Resolved that the minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that Messrs J. & T. Meek's application for a tempy right of way be referred to the Surveyor & P. W. Commee to report

Resolved that Mr Gard [?] have permission to make a right of way to Section 9 Block 15 Thames Street under the supervision of the Town aurveyor

Propsd by Cr Mainland

Second by Cr Sinclair

That permission be given to Mr Philip Geoghyan to make a right of way to Section 7 Block 7 from Ribble Street, under the

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Supervision of the Town Surveyor. The right of way to be metalled carried

Propsd by Cr Sinclair

Second by Cr Grave

That Mr Doak's letter be referred to the Reserves Committee to report upon at the next meeting

Carried

Resolved that Mr Alfred Young have permission to transfer the lease of Section 18 Block 12 to Mr Thomas Kennedy

Resolved that the Lease of Municipal Section 1 Blk 79 applied for by Mr Alfred Young upset price L 3 pr. ann and Lease of Section 4 Block 78 applied for by Helen Halloren upset price L 2.8. be sold by auction

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Sinclair

That the Surveyor be requested to submit to the Council at the next ordinary Meeting plans showing the proposed permanent levels of Eden Street carried

Resolved that Messrs Lambert & Moore have permission to erect a wood building on their property Sixty-one feet back

Resolved that the Clerk be requested to acknowledge the receipt of Messrs Barr & Olives letter re their report etc. re Water Supply also Telegram from Mr D. Barron, Naseby

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Hay Mackenzie

That Mr Hugh Wallace's

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Tender of L 788.13 for Contract 81, Earthwork, Kerbing Channelling, Metalling & Gravelling in Wansbeck Street be accepted carried

Propsd by Cr Mainland

Second by Cr Hay Mackenzie

Thatt he petition presented by Cr Sinclair from ratepayers in Aln Street be received & referred to the Public Works Commee to report carried

Propsd by Cr Mainland

Second by Cr Sinclair

That the Finance Committees report be adopted carried

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Resolved that the levels (as per plan submitted and approved of by the P. W. Committee) be the permanent levels of Tees Street

Popsd by Cr Mainland

Second by Cr Morton

That the surveyor & the P. W. Comee report at an early date re the widening of the Thames St Bridge Carried

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Hay Mackenzie

That the matter re Artisan Wells in the lower lying parts of the Town be referred to the Waterworks Committee to report upon at an early date carried

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Resolved that the letter from the Solicitor & the agreement re Tramway lie on the table till next meeting carried

Notices of Motion By Cr Grave

1 That a complete scheme of Street Tramways available for the future requirements of the Town be prepared

By Cr. Galbraith /Aug: 31st/

2 That the Surveyor be requested to lay on the table plans for the formation of Ouse, Trent, Nen & Exe Streets as also the probable cost of forming the same from Thames to Humber Streets

Correct Minutes
George Sumpter
Chairman

Adjourned Meeting of council held August 19th 1875

Present Cr Scott /chr/

Cr Mainland, Hay Mackenzie, Sinclair, Grave, Morton

The Clerk read Telegram from Mr W. J. Steward M H R e Gas works site & Balance of Block 95.

Propsd. By Cr Mainland

Second by Cr Sinclair

That the Telegram from Mr Steward be referred to the Solicitor & Town Surveyor to be acted upon immediately carried

Proposed by Cr Mainland

Second by Cr Hay Mackenzie

That a Committee consisting of Crs. Grave, Morton, & Galbraith be appointed to peruse the draft Gas Bill & Recreation Reserve Bill carried

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Popsd by Cr. Mainland

Second by Cr Morton

That the proposed Oamaru Gas Company having made no communications to the Council. The Council considers that that project has fallen through – The council therefore authorizes the appointment of a Committee to arrange with Mr Coutes to order the necessary plant for Gas works for Oamaru ion Melbourne The Commee at once to arrange for the carrying out of Municipal Gas works for Oamaru carried

Propsd by Cr Sinclair

Second by Cr Grave

That Cr. Mainland, Hay Mackenzie Grave /conv/ & Sinclair be appointed a Gas works committee with power to arrange at once with Mr Coutes for the purchase of the plant and employ him in the construction of Gas works for Oamaru & make all necessary arrangements carried

Correct Minutes

George Sumpter

Chairman

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Sept. 3rd 1875

Special Meeting

Present HW the Mayor

Cr Galbraith, Scott, Mainland, Hay Mackenzie Morton, Grave

Re Telegram from Mr W. J. Steward MHR re Gas works site etc.

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Scott

That the following telegram be sent to Mr W. J. Steward in reply

“No objection has been raised by any ratepayer to the Council, or through the local press, Council are unanimous as far as regards site and the whole success of the Gas works depend upon their erection at the site referred to. The council are also of the opinion that wherever the Gas Works may be erected some parties are sure to object please do best to get Bill passed as speedily as possible”

Carried

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Correct Minutes

George Sumpter

Chairman

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Sept. 9th 1875

Present HW the Mayor

Crs Mainland, Falconer, Sinclair, Grave, Scott, Galbraith Hay Mackenzie

Resolved that the minutes as read be confirmed

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Grave

That the Resolution bearing date Jan'y 14th 1875 regarding transfer of Municipal Section be construed to apply to subletting, mortgaging or to any terms contained in the Corporation Lease

Carried

Resolved that Messrs J. K. Anderson & Co. have permission to sublet 30 feet frontage of Municipal Section 8 Block 26 to Mr Robert Ross subject to the fee being paid

Resolved that the following Municipal Leases be sold by auction viz.

Section 2 Blk 91 applied for by Mr H. McLaren upset price L 2.8.0

“	1	“	86	“	Ellen Hollaren	“	L 2.8.0
“	9	“	XI	“	John Franklin	“	L 4.' ‘
“	5	“	74	“	C. J. Moore	“	L 4.' .’

Resolved that permission be given to the Trustee in the Estate of Thomas Hastie to transfer the lease of Municipal Section 5 Block 18 Oamaru town to Mr Hugh McLaren subject to payment of all arrears of rent.

Propsd by Cr Scott

Second by Cr Galbraith

That Mr Aitken be informed that the council are willing to receive the Deputation re Fire Brigade on Thursday the 16th Inst @ 8 o'clock

carried

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Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Scott

That Mr Aitken's letter applying for the permanent levels of Test Street be referred to the P. W. Commee & surveyor to report at next meeting carried

Resolved that Mr James white's letter re access to his Sections in Block 71 be referred to the Reserves Commee to report

Resolved that permission be given to Mr Robert McDonald to make a permanent right of way to Section 14 Block 25 under the Supervision of the Town Surveyor

Resolved that Mr Hanning have permission to erect a Lamp & Post opposite the Alliance Hotel under supn. of the Town Surveyor

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Galbraith

That Messrs Walker & Newman's application be referred to the P. W. Comee carried

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Falconer

That the letter from Mr T. W. Hislop re reserves in Tyne St be referred to the Reserves Commee
Carried

Resolved that the application from Mr T. H. Mackenzie be referred to the Public Works Commee with power to act

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Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Sinclair

That the letters from Mr James Liddle be received. Carried

Resolved that the following letters from Messrs Dillon, Barron, & Farqharson re Water supply be referred to the Waterworks Committee

Councillor Grave brought under the notice of the Council a Petition to Mr W. J. Steward MHR asking that the site selected by the council asking that the site selected by the Council for the Gas works be where proposed by them it was Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Mainland

That the Council agree with the purport of the Petition and request that a Commee consisting of Councillors Mainland, Grave & the Mover be appointed & requested to use their best endeavour to obtain signatures & that it be forwarded by His worship the Mayor pr. first opportunity carried

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Falconer

That the following telegram be sent to Mr W. J. Steward MHR

Town Council met last night petition from 17 Ratepayers received requesting public meeting which will be held on Monday. Council are unanimous regarding present site and have got petition before them signed by 106 ratepayers which will be forwarded to you and is now being circulated to obtain more
carried

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Hay Mackenzie

That the Public Works Commee report be received and adopted
carried

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Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Scott

That tenders be called for the work and that the matter in purchasing a Safe be considered at the next meting
carried

Propsd by Cr Scott

Second by Cr Falconer

That the Gas works Comee report be received and adopted and that the thanks of the Council be tendered to them for their exertions
carried

Resolved that the remainder of the business stand over until next ordinary meeting

Correct minutes

EWR TC

George Sumpter

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Minutes of council Meeting held Sept. 16th 1875

Present HW. The Mayor

Crs. Falconer, Mainland, Sinclair, Grave, Morton, scott

Resolved that the minutes as read be confirmed

A Deputation consisting of Messrs Mowat, H. Aitken & T. Mech waited on the Council to ascertain what assistance might be expected from the Council in the event of a Fire Brigade being formed in Oamaru

It was Resolved that the matter be referred to the waterworks Commee to report upon at the next meeting of the Council & that subsequently to that the Deputation be communicated with

Resolved that the letter from Mr Malcom Mclvor re leasing Reserve by the Windmill, be referred to the Reserves Commee to report

Resolved that the lease of Mun: Section 6 block 40 applied for by Mr W. H. Valpy be sold by auction at the upset price

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Mainland

That permission be given to Mr T. Hilliker to put down a box drain in Usk Street under the supern. Of the Town surveyor and the surveyor to be requested to give the contractor notice in writing to have the nuisance complained of by Mr Hilliker re Stagnant Water, re[] within 8 days from date

Carried

Resolved that Mr Peter Thomson have permission to Mortgage Section 11 Block 75 Oamaru to the Oamaru Mutual Benefit building Society subject to the fee being paid.

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Propsd by Cr Scott

Second by Cr Morton

That the letters from Messrs Lee & Moore & M. Dillon re Water Supply, be referred to the Waterworks Commee carried

Petitions were presented by Crs Sinclair & Graves re Chelmer & Isis Streets. It was

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Sinclair

That the Surveyor be requested to furnish the Council with a report as to the cheapest method of making Chelmer Street available for traffic and and that he also furnish the Council with a probable estimate of the cost at the next ordinary meeting carried

A Petition was presented by Cr Grave from ratepayers residing in Eden Street

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Grave

That the Petition be received and referred to the Public Works Commee to report carried

Propds by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Scott

That the 1st paragraph of the P. W. Commee report be adopted carried

The Chairman of the P. W. Commee requested that paragraph No 2 of the report be not considered at this meeting which was assented to.

Propsd by Cr Scott

Second by Cr Grave

That paragraphs No 3 & 4 of the P. W. Commee report be adopted carried

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Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Grave

That Mr Hislop be informed that the Council cannot entertain his letter being that no consideration is offered for the land and further that the Council are not prepared to treat privately for the leasing of the Reserve nor are they at present prepared to say that they would lease it at all carried

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Resolved that applications be called for the office of Assessor for the ensuing year, applications to be in by next ordinary meeting

Resolved that the Petition re Earth Closets be on the table for further consideration

Resolved that the consideration of the agreement re Severn Street Tramway together with Solicitors opinion therein be deferred until the Council have considered the Notice of Motion tabled by Cr Grave re Tramways.

Propsd by Cr Mainland

Second by Cr Falconer

That a Milner's Fine Proof safe No 10 be purchased from James McEwan & co Melbourne this Mr Grave, who has kindly offered to purchase the same allowing the Council the discount that would properly fall to him carried

Resolved that the thanks of the Council be tendered to Councillor Grave for his kind offer

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Propsd by Cr Scott

Second by Cr Grave

That the Clerk be desired to communicate with the Town Clerk of Dunedin requesting him kindly to furnish the Council with such information as he thinks would be of service to the Council in refce to fire Brigade and matters connected therewith, as the Council has been invited to assist the Townspeople in the formation of a Brigade – any information on the subject would be thankfully received by the Council carried

Resolved that the levels of Eden Street now submitted by the surveyor, be referred to the P. W. Commee to report at next meeting

Resolved that a hand cart be obtained by the P. W. Commee

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Sinclair

That Councillors Morton, Mainland and the Mover be appointed a Tramway Commee and that they confer with the Town Surveyor and lay before the Council a plan showing a complete scheme of Street Tramways carried

Resolved that the consideration of the Severn Street Tramway agreement remain over until after the report from the Tramway Commee has been considered

Correct Minutes

George Sumpter

Chairman

22

Special Meeting held Sept. 24 1875

Present HW The Mayor

Cr Galbraith, Grave, Sinclair, Scott, Hay Macintyre Mainland, Falconer

Re – opening of Oamaru & Waitaki Railway

Resolved that the Council as a body be present at the opening of the Railway and that HW The Mayor be requested to invite the citizens to keep Saturday a half holiday from noon to 5 o'clock and to request their attendance on the occasion

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Galbraith

That a Sum not exceeding Forty five Pounds /L 45/ be set aside defraying the expenses that may be incurred by the Council in celebrating the opening of the Oamaru & Waitaki Railway carried

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Scott

That a Commee consisting of Cr Grave, Morton, Falconer, Mainland & the Mover be appointed to make the necessary arrangements carried

Correct Minutes

George Sumpter

Mayor

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Minutes of Adjourned Meeting held Sept 24th 1875

Present HW The Mayor

Crs Galbraith, Falconer, Mainland, Galbraith, Grave, Scott, Sinclair

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Falconer

That His Worship The Mayor act in conjunction with Mr Conyures & the Commee of the Council in carrying out arrangements on the occasion of the celebrating of the opening of the Oamaru & Waitaki Railway and that the Volunteers & Cadets be requested to attend in Uniforms carried

Propsd by Cr Mainland

Second by Cr Galbraith

Cr Sinclair having intimated that the Services of the Caledonian Societies Band are at the disposal of the Council. The Council gladly avail themselves of this & request their attendance tomorrow

Carried

Correct Minutes

George Sumpter

Mayor

24

Minutes of Council Meeting held Sept. 30th 1875

Present HW The Mayor

Cr Mainland, Sinclair, Galbraith, Morton, Grave

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that the clerk be instructed to send the notification re Waterworks (as drawn up by the Solicitor) to the Superintendent

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Galbraith

That Messrs Andrew & Marats letter be acknowledged (re Horse Power) & referred to the Waterworks Committee

carried

Props. By Cr. Mainland

Second by Cr Grave

That permission be given to Mr H A de Latour and to Mr C. F. Gold access to make temporary right of ways to their properties in Reid Street (said right of ways to be either shingled or metalled) under supervision of the Town Surveyor

carried

Resolved that Mr Michael Limik's application for a Nightman's Licence be granted

Resolved that the Lease of Municipal Section 18 Block 52 applied for by Mr J. F. Finch be sold by auction at the upset price of L 2.8. pr ann

Props by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Mainland

That Mr John Johnston's tender of L 45.16. for Contract 82 Earthworks on Wharfe Street be accepted

Carried

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Props by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Morton

That Mr E. Rowland's tender of L 17.3.6 for carpenters work /Council Chambers/ be accepted

Carried

Resolved that Arthur Toms be appointed Assessor for the ensuing year salary L 40.

Props by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Galbraith

That Mr Hislop be informed that the Council are not disposed to deal with any of the Corporation Reserves privately

carried

Props by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Mainland

That the Reserves Commee draw up regulations for leasing Reserve in Tyne Street. The same to be submitted to the Council

carried

Props by Cr Grave as an amendment

Second by Cr Morton

That the Corporation decline to lease any of the Reserves in Tyne Street and that they take into consideration at once the matter of improving and beautifying the Reserve for the use of the Public

Props by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Grave

That the Petition presented by Cr Grave from residents in Severn Street be

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Referred to the P. W. Commee to report with power to act

carried

The Clerk read Surveyor's report re probable cost of making Chelmer Street

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Grave

That as the sum for making Chelmer Street is far in excess of what the Council expected, the report be referred back to the Public Works Commee & Surveyor to report if possible on some cheaper method of carrying the work out

carried

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Morton

That the 1st paragraph of the Public Works Commee report be adopted

carried

Props by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Galbraith

That the 2nd paragraph of the report be adopted

carried

Resolved that the consideration of paragraph's No 3 and 4 of the report remain over until next meeting

Resolved that paragraph No 5 be adopted

Resolved that paragraph No 6 of the report be adopted and the clerk be requested to take the necessary steps to give effect to it

The clerk read the Waterworks Committee report

Proposed by Cr Sinclair

Second by Cr Morton

That the Waterworks Committee report be adopted carried

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Resolved that the tenor of the report be sent to the Deputation from the fire Brigade, the work to be carried out under the supervision of the Waterworks Committee carried

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Proposed by Cr Mainland

Second by Cr Morton

That a Deputation consisting of Councillors Grave, Morton & the Mayor wait upon Mr Low the Dist. Engineer re fence forming off the Garden Reserve & creek cutting carried

Proposed by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Mainland

That the Council advertise for the Services of a Gardiner for the purpose of improving the corporation Reserves, Applications to be received next Council Meeting, Applicant to state salary expected carried

Correct Minutes

EWR TC

George Sumpter

Mayor

28

Special Meeting of Council held Oct. 1st 1875

Present HW The Mayor

Cr Falconer, Grave, Galbraith, Morton, Mainland Scott & the corporation solicitor.

Re Telegrams from W. J. Steward and Eng MHB & Hon H. J. Miller re Gas works site

Proposed by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Galbraith

That the Council telegraph at once to the Hon: H. J. Miller & Mr J. Steward and to the following effect.

The corporation of Oamaru earnestly urge upon each of these Gentlemen the desirability of getting the Committee of the Upper House to reconsider their decision re Gas works' site – seeing that the Council have undertaken the works on the understanding that the proposed site would be available. Having taken the opinion of the Public in the matter and the Bill having passed through the House of Representatives – only a small section of interested persons objecting.

The Council would further point out that the Gasometer suitable for the proposed site would not do at all for the site on the beach, owing to the atmospheric action on the plating near the Sea side requiring it to be made of much heavier material seeing also that the matter has advanced so far the Council have had the Gasometer built – but should it be found impossible to carry out the desires of the Corporation in this matter then the before mentioned Gentlemen are to do their best in getting 2 acres to the North of the Harbour Board Property on beach, and that they be requested to state whether it will be necessary for the Corporation solicitor to draw up the proposed clause with a description on whether this can be done in Wellington

carried

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Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Falconer

That the Gas works Committee be empowered to get another site surveyed North of the Harbour Board Property on the Esplanade

carried

Correct Minutes

George Sumpter

Mayor

Special Meeting held Oct. 6th 1875.

Present HW The Mayor

Crs Grave, Scott, Mainland, Morton

Re "Gas works site" fresh proposal 2 acres north of the line of Ribble Street

Telegram from W. J. Steward re Mr Holmes clause

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Mainland

That the following telegram be sent Mr W. J. Steward MHB

Council meeting over before receipt of your last Telegram – the Council wish you to push for site first proposed – if unobtainable accept Holmes Clause as there is not much difference to that site & one by Harbour Board Property

carried

Correct Minutes

George Sumpter

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Special Meeting held Oct 6th 1875

Present HW The Mayor

Cr Mainland, Grave, Scott, Morton

Re Telegram received from the Hon: H. J. Miller re Gas works site.

Resolved that the following telegram be sent to the Hon: H. J. Miller

Council over before receipt of Mr Steward's and your last telegrams – Council with you to push for site first proposed – If unobtainable try to get the following piece viz. all parcel of Land in Province of Otago New Zealand in town of Oamaru commencing at point distant 170 Links East from the Junction of North West Corner of Harbour Board Land and Humber Street, thence partly along Northern boundary of Oamaru Harbour Board Land 327 Links thence in Northerly direction along say Beach 600 Links thence in Westerly direction by Wear Street 350 Links thence in a Southerly direction by Oamaru & Waitaki Railway 120 Links and 479 Links to commencing point, which parcel of Land is bounded towards North by Wear Street towards East by Sea Beach towards South by Oamaru Harbour Bd Land and towards West by said Oamaru & Waitaki Railway Line”

Correct Minutes

George Sumpter

Mayor

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Minutes of Council Meeting Oct: 14th 1875

Present HW The Mayor

Cr Falconer, Mainland, Sinclair, Scott, Morton Grave

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Falconer

That the following applications for Horse Power viz.

Messr McNab & Aimies for 12 Horse Power

David Henderson “ 8 “

Hay & Barr “ 20 “

J. K. Anderson & Co “ 30 “

Be referred to the Waterworks Committee

carried

Resolved that the Surveyor inform Messrs Hay & Barr that no crossing can be allowed to be made over any footpath terminating at a Building Line abutting in any street.

Resolved that the Lease of Municipal Section 8 Block 39 Oamaru Town applied for by Mr John Lloyd be sold by auction upset price L 2.8. pr ann:

Resolved that the following Gentlemen have permission to make temporary right of ways to their properties under the supervision of the Town Surveyor.

J. T. Hughes	Reid Street	Sutton & Co	Eden Street
W, Shaw	Ribble Street	J. C. Black	Reid Street
	Anthony Rogers	Reid Street	

The right of ways to be metalled carried

Resolved that the letter from Messrs Bathgate & Buchanan be referred to the Finance Commee to report at the next meeting

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Resolved that the letter from Messrs Hislop & Burgh re H. Munro's application lie on the table until next meeting –

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Scott

That permission be given to Mr Robert Ross to erect building in Tees Street provided the Surveyor approves of the specifications carried

Propsd by Cr Scott

Second by Cr Sinclair

That MrTutius Hay Mackenzie's resignation as Councillor for High Ward be accepted carried

Resolved that the Nomination for a Councillor for High Ward in [] of T. Hay Mackenzie resigned be held on Monday Oct: 25th at 12 o'clock, election if necessary to be held on the following Friday Oct: 29th –

Propsd. by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Galconer

That the letter from Mr James Patterson re Drainage be referred to the P. W. Commee to report

Carried

Propsd. by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Grave

That the petition from residents in Ouse Street re filling up Lagoon in that street be referred to the Public Works Commee with power to act carried

Propsd by Cr Scott

Second by Cr Sinclair

That the report from the Waterworks Commee be adopted, the Waterworks Commee

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to have the power to accept the tenders for the work.

Carried

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Sinclair

That the Clerk be requested to write to Messrs Lee & Moore and obtain from them a written consent to the Council carrying out the proposed scheme for Water Tanks without any compensation to them other than one shilling per annum Royalty

carried

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Scott

That the Public Works Commee report be adopted. The surveyor to be requested to submit a plan showing the proposed cut to the Council at their next meeting

carried

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Scott

That the Public Works Committee together with the surveyor inspect the works now in progress & report at the next meeting

carried

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Grave

That the applications for the post of gardener to the corporation be referred to the Reserves Committee to report at the next meeting

carried

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Notice of Motion

By Cr Mainland

That the drains in Nen & Tyne Street be tendered for

Correct Minutes

George Sumpter

Mayor

Minutes of Council Meeting held Oct: 28th 1875

Present HW The Mayor

Cr Falconer, Sinclair, Headland, Mainland, Grave

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Sinclair

That permission be given to Mr James Johnson to erect building in Thames St for Mr James Grave also to Mr John Hardy to erect building in Section 1 Block 5 /under supervision of the Town surveyor.

Carried

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Sinclair

That permission be given to Mr Sumpter to alter his store in Thames & Coquet Streets by making shop fronts to the same

carried

Resolved that Mr Johnsons application to make a wooden addition to his present house, be not entertained it being less than sixty feet from the front Street line.

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Sinclair

That permission be given to Mr George Anderson to erect building in Thames Street

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under supervision of the Town Surveyor

carried

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Sinclair

That Messrs John Hood & Robt Ross have permission given them to lay down Box drains provided they are to be used for carrying off surface water only / under supervision of the Town Surveyor

Carried

Resolved that Section 18 Block 20 applied for by Mr John Burnett be sold by auction upset price L 2.8.

Propsd by Cr Sinclair

Second by Cr Falconer

That the Council send a vote of thanks to the Hon: J. J. Miller and W. J. Steward Esq. MHB for their kind services in furthering the wishes of the Council during the past session and that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to each of the gentlemen

carried

Propsd by Cr Mainland

Second by Cr Grave

That the filtered water from the Oamaru Creek submitted to the Council be sent down to Professor Black to analyze

carried

Propsd by Cr Mainland

Second by Cr Headland

That Mr Markham's letter re surplus metal be referred to the surveyor to report at next meeting

Carried

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Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Falconer

That Mr Black's request be granted subject to his placing gates where required, by that no stoppage or impediment is to be caused to traffic over the Reserve carried

His Worship The Mayor & councillor Sinclair dissenting to the following words " that no stoppage or impediment is to be caused to traffic over the Reserve"

Resolved that permission be given to Mary Ann Wansbrough to mortgage the Lease of Municipal Section 6 Block 5 Oamaru town.

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Sinclair

That clouse 1 & 2 of the Waterwork's Committee report be adopted, clause 3 to be altered to "That all applications for Water Power stand over until some definit plan is adopted"

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Grave

That the 1st paragraph of the Public Works Commee report be adopted carried

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Headland

That the 2nd paragraph of the P. W. Commee report re drain in Wansbeck Street / be adopted
Carried

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Grave

That the 3rd paragraph of the P. W. Commee report re appointment of Mr Jas. Kidd

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be adopted. Mr Kidd to inform the Council when he will be able to enter into his duties carried

Resolved that the P. W. Commee attention be drawn to matters in abeyance and to report on the same at the next Meeting

Propsd. by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Mainland

That the Finance Commee report be adopted carried

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Resolved that 250 copies of the bye-laws & regulations be printed

Resolved that Mr Hislop be informed that the Council after further consideration are unable to entertain his application on behalf of H. Munro for compensation for expenses incurred in the recent action.

The Standing orders having been suspended it was

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Falconer pro forma

That in the opinion of this Council the constitution of the Harbor board is unsatisfactory and further that the action of the Board is not such as is calculated to promote the advancement of the Town and District generally. Therefore this Council feel bound in the discharge of their duty as representatives of the public to bring the matter under the notice of His Honor the superintendent with the request that he will take such steps as will enable 4 additional members to be elected

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by the Ratepayers to represent them

it was Resolved that the consideration of the motion remain over until next ordinary meeting

Propsd by Cr Mainland

Second by Cr Falconer

That tenders be called for the drains in Nen & Tyne Streets. Tenders to be for concrete bottoms & stone []

Correct Minutes

George Sumpter

Mayor

Gas Plant a/c passed Oct: 28th 1875

Victoria Lime & Cement Co. accept @ 4 M[] Oct: 8th

Due 11th Feb. 1876 L 83.5.0

Notice of Motion By Cr Sinclair

I beg to move at next ordinary meeting that the Council investigate the reasons that the kerbing is not set straight as shown on the Plan of the Town.

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Nov 11th 1875

Present HW The Mayor

Cr Galbraith, Sinclair, Headland, Mainland, Scott, Falconer, Grave.

Resolved that the minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that Mr Hugh McLaren have permission to transfer his interest in the Lease of Part 1 Reserve D to Mr Alexander Copland.

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Falconer

That the applications from Messrs Pratt & co. be referred to the Surveyor to report upon and to give probable cost re formation of Rother Street carried

Resolved that the letter from the Manager of the Bank of New Zealand enclosing Bill of Exchange from McLean Bros & Rigg of Melbourne for Gas Plant be referred to the finance Commee with power to act

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Galbraith

That the clerk acknowledge the receipt of letters from the applicants for Horse Power & the letters be referred to the Waterworks Commee for their information carried

The Surveyor's report giving probable cost of construction of drain in Wansbeck Street it was resolved that the report be received

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Propsd by Cr Mainland

Second by Cr Falconer

That the sixty two yards of surplus metal in Contract 76 offered by Mr James Markham be purchased
Carried

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Scott

That the report from the Gas Work's Commee be adopted carried

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Mainland

That in the event of the Bayne Suffolk putting into Oamaru first before proceeding to Timaru, the clerk be requested to write to Capt Sewell to ask him to hold a Survey on her carried

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Morton

That the accounts re Gas Plant be referred to the finance commee with power to act carried

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Falconer

That the 1st paragraph of the Public Works Commee report be adopted carried

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Sinclair

That the 2nd paragraph of the Public Works Commee report be adopted and the Council express their disapprobation with the Surveyor for the way the kerbing in Thames Street has been laid carried

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Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Cr Grave brought forward his motion re harbor Board postponed from last meeting. Which was put and lost.

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Mainland

That Mr James Markham's tender of L 479.7.8 for Contract No 86 stone drains with concrete bottoms in Nen & Tyne Streets be accepted – the surveyor to be particularly requested to see that the proper quantity of Cement is used and the concrete put in on his presence. Carried

Resolved that the consideration of a site for storage of gunpowder etc. be referred to the P. W. & Reserves Committee

Resolved that the attentions of the P. W. Commee & Reserves Commee be drawn to the necessity of providing Railway Crossings by the Public Garden Reserve

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Galbraith

That Cr Headland be appointed to act on the same Committees as ex Cr Hay Mackenzie carried

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Notices of Motion

By Cr Mainland

1. That the names of the various Streets in the town be painted on where practicable, in accordance with the regulations and Bye-laws.

By Cr Sinclair

2. That it is necessary, in view of the important works about to be inaugurated by the Council that a professional Engineer be appointed

Correct Minutes

George Sumpter

Mayor

Gas Plant a/c passed by Finance Comme Nov 12th 1875

McLean Bros & Rigg, Melbourne

Accepted @ 4[] due Feb 22nd/76 L 1332.8.7

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Special Meeting held Nov. 29th 1875

Present HW The Mayor

Cr. Mainland, Morton, Galbraith, Sinclair, Headland Falconer

Re Gas works

Mr Courtes's report having been read it was

Propsd by Cr Mainland

Second by Cr Galbraith

That Mr Courtes's report be received carried

The Council affirm the desirability of lighting the Town with Gas as soon as possible

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Headland

That Messrs/Crs Grave Mainland and Sinclair be appointed a Commee to act in conjunction with Mr Courtes to make the necessary arrangements for carrying out the works with power to act carried

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Morton

That in accordance with Mr Courtes's suggestion, the mains be laid under the footpaths where practicable - six feet or thereabouts from the building line. Carried

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Falconer

That the erection of the office & Workshop be left with the Committee to carry out with power to act also the matter of [ion] for the Tank carried

Correct Minutes

George Sumpter

Mayor

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Nov. 29th 1875

Present HW The Mayor

Cr Scott, Mainland, Morton, Sinclair, Galbraith, Falconer, Headland, Grave.

Resolved that the minutes as read be confirmed

Propsd by Cr Sinclair

Second by Cr Galbraith

That Mr Martin be asked to furnish the Council with a plan of the sign board proposed to be erected by him and how the same is to be fixed carried

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Galbraith

That permission be given to Mr John Johnston to erect and additional room to his premises in Thames Street under supervision of the Town Surveyor carried

Resolved that Mr Hook have permission to make a right of way from Itchen Street to his premises under supervision of the Town Surveyor

Resolved that permission be given to Mary Robertson to transfer the lease of Section 2 Block 67 to Mr Thomas Proctor also permission be given to Mr John Murray to transfer the Lease of Sec: 6 Block 84 to Mary [Direen]

Resolved that Mr Goodfellow be requested to furnish the Council with some particulars of the alteration he purposes making to his premises in Thames St his application for a right of way be granted provided it is a permanent one & made under supervision of the Town Surveyor

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Resolved that the Lease of Sections 9 & 12 Block 88 applied for by Mr [Glassn] be sold by auction upset price of L4.4 & L 2.8.0 per ann:

Resolved that permission be given to Mr James Kay and Mr John Thomas to make Box drains from their premises provided the same is used for carrying away storm water only

Propsd by Cr Scott

Second by Cr Falconer

That the letter from Messrs Shrimski & Moss be referred to the Public Works Commee also to report upon the Drainage of Usk Street (Usk Street) carried

Props by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Falconer

That the clerk acknowledge Mr Steward's letter and that the Reserve now vested in the corporation between the Post Office & Mechanics Institute be at once surveyed into Sections and that the Reserves committee be requested to draw up a plan & report regarding the same and lay it before the Council at next ordinary Meeting carried

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Resolved that the Surveyor's attention be called to have Dee Street sloped off at the Junction of Reid Street

The Town Surveyor's report re Chelmer Street & Creek Cutting was read it was

Resolved that the 1st paragraph of the report be adopted.

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Resolved that a Special Meeting of the Council be called for on Monday next to consider the Water Supply as requested by Cr Falconer

Propsd by Cr Mainland

Second by Cr Headland

That the names of the various streets be printed where practicable & left with the P. W. Commee
with power to act carried

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Grave

That the matter re Supervisor stand over until the report of the Waterworks Commee has been laid
before the Council carried

Correct Minutes

George Sumpter

Mayor

Notices of Motions

By Cr Grave

- 1 That the metal crossings in Thames Street be blinded under superintendence of the P. W. Commee and that the asphalt pathway be coated with Tar and Sand.

By Cr Galbraith

- 2 That Humber Street be formed to its full length so as to allow the cross streets from the Town Belt to Torridge Street to be properly formed

By Cr Falconer

- 3 That a stone crusher be procured for the use of the Corporation

By Cr Morton

- 4 That the South portion of Tees Street, between Test and Wansbeck Street as formerly recommended be formed.

By Cr Sinclair

- 5 That the work recommended by the P. W.

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Commee to be carried out in Eden Street be tendered for

By Cr Sinclair

- 6 That the footpaths in Reid Street be shingled and that tenders be called for the same.

EWR TC

Special Meeting of Council Dec. 6th 1875

Present HW The Mayor

Crs Falconer, Galbraith, Headland, Mainland, Sinclair, Scott, Grave

Propsd by Cr Scott

Second by Cr Headland

That the 1st paragraph of the Waterwork's Commee report be adopted carried

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Sinclair

That the 2nd paragraph of the Waterworks Commee report be adopted carried

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Sinclair

That the salary for Engineer be one thousand pounds (L 1000) per annum, no private practice to be allowed carried

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Scott

That applications for the office of Engineer be received til the 1st March 1876 carried

Resolved that the following advertisement viz. "Applications with Testimonials for the Office of Engineer to the Town council of Oamaru, will be

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received up to 1st March 1876. The principal duty of the Engineer to be the introduction of a Water Scheme and Sewerage – Salary L 1000 per annum, with no private practice –"

in the Sydney Morning Herald, Hobart Town Mercury, Melbourne Argus, South Australian Reporter, Adelaide, Southern Cross Auckland, Lyttleton times, Otago Daily times, North Otago Times – every alternate day.

Correct minutes

George Sumpter

EWR TC

Mayor

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Dec 9th 1875

Present HW The Mayor

Crs Sinclair, Morton, Headland, Mainland, Galbraith Scott, Grave

Resolved that the minutes as read be confirmed

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Scott

That Mr Gibbs letter re Drain thru Sections 5 & 28 Block 4 be referred to the Public Works Commee to report carried

Resolved that permission be given to Mr John Rapson to assign his lease of Sec: 8 Block 37 Town of Oamaru to Mr John Venning

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Mainland

That permission be given to Messrs J and S Richmond to make a metal crossing, they to be informed that the Council would prefer to see a pitched crossing made work to be done under supervision of the Town Surveyor carried

The Standing orders having been suspended, it was

Propsd by Cr Sinclair

Second by Cr Mainland

That no sign boards shall be allowed to project beyond the building line carried

Resolved that the clerk acquaint Messrs Martin and Greenfield with the terms of the foregoing resolution

Resolved that permission be given to Mr Wm Peet to make a permanent right of way to Section 14 Blk 27 – under supervision of the Town Surveyor

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Resolved that permission be given to Mr Bas Battersby to make a right of way provided the same is metalled work to be done under supervision of the Town Surveyor

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Grave

That the Town Surveyor be instructed to draw up an estimate of the Probable cost of widening the Bridge in Thames Street on the East side and that the Harbor Board be furnished with the same. Carried

The Tenders having been opened for Earthwork in rother Street, it was

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Mainland

That Mr John Gibson's tender of L 121.19.9 for contract 87 be accepted, and if not taken up within seven days then Mr Johnson's tender be accepted carried

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Grave X

That the 1st paragraph of the Public Works Commee report be adopted.

The Esplanade site to be used for Kerosene and the site on the Cape for a powder magazine and that the necessary steps be taken to give effect to this resolution carried

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Galbraith

That the 2nd paragraph of the Public Works Commee report be adopted carried

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Morton

That the 3rd pgh of the Public Works Commee report be adopted / L3 /. Carried

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Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Headland

That the 4th paragraph of the Public Works Commee report be adopted – The P.W. Comee be requested to give effect to the latter part of Clause 4. Carried

Propsd by Cr Mainland

Second by Cr Sinclair

That the matter of fixing the upset price of the different sections in the Thames Street Reserve be referred to the Finance Commee to report at next meeting of Council carried

Propsd by Cr Scott

Second by Cr Headland

That the P. W. Commee be requested to make arrangements with Mr Morton or Council re the Quarrying of the Sections / work to be done in 14 days/ The Commee also to see Mr Low with reference to the division of the Creek carried

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Galbraith

That the surveyor's report re widening Bridge be received and that further consideration of the widening of the Bridge be deferred until the determination of the Harbor Board has been received

His Worship The Mayor ruled that the resolution could not be put as it rescinded a former one without notice being given

Cr Grave protesting against His worship's ruling as the same is based on wrong premises and not in accordance with the act.

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Galbraith

That the Surveyor's report

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be received and that further discussion be deferred until the Harbor Board express their decision on the questions submitted to them carried

Resolved that the accounts for Gas Plant per Yarra be referred to the Gas Committee with power to act and that the other accounts presented be passed for payment

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Galbraith

That the clerk be requested to Deposit L 2000 in the Nat' Bank of New Zealand for 3 months

Carried

Cr Grave withdrew his notice of motion re footpaths

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Headland

That the formation of the North portion of Humber Street be referred to the Public Works Commee to report upon

carried

Propsd by Cr Morton

Second by Cr Mainland

That the surveyor be instructed to prepare plans and specifications for the formation of the South portion of Tees street, between Test and Wansbeck Streets and that tenders be called, to be in by next Meeting

carried

Propsd by Cr Sinclair

Second by Cr Galbraith

That tenders be called for the work in Eden Street immediately after tenders for the work in Greta Street have been accepted which are to be in by next ordinary meeting

carried

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Propsd by Cr Sinclair

Second by Cr Grave

That the footpaths in Reid Street be shingled and that tenders be called for the same, to be in by next ordinary meeting

carried

Correct Minutes

George Sumpter

Mayor

Notices of Motion

By Cr Scott

- 1 That the consideration of the Leasing the Town Hall site be referred to the Reserves Commee to report

By Cr Grave

- 2 That the resolution passed at the meeting on 29th November committing the Council to widening the Bridge on the west side be rescinded and that the question be determined on its merits without reference to the former resolution

Special Meeting held Dec 15th 1875

Present HW The Mayor

Crs Mainland, Headland, Sinclair, Galbraith

Meeting called to consider Assessment Role for 1876

Propsd by Cr Galbraith]Second by Cr Headland

That the Assessment role as submitted by the Assessor be allowed carried
Correct Minutes
George Sumpter
Mayor

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Dec 23rd 1875

Present HW The Mayor

Crs Falconer, Sinclair, Headland, Mainland, Scott, Morton, Grave

Resolved that the minutes as read be confirmed

The clerk mentioned that some of the Gas plant brought by the Yarra was damaged it was

Resolved the Solicitor be instructed to take steps towards receiving from the Captain the amount of damage sustained

Resolved that the Lease of Sec 7 & 17 Blk 70 applied for by Michael McGrath

" 14	" 89	"	John Connack
" 21	" 79	"	Ritchie Young
" 12	" 33	"	H. Goodson

Be sold by auction

Resolved that permission be given to Mr J. T. Richards to transfer the lease of Section 6 Block 38 Lease of Oamaru to Mr Walter Newton provided all arrears of rent be paid

Propsd by Cr Scott

Second by Cr Headland

That the Pump in Wansbeck Street be repaired under supervision of the Town Surveyor

Carried

Propsd by Cr Scott

Second by Cr Headland

That Mr Peter McNab have permission to make a temporary crossing across the footpath of his premises. The said crossing to be kept clean & marked off by the Surveyor carried

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A Deputation consisting of Messrs Moseby, Headland and Familton were introduced to the Council and presented petition re Salt Water Baths

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Scott

That permission be given to Mr James Patterson to make a right of way to his Section – the work to be done under supervision of the Town Surveyor carried

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Scott

That permission be given to Mr John McKay to make a drain from Section 1 Block 92 to carry off surface water. Work to be executed under supervision of the Town Surveyor carried

Resolved that Messrs Paterson & Weedon's application to lease the Reserve in Tyne Street for one month be declined

A letter was read from Mr Alexander Wallis Provincial Under Secretary giving the Council permission to make a cut for the Oamaru Creek thro the Public Garden Reserve

Resolved that Messrs Miller and Smillie application to place a wooden Hut on Section 5 Block 6 be not granted, being contrary to the Bye-laws

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Mainland

That the letter from the District engineer Mr Lowe re Railway crossing be referred to the Surveyor & P.W. Commee to report carried

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A letter was read from Mr Low granting permission to lay the main from the Gas works site under the Railway line on condition that 24 hours notice be given to the Inspector of Permanent Way before the work is begun, the work to be carried out under his superintendence

Propsd by Cr Mainland

Second by Cr Scott

That the Surveyor & Public Works Commee inspect the proposed road to the Quarry Reserve in Block 4 Oamaru District and to report thereon carried

Resolved that Mr John Morrison have permission to transfer the lease of Municipal Section 9 Blck 14 to Mr James Grave provided all arrears of rent is paid up.

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Grave

That Thomas Flaherty's tender of L 513.12 for contract 88 work in Tees Street & footpaths in Reid Street be accepted and should he not accept, then Stephen Bradbury's tender of L 515 to be accepted

carried

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Mainland

That Thomas Flaherty's tender of L 211. For contract 89 Earthworks & culvert in Itchen Street be accepted and shd he fail to take it up, then Stephen Bradbury's tender of L 216.3 to be accepted

carried

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Falconer

That Mr John Johnston's tender of L 1051.14 for contract 90 for making

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Cut for creek and forming Chelmer Street be accepted. Failing his taking it up then Bas. Battersby tender of L 1077.6. be accepted

carried

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Grave

That the 1st paragraph of the Public Works Commee report be adopted, the Surveyor to prepare plans and specifications

carried

Propsd by Cr Scott

Second by Cr Morton

That the 2nd paragraph of the Public woks committee report be adopted, the Inspector of Nuisances to take the necessary action in the matter

carried

Resolved that paragraph 3. 4. 5 of the Public Works' Commee report be adopted

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Scott That pgph No 6 of the Public Works Commee report be adopted. the Surveyor to make a plan on a larger scale 100 copies to be printed

carried

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Mainland

That the Sections in the Reserve in Thames St be sold by auction and that the upset price of the 2 corner sections be 35/ per foot and for intervening Sections 30. Per foot. The Solicitor to prepare draft of Lease, terms to be similar to the other Municipal Leases. The following clause to be inserted in Lease "that no other buildings than stone, brick or concrete to be erected thereon"

Carried

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Propsd by Cr Mainland

Second by Cr Scott

That pgph No 7 of the P. W. Commee report be adopted – The Inspector of Nuisances to report thereon at next meeting. carried

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Scott

That the Gas works Commee report be adopted carried

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Scott

That a Committee consisting of “The Mayor Cr. Falconer, Sinclair & the mover confer with the deputation who waited on the Council re the erection of Baths carried

Propsd by Cr mainland

Second by Cr Grave

That the office & works Inp with plant be insured in the New Zealand Insurance office for L 350. /erected on Gas works site/ carried

Resolved that L300 be placed to the credit of the Trustees of the Municipal sinking fund

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Grave

That Tenders be called for the work in Eden Street. Carried

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Propsd by Cr Scott

Second by Cr Grave

That the matter of Leasing the Town Hall site be referred to the Reserves Commee to report
Carried

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Sinclair

That the Meeting resolution passed at meeting on the 29th November re Widening Bridge on West side be rescinded

It was ruled by HW. The Mayor that Cr Grave was out of order in bringing forward his motion in consequence of the Resolution passed at the last Meeting – Cr Grave protested against the ruling of HW. in the matter and demanded to have his protest rescinded in the minutes

Correct Minutes
George Sumpter
Mayor

Notices of Motion

By Cr Sinclair

- 1 That the Bye-law Commee take into consideration the necessity of making rules regulating the distance of Steam Boilers from the Street and the height of Chimneys for the same

By Cr Headland

- 2 That the Resolution passed at Meeting held 29 November 1875 re Widening Bridge in Thames St on West side be rescinded

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Minutes Council Meeting held Jany 6th 1876

Present HW. The Mayor

Cr Headland, Morton, Sinclair, Mainland Falconer, Galbraith, Scott

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Mainland

That Mr Bas Battersby offer of metal be not entertained carried

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Scott

That Mr Hayton have permission to allow his House to remain on the Reserve for one month only

Carried

Resolved that Mr Robert McLennett have permission to make temporary crossing to Section 12 Block 7 work to be done under supervision of the Town Surveyor

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Galbraith

That Messrs Davis Mudie & Co tender of L363. For Contract 91 Earthwork & gravel in Eden Street be accepted carried

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Headland

That the Public Works Commee report be adopted carried

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Propsd by Cr Scott

Second by Cr Galbraith

That the Town Clerk write to the Vestry & church wardens of St Lukes Church calling their attention to the dangerous state of the embankment on the south side of Itchen Street and request them to have the embankment sloped off carried

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Headland

That the report from the Inspector of Nuisances re Reserves be referred to the Reserves Committee with power to see that the terms of the lease are given effect to carried

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Falconer

That the Surveyor's report be received – Tenders to be called for formation of Humber Street 30 feet wide from the building line to be in by next ordinary meeting carried

Propsd by Cr Mainland

Second by Cr Falconer

That the roadway between railway crossing and the Bridge in Severn Street be raised 2ft 6 inches
Carried

Resolved that the draft lease of Sections in Reserve in Thames St /Block 95/ submitted by the Solicitor be approved of with the additions made the Solicitors to be requested to have 50 copies of the same printed also to lift the Crown Grants which are now in Dunedin, also to send plan of the Subdivision for deposit in the deeds office carried

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Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Morton

In consequence of the prevalence of Scarlet fever in several of the towns of the Province, this Council consider it desirable that some steps should be at once taken to provide a fever ward for the Town – and that the Hospital Authorities be requested to favourably consider the advisability of at once erecting a suitable building on their ground, with the view of being in a position to at once isolate any case that may arise in its earliest stage, and when there is least danger of infection; and that a deputation from this Council wait upon the Hospital Committee as early as possible – said deputation to consist of the Mayor Cr Falconer Galbraith, Sinclair and the mover – the clerk to send a copy of this resolution to the Secretary of the Hospital Commee and ask him to call a meeting for 5 pm Friday if possible carried

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Correct Minutes

George Sumpter

Mayor

Notice of Motion By Cr Falconer

That Coquet Street be kerbed & Channelled and metalled 21 feet wide in the centre

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Jany 20th 1876

Present HW. the Mayor

Cr Scott, Mainland, Sinclair, Headland, Falconer Galbraith, Grave

Resolved that the minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that the following Municipal Leases be sold by auction

Section 1 Block 64 applied for by Margaret Glusis? Upset price L 2.8 pr. ann:

"	22	"	77	"	John Halloran	"	L 2.8	"
"	1	"	75	"	Adam Baill nd	"	L 2.8	"

Resolved that George Moorcroft have permission to mortgage Section 1 Block 86

Resolved that permission be given to Mr Hector Munro to transfer the Lease of Municipal Section 8 Block 68 to Mr William Hayton

Resolved that HW. The Mayor be requested to write to the General Government asking them to temporarily set aside as a right of way the ground (65 links wide / situated between the Post Office Reserve and the land recently vested in the corporation with a view of bringing in a Bill at the next Session of the General Assembly to set aside the land in question as a permanent right of way

Resolved that the clerk write to Messers Brogorn? Bros drawing their attention to the complaints embodied in the Inspector of Nuisances report

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Mainland

That the Surveyor be instructed to prepare plans & specification for

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widening of the Bridge on the West side, on the East Side and on both sides in the same style and material as the present structure: and that as soon as they are prepared, tenders to be called for the same
carried

prospd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Scott

That the Secretary of the Deputn re Public Baths be informed that while the Council would be glad to see their construction in Oamaru, they do not consider that such works can be undertaken for the Corporation and beg to inform the gentlemen forming the Deputation that the Council cannot entertain the matter
carried

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Falconer

That James Rusbatch tender of L 50.6.9. for Contract 92 be accepted carried

Propsd by Cr Mainland

Second by Cr Falconer

That the 1st pgph of the Finance Commee report be postponed carried

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Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Scott

That the 1st pgph of the Gas works Committee report be adopted carried

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Galbraith

That the 2nd pgph of the Gas works Commee report be adopted carried

Propsd by Cr Scott

Second by Cr Galbraith

That the 3rd pgph of the Gas works Commee report be adopted carried

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Galbraith

That the 4th pgph of the Gas works Comee report be adopted carried

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Scott

That the salary of the Assistant Clerk be at the rate of L150 pr ann: Office hours daily from 9 am to 5 pm applications for the same to be in by next ordinary meeting carried

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Scott

That the 5th pgph of the Report be adopted carried

Resolved that the opinion of the corporation Solicitor be obtained as to our purses? Under the Public Health Act and generally our position with reference to dealing with cases of Scarlet fever that now exist, and other

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Infections and contagious diseases, and what steps will be necessary for the Council to take, to have a Board of Health constituted in obtaining which opinion a special meeting be called

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Grave

That the amount re freight of safe from Melbourne stand over for the present carried

Resolved that the other accounts as read be passed for payment

Correct Minutes

George Sumpter

Mayor

Special Meeting held Jany 20th 1876

Present HW. the Mayor Crs Scott, Mainland, Sinclair, Headland Falconer, Galbraith, Grave

Re fixing amount of rate for the Ensuing year

Propsd by Cr Mainland

Second by Cr Galbraith

That the assessment for the year 1876-7 be at the rate of one shilling & sixpence in the pound / /
inclusive of the amount to pay on Debentures carried

Correct Minutes

George Sumpter

Mayor

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Feb 3rd 1876.

Present HW. the Mayor

Cr Headland, Mainland, Sinclair, Scott, Galbraith, Morton, Falconer

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

A Deputation & Memorial from 38 Residents in High Ward re construction of an underground sewer
or drain having been introduced by Cr. Scott it was

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Headland

That the petition be received and that the deputation be informed that the Council trust that they
will soon be in a position to favourably consider their request carried

Propsd. by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Scott

That Mr C. Galbraith application to build etc on Municipal Section Block be granted under
the supervision of the town surveyor carried

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Morton That permission be given to Mr Gibbs to make a temporary right of way to his section in Humber St /under supervision of the Town surveyor carried

Resolved that Captn Sewell have permission given him to open up the footpath in Tyne St for the purpose of putting down a drain from

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Section 7 block 3 to the Main drains

Resolved that Mr Kite have permission to lay down a box drain across right of way in Section 1 block 5 and to put down wooden kerb in front of his workshop and to cross the footpath with empty buggies

Resolved that the consideration of the letter from the solicitor re "Public Health Act" be postponed and that HW. the Mayor report to the central Board of Health to cases of scarlet fever in the town accompanied by a letter from the medical men attending the cases.

Resolved that Mr hesketh the immigration officer be informed that the matter contained in his letter has the attention of the Council

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Galbraith

That Mr Hugo Lippert's application be granted, providing the specifications are submitted and approved by the Town Surveyor carried

Resolved that the Lease of the following Municipal Sections be sold by acution

Section 8 Block 65 applied for by Mr John Connelly

" 9 " 76 " Mr Mathew Berin

Upset price L 2.8 pr ann.

Resolved that the letter from the solicitor re Thames Street Reserve stand over until next meeting.

Resolved that Mr Thomas Flaherty have permission to use blasting powder in carrying out the Tees Street cutting provided every precaution is used & on his own responsibility

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Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Falconer

That Messrs Hislop & Creagh letter re Severn Street Tramway lie on the table until next meeting of Council when a report from the Tramway Commee will be submitted carried

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Headland

That Messrs Barclay & Kay's tender of L 1927 for widening Thames Street Bridge to the full width of the Street be accepted subject to the Harbor Board subsidising the amount expended to the extent of L 750 - a copy of the resolution to be sent to the Harbor Board carried

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Scott

That if the contractor for widening Thames St Bridge will make a fair and reasonable reduction /taking the difference in cost of Cave Valley stone as shown by the various Tenders for the Bridge, as a guide/ for being permitted to use the best Cave Valley stone in line of Corporation Quarry stone they should be permitted to do so subject to the approval of the Surveyor and the Public works Committee – all the stone to be approved of by the Surveyor and he to have power to reject any stone he may deem unfit for the work carried

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Scott

That Mr John Henderson be appointed assistant Clerk at the rate of L 150 pr. ann (in terms of advertisement/ carried

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Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Scott

That the accounts as read be passed for payment carried

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Headland

That the 1st paragraph of the P. W. Commee report be adopted carried

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Headland

That the 2nd paragraph of the P. W. Commee report be adopted carried

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Mainland

That the 3rd paragraph of the P. W. Commee report be adopted carried

Resolved that the lamps on the Bridge be always lighted at night time.

Correct Minutes

George Sumpter

Mayor

Notice of Motion

By Cr Sinclair

That the question of per centage charged on contracts be referred to the Public Works Commee to report

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Minutes of Council Meeting held February 17th 1876

Present HW. the Mayor

Crs Mainland, Headland, Sinclair, Grave, Galbraith, Scott

Resolved that the minutes as read be confirmed

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Sinclair

That the action taken by the Mayor with reference to the signing of the contract for the widening the Thames St. Bridge is approved by the Council carried

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Sinclair

That Messrs Martin & Lawson be thanked for their very well executed & kind present carried

A Deputation from the Oamaru Hospital Commee re Fever Ward were then introduced

The standing orders having been suspended, it was

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Galbraith

That the Council will contribute the sum of L300 towards the erection of a fever ward, at a safe distance from the present Hospital, but in the Hospital grounds, the said building to be under the sole control and at the sole expense of the Hospital authorities; the plans of the building to be submitted to the Council for their approval, and tenders for the work to be accepted within two months from the present date carried

Resolved that the letter from Messrs Seivwright & Stout on behalf of Messrs Thomson & Co. be referred to the Solicitor for his opinion thereon.

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Sinclair

That the executive be written to regarding the vote of L500 for widening the Thames St Bridge, and be informed that the Council having implicitly trusted to receive the amount from the Executive, has accepted a tender for the work, and would be placed in an exceedingly improper position were the grant withheld; and therefore respectfully request that the Executor will be pleased to give effect to the vote passed at last Session of the Provincial Council. Further that the Members for the Town and district be requested to use all the means in their power to obtain the said grant. Carried

A letter from Mr C. T. Batkin the paymaster-general enclosing a cheque for L168.16.4 as part payment of the amount granted to the Municipality for the year 1875-76 the balance L168.16.4 to be remitted on the 1st March next

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Scott

That Mr Robert Hurat have permission to make a temporary crossing to his premises from Reid Street. The same to be either metalled or shingled, work to be done under supervision of the Town Surveyor

carried

Resolved that the letter from Mr. Church on behalf of Mr John Hood re roadway to Sections in Block 60 be referred to the Public works Commee to report

Resolved that the upset price of the Lease of Section 21 Block XI be fixed at L8 pr. ann.

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Resolved that the following Municipal Leases be sold by auction

Section 21 Block XI upset price L8 pr. ann &

“ 6 “ 53 applied for by Mr George Smith

“ 4 “ 89 “ by John Connelly

“ 23 “ 72 “ by Jas. Wilson

upset price L2.8. pr. ann.

Resolved that Mr Ritchie Young have permission to sub let half of Municipal Section 21 Block 79 to Mr Henry Benson

Resolved that Messrs Mudie & Co be written to & enquire whether it is their intention to take up Contract 91 work in Eden Street

Resolved that Messrs J. & S. Richmond have permission to make a temporary crossing to their premises from Weir Street, the same to be either metalled or pitched, the work to be done under supervision of the Town Surveyor

Resolved that Mr Mirams be informed that the Council accept the surrender of the Lease of Municipal Section 5 Block 74 from the Trustees in the assigned estate of Mr S. Wates

The Clerk read the Balance Sheet for the year ending December 31st 1875 it was

Prospd by Cr Scott

Second by Cr Sinclair

That the Balance Sheet received and adopted and printed in the Provincial Govt. Gazette

carried

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Scott

That the Public Works Commee report be adopted

carried

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Resolved that the matter of the Lease of the Corporation Quarry in Block 4 Oamaru District be referred to the Corporation Solicitor for his opinion on the following matters – as to who, if any one, is in legal possessions as Corporation tenant and as to removal of buildings from the said Section.

Resolved that paragraphs 1. 2. 3 of the Gas works Commee report be adopted

Resolved that the question of fixing the price of Gas be deferred to enable Mr Curtis to be present at the discussion

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Scott

That Mr McLeod be asked to survey the boundaries of Itchen & Wharf Streets by the Church property and to inform the Council how much, if any, earth remains to be removed from the Street lines
carried

Resolved that the report from the Tramway Committee be received and that it be considered at the next meeting of the Council.

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment.

Propsd by Cr Sinclair

Second by Cr Headland

That the question of per centage charged on contracts be referred to the Public Works Committee for their report
carried

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Resolved that tenders be called for the supply of Kerosene for the lamps [] of the limits of the Gas Mains

Correct Minutes

EWR TC

J A Scott

Chairman

Gas Plant acct

Fulton Foundry Co. Limited

Accepted @ 3 Nov due 24th March 1876 L156.1.0

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Minutes of Council Meeting held March 6th 1876

Present Cr Scott /chr./

Crs Falconer, Sinclair, Mainland, Galbraith, Headland, Grave

Resolved that the Lease of Municipal Section 5 Blk 74 applied for by Messrs Ham & Sullivan be sold by auction, upset price L4 pr. ann:

Resolved that Mr Thomas Burling have permission to mortgage Section 25 block 13 to the Oamaru Mutual Benefit building society

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Galbraith

That Mr Lows letter be referred to the Public Works Commee to report carried

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Sinclair

That a Deputation consisting of Cr Grave, Mainland, Headland and the mover wait upon the Church wardens of St Lukes Church to explain the matter re removal of Earth work in Itchen & Wharf Streets – the Commee to have power to act – mover convenor carried

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Falconer

That the harbor Board be informed that the formation of footpath in the East side of Tyne Street will be taken in hand as soon as possible carried

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Grave

That the Clerk be requested to acknowledge the receipt of Messrs Ban & [] letter carried

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Resolved that the statement from the Trustees of the Municipal Sinking Fund be received

Resolved that Messrs Julius & Batemans letter re Chelmer Street be referred to the Public works Commee to report

Resolved that the 1st paragraph of the Gas works Commee report be adopted and pgh 2 of the report re Consulting Engineer be referred back to the Gas works Commee to report

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Grave prop forma

That the 1st paragraph of the P. W. Commee report be adopted and that an Inspector be appointed immediately carried

Resolved that the P. W. Commee be authorized to ask Mr John Thompson to accept the appointment of Inspector of Works for a period of two months, at a salary of L4 per week. Failing his acceptance of the appointment , then the Public Works Commee to have power to appoint a Gentleman to the position.

Resolved that the surveyor furnish the Council with the probable cost of forming the footpath in Thames Street on the west side from Severn St to the Bridge.

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Headland

That the 3rd paragraph of the P. W. Commee report be referred to the Surveyor to report upon at next meeting

carried

Propd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Headland

That the accounts as read be passed for payment

carried

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Resolved that the price of Gas per 1000 cubic feet be 20/ for all accounts paid before the 14th day of each month and 22/6 if not paid by that date and for Cooking Gas engines 15/- per 1000 cubic if paid by the 14th of each month, and 17/6 if paid after that date.

Resolved that the Town Lamps be lighted as usual

Resolved that a special meeting of the Council be held on Thursday night to consider the application for the office of Engineer to the Council

Resolved the price of Kerbing in Wansbeck Street be 4/2 per foot.

Resolved that the Tramway report be considered at a future date

Correct Minutes

George Sumpter

Mayor

Special Meeting held 9th March 1876

Present HW. the Mayor

Crs Scott, Mainland, Headland, Sinclair, Falconer, Galbraith

To open & consider testaments etc. re appointment of Engineer

Resolved that the engineers Salary be L1000 per ann. One years engagement guaranteed, after the expiration of the 1st year engagement to be terminable by one months notice on either side – Engineer to find his own instruments

Resolved that this meeting be adjourned until next Monday 13th March

George Sumpter

Mayor

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Minutes of council Meeting held March 16th 1876

Present HW. the Mayor

Crs Mainland, Morton, Scott, Sinclair, Falconer Headland, Galbraith

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that Messrs Lee & Moore letter re water Tanks be referred to the Surveyor

Resolved that the consideration of Leasing Section 27 Block 25 / applied for by Mr J.J. Ham / be referred to the Reserves Commee to report

Resolved that the following Municipal Leases be sold by auction viz

Section 11 Block 50 applied for by Mary Ford

“ 21 “ 86 “ G. Maguire upset price L 2.8 pr. ann each and that Mr J. K. Anderson have permission to transfer his interest in Section 8 Block 26 to Mr J. T. Evans

Resolved that permission be given to Mr James Russell to transfer the Lease of Section 10 Block 55 to his wife Margaret Russell, provided that all arrears of rent are paid up, and the deed of transfer approved of by the Corporation Solicitor.

Resolved that Mr R. Keenans letter be referred to the Inspector of Nuisances to report

Resolved that the petition sent to the Council by Mr Miraims from the Good Templar Lodge ratepayers & citizens etc re sale of alcoholic liquors in the Boarding houses be received

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr. Galbraith

That the Mayor Crs Sinclair, Mainland

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And the mover be appointed a Committee to consider the matter and to report to the Council at their next meeting carried

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Galbraith

That the P. Works Committee report re Creek cutting be adopted carried

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Morton

That Mr Johnston's offer for extras on Contract 90 be accepted the price being L95- carried

Popsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Headland

That a Gas Engineer & Manager be appointed salary @ the rate of L300 per ann with use of a six roomed house at a nominal rent of L25 per ann: applications to be advertised for in the usual way

carried

Resolved that the Gas Commee have power to have plans & specifications prepared and to call for tenders for the erection of the house, to be in by next ord. meeting

Resolved that the 2nd paragraph of the Gas works Commee report be adopted

Resolved that the necessary steps be taken to give effect to the 3rd pgph of the gas works Commee report

Resolved that the Surveyors report be received

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Scott

That tenders be called for the formation of the footpath on the west side of

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Thames Street, from the Bridge to Severn Street. Tenders to be in by next ordinary meeting.

Carried

Resolved that the remainder of the Surveyors report be considered at next meeting

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Correct Minutes

EWB

George Sumpter

TC

Mayor

Adjourned Special Meeting held March 16th 1876.

This meeting was adjourned from the 13th Inst to the 16th March.

Re appointment of Engineer

Present HW. The Mayor

Crs. Mainland, Morton, Scott, Sinclair, Falconer, Headland, Galbraith

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Mainland

That Mr Donald A. McLeod be appointed Engineer in terms of advertisement and the Resolutions

Carried

For the resolution

against

Cr_Galbraith

The Mayor

" Mainland

Cr Headland

" Falconer

" Sinclair

" Morton

" Scott

Correct Minutes

George Sumpter

Mayor

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Special Meeting held 24th March 1876

Present HW. The Mayor

Cr Mainland, Sinclair, Falconer, Headland, Morton, Grave

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Headland

That the Council cannot accede to the request made by Mr Lemon to erect a wooden building on the Harbor Bd property within the distance prescribed by the bye-laws but will offer no objection to the 19 feet that comes within the 60 feet being built of iron carried

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Sinclair

That Crs Headland & Morton wait upon Messrs Thomson & Co. refce complaint contained in Messrs Sievewright & Stout's letter of the 16th March and endeavour to arrange to remedy the evils therein complained of, and if possible to try to avoid any payment for compensation carried

Resolved that the Surveyor have power to give effect to the carrying out of the work that may be agreed upon with Thomson & Co. – viz alteration of culvert & making additions to dam /concrete/ cost to be about L 50

Correct minutes

George Sumpter

Mayor

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Minutes of Council Meeting held March 30th

Present HW. the Mayor

Cr Falconer, Mainland, Sinclair, Headland, Grave, Morton

Resolved that the minutes as read be confirmed

The Tenders for Earthwork & gravelling in Thames Street Cent. 94

Having been opened, it was

Propsd by Cr Sinclair

Second by Cr Falconer

That James Blair & Co. Tender of L360 be accepted, failing their taking it up then David Heine's tender be accepted carried

Resolved that permission be given to Mr Charles Morton to transfer the lease of Section 18 Block 26 to Messrs Watson & McIntosh

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Sinclair

That the gravel [gormement] be requested through Mr Lowe, to consider the absolute necessity of taking immediate steps to prevent accidents at the railway crossings in Thames & Severn Streets, as already there have been some narrow escapes from serious accidents carried

Propsd by Cr Mainland

Second by Cr Headland

That the clerk be requested to write to Mr Low calling his attention to the necessity of pitching between the rails at the Thames & Severn Street crossings. Carried

Propsd by Cr Mainland

Second by Cr Morton

That Messrs Hislop & Creagh be informed that the works in Tees Street, now being

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carried out are in accordance with the levels adopted by the Council carried

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Falconer

That Mr Coutes be appointed Gas Engineer & Manager salary at the rate of L300 per annum in terms of the advertisement Eng agreement to be terminable by 3 months notice on either side carried

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Sinclair

That the Tramway Commee report of Feb 14th be adopted so far as it legally can be and subject to alterations if found necessary carried

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Sinclair

That the letter from the Solicitor to Tramways be referred to the Tramway Commee to report upon, the Committee to furnish the Council, with an exhaustive report on the subject carried

Resolved that the Inspector of Nuisances report be received & that Messrs Jack & Co be requested to abate the nuisance by adding additional piping to their foundry chimney

Resolved that Crs Headland, Morton & the P.W. Commee make the necessary arrangements with Messrs Thomson & co. with power to carry out the work

Resolved that the report from the Commee appointed to consider & report on the Petition re sly grog selling be agreed to.

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Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Props by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Grave

That Coquet Street be kerbed & Channelled & metalled 21 feet wide not carried

Propsd by Cr Mainland

Second by Cr Falconer

That the Surveyors report giving probable cost of kerbing & forming the footpath in tyne Street be received, the footpath to be 9 feet wide as recommended in the report and that tenders be called for the same to be in by next ordinary meeting carried

Resolved that the plans & specifications of the fever ward submitted by the Hospital Commee and it be suggested to the Commee that instead of red Pine skirting cement be used

Resolved that the P. W. Commee have power to make the necessary alterations in the Council chambers for the accommodation of the Engineer.

Correct Minutes

George Sumpter

EWR TC

Mayor

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Minutes of Council Meeting held April 13th 1876

Present HW. The Mayor

Crs Scott, Mainland, Sinclair, Falconer, Headland, Morton Galbraith

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Mainland

That Mr Peet's application be granted, the work to be done under supervision of the Town Surveyor

Carried

Resolved that Mr Patrick Ford have permission to transfer the Lease of Municipal Section 8 Block 12 to Mr John McLeod & that Mr McLeod have permission to mortgage the Section to the Oamaru Mutual Benefit Building Society

Resolved that Mr Keenan be informed that the Council cannot accede to his request viz to erect a wooden building on his premises in Coquet Street but will offer no objection if built of Iron

Resolved that permission be given to Mr H. de Latour to make a crossing from his premises to Ribble Street th same to be either pitched or metalled, to be done under the supervision of the Town Surveyor

Resolved that Mr Kearns have permission given him to erect a wooden building on Section 4 Block 21 provided that it is not erected within the prescribed limit viz 60 feet from the front of the Section

Resolved that Mr Clayton have permission to open up the footpath in Thames Street opposite the Empire Hotel for the purpose of laying a gas pipe to Mr Hudson's Lamp – to be done under super

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vision of the Town Surveyor

Propsd by Cr Mainland

Second by Cr Headland

That the letter from Messrs Steward & Hay be referred to the Surveyor for him to report whether the work in Tees Street is being carried out according to the Levels adopted by the Council carried

The Tenders having been opened for Contract 95 "Cut for Oamaru Creek" it was

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Galbraith

That Mr Johnstons tender of L70.10 be accepted carried

The Tenders having been opened for Contract 96 "Forming, kerbing, channelling & Gravelling footpath in Tyne Street" it was

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Morton

That Mr Hastings tender of L71 be accepted and failing his taking it up then Mr Bas. Battersby tender of L154 be accepted carried

The Tenders having been opened for Contract 97 "Alterations to the Council Chambers" it was

Propsd by Cr Scott

Second by Cr Falconer

That Mr Robert West's tender of L110 be accepted carried

The Tenders having been opened for Contract 98 "Erection of Cottage at the Gas Works" it was

Propsd by Cr Sinclair

Second by Cr Galbraith

That none of the tenders be accepted as the Surveyor had exceeded his instructions in making the building too costly and that fresh tenders in consequence

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be called & fresh plans & specifications drawn up tenders to be in by 11 o'clock on Saturday week
carried

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Sinclair

That the 1st pgph of the Public Works Commee report be adopted & that the Reserves referred to, be let for a period not exceeding 5 years with power for the Council to resume possession at any time by giving 6 months notice – no valuation to be paid for improvements but the Lessees to have power to remove buildings erected thereon – the Solicitor to be requested to draw up a draft agreement that will meet the case carried

Resolved that the 2nd pgph of the Public Works Commee report be adopted and that the Surveyors attention be drawn to the dangerous way the footpath in Arun Street has been left, between Greta & Hull Sts.

Resolved that the 3^d pgph of the Public Works Commee report be adopted

Resolved that the 4th pgph of the Public Works Committee report be adopted and the Town surveyor be requested to mark off the new Street between Lune & Severn Streets

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Sinclair

That the report from the Commee re “Sly grog selling” be adopted & that the clerk be requested to use his best efforts to have effect given to the same carried

Resolved that the Provl Government be again written to re L500 voted towards widening bridge in Thames Street.

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Resolved that Mr Kidd the Corp gardener be requested to apply to the Provl Government for seeds trees plants etc. for the Public Reserves

Resolved that a meeting be held on Tuesday next @ 7.15 o'clock to confer with Mr McLeod.

Correct Minutes

C. Galbraith Chairman

Special Meeting held 15th April

Present HW the Mayor

Crs. Mainland, Headland, Falconer, Morton & Sinclair

A letter was read from Mr Clarke tendering his resignation as Town surveyor – the consideration of which was postponed

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Sinclair

That HW the Mayor Crs Mainland Headland wait upon the Corporation Solicitor with reference to the appointment of Town Surveyor carried

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Falconer

That the Public Works Commee confer with Mr McLeod in reference to the construction of Thames Street Bridge and with power to act in reference to the same carried

Correct Minutes

C. Galbraith Chairman

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Minutes of Council Meeting held 22nd April 1876

Present Cr Headland /chr./

Cr. Mainland, Grave, Morton, Sinclair

Meeting called to open tenders for the erection of Cottage etc. at the gas works for use of Engineer

Contract No 98

The Tenders having been opened it was Resolved that Mr Walter Morton's tender of L400 be accepted

Correct Minutes

C. Galbraith Chairman

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Minutes of Council Meeting held 27th April 1876

Present Cr Galbraith /chr/ Falconer, Sinclair, Scott, Headland, Grave

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that Mr Harvey Boxall have permission to transfer Municipal Section 4 Block 78 to Mr Wm. McClune also Mr Churchs have permission to transfer Section 31 Block 25 to Mr F. H. Townsend

Resolved that Mr Joseph Miller have permission to mortgage Municipal Section 20 Block 51 to the Oamaru Mutual Benefit Building Society

A letter was read from Mr Robert Hastings declining to take up Cont: 96 kerbing in Tyne Street at his tender

Resolved that Mr Galbraith have permission to lay down a pipe from his premises to Humber Street to be used for clean water only, to be done under the supervision of the Town Surveyor.

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Sinclair

That the Evening Mail receive a fair share of the Corporation advertisements carried

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Scott

That the clerk forward an extract from the letter of Mr Alexander Willis under Post Secretary to the Harbor Board, and ask that body if they will agree to set aside a site for the powder magazine to be under the control of either the Harbor Board or the Corporation carried

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Sinclair

That the request from the Church wardens of St Lukes Church be acceded to and that the Surveyor be requested to furnish the Vestry with the necessary information to enable them to call for tenders

Carried

Propsd by Cr Scott

Second by Cr Falconer

That the Estimate of the Probable Income & Expenditure for the ensuing year as read be adopted & forwarded to the Provincial Government Gazette for publication

Resolved that the Dft of Lease of Market Reserve & Slaughterhouse Reserve submitted by the solicitor be approved of.

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Headland

That the Draft of agreement between the corporation & the newly appointed Engineer be approved of. Carried

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Sinclair

That a Select Committee consisting of Cr Mainland, Falconer, Headland, and the mover be appointed to confer with Mr McLeod re works in progress /Cr Grave[]/ carried

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Falconer

That fresh tenders be called for the Kerbing & Channelling in Tyne Street, tenders to be in by next ordinary meeting carried

Correct Minutes

George Sumpter Mayor

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Minutes of Council Meeting held 11th May 1876

Present HW The Mayor

Crs Sinclair, Headland, Galbraith, Mainland, Morton & Grave

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

A letter was read from the Corporation giving an opinion re Town Surveyors resignation

Propsd. by Cr Sinclair

Second by Cr Galbraith

That Mr J. H. Every have permission to remove soil from Ure St to Section 6 Blk 41 under Supervision of the Town Surveyor & provided that the Earth in the opinion of the Surveyor be not required for Municipal purposes carried

Resolved that HW. The Mayor write to to His Honor The Superintendent & thank him for the seeds sent & to state that the Corporations gardener will with permission assist in taking up the Trees & plants

Resolved that Mr Kidd proceed to Dunedin for that purpose

A letter was read from the Colonial Secretary informing the Council that His Excellency the Governor had reserved a piece of land next the Post Office as a right of way as requested by letter dated 28th Jany.

Resolved that the commission on the sale of Leases in Block 95 be 2/1/2 per cent if the proceeds of the first years rental be more than L250 if under that amount 5 per cent. And that the sale of the Leases be held on the 17th June next. The same to be advertised in the Local Papers

Resolved that Mr Maude be appointed auctioneer

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Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Grave

That Mr Hugh McLean's letter be referred to the Public Works Commee to report carried

Resolved that the Inspector of Nuisances be instructed to report on Ellen O'Leary's letter re Sent –

Resolved that Mr F. Spencers letter be referred to the Public Works Commee

Resolved that Section 19 Block 85 &

Section 2 “ 77 be sold by

Auction upset price L2.8 pr. ann:

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Morton

That Mr J. B. Clement letter re division of Creek be acknowledged & that he be informed that it cannot be considered in its present discourteous form carried

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Sinclair

That Mr church's letter on behalf of Mr J. Patterson re Drain in Wansbeck St be referred to Mr McLeod to report upon carried

Propsd by Cr Sinclair

Second by Cr Galbraith

That the consideration of Mr Graves application to erect an Iron building in Thames St be deferred to next meeting of the Council carried

Resolved that permission be granted to Joseph Daley to transfer the Lease of Municipal Section 9 Block 76 provided all rates & rents are paid up to date

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The Tenders for Contract No 96 Kerbing, Channelling etc in Tyne Street having been opened it was

Propsd by Cr. Headland

Second by Cr Sinclair

That Mr Robert Hasting's tender of L168.15 for Contract No 96 be accepted carried

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Sinclair

That Mr Clarke's resignation of the office of Town Surveyor be accepted carried

Resolved in accordance with the opinion of the Corporation Solicitors that the appointment of Mr McLeod as Town Surveyor be confirmed

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Galbraith

That Mr Clarke be appointed assistant to Mr McLeod at the same salary as at present – appointment to terminate with a months notice on either side carried

Propsd by Cr Sinclair

Second by Cr Mainland

That the report of the Select Committee be adopted carried

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Sinclair

That Crs Headland, Mainland, Galbraith & the mover be appointed a select Commee to consider the advisability of adopting the whole or any portion of the Public Health Act – (Cr Galbraith convenor)

Carried

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Galbraith

That the Clerk be requested

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To write to the Dunedin & Oamaru foundaries to ask for prices & designs of the Street Lamp Posts with [twisthead] Lanterns carried

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Resolved that Mr McLeod's recommendation re 12 ½ per cent retentions money in existing Contracts be agreed to, but as soon as these are finished, to be raised to the funds acct viz 25 pr. ct.

Correct Minutes

EWB

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George Sumpter

Mayor

Notice of Motion

By Cr Sinclair

That Dee Street be formed to its full width from Reed Street to Thames Street

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Minutes of Council Meeting held 25th May 1876

Present HW The Mayor

Crs Falconer, Sinclair, Galbraith

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

A letter was read from the corporation Solicitor giving it as his opinion that Mr Grave had committed as a breach of the Building Regulations in erecting an Iron building in Thames Street without the consent of the Council

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Sinclair

That the Inspector of Nuisances be instructed to take proceedings against Mr Grave under the directions of the Corporations Solicitor re Breach of building regulations No 3. Carried

Resolved that permission be given to St Lukes Church Vestry to construct a drain across the footpath in Tees Street to carry off Storm water only.

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Sinclair

That Mr Michael McGrath's letter re approach to Section 7 Block 70 & Mr John McKay's letter re culvert be referred to the Surveyor to report carried

Resolved that Mr H. McLaren have permission to burn the thistles in the Street Line next to his property

Resolved that the Lease of Sections 6.7.8.9 Block 25 Market Reserve together with Section 27 Block 25 applied for by Mr church be sold by auction upset price L7 each section also Section 15 Block 94 be sold by auction & the Lease of the

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Slaughter House Sections be sold by auction upset price L4 per Section

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Sinclair

That the considerations of Mr Church's letter on behalf of Mr Hood be deferred until next meeting

Carried

Resolved that Section 15 Block 60 applied for by Mr C. Galbraith be sold by auction

Resolved that permission be given to Mr Robt Ross to mortgage Section 8 Block 26 also permission be given to Mr James King to mortgage Section 7 Block 73

Resolved that Messrs Lee & Moore have permission to make a tempy road from tyne Street across Reserve A to the Cape, subject to the Lessees consent being obtained

Resolved that Mr J. W. Draper have permission to make a temporary right of way to his premises in coquet Street provided that the same is metalled – The work to be done under the supervision of the Town surveyor

Resolved that the letter of Mr. J. B. Clements be referred to the P. W. Commee to report

Resolved that the various designs & tenders for Street Lamps and Lanterns be referred to the Gas Works Commee to report upon

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Sinclair

That the Gas works Commee report be adopted

carried

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Resolved that Mr McLeod's report lie on the table till next meeting & that the Public works commee be requested to give it their consideration & report at next meeting

Resolved that the Engineer be requested to get half a dozen grating covers made to

Resolved that the upset price of the Lease of Sections 13 & 14 pt. block 95 fonting Medway Street be fixed at 20/- per foot

The Convenor of the Public Health commission requested that further time be allowed the Commee to prepare a report

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Propsd by Cr Sinclair

Second by Cr Galbraith

That the surveyor be requested to report on the probable cost of forming Dee Street to its full width from Reed Street to Thames Street

carried

Correct Minutes

George sumpter Mayor

Notice of Motion

By Cr Sinclair

That Aln Street be widened north from Torridge Street

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Special Meeting of Council held June 2nd 1876

Present HW the Mayor

Crs Headland, Scott, Mainland, Sinclair, Falconer, Morton & Mr McLeod

Re Scheme for Water Supply submitted by Mr McLeod

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Headland

That Mr McLeod's plan be received and that a Special Meeting of the Council be called for Thursday 15th Inst to further consider it and that in the meantime the plan be open for public inspection in the surveyor's office, the same to be notified by advertisement and that Mr McLeod be authorized to proceed with the Locals so to have the necessary book of reference compiled showing & describing the different Sections with the names & Lessees names

carried

Correct Minutes

George Sumpter

Mayor

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Minutes of Council Meeting held June 8th 1876

Present HW the Mayor

Crs Falconer, Mainland, Morton, Grave, Headland

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that the Manager of the Queen's Variety Troup be informed that the Council while fully sympathizing with the object for which the performance is to be given cannot see their way to accede to the request.

Resolved that permission be given to Mr Js. Ogilvie to open the footpath opposite the Commercial Hotel for the purpose of taking Gas to the Lamp

Resolved that Mr Norman Lane have permission to erect boiler on his premises at the corner of Thames & Coquet Streets

Resolved that Mr Robt Vallance have permission to transfer the lease of Municipal Section 8Blk 30 to Mr William Shaw provided all arrears of rent are paid up.

Resolved that Mr W. J. filleul & Mr J. craig have permission to make right of ways to their properties under supervision of the town surveyor

Resolved that Mr James Little have permission to blast powder in Sinking well on section 10 Blk 26 also Mr F. King for the same purpose on Section 9 Blk 47 provided every precaution is used & done at their own risk

Resolved that Michael Sheehan have a nightman's licence granted him.

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Resolved that Mr McInnes application to lease section 10 block 81 cannot be entertained at present & that the Mayor be requested to ascertain from the Government their intention as to the Section

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Mainland

That Mr James Grave be called upon to remove the Iron building lately erected by him in Thames Street within a period of six months from date, and that upon his agreeing so to do, this Council; agree to let the matter lie in abeyance until then carried

Propsd by Cr Mainland

Second by Cr Morton

That Mr Johnston letter applying on behalf of Mr J. K. Brown to erect a verandah and to lay down Concrete in front of his premises in Thames Street lie on the table until next general meeting for the P. W. Commee to report upon carried

Resolved that Messrs Shrimski & Moss application to erect a building on section 7 Block 4 Thames St as per plans submitted by Mr Wharton be granted under the supervision of the Town Surveyor

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Morton

That the P. W. Commee report of June 2nd 1876 re Sewer for Wansbeck Street be adopted carried

Resolved that the Gas works Commee report of the 27th May re Lamps be adopted. the engineer's be requested to make provision in the plan to secure additional depth for the underground part of the Lamp post

Resolved that the Gas Works commee report of the 1st June

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be adopted

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Falconer

That the engineer's report of the 7th June be considered in Commee after the business of the Evening has been disposed of carried

Propsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Headland

That the engineer's report of the 8th June be adopted & that tenders be called for the various works therein mentioned carried

Propsd by Cr Mainland

Second by Cr Falconer

That the Insurance of the Council chambers & functions be increased to L 500 & that the Managers Cottage at the Gas works site be insured for L 350 immediately the work has been finished carried

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment.

Resolved that the 1st pgph of the Engineers report in reference to Mr Peyman stand in abeyance until next meeting

Resolved that the surveyor's report of works /June 7th/ be adopted & that he be informed to carry out the works therein mentioned

Resolved that Mr. Clarke be informed that his services will not be required after the expiry of one month from date

Resolved that the letter from Messrs Hislop & Creagh re Johnston's contract be handed to the surveyor & if he deem it necessary to consult the Solicitor

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Notice of Motion

By Cr Falconer

That coquet Street from thames to Humber St be formed Kerbed & channelled, the footpath to be gravelled & the centre to be metalled

By Cr Headland

That this Council take immediate steps to secure a plan of verandah with the object of securing uniformity in their erection

A J Headland

Chairman

Correct Minutes

Special Meeting held June 15 1876

Present HW The Mayor

Cr Scott, Morton, Headland, Mainland, Sinclair, Galbraith & Mr McLeod

re Water Scheme

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Scott

That this Council approves of the Scheme of Water Supply from the Waitaki submitted by the Engineer & that he be instructed to have the necessary plans as required by the Act prepared with the least possible delay and that all necessary provisions of the act be complied with carried

A J Headland

Chairman

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Minutes of Council Meeting held June 22nd 1876

Present Cr Headland /chr/

Cr Galbraith, Sinclair, Mainland

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

A letter was read from Mr James Grave consenting to remove within six months the Iron building erected by him in Thames Street

Resolved that the sum of L 300 voted for the building of the Fever Ward be paid to the Treasurer of the Oamaru Hospital

Resolved that Mr Alfred Gray have permission to transfer the Lease of Municipal Section 2 Block 901 to James Menear

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Mainland

That Mr George Brumlies letter re dangening state of Aln Street be referred to the Surveyor to report upon

Resolved that permission be given to Mr. W. C. Baudinet to make a right of way and to lay down a box drain - under supervision of the Town Surveyor

Resolved that the letter from Sub Inspector Mr Clarke be referred to the Public Works Commee with power to act.

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Resolved that Mr John Hardy have permission to erect a building in Section 5 Block 17 as per plans submitted under supervision of the Town Surveyor

Resolved that Mr John Lemon have permission to erect building - under supervision of the Town Surveyor

Resolved that Messrs Sidon & Clegg's application to extend workshop in Section 5 Block 21 be referred to the Inspector to report

The following ten [] were opened

Contract 100 - "Forming Steward Street"

Resolved that the Flahertys tender of L 391 be accepted

Contract 101 - "Forming Dee Street"

Resolved that Mr Flaherty's tender of L 61.7.8 be accepted

Contract 102 "Road in Glen Street"

Resolved that Mr McMenamins tender of L 23.12.9 be accepted

Resolved that Mr I. K. Brown have permission to erect a verandah in front of his premises in Thames Street as per plans submitted

Resolved that the P. W. Commee report of June 20 be considered at next meeting

Resolved that the Finance Commee report of June 22nd be considered at next Meeting

Resolved that the report from the Public Health Commee be considered at the next meeting

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Resolved that the Surveyor's report of June 22nd be adopted & that Tenders be called for the Bridge as per plan submitted

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Correct Minutes

George Sumpter

Mayor

Special Meeting held 30th June 1876

Present HW The Mayor

Cr Mainland, Morton, Galbraith & Grave

re nomination day for Mayoralty, Councillors & Auditors & Court of Revision

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Mainland

That the nomination of the Mayor for the year ending August 1st 1877 take place on Monday the 17th of July at 12 o'clock; and the nomination for Councillors & Auditors on Thursday the 27th July @ 12 o'clock
carried

Resolved that the Court for the revision of the Citizen's Roll be held on Wednesday 12th July @ 10 o'clock am.

Correct Minutes

George Sumpter

Mayor

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Minutes of Council Meeting held July 6th 1876

Present HW. the Mayor

Crs Scott, Falconer, Mainland, Morton, Galbraith

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that the Sections 22. 23 .24 Block 14 Slaughter house Reserve applied for by Mr J. church be sold by auction

Resolved that Mr Church's application on behalf of Mr. Thomson for permission to put a Bridle post opposite his butchers shop Tees Street be not granted but that he be informed that the Council will not object to his fixing a ring in the kerb stone.

Resolved that permission be given to Mr J. Johnston to transfer the lease of Section 2 block 6 to Mr J. Cogvin & to Mr Cogvin to mortgage the same also permission be given to Mr John Weller to transfer the Lease of Sections 9 & 19 Block 16 to Mr John Hackett –

Resolved that a temporary approach be made to the Mechanic's Institute work to be done by the daymen

Resolved that Messrs Sidon & Clegg have permission to extend their building with Iron as applied for

Resolved that Mr W. Rayner be informed that the Council are unable to accede to his request as there is no roadway leading from Thames St to Humber St by the Lagoon

Resolved that permission be given to Mr C. F. Goldammer to make a right of way from Humber Street to his premises the same to be either metalled or shingled

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Resolved that the Petition from certain residents in Exe Street be received & referred to the Engineer to report

Resolved that Mr Peyman be informed that Tees Street is being formed according to the levels adopted by the Council

Resolved that no further proceedings be taken against Mr John Lewis for damage done to the lamp on the Bridge

Resolved that Messrs fulton, Barrett & co tender to deliver at the Gas works 50 tons more or less of Grey river Coal @ 55/- per ton be accepted and that Tenders be called for 100 Tons of Grey River Coal to be delivered at the Gas works within two months from date.

The following tenders were then opened for "Contract 103" erection of bridge leading to Messrs Lees & Moore property

Resolved that Messrs Hamilton & Co tender of L 325 – be accepted

"Contract 104" Supply of 400 yards of Bluestone Metal

Resolved that Mr John Medcliffe's tender of L 100 be accepted.

Resolved that the work in Aln Street as recommended by the engineer be done by the daymen

Resolved that 30 Iron Lamp posts be ordered from Messrs Reid & Gray in accordance with the Engineers suggestion re fixing the same in Iron column

Resolved that a road scraper be ordered from Messrs Red & Gray at the price reserved L 11.5.0

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Resolved that the P. W. Commee report of June 20th be adopted and that tenders be called for asphaltting at per yard tar to be supplied by the corporation at a price to be fixed by the Gas Engineer. The same to be advertised in the local Papers & the Otago Daily Times

Resolved that pgph 1 re Verandahs be referred to the Bye-law Commee

Resolved that the Public Works Commee report of July 6th be adopted

Resolved that the P. W. Commee be empowered to take such steps as they may deem most advisable in reference to the nuisance complained of by Mr Clements

Propsd by Cr Mainland

Second by Cr Falconer

That the finance Commee report of June 22 re Gas Debentures be adopted & that Tenders be called for the same to be in by the 1st October next carried

Resolved that Mr McLeods request to be allowed to employ Mr Clarke for one month as draftsman be sanctioned

Resolved that the certificate of the completion of the east side of Thames Street Bridge be forwarded to the Harbor Board with a request for the payment of the subsidy L 750.

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Popsd by Cr Falconer

Second by Cr Galbraith

That Coquet Street be formed to its permanent level & metalled in the centre,

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The footpaths from Thames Street to Humber Street to be Kerbed & Channelled & gravelled –
Tenders to be called for the same to be in by next ordinary meeting carried

Correct Minutes

George Sumpter

EWR TC

Mayor

Notice of Motion

By Cr Scott

That another well be sunk in High ward.

Gas Plant. J. McLean & Bigg accepted & 4 [] due Oct.8th L 41.19.5

Special Meeting held July 13th 1876

Present HW The Mayor

Crs Morton, Galbraith, Headland

Business Revision of Citizens Roll, Fixing Polling booths etc.

Resolved that the list of Claimants as read be placed on the Supplementary Citizens Roll

Resolved that the following places be appointed Polling Booths

Jetty Ward. Office in Itchen St, lately accepded by Mr W. Aitken

Thames “ Mr Shalders store in Thames Street

Severn “ Oddfellows Hall in Coquet Street

High “ The Old Grammar School in Greta Street

Resolved that in ascendance with the Gas Engineers suggestion Tenders be called for 12 months supply of Grey river Coal to be delivered in the retort House in lots of about 100 tons at intervals of every 3 months tenders to be in by Wednesday 26 July to be advertised in the Daily Times & Local Papers

Correct Minutes

George Sumpter

Mayor

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Minutes of Council Meeting held July 20th 1876

Present HW the Mayor

Cr Mainland, Headland, Sinclair, & Grave

Resolved that the minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that Mr Henderson's request re furniture be acceded to

Resolved that permission be given to Mr W. Laramon to make a right of way to his premises from Eden Street – provided the same is either shingled or metalled.

Resolved that Mr Alexander Copland have permission to transfer the Lease of Municipal Reserve D to Mr W. Copland also to transfer Lease of Section 10 Block 92 to Mr John McFarlane.

Resolved that Mr. Thomas Clunie have permission to hold Section 3 Block 19 in conjunction with Mr Wm. McLeod on payment of the usual fee.

Resolved that Mr F. J. Jeffrey's letter re cost be referred to the Gas works Commee with power to act.

Resolved that the letter from Messrs Reid & Gray re cost of altering Lamp Posts be referred to the Gas works Commee with power to act.

Propsd by Cr Mainland

Second by Cr Grave

That Mr Church's letter on behalf of Mr Wm. Rayner re closing up of the right of way now used by him – be considered at next meeting and that in the meantime the Engineer be requested to report on the probable

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Cost of the formation of a bridge across the creek from Humber Street to Tyne Street carried

Propsd by Cr Sinclair

Second by Cr Mainland

That Mr Weedons letter lie on the table till next Meeting of the Council carried

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Grave

That the Harbor board be thanked for their courtesy re erection of a Powder magazine, and that they be asked to construct the same as soon as they consistently can carried

Propsd by Cr headland

Second by Cr Grave

That the request of the Petitioners re non-kerbing of Coquet Street be acceded to carried

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Sinclair

That the resignation of Mr Henry Coutes the Gas Engineer be accepted and that the Council hereby express its supreme regret that the state of his health will not allow him to continue in the occupation of an office in which he has given the most unqualified satisfaction to the Council, and that the Gas Commee be requested to confer with Mr Coutes as to the future management of the Gas works carried

Resolved that a bonus of L 25 be voted to Mr Henry Coutes

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Grave

That the letter from Mr Shrimski re Financial Statement Corporation brewing process to be

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considered at next meeting carried

Resolved that one of the Tenders for the work in Coquet Street be accepted.

The Tenders for Asphalting were then opened it was Resolved that Mr John Chalker's tender to lay down asphalt @ 2/9 per yard & repairs @ 3/- per yard be accepted /exclusive of Coquet Street/

Resolved that Mr McLeod's report be received.

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment.

Resolved that the Lease of the Sections in the Market Reserve be sold by auction

Propsd by Cr Mainland

Second by Cr Headland

That a vote of thanks be tendered to His Worship The Mayor, George Sumpter Esq in the Minute book of the Council for the impartial and courteous manner in which he has discharged the duties pertaining to his office during the past year, and to express the extreme regret that this Council feels that owing to his ill health he has been compelled to decline to allow himself to be nominated for the office again, the more especially as the great and important works that he has inaugurated, will possible suffer for the want of his large and extended experience and management – this Council in bidding farewell to his Worship trust that it is but a temporary separation, and that in a few months his health will be sufficiently restored to permit him to resume his position as our Mayor again – It must however be very gratifying to him in so much that during his term of office he has assisted in the

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Inaugurations of the most important and extensive public works that have been undertaken in ou Municipality including the successful carrying out of the Gas works, the commencement of the present Water supply and the Bridging of the Oamaru Creek

Wm J Steward

Chairman

EWR TC

Correct Minutes

Notice of Motion By Cr Grave

That the Council ascertain from the Harbor Board if they will join in constructing a Bridge across the Creek from Humber Street to Tyne Street.

Special Meeting held July 27th 1876

Present HW The Mayor

Cr Headland, Mainland, Scott, Morton, Sinclair, Grave

Business to open tenders for 12 months supply of Grey river coal to be delivered in lots of about 100 tons in the Retort House at intervals of every three months

The following tenders were then opened

E. B. Pearce L 2.12 pr. Ton	Pruett & Co. L 2.12.4
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J. & T. Meek 2.11 “	H. Aitken 2.11.6
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Keith Ramsay 2.12 “	Edw. Grave 2.7.5
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Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Scott

That Mr Edwd Grave’s tender of L 2.7.5 per Ton be accepted.

Carried

Wm. J. Steward

Chairman

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Aug. 3rd 1876

Present HW the Mayor

Cr Galbraith, Bee, Booth, Headland, Morton, Scott, Mainland, Grave

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Propsd be Cr Headland

Second by Cr Galbraith

That the first 100 tons of Grey River Coal under Mr E. Grave's contract be delivered within six weeks from date - carried

Resolved that Mr William Shaw have permission to transfer the Lease of Section 10 Block 51 to Mr John Walker & to Mr Walker to mortgage the same.

Propsd. by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Scott

That the petition re roadway from Ouse Street to Aln Street be referred to the Public Works Commee to report upon carried

Resolved that permission be given to Revd Mr Todd & Messrs Pinter & Reid to make right of way provided the same one either metalled or shingled

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Grave

That Mr Ritchie Young's letter be referred to the P. W. Commee with power to act and that should permission be given, it be only temporary carried

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Galbraith

That a Special Meeting be called for Tuesday next to discuss the question

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of proposed Tramway from Severn Street to Main Line Mr Mcleod to be asked to report upon the same & the Solicitor to be asked to attend the Meeting and to advise the Council thereon carried

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Mainland

That the Minister of Public Works be asked if it will be necessary to bring in a Bill to enable the corporation to construct or give permission to construct tramways along Streets & Municipal Reserves, and if it is necessary that a Bill be drawn up, giving the council these powers, The Bill to be submitted at the next Meeting of the Council for its approval carried

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Galbraith

That a Select commee consisting of Cr Mainland, Booth & the mover be appointed to take steps to ascertain from the Landlord and Lessees the amount they will be willing to accept as compensation for the widening of the Street to its full width viz 66 feet at the corner of Itchen and Tees Streets and to report at the Special Meeting to be held on Tuesday next carried

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Headland

That the application from Messrs Spence & Bee to make alterations to their Store stand over until next ody Meeting carried

Appointment of Committees

Public Works Reserves & Tramways

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Galbraith

That the following Councillors be appointed to serve on the Commee viz Cr Morton, Scott, Bee, Mainland, /cnvr/ carried

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Finance & Bye-law Commee

_Propsd by Cr Morton

Second by Cr Headland

That Cr Booth /cnvr/ Headland, Galbraith & Grave be appointed carried

Public Health

Propsd by Cr Mainland

Second by Cr Morton

That Cr Booth /cnvr/ Bee, Headland, and Scott be appointed carried

Gas Works

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Galbraith

That Cr Morton /cnvr/ Headland, Mainland & Grave be appointed carried

Waterworks Commee

Propsd by Cr Mainland

Second by Cr Headland

That the whole Council form this Committee, three to form a quorum – The Mayor to be ex officio Chariman of all the Committees

Resolved that the Mayor's honorarium be L 150 for the ensuing year

Resolved that the auditors receive a salary of L 10 each & the Assessor L 50 – The Town Clerk L 350 /without commission/ Assist. Clerk L 150 & the Inspector of Nuisances L 175.

Resolved that the Engineer's report be received

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Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Scott

That the 1st pgph of the Gas Works Commee report be adopted and that Mr Coutes be offered the appointment of Consulting Gas Engineer salary at the rate of L 50 per ann carried

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Bee

That the 2nd, 3 & 4 pgphs of the Gas works Commee report be adopted carried

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Galbraith

That the Cottage erected for the Gas engineer be advertised for Lease & per Month. Three months notice to be given on either side to terminate the tenancy, tenders to be in by next ordinary Meeting

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Galbraith

That as soon as the Engineers report is received on the probable cost of building the Bridge steps be taken to ascertain from the harbor board if they will join the Council in bridging the Creek from Humber Street to Tyne Street carried

Resolved that this Meeting adjourn until Tuesday next

Notices of Motion

By Cr Headland

- 1 That it is advisable this Council take steps for borrowing L 100,000 in the London Market, and that the advertisement calling for tenders for Debentures for the sum of L 7500 be withdrawn
- 2 That the following footpaths be gravelled – Itchen Street (South side) from its Junction with Tees Street to Severn Street: Wharf Street, from its junction with Itchen Street to Wansbeck Street, on both sides
- 3 That the Surveyor be instructed to prepare plans & specifications for bringing Ure Street to its permanent level, from Wansbeck Street to the Show Grounds
- 4 By Cr Bee
That the Manager of the Gas Works lay upon the table an approximate statement of the cost of providing Gas /per 1000 feet/ and that the Council take into consideration, at its next meeting a reduction in the price of Gas

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Adjourned Meeting of the Council held Aug 8th 1876

Present HW The Mayor, Cr Mainland, Scott, Bee, Galbraith, Headland, Morton, Grave

Re Severn Street Tramway

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Bee

That the Mayor be requested to telegraph the Draft Bill "Oamaru Town Hall & Gas works site & Recreation Reserves Act 1875 Amendment Bill" submitted by the solicitor to Messrs Hislop & Shrimski urging upon them to use their best endeavours to have the same passed carried

Resolved that all preliminary expenses in connection with the Tramway be charged to a separate account to be called the Treasury account

Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Second by Cr Scott

That the report from the Select Committee re compensation for widening Street at the corner of Itchen & Tyne Streets to its full width be received and adopted

Carried

Propd by Cr. Galbraith

Second_d by Cr. Scott

That the Comm^{ee} confer with Mr. L[] to ascertain what sum the Government are prepared to give, to enable the Street at the corner of Itchen and Tyne Streets to be restored to its full width

Carried

Propsd by Cr. Bee

Second by Cr. Galbraith

That the P. W. Comm^{ee} report of July 7th be received & that the Report of Aug: 8th be adopted

Carried

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Propsd by Cr. Bee

Secondd by Cr Galbraith

That the letter from Messrs Gledhill & Scobie be referred to the Gas works Comm^{ee} to report

Carried

Correct Minutes

Wm. J. Steward

17/8/76

Mayor

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Minutes of Council Meeting

held Aug: 17th 1876

Present HW The Mayor

Cr. Bee, Mainland, Headland, Scott, Grave

Resolved that the minutes as read be confirmed

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr. Grave

That permission be given to Mr Earle to lay down a Line pipe to conduct the water from his premises in Lower Thames Street to the Sewer opposite the Empire Hotel – To be done under the supervision of the Engineer –

Carried

Propsd by Cr Bee

Second by Cr Headland

That Mr Butt be informed that the Council has no power to accede to his request

Carried

Propsd by Cr Scott

Second by Cr Headland

That permission be given to Mr. James McGuiness to lay down a box drain under the footpath in Tyne Street from his premises to the Main Sewer – under the supervision of the Town Surveyor

Carried

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Mainland

That the matter complained of by Mr Thornton be referred to the Engineer for rectification and the attention of the Inspector of Nuisances be called to the nuisance referred to

Carried

Resolved that Mr Cameron be informed that the Council cannot accede to his request / to be allowed to erect a wooden building in Sec. 5 Block 9 / being contrary to the Building Regulations.

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Resolved that Mr Lemons letter re permission to make alterations to Mr Proctors buildings in Tyne Street lie on the table until next meeting.

Resolved that permission be given to Messrs Smillie & Miller to make right of ways to their properties under supervision of the Engineer.

Resolved that the Engineer be requested to furnish the levels of Coquet Street to the Secretary of St Pauls Church.

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Scott

That Mrs Hobb's offer to lease the cottage in the Gas works site @ 26/- per week be accepted, Subject to her keeping the same in good tenantable repair – The Gas works Comm^{ee} to be requested to have the Cottage fenced off and a separate gate erected also to complete the Gas fittings if they think it advisable

Carried

Letters were read from Mr Coutes acknowledging receipt of bonus voted to him and accepting the appointment of Consulting Gas Engineer.

Resolved that the report from the Committee appointed to wait upon Messrs Spence & Bee, I. C. Gilchrist & the District Engineer be received & that the Mayor be requested to write to the Minister of Public works and the Members for the district urging upon them the importance of effecting the proposed alterations as early as possible

Resolved that the Gas Works Comm^{ee} report be adopted

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Resolved that the Engineers report be adopted & that he be given power to carry out the recommendations therein contained

Resolved that the Engineers report re forming roadway from Ouse to Aln Street as petitioned for be received and that the roadway be formed as can be executed at an expenditure not exceeding L50 Specifications to be prepared accordingly and tenders called for the work to be in at next ordinary meeting

Resolved that the report from the Engineer re Bridge from Tyne to Humber Street lie on the table until next ordinary Meeting.

Propsd by Cr. Bee

Second by Cr Grave

That the Petition s from Corporations tenants re Medway Street be referred to the Public Works Comm^{ee} & the Engineer to report

Carried

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

The Standing orders having been suspended it was

Props by Cr. Mainland

Second by Cr. Headland

That the Clerk be requested to apply to the Government, through the District Engineer to have the footpaths formed to the Railway Station from Tyne Street – being a Government Reserve; also to have the Reserve fronting Tyne & Arun Streets fenced with a picket fence

Carried

Resolved that the letter from Messrs Spence & Bee lie on the table until a reply has been received from the Minister of Public Works

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Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Mainland (pro forma)

That it is advisable that Council take steps for borrowing L100,000 in the London Market and that the advertisement calling for tenders for Debentures for the sum of L7,500 be withdrawn

Propsd by Cr Grave as an amendment

Second by Cr Scott

That the question raised by Cr Headland be referred to the Finance Comm^{ee} to report upon

Carried

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Mainland

That the following footpaths be gravelled – Itchen Street /South side/ from its Junction with Tees Street to Severn Street: Wharf Street from the Junction with Itchen Street both sides to Wansbeck Street : thence on the East side as far as the footpath is formed – tenders be called for the work @ per chain

Carried

Propsd by Cr Headland

Second by Cr Mainland

That the Surveyor be requested to prepare plans and specifications for bringing Ure Street to its permanent level from Wansbeck St to the Show Ground

Carried

Propsd by Cr Bee as an amendment

Second by Cr Grave

That the work be not gone on with at present

Propsd by Cr Bee

Secondd by Cr Scott

That the Gas works Comm^{ee} be requested to furnish a full and comprehensive report

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of the working of the Gas works showing the cost of providing Gas @ per 1000 feet

Carried

Resolved that a Special Meeting be called @ 10 am on Tuesday to receive report and plans from the Engineer on the proposed Waterworks

Wm. Steward – Mayor

Correct Minutes – 31/8/76

Special Meeting held Aug: 22nd 1876

Present HW. The Mayor

Cr. Galbraith, Bee, Headland, Scott, Morton

Business . To receive report & Plans from the Engineer of the Proposed Waterworks

Resolved that the Plans & Report submitted by the Engineer for Water Supply for the Town be adopted & the necessary working plans be prepared forthwith also that the advertisements in accordance with clauses 4 to 6 of the Waterwork's Act 1872. be inserted in the Local Paper the plans to be open for inspection for 3 months all other notices required by the Act to be issued and all other conditions complied with – The Solicitor to be instructed to see all the minutes of the act carried out.

Resolved that the Mayor be requested to make application to the Water Land Board for the Land required for the Water Supply Situate in Block 3 Awamoko District and to instruct Messrs Connell & Moodie to appear in Support of the application and to make such further arrangements as may be deemed necessary

Correct Minutes

Wm. J. Steward

Mayor 31/8/76

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Special Meeting held Aug: 25th 1876

Present Hw. The Mayor

Cr Galbraith, Bee, Booth, Scott, Mainland, Grave, Morton, Headland

The Tenders having been opened for Contract 100 Works in Steward & Medway Streets, & Right of way it was Propsd by Cr Bee

Secondd by Cr Booth

That Samuel Rusbatch & o. tender of L490. 16. 8 be accepted

Carried

Resolved that the auditorship in town of Mr Jabez Job Ham deceased be fixed for Saturday Sept. 2nd and the poll if necessary for Wednesday Sept 6th. The same polling places to be used as at the last elections, except in Jetty Ward where the polling booth will be at the store presently occupied by Mr F. J. Jeffery's

Resolved that Mr Proctor have permission to make certain additions to his premises.

Resolved that Mr John Weller have permission to transfer the Lease of Municipal Section 13 Blk 72 to Mr William Roach – provided all arrears of rent are paid up.

Resolved that the Mayor be requested while in Dunedin to secure if possible the reservation of Section 30 Block 3 Awamoko District required for Water work purposes

Resolved that Mr Weidon's letter be referred to the Engineer with power to act

Correct Minutes

Wm J. Steward Mayor

31/8/76

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Aug: 31st 1876

Present Hw. The Mayor

Crs. Booth, Scott, Headland, Mainland, Grave

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Propsd by Cr Mainland

Secondd by Cr. Headland

That Messrs Lintott & Otterson have permission to erect building on Sec 19 & 20 Blk 22 as per plans Submitted. their applications for permission to make a drain & right of way to be deferred to the Engineer with power to act

Carried

Propsdd by Cr Mainland

Secondd by Cr Booth

That Mr Wallace's letter re the face of Quarry in Reserve Block 4 Oamaru Dist. be referred to the Reserves Comm^{ee} with power to act

Carried

Resolved that Mr Thos. Forresters letter re opening up footpath in Wharf Street to lay down a drain, be referred to the Engineer with power to act

Resolved that the Clerk be requested to acknowledge receipt of letters from the Atlas Company of Engineers re balce owing for Gas holder

Propsd by Cr. Headland

Secondd by Cr Scott

That the Tramways Bill submitted by Mr Hislop be referred to the Corpⁿ Solicitor for inspection and that if approved of by him Mr Hislop be thanked for the trouble taken by him & requested

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to get the bill passed as soon as possible – Should the Corporation Solicitor suggest any alterations a Special Meeting be called to consider them.

Carried

Propsd by Cr Headland

Secondd by Cr Mainland

That the Engineer be requested to furnish a tracing and written boundaries of the Government Reserve on land upon which is growing the bush referred to by the Corn Reaper with a view to such action as may be deemed advisable for the preservation of the Said bush, also that the question of the temporary land granted for the use of Messrs Lee & Moore be enquired into by the engineer

Casried

Resolved that the P. W. Comm^{ee} report be adopted.

Resolved that the Report of the Public Health Comm^{ee} dated June 21st be referred to the present Public Health Comm^{ee} with instructions to bring up a report specifically setting out what steps should be taken by the Council in the matter

Resolved that the plans & report concerning the proposed erection of the Bridge from Humber Street lie on the table.

Propsd by Cr Grave

Secondd by Cr Headland

That the Mayor be thanked for his courtesy in attending to the matter re the reserve of land in the Awamoki District and that his letter be received and the suggestions therein carried out.

Carried

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Propsd by Cr Scott

Secondd by Cr Grave

That the Petition from ratepayers living in the High Ward re Sinking a Well & erecting a pump be received

Carried

Propsd by Cr Scott

Secondd by Cr Headland

That the P. W. Comm^{ee} be requested to report on the said petition

Carried

Propsd by Cr Headland

Secondd by Cr Scott

That permission be given to erect building for Mr. T. H. Brown on the Harbor Bd property in Tyne Street also to make a right of way to the premises

Carried

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Propsd by Cr Booth

Secondd by Cr Mainland

That the Engineer be requested to have the drain put in order by the Empire Hotel also to remove the Water Tanks as suggested by him

Carried

Propsd by Cr Scott

Secondd by Cr Mainland

That David Heron & o. tenders of L35.4 for Contract 106 be accepted

Carried

Propsd by Cr Headland

Secondd by Cr Scott

That Samuel Rusbatch & . tender of L354.7.8½ for Contract 107 be accepted

Propsd by Cr Booth

Secondd by Cr Grave That the Meeting adjourn until Thursday next 7¼ oclock pm

Carried

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Adjourned Meeting of Council held Sept. 7th 1876

Present Hw. The Mayor

Crs. Booth, Headland, Grave, Scott, Bee, Morton

The Tenders for Contract 107 . (proposed works in Ure Street, having been again read it was

Propsd by Cr. Booth

Secondd by Cr Grave

That none of the Tenders for Contract 107 be accepted .

(Mayor giving casting vote)

Carried

Propsd by Cr Grave

Secondd by Cr Booth

That the matter of the levels of Ure Street be referred to the Public Works Comm^{ee} for report – the levels to be adopted if approved of by the Committee

(Mayor gave his casting vote)

Carried

Propsd by Cr Scott

Secondd by Cr Booth

That Matthew Steel's tender of L45 for Contract 108 "Roadway in Ouse & Aln Streets" be accepted

(Mayor gave his casting vote)

Carried

Tramway Bill – Resolved that the Council approves of the Bill as submitted by Mr Hislop and that Mr Hislop be advised accordingly by Telegram

1. County Division of Otago – That in the opinion of the Council, assuming that the Province of Otago is to be divided into shires, and brought under County administration it would be very unsatisfactory that there should be only two Counties, the one having Dunedin and the other Invercargill for its County towns –

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2. That a separate County administration should be given to North Otago, The county to consist of the present Electoral District of Waitaki, together with so much of the Country on the Canterbury side of the Waitaki as is included within the same watershed.

Resolved that Mr Thompson have permission to erect work shop on Section 3 Block 7 as per plans submitted provided the same is erected 60 feet back from the building line –

Propsd by Cr Grave

Second by Cr Headland

That the petition from Residents in Yare Street be referred to the Public Works Comm^{ee} to report

Carried

Correct Minutes

EWR

Wm. J. Steward Mayor

TC

Sep 14 1876

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Sept 14th 1876

Present Hw. The Mayor

Crs. Booth, Morton, Mainland, Scott, Galbraith, Headland

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that the letter from the Manager of the Gas works re price of Coke etc be referred to the Public Works Comm^{ee} to report upon.

Resolved that permission be given to Mr. Thos. Proctor to mortgage the Lease of Section 6 Block 3 to the first Oamaru Permanent Building society also permission to Mr John Hullman to mortgage the Lease of Sec: 22 Block 77 to the same Society.

Resolved that Mr. Hardy's application re Drain be referred to the Engineer with power to act

Propsd by Cr Headland

Secondd by Cr Mainland

That the Mayor be requested to consult with the Corporation Solicitor as to the drafting of a Bill re Oamaru Creek cutting and that in the meantime the letter from Mr Payne lie on the table

Carried

Propsd by Cr Scott

Secondd by Cr Galbraith

That the letter from Mr O'Meagher's be referred to the Public Works Comm^{ee} with power to act in the matter referred to, as well as the other streets intersecting Reid Street

Carried

Resolved that permission be given to Dr Dale to make a right of way from Eden Street to his premises /under the supervision of the Engineer/

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Propsd by Cr Galbraith

Secondd by Cr Mainland

That copies of the correspondence re footpaths and fencing near Railway Station be forwarded to the Members for the District, with a request that they will use their best endeavours to induce the Government to accede to the request of the Council.

Carried

Resolved that the Engineer's report be adopted and that tenders be called for a thousand yards of bluestone, to be laid down in places pointed out by the engineer – Tenders to be in by Thursday next at noon : The Public works Comm^{ee} to have power to deal with the same, and that on the stone being delivered, employment to be given to the petitioners @ per yard.

Propsd by Cr Headland

Seconddby Cr Mainland

That the Mayor confer with the Corporation Solicitor re steps to be taken to secure the Bush Reserve on the Cape refd to in the Engineer's report

Carried

The Clerk read a report from the Gas works Comm^{ee} re price of gas etc.

Resolved that the Council at its rising adjourn to Friday @ 11 am to consider the price of Gas

Resolved that the Town Clerk be directed to write to the Provincial Treasurer asking that the £500 voted towards the cost of widening Thames Street Bridge may be paid at once as the Contractors have been for sometime settled with and the money having been promised to be paid during the Current Month,

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Propsd by Cr Headland

Secondd by Cr Mainland

That the Finance Committees report be adopted

Carried

Resolved that applications be called for the office of Assessor for the ensuing year, tenders to be in by next ordinary meeting.

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Adjourned Meeting of the Council held Sept: 15th 1876

Present Hw. The Mayor

Crs. Galbraith, Grave, Bee, Booth, Headland, Morton Mainland, Scott

Prop^d by C^r Bee

Second^d by C^r Galbraith

That the Accounts Comm^{ee} report of 11th September be received

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Grave

That notwithstanding the facts set forth in the report of the Gaswork's Comm^{ee}, the Council, having ascertained that a portion of the large consumers will still refrain from using the Gas when the price is reduced to 17/6^d per 1000 feet and have determined not to use it again until the price is reduced to 15/, they (the Council) have to consider the effect such a secession from the ranks of the consumers could have upon the income of the Gas department, and cannot disguise from themselves the fact, that where the total number of consumers is so small as it is at present in Oamaru, such a decrease in consumption would certainly render

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The works not self supporting, while also the reduction of the price of 15/ could have the same effect if only the same number of persons use the Gas as have already done so.

The council is thus placed in this peculiar position viz that the higher price will produce no more revenue than the lower, but the lower price will in all probability have

the effect of inducing more persons to use Gas than would do so at the higher price, and such larger consumption could have the effect of equalizing the income and expenditure

The Council has moreover to take into consideration the fact that it would be, to a certain extent, a hardship on those consumers who have continued using the Gas to keep the price @ 17/6^d, if by so doing the returns were no larger than those they would be if the price were only 15/

The Council, therefore in view of the foregoing Circumstances feet net and that the reduction take effect from the 1st of the current month

Carried

Prop^d be C^r Booth as an amendment

Second^d by Cr Bee pro forma

That the price be 15/ per 1000 feet with 5 p^{ct} back for cash for a period of 3 months

Correct Minutes

EWR

TC

W^m Steward

Mayor

Sep 28. 1876

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Sept. 28th 1876

Present H^w The Mayor

C^{rs} Headland, Galbraith, Mainland, Scott, Bee, Morton

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that permission be given to M^r W^m Shaw to transfer the Lease of Municipal Section 8 Block 20 to M^r W^m Christie & Section 5 Block 7 to M^t Tho^s Richmond also permission be given to Mr John [Holloman] to to transfer the Lease of Section 22 Block 77 to M^r Ch^s Galbraith & to Mary Ford to mortgage Section 11 Block 50 to the N.O.P. Building Society.

Resolved that H^w The Mayor telegraph to Mess^{rs} Hislop & Shrimski urging the necessity of having the Water works Reserve Bill be passed this Session; also that the Council are of opinion that the Bill is not a private one

Resolved that the Clerk be instructed to acknowledge the receipt of Mess^{rs} Russell [Ritchick] letter re Land required for reservoir & that they be informed that the Council will further communicate with them at a future date.

Resolved that permission be acceded to M^r D. Henderson to erect building on Section 2 Block 25 provided the material used for covering the walls & roof be of Iron.

Resolved that M^r John Thompson's application for permission to make a drain & crossing be referred to the Engineer with power to act

Prop^d by C^r Mainland

Second^d by C^r Headland

That the Church wardens of S^t Lukes Church be informed that Mr Kidd's Services

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Will be at their disposal in terms of the letter carried

Prop^s by C^r Bee

Second^d by C^r Scott

That the letter from the Minister for Public Works be referred to the Public Works Comm^{ee} & Engineer to report thereon at next Meeting of the Council

Carried

Resolved that M^r Battersby's letter re Dam at the Phoenix Mill be referred to the Engineer and that he, the Engineer be requested to confer with M^r Grave and inspect the work & plans also to report to the Council as early as convenient whether or not there is any danger to be apprehended

Resolved that M^r Galbraith have permission to erect building on Section 15 Block 4 in accordance with plans & specifications submitted – under the Supervision of the engineer

Resolved that M^r I. E. Clarke be appointed Assessor for the ensuing year. The Assessment book to be completed by the 1st December

Prop^s by C^r Bee

Second^d by C^r Mainland

That the Gas works Comm^{ee} report be adopted. Carried

The Public Works Comm^{ee} report having been read it was resolved that Clause 1 be adopted Clause 2 – The Clerk to telegraph to the town Clerk Dunedin asking what practice prevails in Dunedin Clause 3. Adopted. Clause 4 approved – Clause 5 adopted – Clauses 6. 7 approved of.

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Prop^d by C^r Bee

Second^d by C^r Mainland

That the accounts as read be passed for payment. Carried

W^m J Steward

Mayor

Oct. 12. 1876

Notice of Motion

By C^r Mainland

- 1 That the footpath on the North side of Wansbeck Street leading to the Railway Station, be kerbed, channelled & formed; also that the footpath be formed on the South side to its permanent level

By James Grave (2nd October)

- 2 That tracings of all the Plans and Levels of Streets already adopted be forthwith made and kept in the Engineers office for Reference & general use – The Originals to be removed from the Engineers office & deposited in the fire proof safe

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Minutes of Special Meeting held 30th Sept: 1876

Present H^w The Mayor, C^r Mainland, Morton, Headland, Scott, Bee, Galbraith, Grave & the Engineer
Re Dam at the Phoenix Mill

The Report from the Engineer having been read it was

Resolved that the Clerk write to M^r James Grave and inform him that the Municipal engineer having reported to the Council that the dam of the Phoenix Mill is in an insecure state, they thereby request him to take immediate steps to remedy the same.

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Mainland

That the Mayor be requested to write to the Government, Drawing their attention to the necessity of legislation to compel persons erecting any dam across any stream, within a given distance of a Town, first to submit plans & specifications of the Same to some persons appointed by the Government for that purpose, with the object of preventing the occurrence of accidents which in many places, might be attended with disastrous consequences. Carried

W^m J Steward

Mayor

Oct 12. 1876

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Oct: 12 1876

Present H^w The Mayor

C^{rs} Scott, Booth, Galbraith, Headland, Mainland

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Prop^d by C^r Mainland

Second^d by C^r Galbraith

That permission be accorded to M^r Goodson to transfer the Lease of P^y II Reserve A and Section 12 Block 33 to M^r Henry Davey on his depositing the usual fee.

Carried

Resolved that notice be given to Mess^{rs} Jas Patterson and E. M. Weedon to fence in the dangerous portions of their properties in Wharf and Tees Streets.

Resolved that the letter from M^r Alexd^r Willis under Prop^y Secretary enclosing Proclamations extending the Common Lodging House Ordⁿ^{ce} to Oamaru be referred to the Bye. Laws Comm^{ee} and that the clerk write to the Town Clerk Dunedin asking him to [form] the Council with a copy of the regulations in force in Dunedin under the authority of the Ordinances in question.

Resolved that the 1st paragraph of the P. W. Comm^{ee} report re access to Yare Street be adopted and that tenders be called for the same

Resolved that the 2nd pg of the P. W. Comm^{ee} report together with the Engineers letter re Levels of Ure Street stand over for consideration until next meeting

Resolved that the 3rd pg of the P. W. Comm^{ee} report be adopted –

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Resolved that the Gas works Comm^{ee} report be adopted

Resolved that the Monthly report from the Engineer be received.

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Prop.^d by C^r Mainland

Second^d by C^r Booth

That the footpath on the North Side of Wansbeck Street leading to the Railway Station be Kerbed, Channelled & formed, also that the footpath be formed on the South Side to its permanent level. – Tenders to be called for the same to be in by next ord^y meeting

Carried

Resolved that the matter of obtaining Lanterns for Lamp Posts be referred to the Gas Work's Comm^{ee} with power to act.

The Finance Comm^{ee} report was received

The following offer from the Manager of the National Bank of New Zealand Oamaru was read re Gas Debentures – Will float the L8000 in London at the best possible price. Charge will be 1% and brokerage. – Bonds to be in the name of Beaver will advance 80% on Lodgement of Debentures it was

Prop^d by C^r Booth

Second^d by C^r Galbraith

That the offer of the National Bank to float the Gas Debentures be accepted, and that the Finance Comm^{ee} be empowered to complete the arrangements required for borrowing £8000.

Carried

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward

Mayor

Oct 26. 1876

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Oct: 26th 1876

Present H^w The Mayor

C^{rs} Booth, Galbraith, Headland, Mainland, Morton

Resolved that the minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that the matter of placing the Town Lamps etc be left with the Gas Works Comm^{ee} with power to act

Resolved that the application from M^r James White to lay down an Iron Pipe from Section 10 Block 26 To Tees Street be referred to the Engineer with power to act

A letter was read from the Secretary of the Harbor Board intimating that the powder magazine was completed the following rates to be charged – 3^d for receiving, 3^d for delivery 1^d per week for storage, for each keg of 2lbs

Resolved that a telegram be sent by H^w The Mayor to the Minister of Public Works informing him that Mess^{rs} Spence & Bee have applied to the Council for leave to make alterations to their premises at the corner of Itchen & Tyne Streets and that the Town Clerk inform Mess^{rs} Spence & Bee that a definite answer will be given to their application in a few days.

A Deputation waited on the Council from the Men engaged in breaking metal for the Corporation [repplaying] that the price be raised from 1^s/10^d to 2/6 p^r yard

Resolved that the price of metal breaking be raised to 2/ per yard.

Resolved that the Engineer be instructed to have the low parapet of the Bridge on the West side fenced in & that notices be sent to M^r Henry Aitken and to the Harbor Board to fence in their portions.

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Resolved that permission be given to M^r Ritchie Young to mortgage the Lease of Municipal Section 21 Block 19 to the Otago Permanent Building Society

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Galbraith

That Michael M^cGrath's tender of L56.10 for Contract 109 "Forming footpaths, kerbing & Channelling in Wansbeck Street" be accepted

Carried

Resolved that David Herons tender of L12 – for Contract 110 Making Dray road and track in Yare Street be accepted

Prop^d by C^r Mainland

Second^d by C^r Galbraith

That the Levels of "Coquet Street" between Thames & Humber Streets now submitted, be approved of The Engineer to be requested to prepare plans

Carried

Resolved that the form of Debenture /Gas/ be referred to the Finance with power to act.

Prop^d by C^r Galbraith

Second^d C^r Mainland

That the plan of Ure Street submitted by the Engineer & approved of by the P W. Comm^{ee} (see report Sept: 21st 1876./ be adopted as the permanent levels

Carried

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward

Mayor

EWM

23/11/76

TC

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Special Meeting held Nov 2nd 1876

Present H^w The Mayor

C^{rs} Morton, Mainland, Headland, Scott

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Mainland

That this meeting adjourn until Monday next @ 11 o'clock am. To take action with regard to the application from Mess^{rs} Hay & Barr, Meek & C^o re Severn Street Tramway – Plans to be submitted to the Council by the Promoters – also to consider the position of the proposed political convention

Carried

Adj^d Meeting held Nov 6th

Present H^w The Mayor

C^{rs} Headland, Scott, Mainland, Morton, Galbraith Grave, Booth - / M^r Balmer & Mess^{rs} Meek & Barr were in attendance /

Thursday the 9th November, being the Prince of Wales birthday it was Resolved that the General Meeting be held on Friday next

Re Rop^d Convention called by M^r M^cAndrew

It was Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Grave

That this Council decline to appoint any person to represent them at the Convention called by M^r M^cAndrew, as they are of the opinion that the Abolition Act, having been passed by a very decided majority of both Houses, should now be fairly tried on their merits; wither can they fail to recognise the extreme undesirability of establishing as a precedent the right of the minority to use their power to prevent the operation of laws passed by a large majority, even before such laws have had a fair trial.

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Further the Council are of opinion that, if all parties unite to give effect to the Abolition Act, they are much more likely to eliminate anything that they prove unsatisfactory in their working, and to substitute improvements, than if the minority (whose power of usefulness this Council recognise) determine to oppose the fair working of these Acts –

Carried

It was Resolved that this Meeting adjourn until 8 o'clock pm.

Present H^w The Mayor

C^{rs} Booth, Scott, Morton, Mainland, Headland M^r Balmer (Sol^r) M^r M^cLeod CR.

Re Severn St Tramway

It was Resolved that the following reply be sent to the Mess^{rs} Meek, Hay & Barr

The Council recognises the desirability of giving every facility for the industry in which the applicants are engaged, and is desirous of assisting as much as it can consistently with the protection of the public privileges; but ion careful consideration of the plan as now brought forward is unable to accede to any proposal which will involve the use of turntables, except at Street intersections

If the promoters will modify their proposal, and lay down the tramway so that the rear rail shall be 19 feet from the building line, the Council are willing to assist them in obtaining the permission of the Governor by recommending the application subject always to the promoters entering into a [] agreement with the Council to the following effect:

1. That no traction engine shall be allowed to run on the line
2. That the whole work be done to the entire satisfaction of the Municipal Engineer
3. That the rails rest on Longitudinal Sleepers with tie sleepers

4. That the Council shall have the right at any time, without compensation, in giving six months notice, to require the promoters to remove the tramway, and reinstate the road
5. The promoters to construct the line according to specifications to be approved by the Council
6. The Tramway to be open to the public, at a rate of charges to be fixed by the Council, or the governor from time to time
7. The Council to have the power to construct other tramways leading to or from the tramway line in question, and to use the said tramway at the same rates.
8. The Council secure the right to place a turntable at the intersection of any street
9. The agreement to be drawn up by the Councils Solicitor, and to be approved by the Council the Council reserving to itself the right to insert such other permissions as may be deemed necessary or advisable

A Telegram was read from M^r Knowles Under Sec for Public Works re railway encroachment in Itchen & Tyne Sts it was

Resolved that the further consideration of the same be deferred until next Meeting.

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward

Mayor

23/11/76

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Emergency Meeting Nov 15th 1876

Present H^w The Mayor

C^{rs} Grave, Mainland, Scott, Morton, Headland

M^r Balmer /Sol^r/ and M^r M^cLeod Engineer.

Re Interference with bed of Creek (by Mess^{rs} Lee & Moore)

Below Thames St. Bridge

Resolved that formal notice be sent to Mess^{rs} Lee & Moore by the Corporation Solicitor that the Council cannot allow any interference whatever with the flow of the Creek below the Thames St. Bridge and the

Bridge over right of way in Block 95, the Corporation Engineer having reported that any interference with the present levels of the water is calculated to impair the safety of the said Bridge and entail expense on the Council – further that in the event of Mess^{rs} Lee & Moore or other parties still proceeding with the work, the Corporation Solicitor under instructions from the Engineer at once apply for a writ of injunctions from the Supreme Court to restrain them.

Appointment of Valuer & Rating Act.

Resolved that the clerk be instructed to obtain the necessary books & forms for the Assessment and that the Mayor and Councillor Grave be appointed a Comm^{ee} to arrange with the valuer as to the additional payment (if any) for carrying out the valuation in accordance with the rating Act.

Resolved that subject to terms of salary being arranged, as in the forgoing resolution M^r Clarke is hereby appointed Valuer

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward. Mayor

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"We hereby notidy that in accordance with the

Authority of a resolution of the Council passed this day in that behalf we have arranged with M^r Clarke the valuator of the Council that he shall be paid the sum of L30 over and above the L50 originally agreed to, said L30 to cover all additional labor and trouble by him incurred in preparing the valuation.

Signed W^m J Steward – Mayor

Nov 15th. 1876

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Nov 23rd 1876.

Present H^w The Mayor

C^{rs} Headland, Galbraith, Mainland

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Re Bee's Corner Itchen & Tyne Streets

Resolved that being that the Government has, in the opinion of the Council failed to meet the Council fairly in the matter of the encroachment of the railway on Itchen and tyne Streets, steps be taken to bring the matter before Parliament at its next session, with a view to obtaining redress

Re Coke Contract

Resolved that failing the Coke being removed from the Gas works within one week from date, steps be taken under the advice of the Solicitor to enforce the agreement.

Resolved that the letter rec^d from M^r Payne be referred to the Engineer with a request that he will endeavour to devise some inexpensive method of remedying the evil complained of.

Resolved that the Lease of Section 5 Block 61 applied for by M^r G. Sincock & the Lease of Section 21 Block 75 & 18 Block 39 applied for by M^r Peter Fitzgerald be sold by auction upset price of each Section L2.8 p^r ann:

Resolved that permission be given to M^r M. Sherwin to transfer the Lease of Section Block 50 to James Quilty Brennan also to Jane M^cPherson to transfer the Lease of Section 5 Block 62 to M^r Mark Walkern

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Resolved that the whole Council be appointed a Comm^{ee} to take all necessary steps under the Common Lodging House Ordinance 1862 and amendment ordinance 1864 – the first meeting of the Committee to be called for Tuesday next at 8 pm.

Resolved that M^r Rudduck's lette re access to his property in Yare Street be referred to the Engineer to report upon.

Asphalting Cont:

Resolved that John Chacken's application for extension of time be referred to the Engineer with power to grant or refuse same; the Council being of opinion that the work is not bringing satisfactorily carried out

Prop^d by C^r Galbraith

Second^d by C^r Mainland

That the Engineers report re contracting be received and that his suggestion re ascertaining cost of land for waterworks be carried out as soon as possible.

Carried

Resolved that if the extras connected with Contract 100 mentioned in the Engineers Memorandum of Nov 10 are absolutely necessary, he be empowered to carry out the same.

Resolved that th plan submitted of Coquet Street from Thames to Humber Street be signed by the Mayor as the permanent levels adopted by the Council as per Resolution Oct: 26th 1876

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Resolved that the engineer be requested to furnish by next meeting a statement showing the total balance payable on all contracts now in hand

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward

Mayor

7/12/76

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Special Meeting held Dec. 1st 1876

Present H^w The Mayor

C^{rs} Bee, Morton, Scott, Mainland

Re John Chalkens contract for Asphalting (Cont: 105)

Resolved that the present contractor be ruired to make good to the satisfaction of the Engineer so much of the work as h has already commenced by a date to be named by the Engineer: failing which' such portions as the Engineer may require. To be removed by a date to be named by him.

Prop^d by Cr Mainland

Second^d by C^r Scott

That M^r Blackley's offer of 3/ per superficial yard with 12/ per chain for bluegum kerbing where required be accepted for the balance of the Contract

Carried

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward

Mayor

8/6/76

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Dec 7th 1876

Present H^w The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Booth, Scott, Morton

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that the Lease of Municipal Lease 5 Block 94 Town of Oamaru applied for by Mr Peter Fitzgerald be sold by public auction upset price L2.8 p^r ann:

Resolved that M^r Coggins letter be referred to the Council's Solicitor for his advice as to their legal liability

Resolved that the Engineers report on M^r Rudduck's letter re access to his property in Yare Street be received and lie on the table

Resolved that property holders be charged 4/2 per foot for the kerbing put down on the East side of Tyne Street Harbor Board Property

Resolved that the Mayor be instructed to make application to the Waste Land Board, for the setting aside, under the 160 Section of the Waste Land Act of the Block of land, described in the Bill introduced at the late Session of Parliament on behalf of the Council as a Reserve for an intake for Water Supply

Resolved that the report from the Gas works Comm^{ee} be adopted and power given to the Committee to carry out the recommendations therein contained

Resolved that a Special Meeting be called for Monday Evening next to further consider the whole question of Water supply

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment.

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The Report of the Committee submitting draft regulations under the Common Legacy House Ordinance was read and discussed & it was Resolved that the final considerations of the matter be taken on the first business after the correspondence at next ordinary Meeting

The clerk was authorised to get some forms printed of the Municipal Leases

W^m J Steward

Mayor

Dec 28. 1876

Special Meeting held Dec: 11th 1876

Present H^w The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Morton, Booth, Headland, Bee, Galbraith

Re Waterworks

Prop^d by C^r Booth

Second^d by C^r Bee

That the Council adjourn till the next ordinary Meeting, and that in the meantime the clerk ascertain

1st The cost of the Land required

2nd The amount of water which will be taken for motive power as per horse power

3rd The approximate reserve to be derived from householders – also that the Finance Comm^{ee} be directed to procure all the information possible re the borrowing of L60,000 for Water supply and report at next Meeting

W^m J Steward

Mayor

Dec 28. 1876

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Special Meeting held Dec: 12th 1876

Present H^w the Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Morton, Bee and M^r Balmer & D^r Fleming were in attendance

Re Report from D^r Fleming of a case of Scarlet fever in a house in Tyne St. next M^r T. Holmes []

Resolved that D^r Fleming be requested to see that all clothing, bedding etc are burnt which he may deem necessary; and that on his reporting to the Council what seem in his opinion should be recouped to the occupiers of the house, payment of the same be made to them accordingly

Resolved that the Inspector of Nuisances be instructed to disinfect the several public drains in the town in accordance with directions to be given by D^r Fleming – also that his attention be directed to the inspection necessity of butchers shops & premises, and all other premises throughout the Town being kept properly clean.

Resolved that the clerk write to the clerk of the Waitaki Road Board, drawing the attention of that Board to the danger to the public health arising from the condition of certain piggeries on the West side of the North Road, near the Town Boundary, and ask the Board to take the necessary steps under the Public Health Act 1876) in accordance with the powers conferred by Section 27 of that Act) to enforce the abatement of the nuisance complained of

W^m J Steward

Mayor

Dec 28. 1876

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Special Meeting held Dec: 18th 1876

Present H^w The Mayor

C^{rs} Scott, Mainland, Headland, Bee, Morton

Re Gas Debentures /L8000/

Resolved that the National Bank be requested to insure the Gas Debentures /L8000? In the New Zealand office at the lowest rate not exceeding 17/6 per L100 –

Resolved that the Debentures be held for par or premium up to 31st March 1877 – if not sold by that date, Bank to refer to Council for instructions – Bank to advise sale and price by cypher message.

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward

Mayor

Dec 28. 1876

Special Meeting held Dec 22nd 1876

Present H^w The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Morton, Headland, Galbraith, Booth, Grave

Re engaging M^r Taylor to complete the Waterworks survey

Prop^d by C^r Mainland

Second^d by C^r Headland

That M^r M^cLeod be directed to cause the remaining portion of the survey to be completed as suggested in his letter of Dec 20th carried

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Mainland

That the clerk be requested to telegraph to the clerk of the Water Land Board asking him to wire the Board's decision re Section 30 Block 3 Awamoko

Carried

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward

Mayor

Dec 28.1876

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Dec: 28th 1876

Present: H^w The Mayor

C^{rs} Scott, Mainland, Booth, Headland, Bee, Grave

Resolved that the minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that permission be given to M^r L. E. Reade to transfer the lease of Section 15 Block 23 Town of Oamaru to M^r Thomas Proctor

Prop^d by C^r Bee

Second^d by C^r Booth

That the petition from residents in Yare Street complaining of the want of access to their properties be referred to the Public Works Comm^{ee} to report

Carried

Prop^d by C^r Bee

Second^d by C^r Booth

That permission be given to M^r Thomas Jones to lay down asphaltting in front of the premises of M^r Galbraith – subject to the supervision of the Engineer

Carried

Resolved that M^r Thomas Sutherland's letter re Reserve in Block 4 O D: be referred to the Reserves Comm^{ee} to report upon.

Prop^d by C^r Headland

That permission be accorded to Mess^{rs} Pratt & C^o to carry out the work in terms of their letter subject to its being performed and the surface restored to the satisfaction of the Engineer and to their obtaining permission from the Corporation tenant

Carried

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Resolved that permission be given to M^r Henry Wilson to mortgage the Lease of Mun. Section 7 Block 17 to the North Otago P. Building Socy

Resolved that in consequence of the Solicitor's opinion M^r Coggins claim for window broken by stone breakers be not allowed.

Resolved that a Nightman's licence be granted to M^r James M^cLelland provided that a proper cart is used for the work.

Resolved that the Town Clerk notify that the Reserve on the Cape being now vested in the Corporation persons cutting or destroying bush growing thereon will be prosecuted

The Inspector of Nuisances report having been read it was Resolved that the Engineer be instructed to have the crossings attended to

Prop^d by C^r Scott

Second^d by C^r Booth

That the hours for removing night soil be limited to from 12 Midnight to 4 am. Carried

Prop^d by C^r Booth

Second^d by C^r Scott

That the matter of stagnant water in Yare Street, and at the foot of the embankment in Itchen Street; as also the state of the mouth of the South Sewer were referred to the Public Works Comm^{ee} to report upon Carried

Resolved that the P. W. Comm^{ee} be empowered to have the Pump in High Ward put in proper order

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Common Lodging Houses

The regulations for Common Lodging Houses under the Ordinance 1862 having been read it was

Resolved that the regulations for Common Lodging Houses under the "Common Lodging House Ordinance 1862" and "Amendment Ordinance as now drawn up numbered from 1 to 19 be adopted, and that prior to being sent up for the Governor's approval the same lie on the table for public inspection for one week,

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Resolved that the Engineer's report re Waterworks lie on the table until next ordinary meeting, and that at that meeting the Engineer be requested to attend

W^m J Steward Mayor

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Jan 18. 1877

Special Meeting held Jan^y 8th 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Grave, Mainland, Scott

Resolved that the resignation by C^r Bee of his seat for Severn Ward be accepted. Nominations for the vacancy to be declared on Monday 15th Inst and the poll if necessary to be taken on Friday 19th The Oddfellow's Hall to be the polling place

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

Jan 18. 1877

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Jan^y 18th 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Booth, Gibb, Headland, Grave

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that permission be given that the Lease of Section 5 Block 9 be transferred from M^r Thos. Hilliker to M^r C. S. Allen Lease of Section 20 Block 29 from M^r Edwin Firth to M^r W^m Young / Ardgowan / & Lease of Section 19 Blk 76 from M^r James Lees to M^r Thos W. Evans also permission be given to M^r E. B. Larkin to mortgage the Lease of Section 1 Block 79

Prop^d by C^r Booth

Second^d by C^r Mainland

That the attention of the Inspector of Nuisances be called to the letter from M^r Lemon & also to Section 52 of the Public Health Act 1876 and that the letter be referred to the Bye-law Comm^{ee} with a view to considering the whole matter of keeping Swine in the Town

Carried

M^r Clarke the Valuator having handed in the Valuation List for the Current year it was Resolved that the Town Clerk advertise that the List is open for inspection

Prop^d by C^r Booth

Second^d by C^r Mainland

That M^r Weedon's letter be referred to the Engineer

Carried

Resolved that the P. W. Comm^{ees} reports of Jan^y 7 & 17 be adopted. The matter of fencing Reserve & [] Pound be referred back to the P. W. Comm^{ee} with power

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To call for tenders.

Report from Corporations Gardener was then read it was Resolved that the report be received and that the matter of Planting Trees for the purpose of beautifying the Town be referred to the Reserves Comm^{ee} to report thereon

Prop^d by C^r Booth

Second^d by C^r Gibbs

Resolved that the Works Comm^{ee} report be adopted and that tenders be called for the work to be dealt with by the Gas Works Comm^{ee}

Carried

M^r James Grave wrote requesting and extension of time for removal of Iron building in Thames Street it was Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Mainland

That the time for the removal of the building be extended
to three months

(C^r Gibbs dissented)

Carried

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Gibbs

That the Mayor be requested to write to the Minister of Lands stating all circumstances of the case re – intake for Water and requesting him to recommend his Excellency the Governor to permanently secure the same for the purpose mentioned -

Carried

Resolved that the clerk be authorised to pay L300 to the credit of the Trustees of the Municipal Sinking Fund

Oamaru – Ch:Ch: Railway / opening /

Resolved that the Mayor be requested to proclaim the 1st Feb. a public holiday.

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Resolved that the regulations re Common Lodgings houses be confirmed, excepting Sec. 13. 14. 16. 17 & 19 and that the bye-laws be forwarded to His Excellency the Governor for approval.

Resolved that the necessary steps be taken to bring the “Licensed Theatre Ordinance” into force in Oamaru

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Resolved that C^r Gibbs be appointed to act in the following Comm^{ee} viz. P. Works & P. Health in case if C^r Bee resigned

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

Jan 31. 1877

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Jan^y 31st 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs}. Mainland, Gibbs, Booth, Headland

Resolved that the minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that a Telegram be sent to M^r Cooper as follows – Your message re issuing licences considered at Council Meeting – Council prefers that systems in force under Otago Local Resources Ordinance 1872 should be continued – The Dunedin Council to be first communicated with on the matter.

Resolved that M^r John McLaren have permission to make additions to his premises in Thames Street

Resolved that Mess^{rs} West & Sinclair's letter be referred to the Reserves Comm^{ee} also the question of arrears of rent of Sections leased by the Corporation

Resolved that the Public Works Comm^{ee} report be adopted

Resolved that the action of the Gas Works Comm^{ee} in accepting tenders for Contract 112 "Alterations of offices at the Gas works &" be confirmed

A Petition from ratepayers in Severn Ward re new Pound site was read & it was

Resolved that the Council is of opinion that the removal of the Pound to the site proposed will not be productive of the evils anticipated and considers the site fixed upon the most suitable of any that can be obtained and therefore does not see any necessity to rescind its previous resolution, more especially as it is not intended that the Pound shall remain permanently within the town

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Resolved that the Engineers report be received

Resolved that the fee for weighing Coal in the Corporation weighbridge be reduced to 3^d per ton Quantities under one ton to be charged as a ton – A notice for insertion in the Gazette to that effect to be drawn up and submitted to the Council for approval

Resolved that the Manager of the Gasworks be instructed not to take delivery in future of any Coals unless the weighbridge tickets are produced prior to the unloading of the trucks

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Correct Minutes

W^m J. Steward Mayor

Feb. 15. 1877

Special Meeting held Feb 7th 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Gibbs, Mainland, Headland, Booth, Galbraith

Re Tenders for Contract 113 – erection of Pound .

Resolved that M^r James Allan's tender of L68 be accepted & failing his taking up the same then Mess^{rs} Henderson & co tender of L70 be accepted

Correct Minutes

W^m J. Steward Mayor

Feb 15. 1877

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Feb^y 15th, 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Galbraith, Mainland, Scott, Booth, Gibbs, Headland

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that D^r Wait be written to re the Trusteeship of the Oamaru Municipal Sinking Fund.

Resolved that Mess^{rs} Lees & Moore's letter re gas being laid on to Block 95 be referred to the Gas works Comm^{ee} to report at next meeting

Resolved that M^r John Black's letter be referred to the Reserves Comm^{ee} to report

Resolved that permission be given to M^r I. H. Cleghorn to erect a verandah in front of his premises in Thames Street. (under the supervision of the Engineer) in terms of his letter.

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Galbraith

That M^r Simpson's letter be acknowledged and that he be informed that the Council does not recognise any responsibility in the matter. Carried

Resolved that M^r Wansburgh have permission to erect Iron shed on Section 4 Block 5 in terms of his letter

Resolved that M^r Brownlee's letter be referred to the Engineer to report

Resolved that M^r James Reid's application to erect Hoarding on land adjoining the Council Chambers be refused

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Resolved that M^r Johnson have permission to construct an entrance thro' the footpath to the cellar at the Queen's Hotel under the supervision of the Engineer

The Engineer to be instructed to see that the bars are sufficiently strong and close together to prevent accident.

The Town Clerk having read the Balance Sheet for the year ending Dec^r 31st 1876 it was

Resolved that it be adopted and that a copy be forwarded to the Colonial Secretary for publication in the Gazette.

Resolved that the Draft Bal^{ce} sheet of the Corporation Gas work's be referred to the Gas works Comm^{ee} for consideration and report

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Secon^d by C^r Galbraith

That pgph 1 of the Public Works Comm^e report be adopted with part 12 of the Municipal Corp Act of 1876 in addition to part 13. Carried

Resolved that pgph 2 of the P. W. Comm^{ee} report be adopted.

Resolved that pgphs 3 to 7 be adopted

Prop^d by C^r Galbraith

Secon^d by C^r Booth

That the Engineer's report re damage done by the late flood be referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} Carried

Resolved that the question of fares chargeable by licenced carriages be referred to the Bye-laws Comm^{ee} to report thereon, the Comm^{ee} to submit tariff for approval of the Council

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Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment (auditor's account to stand over)

Council Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

March 1. 1877

Special Meeting held Feb 26th 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Scott, Gibbs, Morton, Mainland, Galbraith, Booth.

To consider amt of rate for the year ending 31st March 1878 also to receive and consider a communication from the Secretary of the Baths' Committee

Resolved that the Council intend to fix the amount of rate for the year ending 31st March 1878 @ 1/6 in the L (one & sixpence) payable in one sum on the 1st May next.

Resolved – That the Council recognising the urgent necessity for facilities for bathing is willing to assist the Baths' Comm^{ee} as far as it is in its power to do, and is prepared if it legally can to grant to the Committee or Company a lease for 21 years at an annual rental of L1 per annum –

The Corporation, however reserves to itself the right of approving of the plans of the proposed Baths; and also the right to purchase at valuation at any time on giving six months notice to that effect –

That the Public Work's Comm^{ee} with the Engineer be empowered to confer with the Baths' Comm^{ee} with a view to carrying out the above arrangement:

Resolved that a Special Meeting be called for Friday Evening @ 7 o'clock pm for the purpose of receiving & considering the specifications for Waterworks

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

March 1. 1877

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Minutes of Council Meeting held March 1st 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Gibbs, Morton, Mainland, Headland

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that M^r J. S. Anderson's tender to supply the Council with Kerosene @ 3/8 per gallon for next six months be accepted and that he be informed the Council prefer Angus' brand.

Resolved that permission be given to M^r Blair to erect Iron shed on Section 30 Block 25 Coquet Street

Resolved that M^r Bicknell have permission to erect two Posts @ a bar in front of the Post Office

Resolved that the Lease of Municipal Section 9 Block 68 applied for by M^r J. Black be sold by auction upset price L2.8 per ann:

Resolved that the further consideration Mess^{rs} Simpson's & Black's letters be deferred till next ordinary meeting of Council

Resolved that M^r Brownlee be informed that no permanent levels have as yet been adopted for Aln Street, the Council, is therefore unable to supply him with the information requested

Resolved that the Balance sheet of the Corporation Gas works as read be adopted

Resolved that Mess^{rs} Lees & Moore be informed that the Council regret that there is not sufficient inducement at present to justify them in incurring the expenditure necessary to carry the service to their premises in Block 95.

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Resolved that the application from the Mess^{rs} Meek for Gas to be laid on to their premises, be referred to the Gas works Comm^{ee}

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

15/3/77

Notices of Motion

By C^r Gibbs

- 1 That a footpath be put over each Creek in Severn St.
- 2 That footpaths & water tables be permanently formed in Severn Street from Coquet Street to Creek at Market Reserve, footpaths shingled and grating removed to water table
- 3 That all Streets already permanently formed between Oamaru Creek & Town Boundary North be shingled about 20 feet wide & 6 inches deep.
- 4 That all footpaths in the above streets already permanently formed be shingled
- 5 That the Inspector of Nuisances be instructed to see all occupiers of premises using crossings or rights of way over foot paths that are not pitched, have Box drains or pipes put in water tables and a coat of Shingle on footpaths.

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Special Meeting held 2nd March 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Morton, Booth, Scott, Gibbs & M^r M^cLeod

Business – To receive & consider specifications of the proposed Waterworks –

Prop^d by C^r Booth

Second^d by C^r Morton

That this meeting adjourn to allow the whole of the Council to be present at meeting to be held on Thursday 8th March 7.15 pm. In order to give the Council extended time for examining applications and of ascertaining the amount of horse power, before calling for tenders –

Carried

W^m J Steward Mayor

15/3/77

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Special Meeting held March 6th 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Gibbs, Morton, Booth, Scott

Re Telegram from Minister for Lands / Hon. D. Reid / re new Pound site

Resolved that H. W. the Mayor send a telegram to the Hon. D. Reid explaining the matter of the Pound site

The clerk having reported that parts XII & XIII of the “Municipal Corporations Act, 1876” having been gazetted /March 1 / as extended to Oamaru it was

Resolved that application to made to the Governor in Council for the reservation / for the purpose of granting the same to the Corporation of the Municipality of Oamaru / of Section 30 Block III Awamoko district, for an intake for water supply

Resolved that the Engineer be requested to prepare & lay before next ordinary Meeting of Council a place & description of that piece of land lying between Test & Arun Streets, the Immigration Barracks and the road to the Breakwater with a view to making application under Section 350 of the Municipal Corporations Act. 1876 to the governor to grant the same to the Council for extending the present public gardens.

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

15/3/77

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Special Meeting held 8th March 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor /ch/

C^{rs} Booth, Gibbs, Galbraith, Scott, Mainland, Morton, Headland & M^r M^cLeod Engineer

The plans & specifications for the Waterworks were submitted by the Engineer M^r M^cLeod – it was

Resolved that tenders be invited for the work as proposed and the following advertisement

“ Tenders will be received at the Town Clerk’s office

“ Oamaru up to Tuesday, the 1st Day of May next

“ for the construction of the above works –

“ The work is divided into Sections and tenders will

“ be received either for the work as divided, or for the

“ construction of the whole works in one contract

“ Plans, Drawings, Specifications and conditions of Contract

“ may be seen at the Engineer’s office, Council chambers

“ Oamaru on and after Monday the 19th current

“ An Assistant Engineer will attend on Wednesday’s

“ 21st and 28th Inst: and on the 4th April next – each

“ day @ 10 a m – to accompany Contractors over

“ line of works –

“ The Corporations do not bind themselves to

“ accept the lowest or any tender for the whole

“ or any portion of the work “.

Be inserted in the ‘Daily Times’ ‘Lyttleton Times’ ‘New Zealand Times’ ‘Auckland Herald’ & ‘Melbourne Ages’ for one week & in the Local Papers alternate days. 6 insertions in each.

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

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Special Meeting held March 12th 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Morton, Galbraith, Booth, Scott, Gibbs

Re Telegram recd. From Hon. George M^cLean re new Pound site

Resolved that a telegram be sent to M^r M^cLean by Hw. The Mayor / see Letter Book Page 732 /

Correct Minutes

Wm J Steward Mayor

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Minutes of Council Meeting held March 15th 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

Crs Gibbs, Booth, Mainland, Morton, Headland, Grave

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that permission be given to M^r J. Mainland to lay down a box drain from Section 13 Blk 38 to Wharf Street to carry of storm or Waste water

Prop^d by C^r Booth

Second^d by C^r Morton

That the Lease of Section 1 Blk 95 be determined / J. K. Brown /

Carried

A Notice was read from the Solicitor informing the Council that he had re-entered & taken possession on behalf of the Corporation Section 5. Block 95.

Resolved that the plans submitted by M^r M^cLean of building to be erected for the Colonial Bank be approved of.

Prop^d by C^r Booth

Second^d by C^r Headland

That the letter from the Clerk of the Waitaki road Board re Council [dr]aining board in putting down culverts between Town boundary and Landon dist. – be referred to the Public Works Comm^{ee} to report upon carried

Resolved that application be made to the Colonial Secretary requesting that His Excellency may be pleased to appoint the Corporation the body to execute the Common Lodging Houses Ordinance in accordance with the provisions of Section 4

His Honor the late Superintendent of Otago in

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Extending the operations of the Ordinance to Oamaru having omitted to make such appointment

Resolved that M^r George Bruce's letter be referred to the Engineer, with a request to furnish levels if adopted, and if not to prepare plans of the permanent levels of Test and Tyne Streets for the approval of Council

Resolved that permission be accorded to M^r E. Rowlands to erect building at th back of the Star & Garter Hotel as per plans submitted

Resolved that the question of Bye-laws for the proper regulation of Licenced Theatre be referred to the Public Works Committee for report

Resolved that the Municipal Engineer be directed to report as to the facilities for ingress and egress at the various places in Oamaru used for the purposes of public entertainments

Prop^d by C^r Gibb

Second^d by C^r Grave

That the Town clerk (M^r Roxby) be appointed collector to the Corporation
by

Prop^d by C^r Gibb

Second^d by C^r Morton

That the rate be now made one shilling and Sixpence in the L for the year ending March 31st 1878 payable in one sum 1st day of May next. Carried

The Inspector of Nuisances report having been read it was resolved with ref^{ce} to the 1st Paragraph that the Solicitor be asked to advise the Council whether it is empowered to compel the abatement

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Of the nuisances referred to in the letter of the Inspector of Nuisances, and if it be found that the council is so empowered that the necessary steps be taken.

With reference to Weir Street it was resolved that the Engineer's attention be called to the matter

Re unregistered dogs – resolved that where the owners of unregistered dogs cannot be found and in case where the owners cannot be sued for the fine, the dogs be destroyed

Resolved that the boundaries of Government Reserve lying between Garden Reserve, the Beach & the Barracks as show in pencil on plan submitted be adopted and application made to the Government.

Resolved that the Engineer be requested to show the frontage to the creek of Mess^{rs} Lees & Mooore's property.

Resolved that the Public Works Comm^{ee} report re Chelmer Street be received and the Engineer be requested to prepare plans for the consideration of the Council

Resolved that the matter referred to in pgph 2 of the Public works Comm^{ee} be dealt with in the same manner as similar matters contained in the report of the Inspector of Nuisances

Resolved that pgph 3 be received and the matter in pgph 4 be carried out.

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment.

Prop^d by C^r Gibbs

Second^d by C^r Mainland

That the matter of erecting

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Footpaths across both creeks in Severn Street be referred to the Engineer with a request that he would report as to the best means of constructing same, utilising as much as possible the material of the old Thames Street foot bridges

Carried

Motions 2. 3. 4 By C^r Gibbs were referred to the engineer for him to give an estimate of the cost of carrying out such works

Prop^d by C^r Gibbs

Second^d by C^r Mainland

That all rights of way or crossings in the Town be formed to the satisfaction of the engineer and that where they are not required to be patched – the Engineer at his discretion may allow either shingle or metal to be used for covering the same and that where the Streets are not kerbed owners shall be required to lay box drains or pipes in the water tables

Carried

Resolved that the report from the Gas Works Comm^{ee} be adopted

Resolved that Tenders be called for the carting required by the Corporation at per day for the next six months

Correct Minutes

E Gibbs

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Minutes of Council Meeting held March 29th 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Gibbs, Booth, Galbraith, Scott, Mainland & Morton

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that the clerk write to the agents of the owner of Section 10 Block 5 requesting them to abate the nuisance complained of in the letter of the Inspector of Nuisances

Resolved that Miss Barbara Keen have permission to mortgage Section 26 Block 38 to M^r Edwd J. Rock

Resolved that M^r William Jukes Steward be recommended to be appointed a Trustee of the Oamaru Municipal Sinking fund vice John Stubbs Wait resigned

Resolved that the proposal of Mess^{rs} Lees & Moore for paying a proportion of the expense of laying in the Gas to their premises in Block 95 /L 6.10.6/ be accepted.

Resolved that M^r Bas Battersby tender to do the carting for the Corporation for the next six months at the following rates viz.

2 Tip drays - 2 horses and man per drai[] 17/

2 Tip drays 3 “ “ “ “ “ 18/

Be accepted

Resolved that the plans submitted by the Engineer of Tyne Street, from Wansbeck to center of Tamar Street also places of Test Street from Wharf Street to lane

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Near the Barracks be adopted as the permanent levels

Prop^d by C^r Mainland

Second^d by C^r Morton

That the Engineer's report on C^r Gibbs motions re gravelling Streets & footpaths to Bridge in Severn Street etc be received and that none of the works be done at present excepting the footbridges in Severn Street and that tenders be called for the same to be in by next ordinary meeting carried

Resolved that a Committee consisting of Hw. The Mayor C^{rs} Gibbs & Mainland be appointed to enquire further into the matter of the apparent encroachment on the bed of the Creek by Mess^{rs} Lee & Moore and to report at next meeting.

Resolved that pgphs 1. 2. 3 of the Public Works Comm^{ee} report be adopted / see page 181 /

Resolved that a Special Meeting be called for Monday 9th April to consider Bye-laws Comm^{ee} report re "Keeping of Swine", Licensed Theatres" & Licensed Vehicles.

Resolved that the question of disposing of the Coke at the Gas works be remitted to the Gas works Comm^{ee} with power to act.

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment.

Wm J Steward Mayor

12/4/77

Notice of Motion

By C^r Galbraith

That the footpaths in Usk Street from Thames to Reid St be formed & gravelled

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Prop^d by C^r Mainland

Secon^d by C^r Morton

That in the opinion of the Council it is necessary to provide better means than are at present available for the safe custody of public documents, plans etc and that the Works Comm^{ee} be instructed to consult the Engineer and report at next meeting as to the cost of creating a strong room also as to the cost of a suitable safe carried

Wm J Steward Mayor

12/4/77

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Special Meeting held April 9th 1877

Present H.W. The Mayor

C^{rs} Gibbs, Booth, Scott

To consider Bye-laws relating to "Keeping of Swine" "Licensed Theatres" and "Licensed Vehicles" etc

It was resolved that the Bye-laws be approved of and that they be published in accordance with Section 340 of the "Municipal Corporations Act 1876" once in each of the local Papers also that a Special Meeting of the Council be held on Monday the 7th May to adopt the same – the Corporation Solicitors to be requested to make any suggestions thereon which they may deem necessary

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{ one newspaper clipping pasted in to this page}

Resolved that the letter from the Manager of the Gas Works be referred to the Gas Works Comm^{ee} to report upon at next meeting

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

12/4/77

The foregoing Regulations on this and the preceeding page viz Regulations as to keeping of Swine, Regulations for Licensed Theatres, and Regulations for Licensed Vehicles were finally passed and adopted at a special meeting of the Council held May 7. 1877

By C^r

[The town seal is stamped on this page]

E. W. Roxby

Mayor

The above seal was affixed at said meeting viz May 7. 1877

W^m J Steward Mayor

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Minutes of Council Meeting held April 12th 1877

Present Hw The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Gibbs, Morton, Galbraith, Scott, Headland

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Props^d by C^r Mainland

Second^d by C^r Morton

That as the Council is advised that the plan submitted by the Bath's willingness to grant and as there are objections to the baths being placed on the site now asked

for viz. upon the esplanade the Council does not see its way to accede to the request now preferred but is still willing to assist the Company by carrying out the previous understanding

Carried

Prop^d by C^r Mainland

Second^d by C^r Morton

Resolved that as the matter of Mess^{rs} Hay & Barr's building which forms the subject of the application, is at present Sub judice, the Council cannot deal with it at present.

Prop^d by C^r Scott

Second^d by C^r Galbraith

That M^r William Ward's application to act as a Town Crier be granted

Carried

Resolved that permission be given to M^r Thomas Pratt to transfer the Lease of Reserve B to M^r James Nimmo also permission to M^r Arthur Toms to transfer Lease of Section 15 Block 94 to Edwd Charles Buck & Alexdr Cadell.

Resolved that M^{rs} Noble be informed that the Council cannot accede to her request with regard to reducing

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The rent or putting up an additional room but will remit the rates.

Resolved that the advertisement re Waterworks be continued twice a week in the 2 local papers & the Otago Daily Times

Resolved that the Engineer be instructed to communicate with M^r James Pack of Melbourne and to furnish him with the particulars asked for re Pipes for Waterworks.

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Scott

That Hw The Mayor & C^{rs} Gibbs & Mainland be appointed a Committee to consider and report to the Council as to what steps in their opinion shd. Be taken re matters to be brought before the General Assembly at the next Session & that the letter from [] M^r Charles T. [Bengonie] acting under secretary be referred to the said Committee

carried

Resolved that the Health Committee be requested to consider the Health Act and to report as to any steps which, in its opinion, were necessary to be taken.

Resolved that seeing the Tender for constructing footways on the Severn St Bridges is largely in excess of the Engineers estimate, the work be not done at present

Resolved that the recommendation of the Public Works Comm^{ee} for the erection of a strong room is approved of by the Council and that the Committee be requested to ascertain the cost & report.

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Props^d by C^r Scott

Second^d by C^r Gibbs

That the Gas works Comm^{ee} report be adopted carried

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Prop^d by C^r Mainland

Second^d by C^r Gibbs

That the Public Works Comm^{ee} be requested to report upon the advisability of using asphalte upon the plan proposed by C^r Galbraith for footpaths in side streets with refce among others to Usk Street, between Thames & Reid Streets carried

It was Resolved that the Council go into Comm^{ee}

The Committee recommend the Council to draw the attention of the Finance Committee to the desirability of ascertaining whether the Gas works Debentures have been floated and upon what terms the National Bank would be prepared to undertake the negotiation of the Waterworks Debentures – The Finance Comm^{ee} to report to a Special Meeting of the Council to be held as early as possible

That the matter of the revision of the terms of M^r M^cLeod's engagement stand over until the first of May next

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

26/4/77

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Special Meeting held April 17th 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Scott, Morton, Mainland, Gibbs, Grave, Galbraith, Headland, booth

Resolved that the application from Mess^{rs} Hay & Barr of 17th April re Building be granted

Resolved that the application from M^r Shrimski be referred to the Engineer with instructions to grant the same provided that no damage is done to the Street; the work to be done under his supervision

The Council having gone into Committee to consider

Cablegram re Gas Debentures & offer to purchase from Mess^{rs} Walkern & Peyman @ L90

It was

Prop^d by C^r Grave

Second^d by C^r Booth

That in view of the unsatisfactory nature of the cablegram the Council do not feel at liberty to deal with the Debentures at present.

Carried

W^m J Steward

April 26/77 Mayor

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Special Meeting held April 19th 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Gibbs, Mainland, Scott, Galbraith, Grave, Headland

Re Gas Debentures

Telegram

Ch: Ch: 19th April 77

W. J. Steward Esq

Oamaru

“A. Peyman”

“Oamaru April 19th 77

Walkern & Peyman

“Offer accepted – you take delivery in London of amount otherwise unsold – Will call Meeting of Council for three o’clock and reply by 4 o’clock as to whether will also accept for L2000 unissued – acknowledge Receipt at once”

“W^m J. Steward”

Mayor

“Ch: Ch: April 19th 77

W. J. Steward Esq

“Will take delivery in London of all unsold if you telegraph to London at once. Will arrange for the L2000 when we return – Leave for Wellington today – “

“Walkern & Peyman”

It was Prop^d by C^r Grave

Second^d by C^r Headland

That the action taken by the Mayor be confirmed and that he be requested to take the necessary steps to complete the transaction both as regard the unsold balance & the L2000 unissued Debentures

carried

W^m J Steward Mayor

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Minutes of Council Meeting held April 26th 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs}. Mainland, Gibbs, Booth, Headland

Resolved that the minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that M^r Thomas Dunn's application for permission to remove some earth from footpath in Usk Street be referred to the Engineer with power to deal with the same

Propd^d C^r Booth

Second^d by C^r Mainland (re date for Baths)

That while admitting the desirability of having baths and of giving every facility to the Oamaru Baths Company, the Council are of opinion that the request for land is somewhat exorbitant as to area, they therefore resolve that the matter be referred to the Reserves Committee to report upon at the next meeting of the Council

carried

Resolved that M^r Alfred Wells application for permission to burn a slush Lamp be declined

Resolved that the Lease of Section 12 Block 91 applied for by Michael Dorran be sold by auction also the Lease of Section 1 Block 95 & Sec: 5 Block 95

Resolved that Mess^{rs} Lees & Moore letter re Reserve A be referred the Reserves Comm^{ee} to report

Prop^d by C^r Booth

Second^d by C^r Mainland

That the P. W. Comm^{ee} report be adopted

carried

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Resolved that the Engineers report re road through Reserve A be referred to the Reserves Comm^{ee} to report upon

Resolved that the Engineers report re strong room for office be adopted the room to be 6 x 8 instead of 6 x 6 – Tenders to be called for the erection of the same – The Council finding the door and frame

Resolved that the Engineers report re asphaltting footpaths in the side streets be received and that it lie on the table

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

“Goal Site”

Resolved that the question of the advisability of negotiating with the Government for an exchange of land for the present Goal site, as also that ground should be given in lieu thereof be referred to the Reserves Committee to report thereon at next meeting

Resolved that permission be given to M^r James Grave to transfer the Lease of Section 4 Block 47 to M^r Jospeh Booth and another

The Council then went into Committee

Resolved that pgphs 1. 2. & 3 of the Finance Comm^{ee} report be adopted

Resolved with regard to pgphs 4. 5. 6 that the Council does not consider it advisable to take the course therein proposed but directs that tenders be asked from the several banks in Oamaru

Tenders to be in by Monday May 14th

1st Terms on which the bank will undertake the negotiation in London of L6000 with L100 Debentures issued

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Issued under the authority of the "Oamaru Waterworks Act 1876" remitting proceeds to Oamaru

2nd Amount which the bank will advance in security of said Debentures pending their negotiation and rate of interest to be charged on such advance

3rd rate of interest which the bank will allow on moneys / proceeds of the Loan / deposited at say 3. 6. 9 & 12 months also rate of interest which bank will allow on daily & monthly credit balance respectively

4th rate of exchange in London for money's remitted by way of interest accruing or for any payment made under the contract

Debentures to be 30 years [] Minimum price []

Resolved that a Special Meeting be called for Thursday May 3rd for opening tenders for the Waterworks

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward

10/5/77

Mayor

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Special Meeting held May 1st 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Booth, Scott, Galbraith, Gibbs, Mainland

Re Gas Debentures

Resolved that a letter be written to Mess^{rs} Walkern & Peyman informing them that the Council are satisfied that in cases where no special agreement is made to the contrary the regular commercial practice is that rebate of accrued interest is claimed from and allowed by the purchaser – They therefore hold that Mess^{rs} Walkern & Peyman are entitled to refund to the Council the interest accrued up to date and on their so doing and making payment of price of

debentures as agreed upon the Council are prepared to hand to them authority to receive the said debentures in London

The above refers to the balance of the L8000 loan purchased for delivery in London

As regards the separate loan of L2000 7 per cent Debentures purchased by Mess^{rs} Walkern & Peyman the Council will as agreed yesterday cause the necessary debentures to be prepared dating them from 1st June 1877 and will give delivery of same to Mess^{rs} Walkern & Peyman on their order on the said 1st day of June on payment to the Council of the sum of L95 for each L100 Debenture – If the purchase money of this parcel is paid in advance Council will pay interest on said advance from date thereof to 1st June @ same rate of interest secured by loan viz. 7 per cent

W^m J Steward

10/5/77 Mayor

May 1st 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Morton, Galbraith, Mainland

Mess^{rs} Walkern & Peyman attended and offered to meet the Council by dividing the amount in dispute which after discussion was agreed to, the consideration

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Money viz. L5985.0.0 for 63 debentures at L95. Together with L91.17.6 half accrued interest thereon together amounting to the sum of L6076.17.6 less L200 deposit money equal L5876.17.6 was then paid by cheque of Mess^{rs} Walkern & Peyman an authority given to M^r Mack Walkern to receive the said 63 debentures in London. It was also agreed that new debentures should be printed for the L2000 additional debentures purchased by Mess^{rs} Walkern & Peyman the same to bear date from 1st June 1877 and L95 to be paid by Mess^{rs} Walkern & Peyman for each L100 debenture on tender of the same on the said 1st day of June

The above written Minute was read over to Mess^{rs} Walkern & Peyman and agreed by them to be a correct record of the agreement entered into between them and the Council

To 63 – L100 debentures sold @ L95 L5985 “ “

Allowed on a/c rebate interest being

One half of the amt accrued	91.17.6
	6076.17.6
Deposit received L200	200.-
	5876.17.6

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

10/5/77

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Special Meeting held May 2nd 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Gibbs, booth, Morton, Scott, Headland, Grave.

To open Tenders for the Waterworks

Props^d by C^r Scott

Second^d by C^r Mainland

That the Council go into Comm^{ee} and resume @ 8 ½ o'clock

Carried

Resolved that the tenders seventeen in number be now referred to the Engineer for his report thereon and that this Meeting adjourned until Monday Evening @ 8 o'clock

W^m J Steward Mayor

10/5/77

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Th April 1877 in the New Zealand Gazette apopo

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Booth, Gibbs, Galbraith, Morton, Headland, Grave

Meeting called to pass & confirm Bye laws and regulations for Common Lodging Houses, made under "The Common Lodging Houses Ordinance 1862" Amendment Ordinance 1864 and to finally adopt Bye-law – re "Keeping of Swine." "Licensed theatres" and "licensed Vehicles" as proposed at a Special Meeting held 9th April and published on the 11th April 1877

(Made under part XII Municipal Corps Act 1876)

Props^d by C^r by Gibbs

Second^d by C^r Booth

"and in case of a continuing offence to a further penalty of a sum not exceeding forty shillings / 40^s/ for each day during which such offence shall be continued". Be added to clause 15 of the Lodging House Regulations

The words above written were thereupon added by the Clerk to the Bye-laws.

Carried

Prop^d by C^r Gibbs

Second^d by C^r Booth

That the Lodging Houses Bye-laws & regulations as now prepared in accordance with the Common Lodging Houses Ordinance 1862 and the "Common Lodging House Ordinance amendment Ordinance 1864" and in pursuance of His Excellency's proclamation of 19th April 1877 in the New Zealand Gazette appointing this Council to be the body to execute the said Ordinances within the Town of Oamaru being regulations numbered 1 to 15 be finally adopted by this Council and the seal of the Council be affixed thereto and that

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And that a sealed copy be transmitted to the Colonial Secretary for confirmation of His Excellency the Governor. Carried

Resolved that the resolution of the 9th April 1877 for the repeal of regulation No 5 relating to the Keeping of Swine of date 11 Oct: 1875 be confirmed such repeal to take effect as and from the 1st July /77

Resolved that Bye-laws N^o VIII relating to Keeping of Swine

"	N ^o IX	"	"	Licenced theatres
"	N ^o X	"	"	Licensed Vehicles

As passed at Special Meeting held 9th April 77 and published in the "North Otago Times" and Evening Mail of the 11th April 1877 be now confirmed and finally adopted and that a copy of the said Bye-laws be sealed with the Seal of the Corporation and forwarded to the Colonial Secretary the said several Bye-laws to be published in the "North Otago Times" and Evening Mail and the date for this coming in force to be as follows

Bye-law VIII on the 1st July 1877 – and

Bye-laws IX & X on the 1st June 1877

The Council went into Committee to consider the tenders for the Waterworks & Engineers report thereon

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by Cr Galbraith

That taking the Engineers report into consideration the whole of the tenders for Section 4 be rejected and fresh tenders called for the same to be in by Monday 14th Instant carried

Resolved that this Meeting adjourn until Monday Evening

W^m J Steward Mayor

10/5/77

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Minutes of Council Meeting held May 18th 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Gibbs, Headland

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that the Clerk convey the thanks of the Council to the Hn. M Holmes for his present of seed / Conifica /

Resolved that permission be accorded to Mess^{rs} Hood & Shennan to erect Verandah in front of their premises in Tees Street subject to the supervision of the Engineer

Resolved that the application to lease the Acclimatisation Reserve made by M^r Hardy on behalf of Ah Chee be referred to the Reserves Comm^{ee} to report at next meeting

Resolved that M^r Harris application to erect an Iron lean to on Section 2 Block 5 be granted subject to the supervision of the Engineer

Resolved that a nightman's license be granted to Robert Keenan provided a proper vehicle is used to the satisfaction of the Inspector of Nuisances

Resolved that M^r Hislop's letter be acknowledged that he be thanked for his suggestions and that he be informed that it is probable the Section referred to / No 5 Block 25 / may be required for Government purposes, but in the event of its not being so required, the Council would not object to the Section being added to the Mechanics Institute endowment

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Resolved that M^r Richard Bennetts application to deposit some clay in the Street opposite Section 1 Block 33 be granted – work to be done subject to the approval of the Engineer

Resolved that Mess^{rs} M^cNab & Aimers tender of L39.12.6 for the Iron work of Strong room and John M^cCombies tender of L20 for the mason work be accepted – failing M^cCombie taking up his tender then Hamilton & Currie's tender be accepted.

The Clerk read the Balance Sheet for ¼ ending 31st March 1877

Resolved that the recommendations contained in the Reserves committee report re road through the Cape Reserve be adopted.

Resolved that pgph 2 of the of the Reserves Comm^{ee} report be adopted

Resolved that pgph 3 of the Report re "Public baths" with the alterations be adopted.

Resolved that the recommendations contained in pgph 4 of the Report re "Exchange of Goal site & Police Paddock" be adopted

Resolved that the 1st pgph of the Gas works Comm^{ee} report be adopted & that tenders be called for the same, tenders to be in by Wednesday – Meeting to be Thursday @ 11 o'clock.

Resolved that the 2nd pgph of the Gas works Comm^{ee} Report be adopted

Resolved that M^r Edw^d Grave contractor for Coal supply be notified that 100 Tons of Coal will be required to be delivered at the Gas works within three weeks in terms of his contract.

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Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment.

W^m J Steward Mayor

25/5/77

Special Meeting held May 17th 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Headland, Morton, Gibbs, Scott

Resolved that Hamilton & Currie's tender of L81 for addition to Retort House be accepted.

Resolved that the purchasers of the balance of the Gas work's Debentures be notified that they are now ready for delivery

Resolved that permission be accorded to M^r James Parick to erect an addition to his premises in Wansbeck Street

Resolved that the Debentures for the Waterworks loan of Sixty thousand Pounds L60,000 be at once prepared ! Debentures to date from august 1st 77 – to be of L100 each and to bear seven per cent interest & of 30 years currency.

Resolved that as the Council cannot foresee the effect which possible complications in Europe may have on the money market the Bank be instructed that although the Council considers the minimum result of the loan should be at least L100 per debenture it will allow the Bank if par cannot be obtained within 2 months of placing the loan on the Market to sell at a minimum of 97

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{ list of Bank tenders attached to this page }

Resolved that the Mayor & C^r Gibb be requested to make arrangements with some suitable person to conduct the land purchase operations necessary under the Waterworks Scheme.

Resolved that the Engineer be authorised to call for tenders from competent persons willing to undertake the preparations of property plans – tenders to be in by Thursday at noon.

W^m J Steward

Mayor

25/5/77

Special Meeting held May 14th 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Scott, Grave, Gibbs, Headland, Mainland, Morton Galbraith

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Grave

The National Bank of New Zealand having hitherto conducted the business of the Council to its satisfaction, the tender of the said Bank be accepted for the floating of the Waterwork's loan in the event of the Council deciding to place it on the market and that the Manager at Oamaru be notified ion terms of the resolution carried

The Tenders for Landon Contract No 4

Having been opened there were found to be as follows

Ashworth Crawshaw	25178. 7.
Markham, Barclay & Co	21272 .8 .6
Hugh Wallace	20982.11. 9
David Proudfoot	23030.
Thornton & Hull	22286 . 2. 1
Allan & Stumbles	22988.19. 9
John Barclay	22738. 12.
John Henderson	20669. 4. 1

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Resolved that being advised by the Engineer that if the Waterworks are constructed to the plans prepared by him and adopted by the Council there will in addition to domestic supply of 30 Gallons per head per diem for a population of 10,000 Souls be an available motive power for machinery of not less than 300 horsepower and stakes his professional reputation on the correctness of the foregoing –

This Council relying upon the forgoing estimate is of opinion that the necessary expenditure will be wisely made and will prove remunerative to the town and therefore will proceed with the construction of the works

Prop^d by C^r Galbraith

Second^d by C^r Scott

That M^r John Henderson's tender for the four Sections be accepted subject to his supplying the Ironwork necessary for the Landon Contract as per the prices submitted in his tender for pipe supply carried

Resolved that none of the tenders for pipe supply or pipe laying be accepted

W^m J Steward Mayor

25/5/77

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Minutes of Council Meeting held May 25th 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^r Mainland, Morton, Gibbs

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that permission be given to M^r Johnson to erect Verandah in front of Mess^{rs} Mulligans & Hallensteins premises in Thames Street subject to the supervision of the Engineer

Resolved that M^r Lemon have permission to erect stone building in Sec: 5 Block 19 as per plans submitted provided that the Verandah and balcony does not encroach on the footpath; and that the levels as requested be furnished in payment to the Corporation of a fee of one guinea, a similar fee to be charged in all cases of a like nature in the future _ As regards the application to cut down footpath, this matter to be referred the to engineer with instructions to see that the public convenience is not interfered with.

Resolved that Ireland & Esther's application for a crossing be referred to the Engineer with power to act

Resolved that permission be given to Patrick Ford to transfer the lease of Section XI Block 50 to the Rev^d M^r Coleman on the application being properly signed and the usual fee paid

Resolved that the letter from the Manager of the National Bank be referred to the Finance Comm^{ee} to report

Resolved that M^{rs} Edwards letter complaining that the Stormwater flooded her property and asking

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If a drain could be made be referred to the Public Works Comm^{ee} for report

A letter was read from the Cemetery Trust Comm^{ee} asking that the services of the Corporation gardener & assist sh^d be granted for a few days it was

Resolved that after the work of planting now in hand is completed the services of the corporation gardener and assistant be granted to the Cemetery Trust for one week.

A letter was read from the Under Secretary acknowledging receipt of the Bye. Laws No 8. 9. 10

A letter was read from the Secretary for Crown Lands forwarding Gazette containing proclamation setting aside Section 30 Block III Awamoko as a Municipal Reserve for an intake for Water Supply

Resolved that M^r Wheattings letter re "Acclimatisation Reserve" be referred to the Reserves Comm^{ee} to report

The Engineers report on the works having been read –

It was resolved that the Council does not see its way to proceed with the Asphalting of footpaths in back streets at present and desires for a time expenditure be curtailed as much as possible and that C^{rs} Gibbs and Mainland be appointed to consult with the Engineer on the subject of salaries paid to subordinate officers – further that the Engineer be instructed that in view of the waterpipes having to be laid in about a years time, the work done in Thames St should be only such as is absolutely necessary

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Memo: re water cushion and [] wall at Lees & Moore's drain lie on the table for further consideration

Resolved that the Engineer be requested to furnish the Council with an estimate of the act of carrying out the works recommended by him to be at once undertaken

Resolved that M^r Larsen be informed that the terms asked are so excessive that the Council is of opinion that some [] over must have accrued and asking whether a guarantee of 300 Tons [] per annum was not intended

The Tenders for preparing Property plans having been opened it was Resolved that a Special Meeting be called on Monday @ 11 am to consider the same, the Engineer to be asked to attend

Resolved that M^r Arthur Toms be appointed Inspector of "Licensed Vehicles" "Licensed Theatres" and "Common Lodging Houses"

Resolved that M^r Henry Connell receive an authority under seal to act as Land Purchase Commissioner

Resolved that it is desirable to make application for endowment of land as suggested by the Mayor and that C^r Gibbs and the Engineer be requested to take the necessary steps to enable a recommendation to be made at an early date as to the land to be asked for

Resolved that the suggestion re allocating of reserves for Waterworks purposes be brought up for consideration at next meeting of the Council

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Resolved that the question of contributing to the Railway Fund be deferred until next meeting of the Council

Resolved that M^r Lowe be interviewed on the subject of filling up Old Channel of the Creek at Mess^{rs} Lee & Moore's

An offer from Mess^{rs} Lees & Moore of 2 chains frontage in Itchen Street was discussed but it was resolved that the Council does not see its way to entertain it.

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Correct Minutes

S Gibbs

Chairman

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Special Meeting held May 28th 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Gibbs, Scott, Headland, Mainland, Booth, Grave

A Deputation from the Oamaru-Nasby Railway Comm^{ee} waited upon the Council applying for assistance towards making the preliminary Survey etc.

Prop^d by C^r Gibbs

Second^d by C^r Booth

That this Council will place L50 at the disposal of the Railway Comm^{ee} and provided the Waitaki County Council will contribute L200. will give a further sum of L50

Carried

Resolved that in consequence of their being in excess of the Engineers estimate, none of the tenders be accepted and that the work be done in the Engineer's office; a separate account to be kept of the same, to be laid before the Council on completion of the work.

Resolved that M^r Mainland's application to remove & re-erect building in Wansbeck Street be granted under the supervision of the Engineer

Resolved that permission be given to the Executors of John Martin's estate to transfer the lease of Section 21 Block 20 to M^r Samuel Gibbs provided all arrears of rent be first paid.

Resolved that permission be given to Mess^{rs} Brindley & Stewart to erect building in Tyne Street for M^r W^m Aitken as per plans & specifications submitted subject to the supervision of

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Of the Engineer

Resolved that the Clerk acknowledge the receipt of Mess^{rs} Lees & Moore's letter re filling in of ground on South side of railway

Correct Minutes

S Gibbs

Chairman

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Minutes of Council Meeting held June 7th 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Grave, Mainland, Booth, Galbraith

Resolved that the minutes as read be confirmed

A letter was read from the Under Secretary intimating that the Governor had confirmed the Bye-laws made by the Corporation under the "Common Lodging Houses Ordinance"

Resolved that M^r D. Rudduck's letter be received and his offer to construct a track for L25 be declined.

Resolved that M^r Kerr's letter be acknowledged (enclosing extract from letter to New Zealand Loans) with thanks

Resolved that the upset prices of Sections 13. 14 Block 95 be maintained

Prop^d by C^r Booth

Second^d by C^r Galbraith

That the P.W. & Reserves Comm^{ee} report be adopted

Carried

Resolved that the 2nd pgph of the Gas Work's Comm^{ee} be adopted

Resolved that the 3rd pgph of the Gas Work's Comm^{ee} report be referred to the Engineer with power to act

Prop^d by C^r Galbraith

Second^d by C^r Mainland

That the plan of Exe Street as submitted by the Engineer be adopted as the permanent levels carried

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Resolved that the Engineer's report re Chelmer Street and new cut for the Oamaru Creek lie on the table until next general Meeting

Resolved that the consideration of the Mayor's suggestions re allocation of reserves for "Waterworks" purposes be deferred until next ordinary meeting of the Council

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment.

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward

21/6/77 Mayor

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Minutes of Special Meeting held 14th June 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Booth, Gibbs

Resolved that the clerk reply to Mess^{rs} Gillies & Street informing them under what Acts the Corporation is acting also to inform them that as the area required for the Waterworks is only 1 acre 3 roods 13 poles the Council cannot entertain the proposal to purchase the whole block – M^r Connell will be instructed to offer what, in his opinion as the officer of the Council on their behalf is a fair value; and should Mess^{rs} Gillies & Street decline to accept the same, the matter must then go to arbitration as in the Act provided

Resolved that M^r Aitchison's letter be acknowledged and that he be informed that in accordance with his desire, the Council is willing to submit the question of compensation in his case to arbitration, as by the Act provided, and requests that he will name the arbitrator to act on his behalf - notice to be sent to the Corporation of the appointment of such arbitrator within 14 days from date hereof.

Resolved that M^r Henry Connell be appointed under Seal, arbitrator for the Council in the matter of M^r Aitchison's claim and that M^r Aitchison be informed of such appointment

Resolved that in the case of M^r Gilchrist the sum of Ten pounds /L10/ per acre be offered and failing its acceptance that the matter be allowed to go to arbitration

Resolved that M^r Connell be authorised to offer

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M^r John Cameron L150 and that failing his acceptance the matter go to arbitration

Resolved that the Memorial presented to C^r Gibbs from residents of Aln Street, be referred to the Engineer to propose a sketch plan for the approval of the Council and that he also be requested to consider and report to the Council whether the remainder of the permanent levels can be executed while the present staff is in the employ of the Council without interfering with the Waterworks

Resolved that the letter of M^r Chace be referred to the Engineer for report at next meeting such report to be then considered in connection with his previous report on Chelmer Street and Creek

Resolved that the Engineer be requested to report at next meeting on the works required to be done in Trent Street, Nen Street and Exe Street in order to make the footpaths passable, together with estimate of cost

Resolved that M^r [Ewings] letter re County Map of Otago be deferred for consideration till next meeting

Resolved that the letter from Manager of the National Bank be replied to by Mayor & Town Clerk

Resolved that it be notified by advertisement that the bye-laws for Common Lodging Houses are now in operation and that all Keepers of Common Lodging Houses will be required to register their premises in terms of the Ordinance on or before the 30 June instant

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

21/6/77

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Special Meeting held June 16th 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Gibbs, Grave

Resolved that the resolution of last meeting authorising the appointment of M^r Connell as arbitrator for the Council in the case of M^r Aitchison's land be rescinded and that M^r Neil Fleming be appointed as such arbitrator – failing his acceptance the Mayor and C^r Gibbs to be authorised to arrange with some suitable person to be appointed under Seal

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward

21/6/77

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Minutes of Council Meeting held June 21st 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Booth, Gibbs, Headland, Mainland, Scott

Resolved that the minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that M^r Robt Blair & M^r H Sedon application to make crossings to their premises be referred to the Engineer with power to act

Resolved that M^r Joseph Moss letter applying for permission to open up the footpath in front of Section 10 Block 38 for putting in earthenware pipes to carry off surplus water be referred to the Engineer with power to act.

Resolved that M^r W^m Aitken have permission to transfer the lease of Section 18 block 52 to M^r I. J. Finch provided all arrears are paid

Resolved that M^r Carpenter MacKenzie be informed that the Council has no power to grant his application viz to erect a stand for sale of refreshments in Wansbeck Street near Railway Station.

A letter was recd from M^r Peter Aitcheson notifying that he had appointed M^r John Johnston of Awamoko to act on his behalf in the arbitration in Land required for Waterworks

Resolved that M^r Mitchell's request asking reversion of license fee on the occasion of the Hospital Concert be granted

Resolved that the letter from Mess^{rs} Bight Brothers re new Gasometer be referred to the Gas works Comm^{ee} to report at next meeting

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Resolved that M^r [Meriams] letter referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee}

Resolved that the Town Clerk be authorised to purchase Mess^{rs} Connell & Moore new map of Otago.

Resolved that Hw. The Mayor C^r Mainland & the Engineer be appointed a Comm^{ee} to confer with M^r Connell with a view of arranging the matter of M^r Gilchrists land required for Waterworks purposes with power to take such steps as they may deem most desirable in the interests of the Council

Resolved that Mess^{rs} Lees & Moore application re railway siding in Block 95 be referred to the Reserves Comm^{ee} & Engineer to report thereon at next meeting

Prop^d by C^r Gibbs

Second^d by C^r Headland

That the schedule of endowments of the Corporation be duly certified and forwarded to the Government. Carried

Resolved that the application from M^r And^w Costello for registration of his lodging house be referred to the Inspector for his report thereon and that a Special Meeting be called for Monday 2nd July @ 7.15 pm for the purpose of considering all applications received up to that date and that the Inspector of Lodging Houses be required to attend at such meeting

Resolved that a list be prepared of all these houses which, in the opinion of the Council shd be brought under the operation of the bye-laws and that the Inspector give the owners or keepers of such houses notice to register themselves

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Resolved that the next ordinary meeting of the Council be held on Friday July 6th the Council to sit @ 7.15 as a Court of Revision for the Citizens Roll.

Resolved that the petition presented by C^r Gibbs from ratepayers in Coquet Street asking for the kerbing & channelling of Coquet Street from Thames Street to Reed Street be referred to the Engineer to report upon the same & to give the probable cost

Resolved that the Reserves Comm^{ee} report be adopted

Resolved that application be made to the Harbour board to put a box drain under their siding

Resolved that notice be given by the Engineer to the proposition of rights of way now in bad order to repair the same within 14 days or that failing their so doing – it will be done at their expense by the Council

Resolved that the whole Council meet at the Council chambers @ 10 o'clock sharp on Tuesday morning next to proceed with the Engineer to inspect the proposed works in Chelmer Street

Resolved that the Engineer be requested to complete the permanent levels of the town as speedily as possible without interfering with other works in hand

Resolved that the question of allocation of revenues towards paying interest on Water works be postponed until next meeting, or to

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A meeting to be called by the Mayor for the purpose, if necessary

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

W^m J Steward

Mayor

6/6/77

Special Meeting held June 25th 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^r Gibbs, Booth, Morton, Mainland

The Council accompanied by the engineer, proceeded to Chelmer Street and the Garden Reserve and inspected the site of the proposed works in the creek

On returning to the Council Chambers it was

Resolved on the motion of Counc. Booth & Seconded by C^r Gibbs

That the channel be widened and deepened from the Town Boundary to opposite the lane between Blocks 70 & 71

Resolved that the Engineer be directed to prepare plans & specifications and call for tenders for the works; The tenders also to include the putting of the road in Chelmer Street in order and the making of a drain to carry of surface water opposite Section 8 Block 71

Resolved that the application from Mess^{rs} Connell & Clowes for leave to open up footpath in Ribble Street for the purpose of draining the lagoon in Frances Block was referred to the Engineer with power to act.

A Letter was read from the Colonial Secretary intimating that the necessary instructions under the Common Lodging House Ord^{ce} had been forwarded

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To the Commis^r of Police

M^r Keir Manager of the National Bank attended & interviewed re his letters and the Bank's agreement it was resolved that the correspondence be referred to the Solicitor and his opinion taken thereon

W^m J Steward

Mayor

6/6/77

Special Meeting held July 2nd 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Gibbs, Headland

The applications for registration together with the Inspector's report thereon were read and it was Resolved that the following Lodging Houses be registered as capable of accommodating the number of boarders set opposite their names

John Cogvin	Oamaru Bdg House	26	Boarders
[] Richmond	Criterion Boarding H	13	"
Patrick Kearney	Melbourne	12	"
Rachel Grace	Mount Ida	8	"
Thomas Hannon		15	"
Simon Conway	Ayshire "	9	"
Margaret Scott	Sancreed House	12	"
James Robertson	Clarendon Bord H	6	"
John Wilson	Caledonian "	10	"
Andrew Costello	Victorian "	8	"
Alexander Gordon	Bayview "	10	"
James Paterson	Albion "	34	"
Mathew Cunningham		11	"
Patrick Croft	South Australian	17	"

James M^cGuinness Railway

In the case of Costello, Wilson Caledonian & M^cGuinness' Railway boarding House the proprietors to be notified

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That their houses in certain respects are not in conformity with the By-laws and must be brought into conformity therewith by the 1st August.

Resolved that with respect to further applications that may be handed in the town Clerk be authorised to register the premises, filling in the number of to be accommodated in accordance with Inspector's report – also that a copy of the Register be sent to the Sub Inspector of Police and also notifications hereafter of any addition thereto

(a newspaper clipping headed Legislative Committee is pasted in)

Resolved that the Public Works Comm^{ee} report be adopted.

Resolved that the letter to the engineer from the Kakanui road board re Road to Beach Reserve be referred to the Reserves Comm^{ee} & the Engineer to report thereon

Resolved that permission be given to M^r Michael M^cGrath to transfer the lease of Section 17 Blk 70 to Michael Snyder and permis. to M^r W^m Corsling to transfer lease of Section 19 Blk XI to 1st Oamaru building society and to Charles Townsend to transfer the lease of Sec 9 & 29 Block XI to M^r Samuel Gibbs.

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Resolved that permission be given to Mess^{rs} Steenson & Leigh to erect sign-boards on each side of their verandah under supervision of the Engineer

Resolved that M^r Kidd's letter be referred to the Reserves Comm^{ee} for report

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward

Mayor

6/7/77

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Minutes of Council Meeting held July 6th 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Morton, Gibbs, Booth, Headland

Court of Revision of Citizens' Roll / 2 claims /

Resolved that Thomas Gates Molyneux name be inserted on the Roll & Thomas Moore's claim bedisallowed as name does not appear on Valuations roll.

Resolved that the names of those who have paid rates up to the 3rd Inst: as per List submitted be place on the supplementary Roll.

M^r Connell attended & reported that he had settled with M^r Gilchrist for his land required for Waterworks & L13 pr ann re Arbitration between the Council and the Land Company it was Resolved that this Council is willing for its part to refer the matter to a single arbitration inter parties and will agree to the appointment of M^r Calcott with the consent of the other side

Resolved that the minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that permission be acceded to M^r Henry [Kete] to transfer the lease of Section 22 Block 82 to M^r John Barclay

Resolved that M^r M Cunningham's letter be referred to the Inspector to report

Resolved that in addition to those houses / as previously determined / which take in casual lodgers all boarding-houses which accommodate six or more regular or casual lodgers, be brought under the operation of the by-laws, and required to register under the Ordinance

Resolved that the petition re railway encroachment at [Six] corners be approved and signed by the Council

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Resolved that a letter be written to the Members for the District respectfully requesting them to meet the Council on Friday morning next @ 11 o'clock to consult re certain matters to be brought forward during the approaching Session of Parliament

Resolved that M^r Coutes letter be acknowledged and the amount due to him up to 7th August next be paid.

Resolved that M^r Nimmo's application to construct a drain from Reserve B be referred to the Engineer to report

Resolved that the letter from M^r James Parkes of Melbourne be acknowledged and he be informed that the Council has not accepted his tender for Pipes or any other tender but will call for fresh tenders as soon as it deems it advisable tso to do –

Re Municipal Conference

Resolved that the invitation from Christchurch to attend the Municipal Conference be acknowledged with thanks with an intention that the Council does not deem it necessary to send a delegate to Wellington on the subject of the matter specially treated of in the invitation viz deduction from Municipal Subsidies of amounts payable to charitable institutions

Resolved that permission be given to M^r J. McCombe to mortgage Section 6 Blk 46 to the N. O. P. Soc

Resolved that the terms & conditions of the Councils Banking business be referred to the Finance Comm^{ee} to report thereon Thursday Evening next

A letter from J. Honeybone Esq. was read giving notice that part of Reserve B in Block XCV was required for

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Railway purposes.

The Tenders for works in Chelmer Street and the creek were opened and it was

Resolved that M^cDowell & M^cLeod's tender of L145.8.4 be accepted. Failing their taking it up then J. M^cDowells tender to be accepted.

The Gas Works Comm^{ee} report having been read it was

Resolved that tenders be called in Oamaru, Dunedin & Melbourne for a Gasometer 50 feet in diameter by 16 feet deep to be fitted up in the Gas works here and handed over in good working order to the approval of the Corporations engineer within six months from date of acceptance of tender – Tenders to be in by the 9th August – the engineer & M^r Gledhill to prepare the necessary specifications and a copy to be forwarded to M^r Coutes for the use of intending Melbourne tenderers

Resolved that the remainder of the Gas works Comm^{ee} report be adopted

Resolved that the P. W. & Reserves Comm^{ee} report be adopted. The Mayor & C^r Gibbs to wait upon the Kakanui Road Board re matter referred to in first paragraph of the report and that the necessary steps be taken to resume possession of the whole of the Garden Reserve

The Engineer's report having been read, it was resolved that the Engineer be asked if the present level of Coquet Street West of Thames Street can be adopted as the permanent level and if not to report what would be the cost of bringing it to the permanent level

Resolved that tenders be called for the formation of the footpaths in Trent, Nen & Bee Streets

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And that portion of Usk Street between Thames and Reid Street – Tenders to be in on Thursday next

Resolved that the plans of the levels of aln Street be referred to the Public Works Comm^{ee}

Nominations of Mayoralty

Resolved that Tuesday 17th Inst at noon be fixed for the nominations –

& the following places appointed as polling Booths

Jolly Ward. M^r Glass's office. Tyne Street

Thames “ Hendry's buildings

Severn “ Oddfellows Hall

High “ Old Grammar School

Resolved that C^r Gibbs be appointed returning officer –

Alloocation for waterworks

Resolved that the revenues derived from the leasing of frontages in Thames Street on the present police Reserve, in the event of such Reserve being transferred to the Corporation, and from and landed endowment obtained under the Municipal Corporations Act 1876' be allocated

to Waterworks account, and placed towards payment of Mutual & Sinking Fund of Waterworks Loan so long as such contributions may be necessary

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment –

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward

Mayor

19/7/77

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Special Meeting held July 13th 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Scott, Mainland, Morton, Grave, Gibbs, Booth, Galbraith

The tenders for the formation of footpaths in Nen, Exe & Uske Streets having been opened it was

Resolved that Patrick Moynahan's tender of L50 9. 8 be accepted & tenders be invited for formation of footpath in Trent Street.

The Members for the District Mess^{rs} Hislop & Shrimski attended at the invitation of the Council and were consulted on various matters

A Telegram was read from the Hon. D. Reid re proposed Exchange of Police Paddock etc

It was Prop^d by C^r Mainland

Second^d by C^r Booth

That the exchange questions be referred to the Works Comm^{ee} and
Engineer to report upon by next meeting carried

Resolved that M^r J. Johnston claim for land required to be taken for the Waterworks be referred to M^r H^y Connell.

Resolved that M^r John M^cKay's application to ensure earth from Towey Street be referred to the Engineer with power to act.

Resolved that a claim for the value of improvements made upon Reserve B Clk XCV to L207. 3 be served upon the Minister for Public works under clause 132 of the Public Works Act 1876

Resolved that the nominations of Councillors & Auditors be fixed for Friday 17th Inst @ Noon

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward

Mayor

19/7/77

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Minutes of Council Meeting Held July 19th 1877

Present Hw The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Gibbs, Booth, Grave

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that the deed of reference to arbitration as between the Council and the N.Z. and A Land Company be approved and that the Mayor be authorised to sign the same on behalf of the Council

Resolved that the time for receiving tenders for the new Gasometer be extended to the 1st September

Resolved that M^r O'meaghers letter – re approach to his property be referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} to report –

Resolved that Mess^{rs} Meek's application to put in a box drain be not acceded to and they be informed that the crossing only requires to be relaid with proper material

Resolved that M^r Lippets application for a temporary crossing to his property in Usk St be referred to the Engineer with power to act

Resolved that permission be given to Mess^{rs} Lees & Moore to transfer the Lease of Section 12 Block 34 to M^r Thomas Middleton

Resolved that the terms proposed by the National Bank for the conduct of the future business of the Corporation be accepted subject to certain provisions viz.

That the interest payable on the overdraft be 1% below current rates, but when current rates are at or below *% the Corporation to pay

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Interest on overdraft at current rates – and that the Council accept the terms with six-months notice on either side.

Resolved that M^r Cojoin have permission to mortgage the Lease of Section 3 Block 6 Town of Oamaru

Resolved that the Inspector of Nuisances be directed to occasionally visit the immigrants Cottages on the Cape

Resolved that Patrick Moynihan's tender of L10. 19 for footpath in Trent Street be accepted, failing his taking it up then Jeremiah Ryan's tender of L11. 4 .6 be accepted –

Resolved that the Inspector be directed to see that all houses which come within the definition laid down by the Council are duly registered

Resolved that the suggestion from the Inspector of Nuisances re turnstile at Nen Street be referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} for report

Resolved that the Public Work's Comm^{ee} report be adopted

Resolved that the document empowering the Solicitor to re-enter and take possession of the Garden Reserve on behalf of the corporation be signed by the Mayor

Resolved that the Street Lamps be placed under the management of the Manager of the Gas Works & the Gas works Committee

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

16/8/77

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Special Meeting held July 23rd 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Galbraith, Morton Gibbs, Mainland, Scott

The Waterworks Loan of L60,000

Resolved that 50 copies of the Report (giving data for the information of intending tenders for the Waterworks loan) now submitted be printed in time for the outgoing {Leng} Mail

A letter was read from the Manager of the National Bank accepting the modifications suggested by the Council in the terms for the Bank account and [re ting] the terms in full – it was

Resolved that a letter be sent accepting the terms –

A letter was read from Mr O'Meagher applying to have the road improved near entrance to his property – referred to the Engineer with power to employ some of the daymen for a day or two.

Resolved that M^r J. Johnston have permission to mortgage the lease of Sec: 14 Block 54 Town of Oamaru to M^r Thomas Kerr

Correct Minutes

W^mJ Steward Mayor

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Special Meeting held July 27th 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Booth, Gibbs, Mainland, Scott

Re Insurance of Waterworks Debentures (L 60,000) etc

Resolved that the box containing the debentures be shipped home per Mail Steamer under special Charter if possible and that the Bank in London wire to the Oamaru Agency immediately

on receipt, or failing receipt on arrival of Mails in London – pending receipt of such Cable Message Corporation to be allowed to overdraw against ordinary account to the Amount of L 7,000 and apply the money for Waterworks purposes and on receipt of notice of the arrival of debentures in London the special overdraft of L 15,000 as against debentures / including the before referred to L7,000 / to be in force

Resolved that the polling Booth for Severn Ward be held in the premises lately occupied by M^r Whelch at the corner of Thames & Coquet Street

Resolved that Hw. The Mayor be requested if possible to go to Wellington to represent the Council at the Municipal Conference

Resolved that in the event of the Mayor being absent on Wednesday next C^r Gibbs act as returning officer for the Severn Ward election

Resolved that M^r Cuspendale M^cKeeney's application for leave to have a Coffee stall at he corner of Thames & Coquet Street be granted during the pleasure of the Council

Resolved that M^r Richardson's application to blast with powder be referred to the Engineer with power to act

Correct Minutes

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Special Meeting held Aug: 3rd 1877

Present

C^{rs} Headland, /Chr./ Spence, Mainland, Proctor

A Telegram was read from the Mayor – re widening Street at corner of Itchen & Tyne Streets – proposing to give M^r Shrimski property Section XI Block III in exchange for so much of the corner as would restore the streets to the original width.

M^r Gilchrist being present, stated that he was willing to accept M^r Shrimski's property in exchange provided he is put to no expense whatever or will accept one thousand Pounds / L 1000 /.

M^r Spence who was also present stated that Mess^{rs} Spence & Bee claim for their leasehold interest L550. In addition to M^r Gilchrist demand

It was resolved that a telegram to the above be sent to the Mayor and it was

Resolved that no compensation whatever be given by the Council

Telegram re Exchange of the Police Paddock, New Park site

Goal site and to telegraph boundaries

The Mayor having telegraphed requesting that the first General Meeting of the Council appointed for Thursday the 9th Inst be postponed to allow him to be present it was resolved that the Meeting be held on Monday 13th Instant.

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

16/8/77

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Special Meeting held Aug: 6th 1877

Present

C^{rs} Headland /Ch / Spence, Mainland, Booth, Proctor, Familton

A telegram was read from the Mayor stating that the Government would consent to the setting aside of the block of land selected by the Council as an endowment under Sec: 350 of the Municipal Corporations Act and supporting that the Council should endeavour to obtain portion of the Auriferous Reserve Block XI Maruwhenua Survey district

Prop^d by C^r Proctor

Second^d by C^r Booth

That the Mayor be asked to use his best endeavours re obtaining the above mentioned block.

Carried

A telegram was read from the Mayor with reference to widening the Street at Spence & Bees corner stating that there was no probability of the Government agreeing to the amount of compensation asked by M^r I. C. Gilchrist & Mess^{rs} Spence & Bee – after considerable discussion upon the matter it was Prop^d by C^r Mainland

Second^d by C^r Spence

That the matter be left in the hands of the Mayor to make the best arrangements he can with the Government but the Council was not to be put to any expense whatever in the matter

Carried

Prop^d by C^r Booth

Second^d by C^r Familton

That the Mayor be informed that the Council are of opinion that Section 5 Block 25 should be added to Sections 6 & 7 for the Market Reserve

carried

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Resolved that a tracing of the New Goal site submitted by the Engineer be forwarded to the Members for the District.

W^m J Steward

Mayor

16/8/77

Special Meeting held Aug: 10th 1877

Present Hw The Mayor

C^{rs} Spence, Mainland, Liddle, Headland, Proctor

Resolved that M^r Johnston's application for permission to make certain alterations to Waterloo House /M^r Cleghorn's/ be granted

Resolved that the letter from the Com^r of Crown Lands be referred to the Mayor & the Engineer to furnish the information asked for.

Resolved that leave be granted for the transfer of the lease of Part 2 Reserve D from M^r James Grave to M^r Joseph Williams – of Section 1 Blk 77 from M^r E. B. Larkin to M^r Thomas Proctor and of Section 4 Block 42 to M^r A M^cCorkindale

Resolved that Hw. The Mayor C^{rs} Mainland, Proctor & the Engineer be appointed a Comm^{ee} to make enquiries as to the desirability of securing a Quarry site

Mayor's honorarium

Resolved that the Mayor's honorarium for the year 1877-8 be fixed at L 200 –

Resolved that the first General Meeting be postponed until Thursday 16th Inst. @ 7.15 pm.

W^m J Steward Mayor

16/8/77

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Minutes of Council Meeting held aug: 16th 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Booth, Headland, Gibbs, Spence, Proctor, Familton, Liddle

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

His Worship having read his report re Municipal Conference – it was

Prop^d by C^r Booth

Second^d by C^r Headland

That the thanks of the Council be recorded in the Minutes to His
Worship the Mayor for his services in Wellington carried

Salaries

Resolved that the salary of the Engineer be L 750 and that he be offered an engagement of two years at that rate ?L 250 to be charged for Town work L500 for Water Supply/.

That the salary of the Town Clerk be the same as last year L 350 pr. Ann:

That the salary of the Assistant Clerk be L 175

That the salary of the auditors be L 15 each

That the salary of the Valuer be L50 and

The salary of the Inspector of Nuisances be L 182. /L3.10 pr. Week/

Resolved that the following Councillors be appointed members of the several Committees as under viz.

Public Works & Reserves – C^{rs} Mainland, Gibbs, Proctor, Familton

Finance C^r Booth, Headland, Spence, Liddle

Bylaws & Legislation. C^{rs} Booth, Gibbs, Headland, Proctor

Gas works – C^r Mainland, Headland, Spence, Liddle

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Waterworks – C^{rs} Mainland, Booth, Gibbs, Proctor

Health, C^{rs} Booth, Spence, Familton, Gibbs

The Mayor to be ex officer chairman of all Comm^{ees}

Resolved that the letter from M^r A Simpson re Oamaru Creek be referred to the Engineer

Resolved that M^r M M^cGrath have permission to transfer Sec: 7 Blk 70 to M^r James Cain & permission to M^r C. J. Moore to transfer lease of Section 10 Blk 35 to M^r W^m J. smith

Resolved that lave be given to M^r A. J. Marshall to act as Town Crier.

Resolved that the letter from the Secretary of the Schools Comm^{ee} re footpaths be referred to the Public Works Committee

Resolved that permission be given to M^r N. Campbell to remove some blue gum trees in front of Sec 6 & 7 Block 2 provided that shd any damage be done to the footpaths he will be required to repair the same

Prop^d by C^r Liddle

Second^d by C^r Proctor

That the petition presented to C^r Gibbs from ratepayers & householders in Reid Street complaining of the state of that street between Torridge & Nen Streets be referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} to report carried

Resolved that M^r W^m Chirstie letter re Test Street be referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} to report.

Resolved that the letter from Mess^{rs} W. Purden & J. W. Bruce re drains be referred to the

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Engineer with power to act.

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Resolved that the letter from M^r Jas Grave re Water Pipes be acknowleged with thanks and referred to the Engineer

A letter was read from M^r Holmes forwarding the verdict of the Jury in the case of Louise Tracey and directing the attention of the Council to the rider. Added by the jury as to the dangerous nature of the embankment in Itchen Street it was

Resolved that the letter be referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} with power to act.

Resolved that the letter from residents in Eden Street drawing attention to the existence of a dangerous hole in that street be referred to the Engineer to report upon

Resolved that the documents sent by the Corpⁿ Solicitor be signed & sealed

A letter was read from the Corporation Solicitor intimating that he had re-entered and taken possession of the Garden Reserve on behalf of the Corporation

Resolved that the letter from the Manager of the National Bank be referred to the Finance Comm^{ee} to report

Resolved that the letter from J. Hyde Haines re [] for land taken from the NZ & A Land Comp^y be referred to M^r Cowell with power to act

Resolved that in future all accounts before being laid on the table of the Council be submitted to the Finance Comm^{ee} and that it be notified that all amounts be rendered three clear days before the Meeting of the Council.

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

(clipping from newspaper pasted in alongside these entries)

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

30/8/77

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Notice of Motion

By C^r Gibbs

- 1 That the siding in Yare Street be continued to Western end of Block 72.

By C^r Liddle

- 2 That the Engineer prepare and lay before the Council a report showing what works are in his opinion are necessary to be carried out during the year

By C^r Spence

- 3 1 That returns be laid on the table showing what contracts are on hand and amount due thereon

2 (The acct of present contract for Water supply)

The amount available for work during the current year

What are the terms and time of payment

What arrangements have been made to meet Councils engagements in connection therewith

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Aug: 30th 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Spence, Mainland, Proctor, Liddle, Familton

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that M^r Danl. Rudduck's letter re approach to his property Sec: 14 Blk 71 and asking that the gradient of the Street be reduced lie on the table

Resolved that D. Heron's & J. C. Black's applications for right of ways be referred to the Engineer with power to act

A letter was read from M^r J. Giles under Secretary for Lands, ie Crown Lands within the Town. And from the Under Secretary for Public Works stating that the claim made by the Corporation L207. 3 value of improvements in land taken for railway purposes would be paid by the government

Resolved that M^r John Liddles letter re Lagoon in Ure Street be referred to the Public Works Comm^{ee} for report.

Letters from M^r I. C. Black & M^r Benj. Williams re Garden Reserve were read it was

Resolved that while the Council recognises no legal claim on the part of M^r Williams or M^r Black with reference to the Garden Reserve it is willing to grant a new tenancy to M^r I. C. Black for the term of five years for such portion as the Council does not require for its own purposes, and upon terms to be drawn up by the Reserves Comm^{ee}.

Resolved that M^r Coutts letter re Gasometer be referred to the Gas works Comm^{ee} for report.

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The Town Clerk laid upon the table an approximate return showing the assets & liabilities for the year ending August 31st 1878.

The Engineer's report having been read it was

Resolved that the Engineer prepare plans etc. specifications & estimate of cost for work he considers absolutely necessary to be done in the Oamaru Creek as suggested in his report

Public Works Comm^{ee} report having been read it was

Resolved that the pgph relating to Reid Street be adopted and that the Engineer prepare the necessary plans & specifications and call for tenders for the work

Resolved that the Esplanade be leased in paddocks for one year / reserving the right of ingress and egress to the public and the right to plant and improve / on terms and conditions to be drawn up by the Corporation Solicitor under the instructions of the Reserves Comm^{ee} Lease to be sold by public auction – also that the Reserve in Severn Street be leased for five years with right of redemption at any time on payment of compensation for fencing.

(newspaper clipping re 'Reserves for lease' pasted on page)

Resolved that the works referred to as necessary in Nen & Severn Streets be carried out and it was Resolved that the Engineer prepare plans & specifications for a bridge in Steward Street – application to be made to the Drillshed Trust for leave to direct the Creek

The various other recommendations of the report were agreed to and ordered to be carried out

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The tenders for Contract 120 – "Works in Test Street" having been opened it was Resolved that Patrick Moynihan's tender (for doing the work with glazed Pipes) of L148. 3. 9 be accepted

Resolved that the Healths Comm^{ee} report be adopted.

Resolved that D^r Garland be written to asking him to accept the position of Health Officer at a salary of twenty five guineas per annum

Resolved that the letter from residents in Eden Street re dangerous hole together with Engineer's report be referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} to report

Resolved that the accounts as brought up by the Finance Comm^{ee} be passed for payment

Resolved that the Works Comm^{ee} be requested to interview M^r Lowe on the subject of the railway encroachment on Isis Street & the Municipal Sections taken for railway purposes

C^r Liddle's motion re statement of works necessary to be carried out during the year lapsed for want of a seconder

Resolved that the Finance Comm^{ee} be requested to arrange with the Bank for the regular payment in London of the Interest of the 17 Debentures sold by the Bank

Notice of Motion

By C^r Proctor

1st That the question of sly-grog selling be thoroughly gone into, with a view to its speedy suppression

2nd That the pathway in front of the Council Chambers to the North side of the telegraph office be kerbed channelled & asphalted, concrete kerbing & Channelling to be used as an experiment

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Notice of Motion

By C^r Liddle

That the Engineer prepare specifications and estimate for laying a strip of rough shingle (in the same way as that already laid in front of Mess^{rs} Hay & Barr's mill) a width of from 15 feet to 20 feet in the centre of the following streets viz. Cross Lane, from Severn Street to Reid Street. Reed Street to North School: Torridge Street to Thames St Eden Street from Thames Street to bridge

W^m J Steward Mayor

Correct Minutes

13/9/77

Special Meeting held Sept: 3rd 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Gibbs, Headland, Liddle, Proctor, Booth

Re Tender for New Gasometer

Resolved that the tenders for the new Gasometer be not opened until next ordinary meeting of the Council /Sept: 13th/ in order to allow of receipt of tenders from Melbourne

Resolved that the amount of M^r Calcutts award & costs for land taken from the N. Z. & Aust: Land Coy. For the waterworks be handed to the Corporation Solicitor to be paid into the National Bank to Joint Trust account as requested

W^m J Steward Mayor

13/9/77

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Sept: 13th 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Spence, Liddle, Gibbs, Booth, Proctor, Familton, Mainland

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that the application from C. Galbraith & Co. for permission to lay down a tramway opposite Section 18 Block 4 Humber Street was referred to the Public Works Comm^{ee} for report thereon

A letter was read from the Town Clerk of the Thames with ref^{ce} to the district Railways Bill it was

Resolved That in the opinion of this Council provision should be made in the district Railways Bill so that Borough Councils as well as Count Councils should be consulted as regards proposals for the construction of district railways and that Borough ratepayers should have equal powers as regards the sanctioning or veto of railway proposals with County ratepayers, and that a copy of the foregoing be sent to the Members of the District in the General Assembly and to the Hon. The Minister for Public Works also to the Borough Council of the Thames with thanks for their letter drawing attention to the matter

Resolved that Mess^{rs} West & Sinclair's application to be relieved of the lease of Sec 7. & 8 Block 25 Market Reserve be granted subject to rent being paid

Resolved that M^r Fred^k Every have permission to transfer the lease of Section 24 Blk 42 to M^r W. C. Bandinet and to M^r W. J. Beale to transfer Section 19 Block 14 to M^r George Baker

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A letter was read from the Town Clerk Napier re Fire brigade

A letter was read from D^r Garland declining to accept the appointment of health officer at the honorarium offered

Resolved that M^r Thos Hasties application on behalf of Mess^{rs} Hunt & Jeffrey for a tempy crossing to Section 16 Blk 24 be referred to the Engineer with power to act: the applicants to be required to keep the footpath & channelling in good order

Resolved that M^r Noble's application to be allowed to transfer the lease of the Cottage at the Gas works to M^r J. W. Humphrey be granted.

A letter was read from M^r Joseph Merriam pointing out the necessity for a lamp at the corner of Towey & Arun Streets – referred to the Gas works Comm^{ee}

A letter was read from Constance Krugie offering to invest L1800 in corporation Securities

Resolved that M^r M. Cunninghams letter applying for permission to place a box drain across the footpath in Tyne Street – be referred to the Engineer with power to act

Resolved that the Petition from Mess^{rs} Hay & Bain's & others asking for an opening to be left in the fence along the Severn Street side of the cricket ground be referred to the Reserves Comm^{ee}

Resolved that the petitioners Alexd^r Ross Thos Pratt & others with ref^{ce} to Isis & other Streets be informed

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That the Council is in negotiation with the District Engineer on the subject of their memorial.

A Petition from M^r C. Galbraith & other presented by C^r Gibbs with ref^{ce} to Aln Street North and asking for the formation of a roadway 20 feet wide to the permanent level – Resolved that the petitioners be advised that the plans showing the proposed permanent levels of Aln Street will be upon the table of the Council for inspection until the 1st day of October and that the Council will be glad to consider any objections; that prior to taking any action for the formation of the Street – an advertisement to be published to the like effect – any letters or suggestions received bWorks Comm^{ee} – The Comm^{ee} to bring up a report on the whole matter to the Council as soon after the 1st October as possible.

(a newspaper clipping with reference to the above is pasted on this page)

A Deputation consisting of Mess^{rs} Richardson, Longford & Grave were introduced by C^r Proctor re sly grog selling.

Resolved that a special meeting be held on Thursday next to consider the question and to take such action thereon as may be deemed advisable

Resolved that M^r Kidd's letter suggesting the purchase of some holly plants be referred to the Reserves comm^{ee} with power to act

Resolved that 2 acres of Quarry as shown on plan be purchased from M^r C. S. Allen @ L 25 per acre and that the Reserves Comm^{ee} be authorised to take such action as may be necessary with a view to [] a road to the Quarry from end

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Of Chelmer Street across Sections 28 & 31 Block 4 Oamaru Dist. To Section 29. The Council not to undertake any responsibility as regards the formation or maintenance of the said road

Resolved that the opening of the tenders for the new Gasometer be deferred until Thursday evening next to allow of the arrival of the Melbourne Mail

The agreement between the corporation & M^r M^cLeod was read and approved of by the Council
Prop^d by C^r Spence

Second^d by C^r Booth

That the P. W. Comm^{ee} report be adopted carried

Resolved that the accounts examined by the Finance Comm^{ee} be passed for payment

Prop^d by C^r Gibbs

Second^d by C^r Familton

That the engineer be directed to continue the siding in Yare Street as far as Block 72 at a cost not exceeding L12 carried

Prop^d by C^r Proctor

Gibbs

That the Engineer be directed /as an experiment/ to have the footpath between Itchen Street & the North Side of the Telegraph office kerbed, channelled & asphalted the kerbing 7 channelling to be of concrete & similar to that used in Christchurch carried

Resolved that the Engineer be directed to continue the work at the Hump site until the next ordinary meeting

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Notices of Motion

By C^r Gibb

- 1 That the roadway be widened between Itchen Street and the Bridge in Severn Street
By C^r Spence
- 1 That Ure Street be formed and made to its permanent level from Itchen Street & the show ground –
- 2 That Hull Street be formed and made to its permanent level from Wansbeck Street to Test Street
- 3 That a lamp be placed at the corner of till and Wansbeck Street also in Greta Street somewhere about M^{rs} Ross: house

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

Sep 27 1877

Prop^d by C^r Liddle

Second^d by C^r Gibbs

That the Engineer be requested to furnish an estimate of the cost of laying a strip of rough shingle /in the same way as that already laid in front of Mess^{rs} Hay & Bain's mill/ a width of from 15 to 20 feet in the centre of the following Streets viz. Cross Lane, from Severn Street to Reid Street; Reid Street to North School, Torridge Street to Thames Street, Eden Street from Thames Street to the Bridge carried

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Special Meeting held Sept 20th 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Spence, Mainland, Booth, Proctor, Gibbs, Liddle, Headland

New Gasometer

Propd by Cr Booth

Second^d by C^r Spence

That Mess^{rs} M^cNab & Anniver: tender of L 850 per erection of New Gasometer be accepted carried

(newspaper clipping re gasworks extension pasted alongside this info)

Prop^d by C^r Spence

Second^d by C^r Gibbs

That M^r Johnston have permission to erect dwelling house on Section 1 Blk 17 as per plans submitted. Carried

Resolved that M^r Kidd have permission to order 2000 holly plants from Nelson for fencing the Garden Reserve.

Re Sly Grog Selling

Resolved this Council having had brought under its notice the fact that a system of sly-grog selling exists to a large content in Oamaru is anxious that steps should be taken to put down this illegal traffic in intoxicating liquors and the evils resulting therefrom

Resolved therefore

1 That representations be made to the Minister of Justice respectfully pointing out that [] when proceedings have been taken against persons for breach of the Licensing Act, and where such cases have resulted in the imposition

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Of anything like a substantial fine, it has generally happened that the convictions have been granted an appeal; and saying that the law be amended in such a way that no convictions for sly grog selling shall be liable to be quashed for want of form, or upon any technicality where the Court to which the appeal is carried, shall be satisfied that the offence was actually committed and that the conviction is good on the merits

- 2 That the Minister be also respectfully requested to direct that the police department shall take some special means to put down the offence complained of, the Council venturing to suggest that for this purpose special detectives should be employed other than the officer stationed in the Town; and who being known to the offenders are therefore not able to enforce the carrying out of the law
- 3 That a copy of the last resolution be also furnished to the Commissioner of Police
- 4 That the Inspector of Nuisances be directed rigidly to enforce Section 13 of the Lodging house regulations which the Council have reason to believe is infringed in more than once instance

Correct Minutes

Wm J Steward Mayor

Sep 27. 1877

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Sept 27th 1877

Present HW. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Liddle, Proctor, Spence, Headland, Gibbs, Booth, FAMILTON

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that the necessary application be made to the Waitaki road Board re Quarry Road

Prop^d by C^r Booth

Second^d by C^r Spence

That the letter from the Secretary of the Waitaki Acclimatisation Society
be referred to the Reserves Comm^{ee} to report at next meeting carried

Resolved that M^r Meek's application to put down a box drain opposite Sec: 13 Blk 25 be referred
to the Engineer with power to act

Resolved that permission be given to M^r Peter Thomson to transfer the lease of Section 11 Blk 75
to M^r James Hassell Jun^r

Resolved that M^{rs} Grace Luacts [?] application for Gas to be laid on to her new Hotel in Thames
St be granted – The Manager of the Gas Works to be authorised to procure the necessary pipes

A letter from J. S. Cooper Esq Under Secretary asking for information as to rate of wages & cost
of articles of food etc was read and it was Resolved that the information be furnished

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r FAMILTON

That M^r Hugh Barclay's tender

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Of L242. 8. 8 for Contract 121 Water in Steward Street be accepted carried

Prop^d by C^r Mainland

Second^d by C^r Spence

That the petition from ratepayers in Tees Street re drain be ref^d to the
Engineer to report as to the possibility of constructing a drain along Tees Street, as a part of a
general system of drainage carried

Prop^d by C^r Booth

Second^d by C^r Spence

That the P. Works Comm^{ee} report be adopted carried

Prop^d by C^r Mainland

Second^d by C^r Liddle

That the Health Comm^{ee} report be adopted carried

Resolved that the following streets be formed and spread with Shingle, as an experiment, not just more than 3 inches deep and 15 feet wide viz Cross Lane from Severn St to Reid Street and Reid Street from Cross Lane to Coquet Street the work to be done by the Corporation drays and day labor under the supervision of the Engineer a separate account to be kept of the cost of the same.

Resolved that the accounts as certified by the Finance Comm^{ee} be passed for payment

Resolved that the matter of fencing in the Esplanade paddocks be referred to the Reserves Comm^{ee}

Resolved that the Engineer be directed to continue the work at the Hump Site until next ordinary meeting

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Resolved that the Reserves Comm^{ee} have power to expend a sum not exceeding L10 in erecting Seats in Tyne Street Gardens

Prop^d by C^r Spence

Second^d by C^r Headland

That Ure Street be formed to its permanent level from Itchen Street to the Show Ground and that tenders be called for the same carried

Prop^d by C^r Spence

Second^d by C^r Headland

That the Engineer prepare and lay upon the table a plan for the permanent level of Hull Street from Wansbeck Street to Test Street. Carried

Resolved that the Reserves Comm^{ee} have power to make and approach to properties on the upper side of Test Street.

Resolved that L5 be placed at the disposal of the Works Comm^{ee} for expenditure on the Well in High Ward

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

11/10/77

Notice of Motion

By C^r Gibbs

That a footbridge be erected over the railway in the line of Weir Street

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Special Meeting held Oct: 2nd 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor²

C^{rs} Mainland, Gibbs, Headland, Familton, Liddle

Re Oamaru Reserves Bill

Resolved that the several amendments and additions as per Telegram (see folio 264 4B/ be agreed to and forwarded to M^r Hislop M. H. R.

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

11/10/77

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Municipal Council Meeting held Oct: 11th 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Gibbs, Proctor, Headland, Liddle, Spence & Familton

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

A letter from the Minister of Justice was read acknowledging receipt of a representation from the Council re sly-grog selling and promising it immediate consideration

A letter from the Mayor of Duniden asking the assistance of the Council in the matter of the relief of the distress in India – Resolved that the Mayor be

Telegrams were read from M^r Hislop M. H. R. and the Hon. H. J. Miller re Reserves Bill and from the Hon: W. Robinson

Resolved that the letter from M^r James James re Aust: [] Industrial Exhibition be acknowledged and he be informed that the Council that the Council does not see its way to take any active part in the matter

Resolved that M^r Filleul's letter asking for information re permanent levels of Wharf Street be referred to the Engineer to supply the information requested

Resolved that M^r Blakesley letter re opening up footpath to repair drain in Tyne Street be referred to the Engineer with power to grant application.

Resolved that M^r J. W. Treadwell's letter enclosing a resolution proposed by him lie on the table.

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A letter was read from the clerk to the Waitaki Road Board in reply to the Councils application re Road line, and stating that the matter had been referred to the Engineer for report

A letter was read from M^r Connell as Waterworks Commissioner asking the Council to appoint an arbitrator in the cases of the respective claims of M^r George Aitcheson Donald Borrie, and John Cameron

Resolved that M^r. Neil Fleming be appointed arbitrator in each case

A letter was read from Mess^{rs} Hislop & Cough on behalf of M^{rs} Grace Stuart asking that the footpath in Exe Street might be reduced to the permanent level – Resolved that it be referred to the Works Comm^{ee} for report

Resolved that permission be given to M^r T. Kennedy [?] to mortgage the lease of Sec: 18 Block 45 and permisⁿ to M^r. W. C. Baudinet to mortgage the lease of Section 24 Block 57

A Petition by C^r Spence signed by about 20 of the workmen on a tunnel contract on the Waterworks asking the Councils assistance towards obtaining payment of the wages due to them – it was resolved that the Mayor C^s Gibbs and Proctor be appointed a Comm^{ee} to consult with the Petitioners

A Petition was presented by C^r Proctor signed by a number of residents in Coquet At complaining of the existence in the neighbourhood of a house of ill fame and asking the Councils assistance to obtain a remedy

Resolved that a letter be written to the Sub

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Inspector of the Police drawing his attention to the matter and urging him to endeavour to put a stop to the evil complained of.

Resolved that the P. W. Comm^{ee} report be adopted.

Resolved that the plans of Aln Street now submitted and approved of by the residents in that street be adopted as the permanent levels, and signed by the Mayor

Re Drain in Tees Street

The Engineer reported that the cost of forming a drain in Tees Street or part of a permanent system of drainage would be about L866. 14 it was considered inadvisable to proceed with the work at present. - the attention of the Inspector of Nuisances to be called to the necessity of [] street supervision with regard to the Surface drains and side channels particularly in Tees Street.

Resolved that David Herons tender of L193. 0. 8 for Works in Ure Street be accepted –

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Resolved that fresh tenders be called for the excavation at Gas works 1st for depositing the earth taken out in Severn St 2nd for depositing the earth in Humber Street. Tenders to be in by noon on Tuesday next

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Prop^d by C^r Gibbs

Second^d by C^r Headland

That the Engineer be requested to prepare plans and specifications and estimate of cost for footbridge across the Railway in Weir Street carried

W^m J Steward

Mayor 25/10/77

Notice of Motion

By C^r Gibbs

That tenders be called for works in Aln Street from Eden Street to Ouse Street

Special Meeting held Oct: 16 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Spence, Mainland, Headland, Gibbs

Resolved that John Pages tender of L102. 1. 2 for excavating the new Gasholder tank and depositing the soil in Severn & Coquet Streets be accepted

Resolved that permission be granted to Mess^{rs} Siranson & W Acburton to transfer the Lease of Reserve C to M^r John M^cKay provided all arrears of rent be first paid.

Resolved that M^r Johnston's application on behalf of Mess^{rs} Myles & Co to erect Verandah in front of their premises in Thames Street be referred to the Engineer with power to act.

Re Works in Test Street

Resolved that Mess^{rs} Aitken, Couch & Watson be informed that Test Street as now being formed is in accordance with the permanent levels

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Adopted by the Council and that steps will also be taken to bring so much of that part of Tyne Street, South of Test Street to the permanent level as will be necessary to give an access to their properties

Re M^{rs} Suarts application re Exe Street

Resolved that the Engineer call for tenders for the work, to be in by next ordy meeting

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward, Mayor

25/10/77

Special Meeting held Oct: 23rd 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Headland, Gibbs, Liddle, Proctor Familton

Re Oamaru Reserve Bill

Telegram from Hon H. J. Miller

"Bill on for Wednesday, Council seems to consider Crown ought to get full value of the land I likely to be beaten what further concessions can you make"

Prop^d by C^r Mainland

Second^d by C^r Liddle

That the reply as read / Sec LB folio 319/ be telegraphed to the Hon: H. J. Miller

Carried

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward, Mayor

25/10/77

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Oct 25th 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Gibbs, Proctor, Mainland, Liddle, Headland Spence, Familton

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Liddle

That Patrick Corcoran's tender of L195.12.6 for "Contract 123" Works in Reid Street be accepted carried

Prop^d by Cr Gibbs

Second^d by C^r Spence

That Mess^{rs} M^cLeod & Frasers tender of L25.10 for contract 123 formation of Exe Street be accepted carried

Prop^d by C^r Liddle

Second^d by C^r Familton

That the Petition from ratepayers in Aln Street asking that that part of Aln Street between Eden Street and Cross Lane be made available for Light traffic be referred to the P. Works Comm^{ee} to report carried

Resolved that permission be given to M^r J. Mackay to erect a pigstye on Reserve C the same to be removed whenever required

Resolved that M^r. Thos. Proctor have permission to transfer the Lease of Section 15 Block 23 to M^r. Ths. Mendith Smith

Resolved that M^r. Samuel Farrar be informed that the Council cannot accede to his request.

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A Letter was read from the Secretary to the Baths Company asking the corporation to lay on Gas to their premises – it was Resolved that the request be complied with.

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Spence

That the tariff of charges & hours of bathing submitted by the directors of the Bath's Company be approved of carried –

The Town clerk read the Balance Sheet for half year ending Sept: 30th 1877 which was received

Resolved that the Engineer have authority to proceed with the work at the Hump site until next General Meeting.

Prop^d by C^r Liddle

Second^d by C^r Gibbs

That the Council approves of the plan of Isis Street discussions submitted by the Engineer and that the necessary application be made to the Government for the road as indicated in red and for the land on South side of the road, being parts of Sections 8. 9. 10. 11. 12 Block 81

Carried

Prop^d by C^r Gibbs

Second^d by C^r Familton

That tenders be called for Bridge over railway at Weir Street to be in by next ordinary meeting

carried

Resolved that the Draft reply to M^r Borrie was read and approved

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Resolved that the P. W. Comm^{ee} report be adopted and that the Bye-laws & legislation Committee be requested to prepare & submit at next meeting for the approval of the Council, the heads of an agreement with the Acclimatisation society

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment.

Prop^d by C^r Gibbs

Second^d by C^r Familton

That the Manager of the Gas works have authority to order the necessary pipes for the new Gas holder

carried

Prop^d by C^r Gibbs

Second^d by C^r Headland

That tenders be called for the works in Aln Street from Eden Street to Ouse Street – Tenders to be in by next Meeting. And that the Works Comm^{ee} report to next meeting what amount of fencing will be required and its probable cost; also the cost of any side approaches that will be necessary

carried

Prop^d by C^r Mainland

Second^d by C^r Gibbs

That the Works Comm^{ee} & the Engineer be requested to report as to the best mode of improving the Lagoon so as to do away with nuisance arising from decaying vegetable matter, and to confine the flow of water to as narrow a channel as possible

carried

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

8/11/77

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Special Meeting held Nov 7th 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Gibbs, Proctor, Booth, Liddle

Re Telegrams from M^r John M^cGregor re Survey of Railway line from Duntroon to the Hakataramea

Prop^d by C^r Booth

Second^d by C^r Gibbs

That the members of the district in both houses be telegraphed to, asking them to use their best endeavours to obtain the placing of [] in the Supplementary Estimate for a Bridge across the Waitaki at Kurow and also for the survey of a line of railway from Duntroon to the Hakataramea

A letter was read from the clerk to the Waiareka Road Board re application for opening a road-line between Blocks 2 and 4 Oamaru Dist – a Draft reply to the same was read and approved of.

An application from M^r. Burnett asst Engineer re Mess^{rs} Lees & Moore siding having been read. It was resolved that the Mayor be authorised in reply to intimate that the Council approves of the siding proposed.

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

8/11/77

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Nov 8th 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Gibbs, Proctor, Liddle, Booth, Spence

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved

Prop^d by C^r Proctor

Second^d by C^r Gibbs

That permission be given to M^r Thompson to erect an iron building on Section 1
Blk 24. Granted

Resolved that M^r Saml. Farrar's letter be referred to the Engineer to report at next meeting.

Resolved that permission be given to M^r Heron to transfer lease of part 2 Esplanade to Mess^{rs} Williams & Beutly [?]

Resolved that M^r W^m. Christie's letter offering to give clay from his property in certain terms – referred to the engineer with power to act.

Prop^d by C^r Gibbs

Second^d by C^r Proctor

That Moses Rusbatch's tender of L 271. 4. 9 for Contract 125 "Formation of Aln Street" be accepted carried

Prop^d by C^r Gibbs

Second^d by C^r Booth

That Charles Day's tender

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Of L35. 10 for Contract 126 "Bridge in Wear St be accepted carried

Prop^d by C^r Booth

Second^d by C^r Spence

That the P. Works Comm^{ee} report be adopted carried

A report from the Engineer was read re Deepening & Widening new cut above Severn St. Bridge – it was Resolved that alternative Tenders be called for the whole works recommended and for the dam separately. Tenders to be in by next ordinary meeting

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment –

Prop^d by C^r Gibbs

Second^d by C^r Liddle

That the Inspector of Nuisances and the Corporation Gardener be directed to furnish reports as to their several departments at the first Meeting in each month carried

The Draft leases to the Acclimatisation society and Bath's Company were read & approved of

Resolved that the Manager of the Colonial Bank be waited upon and shd he desire to have the front of the Bank Kerbed & channelled the said be forthwith carried out.

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

22/11/77

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Special Meeting held Nov 19 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Liddle, Familton, Gibbs, Booth

His Worship the Mayor reported that he had heard that a portion of Reserve B in Block XCV taken for Railway purposes was being offered for lease for 21 years @ 37 per foot by the Government – it was Resolved that the Government be at once telegraphed to on the subject.

See Letter Book folio 343 – 348.

Resolved that as many of the Council as can conveniently do or proceed to visit the Waterworks with a view personally to note what progress has been made and that conveyance be forwarded

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward

22/11/77

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Nov 22nd 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Gibbs, Mainland, Liddle, Booth, Spence Headland.

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

The Secretary of the harbor Board having intimated that it would be convenient for the Board to receive the Dispatches from the Council at 11 o'clock on Friday it was Resolved that a Deputation consisting of Hw. The Mayor C^{rs} Mainland Gibbs, Booth & Liddle wait upon the Harbor Board

A letter was read from M^r J. Henry Lane stating that instructions had been issued to proceed with the Gas works railway siding

Resolved that the letter from the clerk of the Waitaki Road Board forwarding resolutions re road to Quarry be referred to the P. W. W. Comm^{ee} & the Engineer with power to take necessary action thereon

Resolved that Moses Rusbatch tender of L256. 4 for the whole works in Oamaru Creek be accepted.

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed fir payment

Prop^d by C^r Mainland

Second^d by C^r Liddle

That the asphalting the footpaths be extended from Torridge Street to Exe Street on the western side of Thames St

Resolved that part XI of the Municipal corporation Act 1876 be referred to the Legislative Comm^{ee} for

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Report at next meeting as to the advisability of adopting the same

\Resolved that the clerk write to owners of properties directing their attention to the desirability of repairing or forming to full width the asphalt in front of their properties.

W^m J Steward Mayor

Dec 6. 1877

Special Meeting held Nov 28th 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Proctor, Spence, Mainland, Headland, Gibbs

A letter was read from Mess^{rs} G & J. A. Cook solicitors Dunedin on behalf of M^r Angus Macdonald intimating that M^r. John Johnson had been appointed his arbitrator it was

Prop^d by C^r Proctor

Second^d by C^r Headland

That M^r Neil Fleming be appointed arbitrator on behalf of the Corporation

Carried

Resolved that the property purchased from Mess^{rs} Gillies & Street at George Town be conveyed in Trust to Mess^{rs} Sumpter, H. Aitken & Steward the Trustees for the Municipal Sinking Fund

A letter was read from M^r Treadwell, Ch:Ch: & was ordered to lie on the table also a letter was read from M^r Walkern re payment of Interest of Gas Debentures also the reply was read & approved of.

Resolved that the Engineer be authorised to employ labor to construct the Tank at the Gas works

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Prop^d by C^r Proctor

Second^d by C^r Gibbs

That the actions of the Gas Comm^{ee} in ordering 200 casks of Cement be
sustained

carried

Resolved that the Engineer be authorised to cause Test Street to be completed as far as the Breakwater road

Resolved that Mess^{rs} Lindsay & Gemmell have permission to transfer the lease of Section 4 Block 95 M^r Robert S. Anderson

W^m J Steward

Dec 6. 1877

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Dec 6th 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Booth, Gibbs, Proctor, Liddle, Mainland Headland, Familton.

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Prop^d by C^r Booth

Second^d by C^r Liddle

That M^r Toohey's application to erect a Verandah in front of his premises in Thames Street be granted subject to the Supervision of the Engineer carried

A letter was read from Mess^{rs} Julius & Balmer advising that the transfer of Mess^{rs} Gillies & Streets land at Georgetown was ready for signature

It was Resolved that the clerk hand cheque for L268, 2. 6 the purchase money to the Solicitors

Resolved that permission be given to Captⁿ Evans to transfer the Lease of Section 19 Blk 776 to M^r C. S. Allen

Resolved that a copy of the Solicitors opinion re land taken for Waterworks be forwarded to M^r Donald Borrie

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Booth

That the Inspector of Nuisances report be received and handed to the P. Works Comm^{ee} for report carried

Resolved that the arrangement made with Garden Reserve Lessee re compensation by the Engineer be confirmed. The Engineer to see that the

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Terms of the new lease as regards fencing are strictly carried out

Resolved that the Engineer's report re progress made on the Waterworks contract be received

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Notice of Motion by C^r Gibbs

That the Limitation of L1500 be excised from the Lease of the Public Baths' and the area be extended by two chains by one chain

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

Dec 20. 1877

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Dec 20th 1877

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Gibbs, Mainland, Spence, Familton, Liddle

A letter from M^r C. F. Black attorney for Mr Fairfax Fenwick intimating that gentleman's willingness to give land for road to Bush Reserve on condition that the Council would favourably entertain his application; at some future date for the formation of Town Belt road fronting Sections 54 and 56 Block IV having been read it was Resolved That the Council thanks M^r Fenwick for his consent to give the land in Section 2 of 57 Block 4 required for road to Bush Reserve and is willing to favourably consider an application for the formation of the Town Belt road fronting Sections 54 and 56 Block 4

at some future date but that it be pointed out that the conveyance of the land in Section 2 of 57 should be made to the Kakanui Road Board.

Resolved that permission be given to M^r James Scott to transfer the Lease of Section 12 Block 28 Town of Oamaru to M^r W^m Aitken also permission to mortgage the same

Resolved that the Lease of Sections 7 and 8 Block 25 Market Reserve be put up to Auction on the same terms as these entered into by Mess^{rs} Sinclair & West that the lease be for 5 years and subject to the right of resumption by the Corporation at anytime without compensation on giving six months notice

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Resolved that Sections 13 & 14 Block XCV be divided each into two and put up to auction at an upset price of L1 per foot

Resolved that the consideration, of the Engineers report re base [lease] be deferred

Prop^s by C^r Spence

Second^d by C^r Familton

That the Legislative Comm^{ee} report re Part XI of the Municipal Corpⁿ Act 1876
be adopted and the necessary steps taken carried

Prop^d by C^r Spence

Second^d by C^r Familton

That the Public Work's Comm^{ee} report be adopted carried

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Resolved that the matter of purchasing Coal for the Gas works be referred to the Gas Works Comm^{ee} to report at next meeting

Re Bees' Corner

Resolved that the Engineer be requested to prepare a plan showing precisely the amount of land required for widening Tyne and Itchen Streets at Bees corner and that the Mayor & C^{rs} Gibbs, & Mainland be a Comm^{ee} to negotiate with the Landowner & Lessees as regards the amount of compensation which would be accepted by them.

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Prop^d by C^r Gibbs

Second^d by C^r Familton

That the area for the Baths be extended by two chains by one chain and that
the Limitations of L1500 be excised from the lease carried / C^r Mainland
against the L1500 being excised/.

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

Notice of Motion By C^r Familton

That the footpaths of Ribble & Coquet Streets from Thames Street to Humber Street be gravelled 4 feet wide with shingle

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Jan^y 3rd 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Spence, Mainland, Gibbs, Headland

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that a plan be prepared of the unlet portion of Reserve D and the lease put up to auction on the usual conditions – upset price 25/ p^r acre

Prop^d by C^r Gibbs

Second^d by C^r Spence

That 50 Tons of Greymouth Coal be purchased from Mess^{rs} J. & T. Meek @
43/6 per Ton delivered at the Gas works carried

Resolved that the plans & specifications submitted by M^r Lemon of the proposed building for the Union Bank in Tyne St be approved of.

Re Bees Corner

Letters were read from M^r Gilchrist & Mess^{rs} Spence & Bee accepting the offer of L500 each for their freehold & Leasehold interest in the land required for widening Itchen & Tyne Streets at Bees' Corner – it was

Resolved that the Council approves of the arrangement proposed by the Committee viz the dividing equally the L1000 to be obtained from the Government, between the freehold & Leasehold proprietors (Mess^{rs} Gilchrist & Mess^{rs} Spence & Bee) and that the Government be at once applied to to pay over the said sum of L1000 voted by Parliament at last Session for the purpose

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A letter was read from M^r Kidd suggesting the Planting of portions of the Reserves in the hills & it was Prop^d by C^r Gibbs

Second^d by C^r Spence

That the letter be received and referred to the Reserves Comm^{ee} for
report thereon carried

A Report from the Inspector of Nuisances having been read it was Resolved that the report be rec^d and it was ordered that the Engineers attention be called to the necessity of Keeping the lower end of the drain referred to clean

The Engineers report having been read it was

Resolved That the matter of the drain in Tyne Street be referred to the Public Works Comm^{ee} for report thereon – That the Lagoon in Ouse Street be filled in, provided the cost does not exceed the Engineers estimate also that a trap be placed in the opening of the Tyne Street Sewer opposite Bank of New Zealand also that the Engineer report at next Meeting as to the cost of lowering the West side of Thames Street as proposed in his report.

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Resolved that the Gas works Comm^{ee} be requested to have a plan prepared showing the position and sizes of the Gas Mains in the Town

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

17/1/78

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Minutes of Council Meeting held 17th January 1878

Present His Worship The Mayor

Councillors Mainland, Spence, & Familton

The minutes of previous meetings were read and confirmed, and the outwards correspondence was read and approved.

A letter from W^m E. Sefiano acting Secretary dated Ministers Office Dunedin 9th January intimating that the matter of L1000 for widening Itchen Street would be dealt with as early as practicable

Letter from Smith & Anderson re Water Race matters attended to by the Engineer.

Letter from the Colonial Secretary intimating that Pat XI of the Municipal Corporations Act would be brought into operation as requested but suggesting the adoption of the whole Act. It was resolved that a reply be sent stating that Council prefers to defer the adoption of the whole Act.

From the Clerk Waitaki Road Board re Road through Section 29 Block 4 Oamaru district

From Mefsr Lindsay & Gemmell asking leave to transfer the Municipal lease of Section 4 Block 95 to Mr. James Johnston, granted under the usual conditions.

From Austin & Thirks with price lists of salt glazed drain pipes

From I. E. Clarke forwarding the complete Valuation Roll for the year 1878 and showing a Total of L42,763 – being an increase of L2200 – on last years Valuations. Ordered that the list lie open at the Council Chambers for inspection until the 15th February, and the Clerk advertise the same

From Mefsr Julius & Balmer applying on behalf of Mr I. T. Hughes for leave to mortgage the lease of Municipal Section 10 Block 43 to the North Otago Public Benefit Society – granted.

The Report of the Public Works & Reserves Committee was read and approved, and the recommendations therein contained be carried out, and that a plan be also ordered to be prepared for the laying out of the Esplanade north of Coquet Street.

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment, but that works Committee be directed to make inquiries with a view to reducing if possible, the charges for supervision and engineering assistance.

C^r. Familton obtained leave to amend the notice of motion given by him on 20th Dec. last, and [ma ch] that the footpaths in Ribble Street on the side of Thames Street be shingled four feet wide, commencing from the building line. The motion was after discussion agreed to.

The Council adjourned at 9 P. M.

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

31/1/78

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Minutes of Council Meeting held 31st Jan^y 1878.

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Booth, Gibbs, & Proctor

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

A letter was read from M^r C. T. Batkin Lees to the Treasury, advising the payment into the Bank, to the credit of the Council the sum of L706. 7. 9 on account of subsidy

A letter from M^r C. F. Black as agent for M^r Fairfax Fenwick stating that he would give instructions for the conveyance of the land required for road in Section 2 of 37 to the Kakanui Road Board as requested.

A letter from the Corporation Solicitors advising that under Section 37 of the Rating Act 1876 the Corporation was not exempt from payment of rates.

Resolved that M^r A. A. Solomon's application for permission to erect a sign board be referred to the Engineer with power to act.

A letter from Mess^{rs} Connell & Clowes re Lease of part of Reserve D it was Resolved that the lease be again put up for sale. Seven days notice to be given, under conditions to be prepared by the Reserves Committee.

Resolved that M^r Reid's application for permission to excavate a cart-dock be referred to the Reserves Comm^{ee} with power to act

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Resolved that the P. W. Comm^{ee} report be adopted

A Report was read from the Engineer and from M^r Kidd.

Resolved that the attention of the P. W. Comm^{ee} be drawn to the fact that a drain in Tyne Street has been opened up without the consent of the Council and that the make enquiry about the same and take any necessary steps.

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment.

Prop^d by C^r Proctor

Second^d by C^r Gibbs

That the Engineer be requested to communicate with Mess^{rs} Reid & Gray re smokey chimneys and that the Legislative Comm^{ee} take into consideration the desirability of framing a bye.law

Carried

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

Feb 14. 1878

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Feb 14. 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Booth, Gibbs, Proctor, Familton, Mainland

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed.

Resolved that notice be given of the intention of the Council to mae a rate of one shilling & sixpence / 1/6 / in the L payable in one sum on the 1st May 1878

Resolved that leave be given for the transfer of the following Municipal Sections Sections 19 Blk XI from W^m Cowling to George Meldrum –

Section 9 Blk 14 from John Morrison to W^m Chas. Shepherd Sec. 6 and 7 Block 25 to C. Galbraith and G. Sumpter.

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment, but with reference to the amount for bridge over railway in Wear Street it was resolved that the Engineers attention be drawn to the fact that no explanation accompanies the large item for extras on this work a circumstance which the Council regards as unsatisfactory

Resolved that the Meeting adjourn until Monday Evening @ 7.15 oclock

W^m J Steward Mayor

28/2/78

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Adjourned Meeting held Feb 18th 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Gibbs, Booth, Mainland, Proctor, Spence

A letter was read from James Park & Co. re Pipes for waterworks

A Telegram from J. Harvey Lowe re siding to Gas works – resolved that further enquiries be made

Resolved that M^r Chase be informed that the Council are in communication with the Government re Lees & Moore's dam.

Resolved that permission be given to M^r Thomspn to erect building on Section 14 Block 25.

Resolved that M^r Humphreys request to have rates remitted in Cottage for the Gas Works be granted

Resolved that M^r James Burnett's /Asst. Engineer/ letter re approach road to Mess^{rs} Hay & Hans siding be referred to the Public Works Comm^{ee} with power to act.

Resolved that Mess^{rs} Bailie & Humphreys tender to supply Kerosene "Noonday Brand" @ 21/6 per case of 8 Gallons be accepted

Resolved that M^r William Lemon's tender for lighting, cleaning & [] the Lamps @ L2 per work be accepted

Resolved that the Gas works Comm^{ee} report be adopted.

Resolved that the action taken by the Engineer re discontinuance of work in Test St. be approved of
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Prop^d by C^r Spence

Second^d by C^r Booth

That C^{rs} Mainland Gibbs with the Engineer be appointed a deputation to wait upon the Harbor Board to urge the filling up of the Creek bed on the North side of the Island & also to discuss with the Board the question of the lagoon carried

Resolved that the Council meet on Thursday next to consider the notices of appeal against assessment and the action to be taken thereon

Lease to Baths Company

Resolved that the ordinary valuation clause be inserted in the Lease to the Baths Company

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

28/2/78

Special Meeting held Feb 19 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Spence, Booth, Gibbs, Proctor, Familton Headland

Resolved that the Council having received intimation from the London Agency of the National Bank of New Zealand that it would be more satisfactory to extending four [] of the Oamaru Waterworks Debentures that the principal should be made payable in London, hereby under the provisions of Section 18 of the Municipal Corporation Waterworks Act 1872. Authorises the principal money of the said debentures to be repayable in London accordingly and hereby further authorises the

London Agency of the said National Bank to mark the said Debentures repayable in London accordingly –

Correct Minutes

Copy of Telegram to be sent

Oamaru Feb^y 19.1878

Manager National Bank New Zealand, London

You are hereby authorised to mark Oamaru Waterworks Debentures

“repayable in London” – formal authority by mail –

Telegraph result. W. J Steward Mayor

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Special Meeting held Feb^y 21st 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Familton, Spence, Proctor & Gibbs also M^r Clarke the Valuator

The following Notices of appeal was read

Lees & Moore agst the valuation / L168 / of Sec. 5 to 10 Block 95 as being excessive valuation to be defended

Do. Agst. The valuation of Sec 3 and 4 Hustells claim Block 95 / L 75 / ordered that the valuations be defended

Do. agst the valuations of Sec 1 Blk 95 / L75 / objections allowed to the content of L10.

Do. against the valuation of Sec: 21 Blk 28 /L12 / Valuation to be defended

Do. against the valuations of Sec 1 and 2 Hustells claim Block 95 / L150 / - objection allowed to the content of L30

Do. against the valuation of Sec 9 to 14 Block 34 on the ground that they are not the owners.

By M^r J. T. Evans against the valuation of Sec 11 and 12 Block 95 – on the grounds

1st That the valuation is excessive and

2nd that the names of J. Lees & Chas. G. Moore are omitted from the roll in respect of these Sections. Ordered that the name be amended to J. T. Evans & co. and the appeal allowed to the extent of L7.

By M^r Thomas Proctor against valuation of Sec 4 to 7 & 15 to 17 Blk 33 it was

Prop^d by C^r Spence

Second^d by C^r Familton {?} That a deduction of L20 be made carried

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Resolved that M^r Clarke be requested to attend the Assessment Court with a view to carrying out the
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Resolved that the plans submitted by M^r F. Somerville, Architect of buildings to be erected at Bee's Corner be approved of.

W^m J Steward Mayor

28/2/78

(newspaper clipping pasted in, heading 'Dunedin Assessment Court'

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Feb 28th 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Gibbs, Headland, Familton

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

A letter from M^r Humphrey was read notifying that he would give up the tenancy of the house on the Gas works property on the 30th March. Resolved that the house be advertised to let.

Resolved that M^r Norman Lowe have permission to erect an iron addition to his premises

A letter was read from M^r J. Henry Lowe granting permission to erect a bridge over the railway in the line of Lune Street, subject to the supervision of the Inspector of permanent way

Resolved that the letter from M^r J. Henry Lowe re new street line in lieu of portion of Isis Street taken up by railway be referred to the Public Works Comm^{ee} for report.

Resolved that M^r M^cLeod be asked to ascertain the cost of making a siding to the Gas works and also the proposed annual charge for maintenance

Resolved that Jas Hassell & Co tender to supply 200 tons of Greymouth coal @ 45/6 pr Ton including weighbridge charges be accepted

It was Resolved that the Council do now proceed to make a rate of one shilling and sixpence in the L for the year 1878. Payable in one sum on the 1st May

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Resolved that the Balance sheet of the Gas works be approved and the Report adopted

Resolved that M^r Kidd's letter be refd to the Reserves Comm^{ee} to report

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment.

Resolved that it be intimated to the Engineer that it is the wish of the Council in order that it may be the better able to control the expenditure in public works that its sanctions- except in emergency should be asked and obtained for all extras upon contracts exceeding five per cent upon the amount of the original tender

Resolved that the lamps be lighted on Saturday next.

W^m J Steward Mayor

14/3/78

Special Meeting held March 13th 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Spence, Familton, Headland, Proctor, Gibbs

Re sir George Grey's visit

Resolved that a sum not exceeding Ten Pounds be voted towards making up any deficit attendant on the Luncheon to Sir George Grey

W^m J Steward Mayor

14/3/78

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Minutes of Council Meeting held March 14th 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Booth, Mainland, Liddle, Gibbs, Spence Familton

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

A Telegram from the Minister of Lands was read stating that the Crown Grant for the Waterworks intake Reserve has been ordered to be prepared

Resolved that Mess^{rs} McCallum & Co. application for crossing to their property be referred to the Engineer with power to act

Resolved that M^r John Venning have permission to transfer the Lease of Section 8 Block 37 to M^r John Robertson

Resolved that M^r McNabs application for 14 days extension of time for completion of Gasometer be granted

Resolved that M^r Lemon's / lamp lighter/ letter applying for an increase of wages be referred to the Gas works Comm^{ee} with power to act.

Resolved that Mr Barclay's letter re Steward Street Contract be referred to the Engineer to report.

Prop^d by C^r Spence

Second^d by C^r Liddle

That M^r George Anns tender to rent Gas works Cottage @ !! per week be
accepted carried

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Resolved that the Public Works Comm^{ee} report be adopted

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment & that M^r McLeod's letter re extra work at inlet to Waterworks be referred to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} with power to deal with the same.

Notices of Motion

By C^r Liddle

- 1 That the footpath on the South side of Severn Street from Thames Street to the Creek, be finished either by tender or the daymen
- 2 That alternate tenders be called for to metal or shingle a width of 12 feet in the centre of Cross Lane from Severn Street – to Reid Street: of Reid Street on to Coquet Street and of Coquet Street on to Thames Street

Correct Minutes Mayor
W^m J Steward Mayor
28/3/78

Waterworks Meeting held March 15th 1878

Present C^s Mainland /Chr/

C^{rs} Booth, Proctor

Your Comm^{ee} have authorised M^r M^cLeod to expend L30 in addition to that already paid for extra work at the inlet

W^m J Steward Mayor
28/3/78

Minutes of Council Meeting held March 28th 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Proctor, Liddle, Famliton, Headland & Gibbs

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that the Public Works Comm^{ee} inspect Wharf Street at its junction with Test Street with a view to seeing what fencing is required

Resolved that M^r Cornish have permission to transfer the Lease of Section 4 Block 89 to George Webb also permission to George Smith to mortgage the Lease of Section 23 Block 72 to the 1st Permanent Building Society

A Letter was read from J. Henry Lowe re proposed Gas works siding offering to maintain the siding if constituted by the Council on payment of L25 a year for use & maintenance

Resolved that the matter be referred to a Comm^{ee} of the whole Council for consideration, the Comm^{ee} to meet on Thursday 4th April @ 11 am also the matter of leaving Mess^{rs} Lees & Moores Mill-dam referred to the Comm^{ee}

Resolved that the 2nd pgph of the Inspector of Nuisances report re Drain in Usk Street be referred to the Engineer with power to act provided the expenditure does not exceed the sum of L5 –

A report from the Engineer re Waterworks Contract was read it was

Resolved that the M^r Connell as Land Purchase Commissioner be requested to furnish a report as to the position of all purchases & negotiations

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re M^r Barclay's claim for extras on Contract

The Engineer reported re Hugh Barclay's account

After a long discussion it was resolved that the matter be referred to a Committee of the whole Council – The clerk to request the attendance of the Engineer & M^r Barclay

Meeting to be held on the 4th Inst.

Resolved that a sealed authority be given to M^r Henderson to sue for Gas later in arrear

Hospitals & Charitable Institutions

A circular from the Government on this subject was read & referred to a Comm^{ee} consisting of the Mayor C^{rs} Gibbs & Proctor to prepare a reply for the approval of Council

Municipal League

A letter from the Borough of Thames on the subject of the formation of a Municipal League was read and it was resolved that the Council does not see its way to take any action in the matter at present

Prop^d by C^r Liddle

Second^d by C^r Mainland

That the matter of desirability of keeping the Town Belt road open for the purpose of driving sheep be referred to the Reserves Comm^{ee} for report carried

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Prop^d by C^r Liddle

Second^d by C^r Headland

That the footpath on the

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South East side of Severn Street be finished by the Daymen carried

Prop^d by C^r Liddle

Second^d by C^r Familton

That altimate [sp] tenders be called for metalling or shingling 12 feet in the centre of Cross Lane from Severn Street to Reed Street, from Reid Street to Coquet Street and from Coquet St to Thames Street carried

Resolved that the Mayor & C^r Mainland be appointed a Comm^{ee} to report to a special meeting as to any legislation necessary during the ensuing Session with reference to Waterworks

S Gibbs

Chairman

Notice of Motion

By C^r Proctor

That the transfer & Mortgage fees be reduced from one Pound to five shillings

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Special Meeting held April 4th 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Gibbs, Mainland, Proctor

The Council went into Comm^{ee} to consider various matters referred at last ordinary meeting to Committee of the whole & on resuming the following report was read & agreed to

Re M^r H. Barclay's Claim

The Comm^{ee} report that they have carefully considered the matter of M^r Barclay's claim and having heard both the claimant and the Engineer thereon, cannot recommend the Council to interfere as between the Engineer and the Contractor

Siding to Gas-works

The Committee recommend that the terms proposed for the Gasworks siding be agreed to and that the Engineer be instructed to take all necessary steps to cause the work to be carried out without delay

Lees & Moores Mill-Dam

With regard to the matter of the Mill Dam on Mess^{rs} Lees & Moore's property, the Comm^{ee} find that the present height of the dam does not allow sufficient fall for the water, and that in time of flood the damming back of the water is certain to do great injury to the properties above – They therefore recommend that Mess^{rs} Lees & Moore be called upon to reduce the height of the dam without delay

Control and Maintenance of charitable Institutions

The Special Committee appointed at last meeting

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To consider the Government proposals on this subject reported that they had given them their careful attention and brought up a draft of a reply which they recommend

See Letter Book files

For adoption

A letter from the Mayor printed in the paper is pasted in on this page – referring to the Colonial Secretary's circular of 5th March 1878

Deductions from subsidies

Resolvd that the matter of deductions from Subsidies, brought up by His Worship the Mayor, be referred to a Comm^{ee} consisting of the Mayor & Councillor Gibbs; said Comm^{ee} to be a deputation to the County Council, with a view to joint action on the part of the two Councils –

Extras on Contracts

Resolved that in all future conditions of tender it be inserted as a special article that the Council will not be responsible for any extras unless the same are ordered in writing under the hand of the Engineer, or of his duly authorised deputy

S Gibbs

Chairman

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Special Meeting held 9th April 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Spence, Mainland, Liddle, Headland, Proctor, Gibb

The Mayor having read a letter from the Councils Bankers re Security to Debenture Holders in London it was

Resolved that the telegram as per Letter Book folio 467 be sent to M^r Macandrew and that should the reply be unsatisfactory the Mayor proceed to Wellington or take such other steps as he may deem necessary.

W^m J Steward Mayor

25/4/78

Special Meeting held 10th April 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Proctor, Familton, Mainland, Spence & Gibbs

Resolved that the Revenue from the Reserve described in Schedule C to the Oamaru Town Hall and Gas works site Act 1875 bring Sections 1 to 16 Block 95 lying between the Mechanics Institute and Post Office be allocated, in aid of Waterworks Reserve and paid in from time to time to Waterworks account

Prop^d by C^r Gibbs

Second^d by C^r Proctor

That the Mayor proceed to Wellington to see the Government and M^r Buchanan on the subject of the endowment & Waterworks loan

W^m J Steward Mayor

25/4/78

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Minutes of Council Meeting held April 11th 1878

Present C^r Gibbs / chr / C^{rs} Booth, Proctor, Liddle, Mainland, Spence, Familton

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that M^r W^m M^cPherson have permission to erect an addition in corrugated iron to his premises on Section 5 Blk XI

Resolved that permissions be given to M^r Young to transfer the Lease of Section 20 Blk 29 to M^r J. K. Anderson and to M^r James Dunn to transfer Section 7 Blk 93 to M^r J. Finnie also perm. To mortgage the same to the 1st O. B. Society.

Resolved that the Lease of Section 5 Blk 74 applied for by M^r H. Shines be sold by auction also Lease of Section 4 Blk 78 upset price of each section L5 pr. Ann:

Resolved that Mess^{rs} Pilkington & Yorke's tender of L38. 5 for fencing part of Reserve 4 be accepted
Prop^d by C^r Booth

Second^d by C^r Liddle

That David Heron's tender of L71. 10 for gravelling Cross Lane, Reed Street & Coquet Street be accepted
carried

Mess^{rs} Julius & Balconer forwarded a copy of the Lease of the land let to the Baths Company, the Engineer also forwarded a plan of the land – Resolved that the leas & plan be approved of.

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Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

The Motion of C^r Proctor "That the fee charged for the transfer of Municipal leases be reduced from 1L to 5/- " lapsed for want of a seconder

Resolved that the question of making a reduction in the day labor employed by the Council be ref^d to the Reserves & Public Works Comm^{ee}

Resolved that the question of additional Lamps be referred to the Gas Comm^{ee} for report.

W^m J Steward Mayor

25/4/78

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Minutes of Council Meeting held 25th April 1878.

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Gibbs, Proctor, Liddle, Spence, Familton

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that permission be given to M^r Johnston to erect a Lamp in Eden Street for M^r Robinson dentist

Resolved that the following transfer of Leases be granted

Lease of Section 25b Blk IX from F. H. Townsend to A. Toms – Part Reserve D. from W^m Copland to F. H. Townsend, - Section 14 Blk 54 from Trustees of John Johnstons estate to C. J. Moore.

Resolved that M^r Linterns applications to deposit some earth in the hole in the Street opposite his Section be referred to the Engineer with power to act.

Resolved that M^r Lemon's letter re Lamps be referred to the Gas Works Comm^{ee} with power to act

His Worship the Mayor made a statement with regard to several matters enquired into by him while in Wellington recently it was

Resolved that a vote of thanks be recorded to the Mayor for the pains taken by him while in Wellington with regard to various matters

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

W^m J Steward Mayor

May 9. 1878

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Notice of Motion

By C^r Liddle

That wire and standards be purchased and a bel of chain, more or less, be fenced off round the various reserves from time to time such belts to be let for one crop of potatoes thereafter to be well ploughed and harrowed down with grass seed and planted with trees by the Corporation Gardener as opportunity and seasons permit

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Minutes of Council Meeting held My 9th 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Booth, Gibbs, Proctor, Mainland, Spence Headland, Familton

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that the letter from the Mess^{rs} Pirie Bros re compensation for damage done to curb etc. be referred to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} with the Engineer to report

Resolved that leave be granted to M^r W. C. Baudinet to put in a box drain across the footpath in Wharf Street subject to supervision of the Engineer also to M^r A. J. S. Headland to put in a drain under the footpath opposite his premises in Wansbeck Strret

Resolved that M^r James White application for a slaughterhouse Licence be referred to the Inspector of Nuisances for report

Resolved that M^r Lemon have permission to erect a grain store upon the Harbor Bd Property

Resolved that the following transfer of Leases be granted from W. J. Smith Sec: 10 Blk 35 to T. Morris from Fred^k Watting Sec: 5 Blk 62 to Vincent Bond – Thomas Richardson Sec: 5 Blk 7 to W^m Aitken – F. H. Townsend Sec: 31 Blk 25 to Robert Blair

Resolved that Thomas Richmonds applying for damages for destruction of fence etc. in his Section referred to the Works Comm^{ee} & Engineer for report

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A letter was read from the Manager of the Gasworks pointing out that all the retorts were now in use & additional ones required – it was

Resolved that the retorts required be ordered from England, through Mess^{rs} Bright Brothers freight to be paid to Oamaru

Resolved that the Waterwork's Comm^{ee} report be adopted & it was Resolved that the application from the Engineer to expend a further sum of £15. 0 for clearing out old Water course at the inlet be granted.

Prop^d by C^r Proctor

Second^d by C^r Familton

That a detailed account be prepared of all expenditure in connection with the Waterworks to 31st March last said return to be classified under separate headings showing amounts paid for purchase of land for engineering supervision, progress payment to contractors

Carried

Resolved that M^r Connell be written to again requesting him to forward his report re Land purchases

Resolved that the Engineer be requested to cause the footpath past the Volunteer Hall to be shingled from Thames Street to Severn Street

Resolved that the Gas Works Comm^{ee} report be adopted carried

Prop^d by C^r Booth

Second^d by C^r Headland

That the P. W. Comm^{ee} report be adopted carried

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Prop^d by C^r Booth

Second^d by C^r Familton

That the Engineer be instructed to have the necessary alterations made in the footpath at the corner of Itchen & Tyne Streets carried

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

W^m J Steward Mayor

23/5/78

Special Meeting held May 15th 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Proctor, Spence, Mainland, Booth, Gibbs

Re Waterwork's Loan

Resolved that in order to save the cost of remitting direct from the Colony, the National Bank of New Zealand London be instructed to pay the coupons due 1st August 1878 Oamaru Waterworks Loan out of the funds to the credit of the Corporation on account of the said Loan.

Resolved that the Bank be instructed to remit at once by mail the proceeds of the Loan after deducting amount sufficient to pay August interest

That it be pointed out to the Bank that the Corporation is entitled to interest on the proceeds of the Loan for the time it has been in their hands in London and also on the sum returned for August Coupons until payment thereof and that the Bank be requested to include such sum in the remittance proceeds of Loans

That the action of the Bank in making the debentures repayable @ the National Bank of New Zealand London be confirmed

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That the Council desires to express its satisfaction with the judgement & care displayed by the National Bank in the floating of the Waterworks Loan and with the rate obtained, and further records its appreciation of the pains taken by the local Manager M^r Alexander Kerr in connection with the matter

That the National Bank be asked to arrange for the advertising in London of the date of payment of Coupons in August next and also of the payment of each half years interest as it becomes due viz in 1st August and 1st Feb^y in each year and that the said Bank be authorised to pay the same

That sealed copies of the forgoing resolutions be handed to M^r Kerr for the information of the Bank.

Resolved that M^r J C. Black letter re subletting portion of the Garden Reserve to "Ah Leong" be referred to the Reserves Comm^{ee} to report

Resolved that the letter from M^r Thos. Brydon on behalf of the NZ & Aust. Land Company re claim of L28. 16 for loss of sheep & Angus M^cDonald's letter be referred to the Waterworks Comm^{ee}

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

23/5/78

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Minutes of Council Meeting held May 23rd 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Proctor, Booth, Mainland, Familton, Headland Spence

Resolved that the minutes as read be confirmed

The Clerk read the Balance sheet for the year ending March 31st 1878 it was Resolved that the balance sheet be adopted & published

M^r Connell attended & reported as to the results of the land purchase negotiations in connection with the Waterworks

Propd^d by C^r Booth

Second^d by C^r Familton

That M^r Connell's report be received and that he be instructed to cause the necessary steps to be at once taken to obtain an immediate settlement with those who are unwilling to come to an amicable arrangement – M^r Clements case to be dealt with under Section 8 of the Land Clauses consolidation Act and the cases of Mess^{rs} Borrie, Ross and Maindonald by jury under the advice of the solicitor
carried

Resolved that M^r Connell be requested to take the necessary steps with a view to an agreement being definitely made for the purchase of the further area of land required for the Waterworks from the N. A. & Aust: Land Company –

The Engineer to be requested to confer with M^r Connell on the subject

Resolved that the numbers for the District be requested to take the necessary steps to obtain for Education Board authority to convey to the

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Council the freehold of the land already granted by the Board, on lease, at a nominal rental for Waterworks purposes

Resolved that M^r Henderson request re payment of monies (to be paid into Union Bank, Oamaru) be acceded to

A letter was read from the Treasury advising the repayment to the Council of L372. 19 to bring the amount deducted from Subsidy on account of charitable institutions

Resolved that M^r James white application for a slaughter-house license be granted & M^r Henry Fry's application be referred to the Inspector of Nuisances

Resolved that the Auditors report be received and the suggestions therein made carried out

Resolved that the P. W. Comm^{ee} report be adopted

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

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W^m J Steward Mayor

6/6/78

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Special Meeting held June 3rd 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Headland, Spence, Familton, Booth, Gibbs

A Deputation consisting of Mess^{rs} Connell & J. T. Evans from Waitaki Road Board waited on the Council with ref^{ce} to the road proposed to be opened up through Block IV Oamaru District from the Town Belt

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Gibbs

That the Oamaru Town Council will recoup the Waiareka & Waitaki Road Boards all expenses incurred in obtaining legal possession of the road line from the Junction of the Town Belt to the corporation Quarry in Section 29 Block IV Oamaru Survey District. The words "all expenses" to mean and include all compensation paid to owners of land and cost of ascertaining same as provided by law, together with the costs of conveyance to the Boards

That should the above arrangement be carried out, the corporation undertakes to open permanently the road from head of Chelmer Street to join the road line above described

Carried

Resolved that the Engineer be directed to take the necessary steps on behalf of the Council to obtain the opening up and formation by the Government of a road to Quarry Reserve being Section 59 Block IV Oamaru District running from the main road parallel to the Eastern boundary of Section 59 and distant about 10 chains therefrom

W^m J Steward Mayor

6/6/78

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Minutes of Council Meeting held June 6th 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Proctor, Mainland, Headland

Resolved that the minutes as read be confirmed

Telegrams from Hn J Macandrew & H. J. H. Elliott under Secretary for Comm Lands were read stating that the Municipal endowment 1771 acres would be gazetted; also certain pieces of land within the Municipality

Resolved that M^r John somerville's letter re Nen Street be referred to the Public Works Comm^{ee} for report

Resolved that M^r Alex^r Kerr's letter re drain in Humber Street be referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} for report

Resolved that M^r Amos request to transfer the lease of the Gaswork's cottage to M^r Laing be granted

Resolved that the Finance Comm^{ee} be requested to make arrangements for the payment of the Debentures / Clarkes / falling due in September next

Resolved that the reserve arising from the Municipal Government being 1771 acres in Block IX Marewhenua District and 229 acres or thereabouts in Block III Awamoko, being together 2000 acres, be set aside in aid of Waterworks Reserve, and paid in, as accruing into the Bank, to Waterworks account, towards meeting interest and Sinking Fund of the L60,000 Loan

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Resolved that the Members of the district be requested to bring in a Bill empowering the Education Board to transfer the portions of land vested in the said Board, necessary for road to Bush Reserve at the Cape, and for the Waterworks and that the Education Board be requested to join in promoting the said Bill

The Manager of the Gasworks wrote condemning the quality of the coal supplied by J. Hassell [& son] it was resolved that the matter be referred to the Gas Works Comm^{ee} with power to deal with the same

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

W^m J Steward Mayor

20/6/78

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Special Meeting held 17th June 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Headland, Liddle, Gibbs, Proctor Familton, Booth

A Deputation from the Northern Agricultural & Pastoral Assn was interviewed. Re proposal to exchange show ground for Municipal Reserve C. & - & were informed that the matter could be taken into consideration by the Council and a reply forwarded in writing

Resolved that the proposal of the Northern Agricultural & Pastoral Assocⁿ for and exchange of their present show ground for Municipal Reserve C be referred to the Reserves Comm^{ee}, to report, upon what terms if any, such exchange might be effected - also

That the Reserves Comm^{ee} be further directed to report as to the position of Reserve C adjoining M^r Holme's property stating upon what conditions it is held and for what term

The Gazette of 12th June containing notices of the reservation for the purpose of granting the same to the Municipality of 1771 ½ acres in Block XI Marewhenua & of 3 pieces of of Town land was laid on the table

Resolved that the Gazette notice reserving lands for the endowment of the town dated 12 June be referred to the Reserves Comm^{ee} with a view to recommending as to any further action necessary or advisable with regard to certain pieces of land not therein included; and that the place showing land taken for railway purposes in Garden Reserve and abutting on Isis Street be also referred to the Reserves Comm^{ee} for report

The Mayor having pointed out that the resolution passed at the last meeting with reference to allocating the reserve from the 2000 acres Municipal endowment

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Was passed / owing to a delay ion Wellington / before the Gazetting of the endowment, it was decided to re-pass the resolution and it was accordingly again passed – see Juneth / Page 305 /

Two letters from the Road Council of Palmerston asking whether and arrangement could be made for the Hospital & Benevolent Institution to receive patients & inmates from Palmerston

It was avered that the letters be referred to the Hospital Comm^{ee} & N. O. Benevolent Society and that the Town Clerk be written to informing him that they have been so referred

Resolved that the letter from M^r F. T. Somerville enclosing pland & specifications of proposed alterations to the Star & Garter Hotel be referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} & Engineer to report

Resolved that the letter from M^r F. Dunlop re permanent level of Stour Street be referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} & the Engineer

Resolved that the Town Clerk, Nelson be informed that the Council has declined to take any action in the matter / re Municipal League / at present

Prop^d by C^r Liddle

Second^d by C^r Booth

That the question of Surface drainage in Aln & Torridge Streets be referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} & Engineer to report

carried

The Mayor reported as to the action taken by the Finance Comm^{ee} with reference to paying off the loan of £5000 falling due in September –

Resolved that the action of the Comm^{ee} be approved

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Draft Bills for the following purposes were laid on the table

- I To transfer to and vest in the corporation the Sections in Block XXXI heretofore reserved for a sheep Reserve or Slaughter house Reserve
- II To remove doubts as to the validity of certain covenants for renewal in Corporation leases
- III To empower the Otago Education board to transfer certain pieces of land required for Waterworks purposes or for the Cape Road
- IV To amend the Oamaru Waterworks Act 1875

Resolved that the said Bills together with plans and all necessary particulars be forwarded to the Members for the District in the General Assembly, with the request that they will be good enough to use their best endeavours to secure the same being passed into law at the ensuing Session of the General Assembly.

W^m J Steward Mayor

20/6/78

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Minutes of Council Meeting held June 20th 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Spence, Mainland, Liddle, Gibbs

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that M^r W. Rayne's letter complaining of the state of Humber Street be referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} for report

Resolved that the letter from Mess^{rs} Hislop & Creagh on account of M^r Edmund Gibson applying for reparation for damages caused by clay falling in upon Section 22 Block 1 be referred to the Public Works Comm^{ee}

Resolved that a letter from Mess^{rs} A. M^cPhail & James Grave re Aln Street be referred to the Public Works Comm^{ee}

Resolved that permission be given to M^r John M^cFarlane to transfer the lease of Section 10 Block 92 to M^r F. H. Townsend also from M^r John Robertson to transfer the Lease of Section 8 Block 37 to M^r James Dunn

Resolved that the letter from Captⁿ Sumpter Trustee for the Drill shed & the matter of Cricket Ground fence be referred to the Reserves Comm^{ee}

The letter from M^r Thos. Brydone on behalf N Z & Aust. Land Co^y re loss of sheep was read,
Resolved that the correspondence be referred to the contractor for the Water works

Resolved that the consideration of the letter from the Secretary to the Mechanics Institute be deferred till next meeting

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Resolved that the letter from the Engineer re pipes for Waterworks be referred to a Special Meeting of the whole Council to be called for next Monday Evening

The Engineer having updated that the Water could be turned on through the Black Point Section it was resolved that the Mayor & Council proceed to the works on Wednesday next for the purpose

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

It having been pointed that considerable damage had been caused to the works in the Creek by the recent flood it was resolved that a deputation consisting of the Mayor C^r Gibbs & the Engineer wait upon Mess^{rs} Lees & Moore with ref^{ce} to the matter

Resolved that P. W. Comm^{ee} report be adopted

Nomination of Mayoralty

Resolved that Wednesday 17th July be fixed for the nominations

Resolved that C^r Gibbs be appointed returning officer

Notice of Motion By C^r Famlton

That Coquet Street from Thames to Humber St be brought to its permanent level & metalled to a width of 16 ft in the centre also kerbed and channelled with concrete & asphalted

W^m J Steward Mayor

July 4. 1878

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Special Meeting held 24th June 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Proctor, Spence, Headland & the Engineer

After a long discussion as to the advisability of ordering Pipes for the Waterworks it was

Resolved that it is not expedient to call for Tenders for the supply of Pipes until after the Council elections

Court of Revision

It was Resolved that this Council sit as Court of Revision for the citizens Roll on Monday 8th July at noon

W^m J Steward Mayor

July 4. 1878

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Minutes of Council Meeting held 4th July 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Booth, Spence, Gibbs, Proctor, Liddle Mainland, Headland

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that M^r John Mackays letter applying asking for the permanent level of Towey Street be referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} & Engineer for report

Resolved that the letter from the Secretary to the Hospital re road be ref^d to the P. W. Comm^{ee} for report thereon

Resolved that the letter from M^r T. Morris re attention to buildings on Sec 12 Block 2 be ref^d to the P. W. Comm^{ee} with power to act

Prop^d by C^r Booth

Second^d by C^r Spence

That the P. W. Comm^{ee} report be adopted carried

Resolved that the memorandum from the Engineer be referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} with power to act.

It was resolved that proceedings be taken for the recovery of arrears due for kerbing & channelling if not paid within 7 days also that it be an instruction to the Town Clerk that all rates remaining unpaid on the 1st august are to be sued for without further notice and that public intimation be given by advertisement to that effect.

W^m J Steward Mayor

July 18. 1878

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Prop^d by C^r Mainland

Second^d by C^r Headland

That C^{rs} Proctor & Gibbs with the Mayor be a Comm^{ee} to draw up a Memorandum of Amendments in the law as affecting Municipality which the Councils

experience has shown to be necessary, such memorandum to be submitted to a special meeting of the Council to be called for the consideration of the same

Resolved that the following plans be fixed as polling places for the Elections viz

Jetty Ward – M^r Proctors office, R^d Board Buildings Tyne Street

Thames Ward – vacant shop near Wear St Hall.

Severn Ward – Shop lately occupied by R. Smart, Thames St

High Ward – Old Grammar School, Greta Street

Resolved that the letters from the Secretary to the Mechanics' Institute lie over for the consideration of the new Council

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

July 18. 1878

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Court of Revision held 8th July 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Gibbs, Booth, Mainland, Spence

Resolved that the names appearing upon the Schedules for the four wards as submitted being those of persons who have paid their rates and possess the required qualifications be added to the citizen's Roll by supplementary List: and that the Town clerk be authorised to correct the number of the Block set opposite M^r Michael Thomas Spratt's name in the citizens List for Thames Ward from the figure 8 inserted in error to the figure 9.

W^m J Steward Mayor

July 18. 1878

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Minutes of Council Meeting Held July 18th 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Proctor, Gibbs, Booth, Mainland, Liddle, Familton, Headland

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that M^r John M^cKay's letter re Levels of Towey & Wansbeck Streets be referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} to report

Resolved that permission be given to M^r Charles Tregathen [sp] to transfer the Lease of Section 28 Block 10 to M^r W. Kempster and to M^r Coggins to transfer the lease of Section 14 Block 90 to M^r Samuel Shirt

Resolved that M^r H. J. Motes application to erect a Window shade outside his premises referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} for report

Resolved that the letter from the Secretary of the Star of Hope Lodge I.O.G. T be forwarded to the Inspector of Police

A letter read from the Secretary to the Otago School Commissioners stating that the Council declined to agree to the terms of the Bill forwarded for their approval for the present and asking to be furnished with the exact area required

Resolved that a copy of the report and returns be forwarded to M^r Hassell with an account showing the amount which the Council entitled to be refunded in respect of the Coal being deficient in Gas producing qualities

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Prop^d by C^r Mainland

Second^d by C^r Gibbs

That M^r Kidd have permission given him to expend L5 to purchase seeds

Carried

Resolved that the Engineer's report be read.

Resolved that the P. W. Comm^{ee} report be adopted.

Resolved that the nominations of Councillors and Auditors be held on Friday 26th July in the Council Chambers @ 12 o'clock

Prop^d by C^r Familton

Second^d by C^r Liddle

That Coquet Street from Thames to Humber Street be brought to its permanent level and metalled to a width of 16 feet in the centre also kerbed & channelled with concrete and the footpaths asphalted to a width of 4 feet

Moved as an amendment by

C^r Headland

Sec^d by C^r Mainland

That the portion of the Motion referring to the metalling of the street be struck out

carried

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment – The Finance Comm^{ee} drew attention to the item for travelling expenses as being in their opinion extremely heavy – resolved that an endeavour be made to reduce the expenses to the lowest possible amount.

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The Standing orders having been suspended

It was Prop^d by C^r Gibbs

Second^d by C^r Proctor

That the sum of L30 be granted to supplement the vote of the
County Council to the Cemetery Trust carried

Prop^d by C^r Gibbs

Second^d by C^r Familton

That the thanks of this Council be tendered to his Worship the Mayor for the able and conciliatory manner in which he has conducted the affairs of this corporation during his term of office, and the Council further desires specially to record its high appreciation of his untiring exertions to advance all the interests of the Town during that period

Carried

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

Aug 1. 1878

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Special Meeting held 26th July 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Gibbs, Spence, Mainland

Resolved that the papers prepared by the Engineer for the members for the district – re Waterworks loan be approved and handed to M^r Shrimski M H. R.

`A letter from M^r Lowe, Resident Engineer having been read re proposed sidings on the Esplanade north it was

Resolved that the Council will oppose by every means in its power any attempt to encroach upon the Public Esplanade in the manner proposed and that the Mayor telegraph M^r Lowe stating this and also that the land is leased and that the lessee has likewise a right to object. Th Members for the district and the Minister for Public Works to be communicated with on the subject.

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

Aug 1. 1878

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Special Meeting held 24th July 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor /chr /

C^{rs} Mainland & Shrimski M H R and the Engineer

The following Draft Bills were submitted to the Members who promised to give their support in having these passed in the House of Representatives viz

“The Oamaru Sheep Reserve Division Bill”

“The Oamaru Waterworks Act Amendment Bill”

“The Oamaru Town Reserves Leases Confirmation Bill”

“The Otago Education Board Empowering Bill”

Resolved that M^r Shrimski be requested to represent the Council at the Municipal Conference in Wellington and that the Chairman of the Conference be advised of such appointment

A Report from the comm^{ee} appointed to draw up recommendations for the Conference was brought up and agreed to and handed to M^r Shrimski

Resolved that the thanks of the council be tendered to Mess^{rs} Hislop & Shrimski M HRs

For their attendance at the Meeting and for the courtesy displayed by them in connection with the business submitted

Resolved that the amount for L2. 2. 6 expenses incurred on trip of Mayor to Miners meeting at Marewhenua be passed for payment

A letter from the Resident Engineer Christchurch re a proposed railway siding on the Esplanade near Trent Street was referred to the Engineer for report

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A Draft letter to Mess^{rs} Hassell & Son re deficiency of coal in Gas producing qualities was read and after amendment approved

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

Aug 1. 1878

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Aug: 1st 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Proctor, Mainland, Gibbs, Headland, Spence Humphrey, Familton

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

A Telegram from M^r Shrimski M HR re Municipal Conference having been read it was

Resolved that M^r Shrimski be requested not to present his credentials, as the Council does not consider the course proposed by the Conference in the appointment of a Parliamentary agent to be expedient

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Gibbs

That the Government be informed that this Council having received certain information from M^r Lowe Resident Engineer re proposed siding on to the Esplanade are willing to withdraw their objection against the same on condition that the Government make all necessary erections for the protection of the lessees cattle, and also recompense him for this loss of the use of the ground for remainder of his lease, and further undertake to life the rails without delay after the arrival of the turn-tables from America, and to restore the ground to as nearly as possible its original state

carried

Resolved that M^r Billingham's letter applying for the permanent level of Wharf Street opposite Sec: 13 Block 28 – be referred to the Engineer for report

Resolved that M^r James Ferris' letter re stagnant water on Section 30 block 72 – referred to the Public Works Comm^{ee} for report

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Resolved that M^r Aluson's [sp] letter applying for permanent levels at the corner of Arun & Wharf Streets be referred to the Engineer for report

Resolved that permission be given to M^r W^m Glass to make right of way to Section 18 Block 42 from Ure Street / under the supervision of the Engineer – the same to be kept in a proper state of repair

A letter was read from M^r Jarvis White offering L75 annual rental for the Reserve at the Waterworks intake. It was Resolved that M^r White be informed that when the gound is let, it will be done by public auction

Resolved that Mess^{rs} Hoods & Smillie application for Gas to be laid on to their premises was referred to the Gas works Comm^{ee}

The tenders having been opened for Contract 129 kerbing, channelling, asphaltting etc in Coquet Street it was Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Gibbs

That it be notified that the Council will proceed to carry out the work unless objection is made by the property owners interested before next Council Meeting

Carried

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Resolved that the following Councillors be appointed Members of the several Committees

Public Works & Reserves Comm^{ee}

C^r Proctor / chr / Mainland, Gibbs, Familton

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Bye.law & Legislative Comm^{ee}

C^{rs} Gibbs, c. Headland, Proctor, Humphrey

Finance Comm^{ee}

C^{rs} Headland / cnv^r / Humphrey, Spence, Liddle

Gas works Comm^{ee}

C^{rs} Mainland /cnv^r / Headland, Spence, Liddle

Waterworks Comm^{ee}

C^{rs} Gibbs / cnv^r / Mainland, Humphrey, Proctor

Health Comm^{ee}

C^{rs} Spence / cnv^r / Humphrey, Familton, Gibbs

Resolved that the Mayor's honorarium be L200 –

The Salaries of the officers were fixed at the same amounts as last year.

Viz Town Clerks L350 – Assistant Clerk L175. Auditors L15 each, Valuers L50. Inspector of Nuisances L3. 10 per week

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

Aug 15. 1878

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Meeting held Aug: 5th 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, spence, Proctor, Gibbs, Humphrey Headland, & the Engineer

Re letter from M^r Henderson applying that the amount of retention money might be reduced

Resolved that the Council will consent to the reduction of retention money to 10 per cent as proposed on the uncompleted Sections and to the reduction of the retention money on the completed / Black Point / Section from L600 to 200L thus paying to M^r Henderson at his request the sum of L2200 on the above account.

Subject always to the following provisions – viz

- 1 That M^r Henderson should pay interest to the Council on such sum at the ordinary Bank rate –
- 2 That M^r Henderson shall provide to the satisfaction of the Council one or two additional Security or Securities
- 3 That the present Securiters shall sign a paper consenting to the agreement, and re-affirming their [] as Securities under it
- 4 That any necessary addendum to the contract by way of memorandum to set forth the foregoing or any other requisite instrument shall be made or prepared by the Councils Solicitor at M^r Henderson's expense and signed by M^r Henderson.
- 5 That the money shall not be paid until all the instruments necessary have been duly executed.

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- 6 The cost of all such instruments to be deducted from the sum paid

W^m J Steward
Mayor
Aug 15: 1878

Special Meeting held Aug: 5 1878 @ 5 pm.

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Headland, Gibbs, Proctor Humphrey & Spence & the Engineer

That the Council will accept Capt Holt and M^r Montague Pym as additional Securitees but not the former alone; and on the necessary documents signed by Mess^{rs} Pym & Coggins & Marshall being handed to the Council will advance the L2200 on account of reduced retention money subject to the understanding that the amount of the certificate to July 31 L1200 will be retained till all the papers are signed and further that the balance of the L2200 viz L1000 will be deducted from the certificate for the month ending August 31st should all the papers not be completed by that date.

W^m J Steward Mayor
Aug 15. 1878

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Minutes of Council Meeting held August 15th 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Humphrey, Proctor, Mainland, Gibbs Spence, Familton, Headland

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

With ref^{ce} to advertising the payment of coupons for the several loans it was

Resolved that the Manager of the Natⁿ Bank be instructed that such advertisements be only inserted in one newspaper in each place where payable and for one insertion in each case only, provided such is sufficient to comply with the requirements of the law, and in any case the minimum number only

A letter was read from the Resident Engineer Christchurch re temporary railway siding on Esplanade. It was resolved that the Mayor be authorised to arrange the matter with M^r [Congees]

Resolved that M^r Alexander Smillie have permission to put a drain under the footpath opposite Sec: 4 Block 48 provided stoneware pipes are used and subject to the direction of the Engineer

Resolved that Mess^{rs} Williams & Bentley applicⁿ for a renewal of their lease of portion of the Esplanade be granted for one year.

A letter was read from the Manager of the National Bank advising that L61. 18. /18. / proceeds of Waterworks Loan had been placed

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To the credit of the Council.

Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Spence

That a separate account be opened at the bank for the Waterworks, and that a cheque be passed to credit of said account for the amount of proceeds of Waterworks Loan also that a separate Cash book and Ledger be kept for Waterworks receipt, & expenditure

carried

Resolved that a cheque be then drawn on Waterworks account and paid into ordinary Municipal account for the total of sums advanced thereon (including interest) on Waterworks amount

Resolved that the Finance Comm^{ee} be directed to ascertain what sum will require to be kept to credit of open account / on Waterworks account / and to place the Balance on fixed deposit for such term as they may deem advisable

Resolved that M^r Millins application re transfer of Section 20 Block 51 be referred to the Solicitors for their opinions

Resolved that the sum of L 10 – 10 be paid to Mess^{rs} Smith, Anderson & co. for conveyance of land purchased from the NZ & Aust Land Co

A letter was read from the Solicitors advising that the Bond had been duly executed and that the moneys one could now be paid

It was Resolved that the Finance Comm^{ee} have authority to pay the amount due to M^r J. Henderson on Waterworks contract

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Resolved that M^r Emanuel Clarkson have permission to construct a right of way into Section 20 Block 15 subject to the supervision of the Engineer, the crossing to be shingled or metalled

A letter was read from several ratepayers in Coquet St East objecting to the kerbing & asphaltting being done in that street – it was

Resolved that the works be not carried out at present

Resolved that the Bye-laws Comm^{ee} be requested to revise the Bye-laws and to report as to any amendments or additions necessary

Resolved that the matter of the levels of Arun Street from Wharf Street to Ure Street be referred to the P.W. Comm^{ee} with power to issue the necessary notices

Resolved that M^r Ferrin's request re entrance to his Section in Block 73 together with the Engineers report thereon be referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} for their recommendations thereon

Resolved that the Gas Works Comm^{ee} have authority to call for tenders for certain additions to the Retort House also to call for tenders for 6 months supply of coal

Resolved that tenders be called for forthwith in Dunedin, Christchurch & Oamaru for the supply of Pipes for the Waterworks. To be in by the 26th Inst. at noon

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

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Notice of Motion

By C^r Proctor

That the Engineer receive instructions to survey and report upon the most effectual & commercial means of bridging the creek to connect Tyne & Humber Streets

W^m J Steward Mayor

Aug 29.1878

Special Meeting held aug: 22nd 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Proctor, Humphrey, Headland, Spence

Re reception of His Excellency & Members of Parliament on the occasion of the opening of railway communication to Dunedin

Resolved that Hw. The Mayor, C^r Proctor & the Town Clerk be a Committee to make arrangements in conjunction with a Comm^{ee} appointed by the Harbor Board and that a sum not exceeding L50 be placed at the disposal of the Comm^{ee} for the purpose

That the citizens be invited to put the Town as much as possible en fete for the display of flags etc.

That an address be presented to His Excellency and that the same be made as short as possible in order not to delay the proceedings
The Mayor to prepare the address
Resolved that a fac simile copy of the Debentures of the Waterworks Loan of L 60000 as issued by the London office of the

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National Bank of New Zealand Limited having been laid before this Council said Debentures having the following enfacement

“N.B. This Debenture is repayable at the office of the National Bank of New Zealand Limited in London as per endorsement” – and an endorsement as follows

New Zealand

Provincial District of Otago
Oamaru Municipal Corporation Waterworks
7 per cent Loan of L 60,000

Debentures for L100

No---

This Debenture forms one of the above named issue of L 60,000 which consists of 600 Debentures of L 100 each, numbered 1 to 600 both inclusive, repayable to bearer at par, at the office of the National Bank of New Zealand, Limited, in London on 1st August 1907 – and transferable by delivery

Issued by

The National Bank of New Zealand, Limited

Financial Agents to the

Oamaru Municipal corporation for the National Bank of New Zealand Limited

W. J. Steele

Manager

Resolved that the said Debentures with the said enfacement and endorsement be adopted by the Council and that a copy of this resolution be furnished under Seal to the Manager of the National Bank of New Zealand, Oamaru

W^m J Steward Mayor

Aug 29. 1878

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Special Meeting held Aug: 28th 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Proctor, Gibbs, Mainland, Spence Headland

To open Tenders for Pipes for Water supply

Bright Bros.

A & T Burt / except special costings/	15602. 12. 6
J. Anderson (Ch:ch: / L17.000. 2. 6 L 16,703. 3	16,703. 3
NZ Loan & M Coy on 1 ½ L16,630. 15. 6	16,070. 0. 0
Guthrie & Larnach L 16,781 10	16,781. 10

Resolved that the tenders be remitted to the Engineer for examination and that the same be brought up with his report thereon at tomorrow's meeting

W^m J Steward Mayor

Aug 29. 1878

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Aug: 29th 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Humphrey, Proctor, Mainland, Gibbs, Familton, Headland, spence

Resolved that the minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that permission be granted to M^r David Miller to put a drain under the footpath opposite Sec: 2 Blk 44 provided stoneware pipes are used & subject to the supervision of the Engineer

Resolved that permission to transfer the Lease of Sec. 1 Blk 86 be given to M^r George Moorcroft to John Caldevroon [sp] provided all arrears of rent are paid also permⁿ to mortgage the same

Resolved that M^r Edwin Collier have permission to erect an Iron addition at the back of Wooden building in thames Street.

Resolved that permission be given to M^r James Carson to transfer the lease of Section 21 Block 15 to M^r W. J. Smith also that M^r E. Warburton have permission to transfer his interest in the lease of Reserve E to M^r W. Samson also to Thomas Kerr to transfer Lease of Section 14 Blk 54 to M^r J. Manly

Resolved that M^r Lanes application to be allowed to put a rail between his Verandah Posts to be used for tying horses be referred to the Public Works Comm^{ee} with power to act

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Resolved that M^r Rob^t Keenan's application for a renewal of his lease of Part of Esplanade be granted for one year

Resolved that anightmans Licence be granted to M^r Robert Evans

Resolved that Mess^{rs} Eddington Bust & co have permission to erect a wooden building for machinery also to erect a horse post in Ribble Street

Resolved that the Solicitors ber authorised to re enter and take possession of Section 12 Block 77 on behalf of the Corporation

Resolved that the letter from M^r H Connell [con] of the proposed Corn Exchange & Market re Lease of Market Reserve Sections be referred to the Reserves Comm^{ee} with instructions to consult the Solicitor and report

A Letter from M^r J. Henry Lowe, resident Engineer re Diversions of Isis Street was read it was Resolved that the whole matter be referred to the Reserves Comm^{ee} with power to act

Resolved that James Roxburgh & co tender of L379. 8 for additions to the Retort Hous at the Gas Works be accepted

Resolved that Samuel Rusbatch's tender of L 37.10 for earthworks in aln Street be accepted

Prop^d by C^r Proctor

Second^d by C^r Gibbs

That M^r John Anderson /Ch ch

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Tender of L 16,703. 3 for Pipe Supply be accepted

Resolved that the Finance Comm^{ee} report be adopted

Resolved that the Gas Work's Comm^{ee} report be received

Resolved that the Public Works Comm^{ee} report be adopted

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Notice of Motion

By C^r Headland

That the Engineer be requested to provide and estimate of the expense necessary to form till Street to its permanent level from its Junction with Severn Street to Wansbeck Street and from its junction with Wansbeck Street to its Southern termination

Further that should the above works prove of a very expensive nature, then that the Engineer be requested to give an estimate as to the cost of easing the gradients so as to give easy access to any part of the street

W^m J Steward Mayor

12/9/78

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Special Meeting held Aug 30th 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^s Humphrey, Gibbs, Proctor, Spence Headland, Mainland

A Telegram was read from the Hon H. J. Miller & S. E. Shrimski M HR re Waterworks Bill

It was Resolved that the Mayor should send the following telegram in explanation

See Letter Book folio 635.

W^m J Steward Mayor

12/9/78

Special Meeting held Sept 2nd 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Proctor, Gibbs, Mainland, Humphrey Spence

Business to consider the proposed site for the new passenger station

Prop^d by C^r Proctor

Second^d by C^r Humphrey

That the Harbor Board be requested to receive a deputation from this Council not later than Wednesday with a view to endeavouring to take joint action to secure the adoption of the Lagoon site for the new passenger station: the deputation to consist of the whole Council – The Deputation to be empowered to offer the sum of L3000 towards the cost of reclaiming the Lagoon / said sum to be payable in five years and interest at the rate of 5 ½ per cent to be paid to the Government until the payment of the principal sum / and to endeavour to secure

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The co-operation of the Board in the granting of the Lagoon site to the Government on such terms as will enable the scheme to be carried out

Resolved that the P W. Comm^{ee} interview M^r Burnett Asst. Engineer with regard to the state of Severn Street crossing

W^m J Steward Mayor

12/9/78

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Minutes of Council Meeting Held Sept 12th 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Gibbs, Headland, Proctor, Humphrey, Familton

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

A letter was read from the Secretary of the Municipal Conference informing the Council that they had drawn on the Council for L3. 3. Being the Councils share of the expenses.

Resolved that permission be accorded to the Grammar School Cricket Club to lay down turf for the purposes of the game

Resolved that M^r Newtons letter asking the Council to consider the propriety of reducing the price of Gas for cooking purposes be referred to the Gas Works Comm^{ee} with power to act

A letter was read from M^r C J. Moore informing the Council that he had disposed of the lease of Sec 4 Blk 90 to the Government

A letter was read from M^r Hugh Ross declining to accept the offer made by the Council for his land – letter referred to M^r Connell

Resolved that permission be granted to M^r C. Galbraith to transfer the Lease of Sec: 22 Block 77 to Thos Wildish and for that of Sec: 29 Block 14 from M^r J. T. Evans to Charles Dudley Robert Ward.

A letter was read from M^r Kerr Manager of the National Bank re Interest on Waterworks Loan

It was Resolved that the Bank be informed that the Council considers itself entitled to an allowance in the shape of interest on the proceeds of the

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Loan for the time it lay in the hands of the London Agency before being remitted to the Colony: and that the Mayor address a letter to M^r Kerr on the subject

Resolved that permission be granted to M^r J. T. Smith to put a stoneware drain under the footpath in Ure Street from Section 8 block 41 – Work to be done under the supervision of the Engineer

It was resolved that the Solicitors be authorised to re-enter and take possession of P^t Sec: 16 Blk 41 / Well Section /

A letter was read from the Manager of the Nat Bank intimating that proportion for the Waterworks Loan of L60,000 had been obtained on the Stock Exchange

M^r S. J. Wood wrote asking permission to send fruit by means of a basket at the Railway end of Wansbeck Street – Resolved that M^r Wood be informed that the Council does not deem it necessary to take any action in the matter at present.

A letter was read from M^r H. Connell enclosing one from Mess^{rs} Newton & Mirams re M^r Angus Macdonald claim for land taken for Waterworks Resolved that the Council prefers that the case should go to a Jury

Resolved that M^r Connell be requested to inform M^r Borton that the matter re Leasing intake at the Waterworks will receive the consideration of the Council.

A letter from the corporation Solicitors re transfer

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Of the late M^r Millen's lease to his wife

It was Resolved that a copy of the letter be sent to M^{rs} Millen.

A letter was read from the solicitors re Market & corn Exchange also a letter from the Hon: J. Macandrew it was

Resolved that M^r Connell be informed that the Council is will to give facilities for the establishment of a public Market & Corn Exchange so far as it legally may –

That the longest term for which the Market Reserve could be leased for this purpose is 21 years and that such letting must take place by tender or auction – That a condition of the Leasing would be that a public market & Corn Exchange be erected within 12 months from date of lease to plans previously approved by the Council, the value of such buildings to be not less than ---

Resolved that the Mayor reply to Hon. M^r M^cAndrew asking who are the parties who have made application to him, and for what land, and informing him of the resolution

Prop^d by C^r Gibbs

Second^d by C^r Familton

That the Dp^r Bill re Land required for road from Tyne St to Bush Reserve and for Waterworks purposes be approved and forwarded for introduction during the present Session of Parliament, also that the thanks of the Council be tendered to the Hon: M^r Reynolds for consenting to take charge of the same

carried

A letter was read from the Rector of the High School objecting to the Rectory being rated
resolved that

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The letter be referred to the Solicitors for their advice.

Resolved that M^r Kidds report be received and the P. W. Comm^{ee} report be adopted

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Familton

That the Engineer be requested to prepare and estimate of the expense necessary to form Till Street to its permanent level from its Junction with Wansbeck Street to its Southern termination

Further that should the above works prove of a very expensive nature, then that the Engineer be requested to give an estimate as to the cost of easing the gradients, so as to give easy access to any part of the street

carried

W^m J Steward Mayor

Sep 26.1878

Notice of Motion

By C^r Familton

- 1 That the footpath in Ouse Street be formed on South side from Thames to Humber Street to its proper level
- 2 Trent Street. That the footpath be formed to Humber Street on South side to its proper level
- 3 Exe Street - That the footpath be levelled and gravelled on South side as far as formed
- 4 Torridge Street That a few loads of Gravel be put on the footpath on South side
- 5 Usk Street That the footpath be formed as far as Frances Block on South side and on North side from Thames to Humber Street to its proper level

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Special Meeting held Sept: 16th 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Gibbs, Proctor, Spence & M^r H^y Connell

Prop^d by C^r Proctor

Second^d C^r Spence

That having heard the explanation of M^r Connell the resolution of last Meeting
re M^r Angus Macdonalds claim be rescinded carried

Prop^d by C^r Gibb

Second^d by C^r Proctor

That the Council agree to the appointment of M^r John Johnston as sole
arbitrator in M^r Angus Macdonald's case carried

Prop^d by C^r Gibbs

Second^d by C^r Proctor

That M^r Connell be advised that the Council will agree if he can arrange
the matter for the submission of M^r Hugh Ross case to the same arbitrator inter [partes]

Carried

W^m J Steward Mayor

Sep 26. 1878

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Sept 26th 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Gibbs, Proctor, Spence Familton

Resolved that the minutes as read be confirmed

The following Telegram from M^r Hislop M. HR was read – “Does Council object bill facilitate
arranging Lease Market Reserve for procuring objects for which set aside”

it was Resolved that the following reply be sent “Council objects to bill being passed until its full
provisions are laid before it – Council at same time is desirous to assist a well considered project,
but thinks that it should have a control over the amount of Market rates charged; and before
consenting to a Bill being proceeded with asks that the terms of the proposed Bill be transmitted
to it for consideration”

Resolved that permission be accorded for transfer of Leases as follows – Reserve F from M^r James
Hassell to M^r Charles R. Glass and Section 20 Block I from A. H. Maude to M^r Tho^s Proctor

Resolved that Mess^{rs} Williams & Bentleys application to lease portion of Esplanade Reserve South of new railway siding be granted at same rate per acre as applicants are paying for adjoining land viz. L2. 10 per acre

Resolved that permission be accorded to M^r John Thompson for leave to erect additions to his workshop Sec: 5 Blk 21

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A Petition signed by 114 ratepayers forwarded by M^r M. T. Spratt asking the Council to provide a Watering cart for laying the dust, it was resolved to refer the matter to the Public Works Comm^{ee} with power to act

Resolved that the Inspector of Nuisances report be referred to the Health Comm^{ee}

The Engineer reported on the cost of forming Till Street

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment also L50 additional for the Governor's reception

A letter was read from the Engineer asking permission to enter upon private practise and proposing certain arrangements in that event. It was Resolved that a special Meeting of the Council be held on Monday next @ 7.15. for the purpose of considering the same and that M^r M^cLeod be requested to attend

C^r Familton according to notice moved That the footpath in Ouse Street be formed on the South side, from Thames to Humber St to its proper level

Trent Street. That the footpath be formed from Thames to Humber Street on South side to its proper level.

Exe Street. That the footpath be levelled and gravelled on South side, as far as formed.

Torridge Street. That a few loads of gravel be put on the footpath on South side

Usk Street. That the footpath be formed as far as France Block on the South side, & on North side

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From Thames to Humber
Street, to its proper level

It was Prop^d by C^r Gibbs

Second^d by C^r Spence

That the matter be referred to the Public Works Comm^{ee} for a report as to the works proposed and the probable cost of each carried

Resolved that notice be sent to the Lessee of Sec 19. 20 Block 42 to fence the embankment on the North Side of Itchen St within seven days with a post @ rail fence with three wires failing compliance to be done by the Council at his cost

Resolved that the Reserves Comm^{ee} report as to any other places within the Town which it is necessary to fence for the public safety.

Correct Minutes

S Gibbs

Chairman

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Special Meeting held 30th Sept 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^r Mainland, Headland, Spence

To consider M^r McLeod's application to be allowed private practice

It was resolved that on account of the whole Council not being present this meeting stand adjourned until Oct: 2nd @ 7.15.

S Gibbs

Chairman

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Oct: 10th 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Gibbs, Humphrey, Proctor, Mainland, Familton, Headland, Spence

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that the Lease of portion of the Esplanade North of the New Railway Siding be put up to auction / one years Lease / upset price L2 per acre

A letter was read from the Attorney General Hon: R. Stout acknowledging receipt of Draft Bill re Corporation Leases & stating that a bill to the purport of the Draft forwarded by the Corpⁿ will be introduced if time allows this Session

Hw. The Mayor intimated that he had received a letter from M^r David Gibson re West Coast Railway and enclosing copies of forms of petition in favor of the Amberley route

It was resolved that the letter be acknowledged and M^r Gibson be informed that the Council has decided to take no action in the matter at present.

A letter from M^r Fraser applying to lease Section 5 Block 25. – Resolved that M^r Fraser be informed that the Council are unable to deal with Section 5 Block 25 at the present time –

Resolved that the letter from the Secretary to the Oamaru Stone Coy offering to lease for seven years the Quarry Reserve being Section 4 Block 6 Oamaru District

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It was ordered that a telegram be sent to M^r Shrimski & the Hon H. J. Miller re Market Reserve

The following resolutions brought up from the Committee of the whole Council were read and agreed to

That M^r M^cLeod be informed that the Council cannot see its way to permit him to undertake private practice generally; but seeing that he has been requested by the North Waitaki Railway Assocⁿ to make a preliminary Survey of the route of that railway, the Council will not prevent his complying the request; provided always that all the duties appertaining to his office as Engineer to the Council are efficiently discharged, and that none of the works at present in hand or required by the Council to be undertaken planned or superintended, and in any wise neglected and provided further, that no additional expense to the Council is involved –

That M^r M^cLod be directed to reduce the Engineering & Survey staff as much as is possible consistently with the carrying out of the Corporation works and that he be authorised to ^{advertise for} and employ a cadet to be articulated to the Corporation –

Prop^d by C^r Proctor

Second^d by C^r Humphrey

That the Gas Works Comm^{ee} report as read be adopted

Carried

Resolved that the Engineers report be received

Prop^d by C^r Proctor

Second^d by C^r Famliton

That a return be prepared of the amount which has been expended on Test Street between Wharf Street and the Breakwater road together with resolutions under which the works have been carried out

carried

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C^r Proctor drew attention to the fact that the resolution ordering a dangerous place in Yare Street to be made secure had not been carried out – it was resolved that the Engineers attention be called to the same

Prop^d by C^r Spence

Second^d by C^r Proctor

That the recommendation of the Engineer to appoint M^r Twaddle of the Hydraulic Engineering Coy to inspect the Pipe plant before being shipped for Oamaru be acceded to

carried

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Notice of Motion

By C^r Humphrey

- 1 That Thames Street be metalled where required from the Post Office to Coquet Street and the engineer be instructed to prepare specifications and call for tenders for the work.
- 2 That the Engineer prepare plans & specifications with estimate of cost for the Drainage of Block 4 & 5.

W^m J Steward Mayor

Oct. 24. 1878

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Special Meeting of Council Oct 17

Present His Worship the Mayor, C^{rs} Proctor, Gibbs, Headland, Mainland, Spence, Humphrey and Familton

A telegram from M^r Shrimski M H R re Public Works Act 1877 Amendment Bill was read and it was resolved that a reply be telegraphed as per Letter Book p. 712

W^m J Steward Mayor

Oct 24.1878

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Oct. 24th 1878.

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Gibbs, Mainland, Proctor, Humphrey

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that permission be given to M^r [Hassed] to transfer the lease of Section 12 Block 88 to William Barker also permissⁿ to M^r W. H. Clemo to transfer the lease of Section 6 Block 53 to Major Evans.

A letter from M^r Roderick M^cKenzie applying to lease the Reserve at the Intake of the Waterworks, Resolved that M^r M^cKenzie be informed that the Council does not propose to deal with the matter at present

Resolved that the Mayor the chairman of the P. W. Comm^{ee} & C^r Mainland be appointed a Sub Comm^{ee} to make final arrangements re Land required for Waterworks purposes

Resolved that J. & T. Meek's application to improve approach to their premises in Severn Street be referred to the Public Works Comm^{ee} with power to act.

Resolved that M^r G. W. Robinson's letter re state of footpath in Eden Street etc be referred to the Public Works Comm^{ee} to report

A letter was read from M^r M^cLaren complaining of fence in Glen Street

Resolved that permission be given to M^r Mainland to make certain additions & alterations to his

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Premises in Tyne Street

A letter was read from M^r F. Stevens for Under Secretary for Lands re Block 31

A letter was read from M^r J. C. Black offering to lease for one year the S. E. portion of Garden Reserve resolved that M^r Black be informed that the Council does not wish to lease the land referred to

Resolved that the applications for the Cadetship in the Engineers office be referred to the Mayor Engineer & C^r Humphrey

Resolved that the P. W. Comm^{ee} ascertain and report what would be the cost of procuring necessary appliances for watering the Streets

Th Memorialists who recently appealed to the Council to be communicated with as to what proportion of the cost they would be prepared to contribute

Resolved that the P. W. Comm^{ee} report be adopted.

Resolved that tenders be called for carting for the next six months

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment.

Resolved that the Engineer prepare specifications and particulars of quantities of piping required for Services, to be laid before a Special Meeting to be held on Thursday 31st Inst. at 7.15 o'clock. The Engineer to be asked to attend.

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Resolved that the Engineer furnish an approximate estimate of the cost of bringing Thames Stree, from the Post Office to Coquet St to its permanent level; also an estimate of the cost of metalling the street temporarily until permanent works can be executed –

C^r Humphrey moved that the Engineer prepare a plan & estimate for the drainage of Blocks 4 & 5 it was Resolved that the Engineer be requested to prepare as originally contemplated, a general plan for the drainage of the Town, and also a detailed plan of such section of the above as applies to Block 4 & 5 together with an estimate of the cost

Resolved that C^r Liddle's seat as Councillor for Severn Ward be declared vacant in accordance with Section 32 of the "Otago Municipal Corporations Ordinance 1865." – It was

Resolved that Monday 4th Nov be fixed as the day of Nomination and the election if necessary on Friday 8th at M^r Sumpters old offices –

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward

Mayor 7/11/78

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Special Meeting of the Council held 31st October 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^s Mainland, Spence, Proctor, Gibbs, Liddle, Humphrey & the Engineer

Resolved that in view of the Solicitors opinion the resolution passed at last Meeting declaring C^r Liddles Seat vacant, be rescinded, and that the notice appointing a nomination for Monday be countermanded

It having been brought under the notice of the Council that persons have been found carrying away timber from the Cape Bush Reserve it was Resolved that proceedings be taken against all persons found taking Bush or timber from the Reserve and that a reward of L5 be offered for

information leading to the conviction of offenders – Notices to this effect to be painted or affixed on boards to be placed in conspicuous positions

Resolved that the exchange of land proposed under Sec: 15 of the Public Work's Act 1877 Amendment Bill 1878. B considered at next ordinary meeting –

M^r Shrimski M.H. R entering the Council chambers was thanked for his Successful Services during the Session

A report from the Engineer re piping required to connect the water mains with ratepayers premises was read and it was

Resolved – That Mess^{rs} A & T Burt, Dunedin and M^r John Anderson of Christchurch be requested to quote prices for the supply of Service pipes as per the Engineer's memo

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Of quantities, in iron, galvanised iron, and lead respectively, together with the necessary fittings

The Mayor laid upon the table the Crown Grant for the land / 280 acres / at the Waterworks inlet

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Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward

Mayor; 7/11/78

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Minutes of Council Meetings held Nov 7th 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Humphrey, Gibbs, Proctor, Mainland Liddle, Spence, Familton

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed.

A Memorial was read from some eight men of from 50 to 60 years of age asking for employment it was resolved that they be offered employment @ 7^d per yard at the Junction of Aln & Ouse Streets

It was Resolved that the Public Work's Comm^{ee} be directed to enquire as to the manner in which the work now in progress in Aln Street is being carried on, with power to stop the same if not in accordance with the intention of the Council at the time the work was authorised. An application from M^r Thomas Scott for a few loads of earth from Aln Street was referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} with power to act

A letter was read from M^r M. T. Sprott with ref^{ce} to watering the streets stating that the Memorialists considered that the cost should be borne by the Council it was

Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Familton

That the P. W. Comm^{ee} be empowered to procure the appliances for one
Water cart carried

Prop^d by C^r Mainland & Second^d by C^r Liddle as an amendment – That no action be taken in the matter at present.

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Resolved that M^r Alex: Kerr's letter asking for levels of Humber Street opposite Sec. 4 Harbor Board Property be referred to the Engineer to furnish the information asked for

Resolved that the telegram from M^r Nancarrow re cargo of Coal be referred to the Gas Work's Comm^{ee} with power to act.

Resolved that the report from the Special Comm^{ee} re cadetship for Engineers office be adopted

Resolved that the report from the Comm^{ee} appointed re Land required for Waterworks purposes be received

Resolved that the report from, the Inspector of Nuisances be referred to the Health Comm^{ee}

Resolved that the matter re Surface Drainage of Wear Street be referred to the Engineer for report

Prop^d by C^r Gibbs

Second^d by C^r Familton

That tenders be called for reducing Thames Street on the West Side to its permanent level, from the Mechanics Institute to Coquet Street and the formation of Severn Street from Thames St to Meek's Mill carried

Resolved that the matter re exchange of Land proposed in the Public Works Act amendment Bill be referred to the Legislative Comm^{ee} for report

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C^r Liddle brought up the question of the necessity for pillar letter boxes

The final account for new Gasometer was submitted and it was resolved that L60 on account of the penalties accrued be enforced and the balance of penalties remitted

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Notice of Motion

By C^r Gibbs

1 That a stone crusher be obtained for the use of the Corporation

2 By C^r Liddle

That Trent Street from Thames St to Reid Street be formed in earth works

3 That Nen Street from Thames St to Reid St be formed in earthworks

4 That the newly formed footpath in Reid St on the West side from Ouse to Trent St be half gravelled –

W^m J Steward Mayor
20/11/78

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Nov 20th 1878

Present Hw The Mayor

C^{rs} Gibbs, Humphrey, Proctor, Mainland, Headland Liddle, Spence

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

A letter was rec^d from the Waste Lands Board asking whether the Council had any objection to Secs 2. 6. 7. 8. 9 Block 55 being offered for sale.

Resolved that the Waste Land be informed that the Council sees no objection to the Sections named being sold

Resolved that the Waitaki Road Board be informed that the Council will instruct their Engineer to forward plans of such works as are referred to in their letter for the information of the Board

Resolved that the matter re Bridge in George Town be referred to the Engineer with a request that he will attend to the same

A complaint was received from M^r A. Johnston Northern Hotel re his cellar being flooded by the Severn Resolved that the letter be referred to the Engineer for his report thereon

Resolved that permission be given to M^r Sam^l Shirt to transfer the Lease of Section 14 Block 90 to M^r E. A. Proctor

Resolved that permission be given to M^r James Petterson to make an addition to his premises in Wansbeck Street under supervision of the Engineer

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Resolved that M^r George Hendersons application for leave to lay a drain be referred to the Engineer with power to grant the same provided the drain be used for surface water only

Resolved that M^r Kerr's letter re drain in Humber Street be referred to the Public Works Comm^{ee} with power to act

Resolved that permission be given to the Excelsior Cricket Club to cut the grass on the old cricket ground

A letter was read from the solicitors notifying that they had resumed possession of the Well Section of Section 12 Block 67 from non payment of rent.

It was resolved that a Special Meeting be held on Monday @ 7.15 pm for the purpose of opening Tenders etc.

Resolved that the letter from M^r Johnston as architect for M^r Otterson re level of footpath in Arun Street be referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} with power to act

A letter was read from the Treasury advising the payment to the Council of the subsidy amtg to L1069.1.6 for the ½ year ending Dec 1878.

It was Resolved that Angus M^cDonald's award amounting to L129.19 be paid

Resolved that the Engineer be requested to state particulars with a view to obtaining

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The Solicitors opinion as to the Waterworks contractors liability for repairs of damages caused by the flood.

Resolved that the Health Comm^{ee} report be adopted

Resolved that the attention of the Kakanui road Board be called to the fact that under an act promoted by this Council, and passed at last Session of the General Assembly entitled "The Otago School Commissioners Empowering Act, 1878" the necessary power is given to the Commissioners to convey so much of the Education Reserve on the Cape as is required for the purpose of forming the road agreed between the Council, the Road Board, Mess^{rs} Lee & Moore & others to be formed; and that the Board be recommended to arrange with the Commissioners for the conveyance accordngl

That application be made to the Minister for Lands setting forth the tenure upon which the Council holds the Bush Reserve at the Cape and asking that the same may be set aside permanently as a recreation reserve, under the 148 Section of the "Land Act 1877 and further asking that under Section 11 of the "Public Reserves Act 1877" the said Reserve may be vested in this Council

That the Engineer prepare a plan showing distinctly the area required for the Waterworks through the Education Reserves on the line of route

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

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Prop^d by C^r Gibbs

Second^d by C^r Liddle

That it is desirable that a stone crusher be purchased for the use of the Corporation and that the matter be referred to the Public Works Committee with instructions to enquire as to the best kind of machine, the price, capabilities, number of men and horses required, and the cost of breaking metal therewith at per yard

carried

Resolved that steps be taken to improve the access from Reid Street to Trent Street

It was ordered that the P. W.Comm^{ee} be directed to get a Water cart constructed without delay.

Prop^d by C^r Liddell

Second^d by C^r Humphrey pro forma a

That Nen Street be formed in earthwork from Reid Street to Thames Street

Prop^d by C^r Headland as an amendment

Second^d by C^r Spence

That the matter be referred to the Works Comm^{ee} for report

Carried

Prop^d by C^r Liddle

Second^d by C^r Headland

That the newly formed footpath in Reid Street from Ouse to Torridge St
be half gravelled – Work to be done by the daymen

carried

Notice of Motion By C^r Spence

That the paths on both sides of Wansbeck Street from Wharf Street to Greta Street be gravelled.

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Special Meeting held 25th Nov 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^s Headland, Humphrey, Gibbs, Proctor Liddle & Mainland. & M^r M^cLeod Engineer

Prop^d by C^r Gibbs

Second^d by C^r Headland

That Williams & Beatty's tender for cartage be accepted viz.

1 Man Horse & Dray 15/- per day

1 " 2 Horses & " 22/6 " third horse 7/6 per day /for six months /

Carried

Prop^d by C^r Gibbs

Second^d by C^r Humphrey

That Saml Rusbatch's tender of L 318. 9. 2 for Contract 132

Earthwork & Metalling in Thames & Severn Streets be accepted

carried

Resolved that tenders be called for the Supply of 35 tons lead pipes with ferules, stop cocks be called to be in by the 19th Dec^r next

Resolved that the Mayor C^r Gibbs & the Engineer be authorised to complete the negotiations for any land remaining to be acquired for Waterworks purposes

Resolved that the Waterworks Comm^{ee} be empowered to issue the necessary notices re the loan authorised at last Session, after consulting the Corporation Solicitors as to the forms to be observed

A Letter from Mess^{rs} Newton & Mirams re a complaint by M^r L. Morton of encroachment on his premises was read and it was

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Agreed that the Council meet next morning @ 11 o'clock for the purpose of proceeding to inspect the site

Resolved that the Lease of the following Municipal Sections be offered at Auction

Viz Sec: 12 Block 67

“ 9 “ XI

“ 16 “ 53

“ 12 “ 77 and

Back half “ 16 “ 41 upset rental in each case L 5 per annum.

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward

5/12/78 Mayor

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Special Meeting held Nov 26th 1878.

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Gibbs, Proctor, Mainland, Headland, Familton Liddle, Humphrey

Re Lewis Morton's property in Reid Street

It was Resolved that a panel be left open on the South side of the fence so as to give access to the property from Reid Street also that a letter be written to M^r Morton's Solicitors Mess^{rs} Newton & Mirams stating that the Council is advised that there has been no alterations whatever in the level of Reid Street that as regards the alleged grievance of an encroachment by the embankment the Council has visited the ground in a body and cannot find that there is anything to complain of and that as regards the fence the same has necessarily been erected for the safety of the Public – The Council has however no desire to cut off the access to M^r Morton's property from Reid Street and will cause a panel to be opened at the South end of the fence to allow of the access asked for

A letter was read from the Secretary to the Oamaru Stone Company stating that the Section pegs of Quarry Reserve in Section 4 Block 6 were reported to be incorrectly placed and asking for the correct boundaries – referred to the Engineer to give the necessary information

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward

Mayor

5/12/78

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Minutes of Council Meeting Dec 5th 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Liddle, Mainland, Proctor, Humphrey Familton, Headland

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

A letter was read from M^r J. Johnston stating that he would make no objection to the placing clay against the fence of his Section for the improvement of the footpath

A letter was read from the North Otago Benevolent Society applying to have the lease of Sect 4 & 14 Block XXXII put up to auction

Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Spence

That the request be complied with upset price L3 per Section per annum lease for 66 years carried

Prop^d by C^r Liddle

Second^d by C^r Famliton

That with regard to the Municipal Leases to be submitted to auction on Friday next the term of lease be for 21 years only with no covenant for renewal two-thirds valuation at the end of the term carried

A Memorial signed by 33 owners of Milch cows was read complaining of not being allowed to drive cows thro' the streets it was Resolved that the Inspector be informed that the Council desires him not to interfere under the by-law with persons bona fide driving milch cows to or from water or to

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Milked, or back to their paddocks after milking –

It was Resolved that M^r Hislop be thanked for his letter re vote for Domains, a portion of which had been promised to Oamaru and that application be made to the Minister for Public Works while now in Oamaru

Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Headland

That the letter from the Secretary of the Excelsior Cricket Club asking if the Council would make certain improvements in the recreation reserve leased by M^r Black to fit it for Cricket purposes agreeing to pay L towards the cost - be referred to the Reserves Comm^{ee} to report carried

Resolved that M^r Meek's letter applying for a dray track to be formed in Torridge Street from Aln Street to Warren Street be referred to the Engineer for report as to cost

A letter was read from M^r James Paterson applying for permission to erect a house on Reserve D - Resolved that M^r Paterson be informed that the Council does not recognise any person in connection with Reserve D except the lessee M^r Joseph Williams and further that the Council does not intend to give permission to build on the reserves

A letter was read from M^s Russell complaining of cattle trespassing in Glen Street was referred to the Inspector

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Resolved that M^r John Anderson's letter with reference to the mode of payment on Pipe contract be referred to the Finance Comm^{ee}

Resolved that M^r Hutchisons claim for L 123.13 & Newton & Mirams act of L 4.4 be paid

A letter was read from the Clerk of the Kakanui Road Board stating that as soon as survey was completed applications will be made to the School Commissioners for land required for road to Bush Reserve

A letter was read from M^r Henderson ass. Town clerk tendering his resignation owing to his being about to enter into business on his own account it was Resolved that M^r Henderson's resignation be accepted & that he released so soon after the appointment of his Successor as possible: applications for the vacancy to be in by Monday 16th Inst @ 4 pm. And to be considered at a Special Meeting of the Council to be held at 7.15 pm on that day

A letter was read from the Solicitors advising as to the form of Notice to be issued with [reface] to the proposed Waterworks Loan Resolved to refer the matter to the Finance Comm^{ee} with power to act

The clerk was instructed to pay the sums of L 300 and L 850 to the Sinking Fund Trustees Resolved that the reports from the Engineer on the subject of Wear Street & M^r Johnston's letter re flooding of cellar of Northern Hotel be rec^d

Resolved that the public Work's Comm^{ee} report

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Be adopted

Resolved that M^r John M^cDowell's tender of L31. 8. 6 Earthwork in Arun Street be accepted

Resolved that tenders be called for 300 Tons of Greymouth coal to be delivered within 6 months

Prop^d by C^r Spence

Secnd by C^r Humphrey

That the paths in Wansbeck Street from Wharf Street to Greta Street be gravelled to half the width

carried

Resolved that a Deputation consisting of his Worship the Mayor & C^{rs} Liddle & Spence wait upon the Hon: the Minister for Public Works next morning at 9 ½ oclock

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward

19/12/78 Mayor

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Special Meeting held Dec: 16th 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Spence, Mainland, Liddle, Headland Proctor, Gibbs, Familton, Humphrey

Resolved that Mess^{rs} J. & T. Meek's tender to supply 300 Tons of Greymouth Coal @ L2 .3. 6 per Ton in accordance with the advertisement be accepted -

A letter was read from M^r J. Henry Lowe re Isis Street also a letter was read from the Under Secretary for Lands informing the Council that orders had been given for the preparation of Crown Grants for the Municipal Endowment and other lands granted to the Corporation

A letter was read from the Clerk to the Waitaki Road Board re Bridges proposed to be constructed

A letter was read from M^r Connell convenor of the Proposed Corn Exchange site it was resolved that the Mayor, C^{rs} Humphrey Gibbs Mainland, Proctor & Liddle be a Comm^{ee} to confer with M^r Connell on the subject

M^r Connell to be invited to meet the Committee at the Council Chambers @ 3 pm on Wednesday.

It was Resolved that the same Committee interview the Minister for Lands and also confer with the Members of both Houses

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Secnd by C^r Humphrey

That permission be given to M^r Arthur Toms to act as assessor under the Land Tax Act provided that it in no way interferes with his duties to the Council

Carried

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The applications for the assistant Clerkship having been opened it was

Resolved that M^r C. H. Gilmore be appointed Assist Town Clerk in terms of the advertisement

Correct Minutes

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Dec 19th 1878.

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Humphrey, Gibbs, Proctor, Mainland, Liddle Spence

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that M^r John Gordon's letter re closing of road at head of Chelmer Street by M^r I. C. Black be referred to the Reserves Comm^{ee}

Mess^{rs} Hislop & Creagh on behalf of M^r Donald Borrie wrote complaining that damage was being done to his grass & crops thro' the debris from the Water race being thrown over the bank on his land – The Engineer reported that the matter had been attended to.

Prop^d by C^r Gibbs

Second^d by C^r Spence

That M^r Thos. Meek's letter re Dray track along Torridge St be referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} with power to act carried

Resolved that M^r Spence have permission to Sublet portion of Sec: 1 Blk 20 to M^r R. Bennett.

Resolved that M^r J. Familton have permission to erect Iron shed on Sec: 15 Block 4.

An application was received from the Manager of the Morning Herald asking for a share of the Councils advertisements

Resolved that the Corporation Solicitors be asked to obtain the advice of the Attorney General as to the mode of voting on the loan question

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Resolved that the Balance Sheet for ½ year ending 30th Sept. 78 be adopted & published
A letter was read from the auditor pointing out that no interest had been allowed the Council for the time the amount of the Waterworks loan was in the hands of the Bank and that the charges for transmitting interest on coupons appeared to be excessive it was Resolved that the auditors be thanked for their letter and that they be asked to meet the finance Comm^{ee} at a date to be appointed

A report was read from the Inspector of Nuisances stating that the Channelling on the East end of Thames St was in a very bad condition etc The report was received

Prop^r by C^r Liddle

Second^d by C^r Spence

That the 1st pgph of the P. W. Com^{ee} report re Stone Crusher be adopted
Carried

Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Mainland

That the 2nd pgph of the P. W. C report re oval for cricketing purposes be adopted & M^r Kidd to be requested to make his arrangements accordingly

Carried

Resolved that the Finance Comm^{ee} report be received

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Resolved that Mess^{rs} A & T. Burts tender of L 1377.10 for supply of lead Services be accepted

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If found to be correct, failing the same then Mess^{rs} Bright Brothers tender of L 1395. 18. 4 to be accepted

The Engineer wrote stating that M^r Snow had served one month of his probationary term in his office very satisfactorily It was Resolved that the Engineer be requested to prepare the article for the approval of the Council

Correspondence was read between Mess^{rs} Hislop & Creagh & the Engineer re claims made by the contractors for the Waterworks also letter from Mess^{rs} Hislop & Creagh asking the Council to meet the contractors to confer upon the matter - it was Resolved That the letter be acknowledged and they be informed that the Council declined to interfere between the contractors & the Engineer

W^m J Steward

Mayor

2/1/79

Notice of Motion

By C^r Liddle

That Plans & specifications for the formation of Stour Street from Lune St to the Town Belt be prepared by the Engineer

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Special Meeting held Dec 23rd 1878

Present C^r Spence /Chr/

C^{rs} Humphrey, Proctor, Familton, Headland & M^r M^cLeod Eng^r

Business To consider letter red^d from Mess^{rs} Hislop & Creagh re Hendersons Contract Resolved that Mess^{rs} Hislop & Creagh be informed That the matter has already been under the consideration of the Council and they see no reason to alter the decision then determined upon and which has already been intimated viz That the Council declines to interfere between the contractor and the Engineer

Special Meeting held Dec 24th 1878

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Spence, Mainland, Familton, Liddle, Gibbs Humphreys & the Engineer

Re Henderson Contract

Resolved that any necessary notice be issued under the advice of the Solicitor and that the Engineer and Solicitor be empowered in the event of any difficult point arising to take the advice of Council

W^m J Steward

16/1/79 Mayor

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Jan^y 2nd 1879

Present H W. The Mayor

C^{rs} Humphrey, Proctor, Spence, Liddle, Familton Gibbs, Mainland

Resolved that the minutes as read be confirmed

Prop^d by C^r Gibbs

Second^d by C^r Mainland

That permission be granted to D. Garland to erect a Lamp -post opposite his premises subject to the supervision of the Engineer carried

A letter was read from Mr J. R. Clement re award of L5 for compensation for Watercourse this Sec: 48 Block 6 George Town.

Prop^d by C^r Proctor

Second^d by C^r Spence

That the indentures of apprenticeship of Cadet in the Engineer's office as submitted be approved of and ordered to be executed carried

A report was read from the Inspector of Nuisances stating that there was great complaint of the charges of the only nightman now licensed and suggesting that a tariff be fixed and applications for licences [] referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} for their recommendation thereon.

Resolved that any notice required to be issued or step required to be taken in connection with opening continuation of road from Chelmer Street to form the new road to Cave Valley be so issued or taken

Prop^d by C^r Mainland

Second^d by C^r Proctor

That a stone crusher be imported

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From Home per Mess^{rs} Bight Brothers

Resolved that the Finance Comm^{ee} report be adopted.

The Mayor suggested the advisability for the satisfaction of the public of getting the report of some outside engineering authority

After considerable discussion the matter dropped

Two reports were read from M^r M^cLeod re Waterworks

Prop^d by Cr Gibbs

Second^d by C^r Liddle

That Tenders be called for repairing Ouse Street between Reid & Aln

Streets to be in by next ordinary meeting carried

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Resolved that the suggestion of the Gas Works Manager to have additional cocks fixed on the Street Lamps be referred to the Gas Works Comm^{ee} with power to act

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward

16/1/79 Mayor

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Special Meeting held Jan 3rd 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Gibbs, Spence, Liddle Mainland, Headland Humphrey & Familton

Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Gibbs

That D^r. Garland have leave to put red Glass in the Lamp at the corner next his premises provided he pays the cost of erecting another Street Lamp at the opposite corner and connecting same with the Gas Mains and also such sum for Gas consumed as may be fixed by the Gas Comm^{ee} – The Lamps and posts to be the property of the Council
The Question of proceeding with the Waterworks was entered into and the following Memorandum was submitted by the Engineer

(an article from a newspaper is here pasted in)

Jebson L6.10 a week

R. Engineer 6 “ “ “ Monthly engagements

Kirkby 6 ‘ ‘ “ including travelling

West 6 “ “ “ and all other expenses

Steffman L 10 a month

Chairman L 10.16 “

Resolved that tenders be called for works to be let by contract – Tenders to be in by Thursday 9th Inst. at noon and to be laid before the Council at a Special Meeting to be held on Thursday Evening @ 7.15
Correct Minutes

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Special Meeting held Jan^y 9th 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Spence, Mainland, Headland, Humphrey Gibbs, Familton

An application from M^r John Thomson for permanent levels of Reid Street opposite Sec: 3 Block 43 – it was Resolved That the Engineer be requested to furnish the necessary information

Resolved that permission be granted to M^r Henry Kite to mortgage the Lease of Sec: 10 Block 51 to the Trustees of the Municipal Sinking Fund

Resolved that permission be accorded to M^r E. A. Burgess to mortgage the Lease of Section 8 Block 65 to the 1st Oamaru Permanent Building Socy also permission to transfer the same to M^r C. F. Proctor

M^r Amos wrote with refnce to the nuisance created by one of the drains near the Northern Hotel

Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Spence

That the letter be referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} with power to act

Carried

Resolved that Mess^{rs} Dennison & Grant be instructed to make the Surveys for the Crown Grants of Municipal endowment etc

Re Boundaries of No. 42 Quarry Reserve in Block VI Oamaru District

Resolved that a letter be written to the Kakanui Road B^d to ask that body to arrange to meet a Deputation from the Council on the matter

Such Deputⁿ to consist of Hw. The Mayor C^r Gibbs

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& C^r Mainland

Resolved that M^r Connell be requested to give a valuation for the area of land requested from the Education Commissioner in Sec 32 and part of Sec: 33 and that thereafter the Comm^{ee} be requested to agree to a conveyance to the Council of the land in question at the valuation so made – further that the Commissioners be requested to grant by deed a right of access to the Councils works through the remainder of Section 33 and Sec: 1 of 34 for the purpose of inspection, repairs maintenance or otherwise

Resolved that the Town Clerk be appointed returning Officer in connection with the proposed plebiscite on the question of New Loan for Waterworks – The poll to be taken on Thursday 23rd Onst.

The following Tenders were accepted for carrying out the various works in connection with the Waterworks

Grants Tunnell S. end W^m Russell

L 3. 6 pr yard

“ “ N E. Antonio Marento

L 3. 15 “ “

Station “ Antonio Marento

L 3. 15 “ “Masonry in

Tunnels P. Ford 1. 1^d ¼ pr C foot

“ 1/6 pitching

Race Cutting

Landon Section

Ferris & Page

L 3. 16. 1

pr Chain

Timber work

Awamoko Section

D. Clarke, bridges with handrail

8/6 pr 100 ft

Without handrails

7/ pr 100 “

The Engineer was authorised to call for Tenders for the balance of race cutting Tenders to be in by noon on Thursday 23rd.

Also Tenders for supplying sawn Timber & Posts & Rails

W^m J Steward Mayor

16/1/79

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Newspaper clipping pasted on page

“Public Meeting re advts. Waterworks Loan held Jan^y 14th 1879

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Jan^y 16th 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Headland, Humphrey, Gibbs, Spence

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that Grace [Suart's] letter applying for permission to erect two bridle posts in front of her premises also calling attention to state of Thames St at junction of Exe Street be referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} with power to act

A Letter was read from M^r I. C. Gilchrist re stone on his property quarried by M^r Henderson Contractor for the Waterworks – Letter referred to th Engineer to report

Application from E. Flaherty & John Bailie for nightman's Licenses –

To be granted subject 1st That the appliances shall be approved of by the Inspector, & 2nd

That it be made a condition in the License that the fees charged shall be subject to any regulations now or hereafter made by the Council.

Resolved that M^r Lemmon have permission to light a Lamp in front of his premises in Thames Street –

A letter from the Clerk to the Waitaki R^d Board asking the Council to implement its share of the agreement by forming road line from Chelmer Street to Town Belt.

Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Headland

That a Special Meeting

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Be held on Thursday 23rd Inst @ 8.30 pm for the purpose of taking steps for the extension of Chelmer Street to the Town Belt

The Clerk to the Kakanui Road Board wrote stating that 11-30 am on the 5 [proxe] would be a convenient time for receiving the Deputⁿ from the Council.

From the “Evening Star” Dunedin soliciting advertisements

Resolved that one Dunedin Paper is sufficient to advertise in

A letter from M^r George Brownlee asking the Council to cut down a ridge in Aln Street and to lay down a few loads of gravel

Resolved that the letter be referred to the Public Works Comm^{ee} for report

A letter was read from the Corpⁿ Solicitors re [] in Galbraith & o store it was

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Spence

That the letter be referred to the Mayor with power to act

Carried

Resolved that S. Rusbatch's tender of L43.15 for Earthwork in Ouse Street be accepted

Resolved that the Tender of Mess^{rs} Guthrie & Larnach for 20,000 ft of timber for the Waterw also @ 18/. be accepted.

Reports from M^r Gibson Clerk of Works & from M^r Kidd were read

The Valuator handed in the Valuation List It was resolved that the same be received

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And advertised as open for inspection

It was Resolved that the Council meet tomorrow @ 7 1/2 o'clock to consider the Valuation List

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment –

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

30/1/79

Special Meeting held Jan^y 23rd 1879

Present Cr Gibbs Liddle, Headland, Proctor, Mainland, Humphrey

Re Continuation of Chelmer Street to town Belt

It was Prop^d by C^r Proctor

Second^d by C^r Liddle

That tenders be called to be in this day 3 weeks for forming the road

Carried

Prop^d by C^r Proctor

Second^d by C^r Liddle

That the Engineers report re M^r Glichrist's claim for stone on his land at the Boundary Creek be adopted

carried

Prop^d by C^r Mainland

Second^d by C^r Humphrey

That permission be given to M^r Alexd^r M^cCaw to put a drain across the footpath in Reid Street for the purpose of taking away waste water provided glazed pipes are used the work to be done under the supervision of the Engineer carried

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Resolved that the consideration of the tenders for Timber for the Waterworks be deferred until Monday Evening - The engineer in the meantime to make all necessary enquiries

Resolved that the following tenders for Race cutting be accepted

No 5 Ferris & Page	65 Ch:	@	L 3. 17. 6	pr ch:
Martin & Co	66 Ch:	@	L 3. 18. 6	"
Hollinger & Falls	43 Ch:	@	L 3.	"
M ^c Culloch & Co	66 Ch:	@	L3.	"
No 4 J. Bolger	70 Ch:	@	L 4. 19	"
	42 "	@	L 4. 18. 6	"
No 1 Power & Labor	30 "	@	L 5. 7. 6	"

Resolved that the Engineer be authorised to let the remaining portions of the race cutting

Resolved that Tenders be called for a shed to be erected on the Gas works site – to be in by Thursday next

Correct Minutes
W^m J Steward Mayor
31/1/79

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Special Meeting held Jan^y 28th 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^r Gibbs, Proctor, Spence, Liddle

Resolved that Hunt & Jeffreys tender for 200,000 ft Totara & Black Pine delivered in Trucks at Waimate Station for 17/6 per 100 feet be accepted

Resolved that M^r Rickman's Tender for 10,000 Posts @ L3.10 pr 100 in Trucks at Waimate be accepted and that the Engineer be empowered to accept the Tender of Downes Blueskin for 10,000 Rails at L2. 17. 6 delivered at Papakaio provided the Timber is of the proper description

mths days

Re claim made by Bank of New Zealand for 4. 27 Interest on 200 coupons payable 1st Sept 1878 L19.19..2

It was Resolved that M^r Allan be informed that the Coupons should have been presented on the due date and that the Council cannot recognise any claim for interest upon interest payment which has not been applied for

Correct Minutes
W^m J Steward Mayor
30/1/79

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Meeting of Municipal Council held Jan^y 30th 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Gibbs, Proctor, Headland, Mainland, Humphrey Liddle

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

The Clerk read a number of notices which had been served on the Council by the workmen employed on the Waterworks by M^r Henderson claiming to have their wages paid out of the moneys likely to be one to the contractor

Resolved that Mess^{rs} Julius & Balmer be informed that the Council will accept an additional L100 from Mess^{rs} A & T. Burt in line of Bond provided that it in no way invalidates the Contract & subject to their approval / J & B /

A letter was read from several ratepayers residing in Ure Street requesting that the footpaths be gravelled half width from Itchen St to Arun St.

Resolved that the footpaths in Ure Street be gravelled to half its width from Itchen St to Arun Street and the footpath in Wharf St from Wansbeck Street to Arun Street be also gravelled to half its width

A letter was read from Mess^{rs} Newton & Mirams re M^dDonalds award re Water race it was Resolved that the Engineer's Memo be forwarded to Mess^{rs} Newton & Mirams re M^cDonalds award

Prop^d by C^r Mainland

Second^d by C^r Proctor

That M^r Paterson be requested to erect a gate for cart traffic & turnstile for footpassengers in terms of his lease in the boundary fence in Reserve A where the

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Engineer may direct

Resolved that the necessary steps be taken under p^t 2 of the Public Works Act and Section 179 of the Municipal Corpⁿ Act to have the extensions of Chelmer Street proclaimed as a public road –

A letter was read from M^r Hoyse re Sections belonging to the Corporation in George Town it was resolved that M^r Hoyse be informed that the Council do not intend to dispose of any of the Sections at present

Resolved that the letters from the H. W. Elliott under Secretary re reserves be referred to the Reserves Comm^{ee} for their report

Resolved that M^r Robert Hewat's tender of L 92 for erection of store at the Gas works be accepted

Resolved that the Mayor be empowered to take preliminary steps with a view to the floating of the L 40,000 Loan, the debentures to be of L 100 each and 30 years currency, rate of Interest 7 per cent.

Resolved that a valedictory address be presented to His Excellency on the occasion of his departure from the Colony

A report from M^r Gibson clerk of the works was read

Resolved that Mess^{rs} Jack Steel & co. tender for Bolts etc at from 3^d to 4 1/2^d per lb according to length be accepted.

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A letter was read from Mess^{rs} Royse & co of Sydney, offering to supply the Council with a quantity of ironworks for the reservoir Tower & ordered by M^r Henderson at the same price The Engineer having recommended that the offer be accepted - The Council agreed to adopt the recommendation

A report from the Inspector of Nuisances recommending that traps be put over the sewer mouths similar to the one in Tyne St near Bank of New Zealand also enclosing a letter from M^r Amos re drain near Northern Hotel it was
Resolved that the recommendation be carried out & with reference to M^r Amos letter it was agreed to instruct the Engineer to abate the nuisance in the manner suggested by him at a previous meeting

Resolved that a Special Meeting be called tomorrow @ 7 o'clock to consider the Valuation List

Resolved that the P. W. Comm^{ee} report be adopted

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Prop^d by C^r Liddle

Second^d by C^r Gibbs

That the Engineer prepare a Section plan of Stour Street with a view to
the Council fixing the permanent level

carried

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

12/2/79

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Feb 13th 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Humphrey, Proctor, Mainland, Gibbs, Headland Familton & Spence

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

A letter was read from M^r C. R Glass asking permission to erect a house on the Reserve occupied by him

Resolved that M^r Glass be informed that the terms of the Act prohibit the Council from granting permission to erect permanent buildings on the Reserves.

Mess^{rs} Julius & Balmer wrote enclosing a cheque from Mess^{rs} A & T. Burt for L100 in lieu of Bond for Service Pipe Contract

Prop^d by C^r Humphrey
Second^d by C^r Headland

That permission be given to M^r Johnston to erect a parapet Wall etc on the property of M^r D. Sutherland in Tyne Street the work to be done under the supervision of the Engineer carried

Resolved that M^r David Miller's application for permission to put down a box drain be referred to the Engineer with power to act.

Resolved that permission be given to M^r T. M. Smith to transfer the Lease of Section 15 Block 23 to M^r John Barclay

Mess^{rs} Newton & Mirams wrote on behalf of M^r Hargraves re Two Cottages erected by the late contractor for the Waterworks - Letter referred to the Engineer.

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A letter was read from M^r H. Connell re purchase of land from the NZ & Aust. Land Coy required for the Waterworks – Resolved that the matter be referred to a Sub Comm^{ee} consisting of Hw. The Mayor C^{rs} Mainland & Gibbs with power to act

A letter was read from the Under Secretary informing the Council that the necessary notice re Waterworks Loan was published in the New Zealand Gazette of the 7th instant

A letter from the Kakanui road Board asking what sum the Council would require for a free title for a small piece of Section 42 Block 6 Oamaru District about one tenth of an acre required for road line it was

Prop^d by C^r Humphrey
Second^d by C^r Headland

That the Council will accept L5 for the piece required for the road provided the Board arranges with the Council Lessees The Oamaru Stone Coy Limited for their Leasehold Interest therein – The Board to pay cost of conveyance carried

The Clerk laid on the table the L5000 Bonds repaid in September last – it was left to the Finance Comm^{ee} to count and destroy them

The Bond submitted by M^r Gilmore was approved of & ordered to be executed.

Resolved that the Mayor arrange with the Solicitor re appearing for the Council at the Assessment Court and that the valuation be objected to in respect of the several properties as per list laid on the table

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Resolved that M^r David Heron's tender of L36.1.2 for Earthwork in extensions of Chelmer Street be accepted

Resolved that the Reserves Comm^{ee} report be adopted

A report was read from the Engineer re work at the Waterworks

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Resolved that a Special Meeting be held on Thursday next. To open tenders for viaducts etc

The Question of the new channel for the Creek it was Resolved to refer the matter to the Public Works Comm^{ee} with power to expend a sum not exceeding L35 in making good the channel.

Resolved that the Engineer be requested to put two Daymen on for top dressing the footpaths

Notice of Motion

By C^r Gibbs

1 That a horse hoe be obtained for corporation use

By C^r Familton

2 That Tenders be called for asphaltting for twelve months.

By Hw. The Mayor

3 That the footpath and kerbing on the West side of the Bridge in thames St be repaired and the footpath on the East side of the Bridge and on the North side of Itchen Street East to opposite the building line of Tyne Street be asphalted and kerbed & channelled in []

W^m J Steward

Mayor

Feb^y 27. 1879

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Special Meeting held 20th Feb 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Gibbs, Mainland, Proctor, Headland, Humphrey

Resolved that M^r M^cPherson have permission to put up a sign board on his premises, provided the same does not project over the footpath

A Letter from M^r J. Henry Lowe re extending siding in in Harbor Street etc

Resolved that M^r Lowe be informed that the Council will raise no objection to the carrying out of same in the manner proposed

A Letter was read from M^r Henry Connell enclosing Memo of agreement with New Zealand & Aust. Land Comp^y re Sections in Block II Oamaru District

Resolved that the agreement with the additions be registered.

A Plan of the Marawhenua Reserve by Mess^{rs} Dennison & Grant was laid on the table & a Comm^{ee} consisting of C^{rs} Gibbs & Proctor with the Engineer were appointed to visit the land and to report as to the best mode of dealing with it

Tenders for Aqueducts & Boxings etc were opened and it was Resolved that they be referred to a Comm^{ee} consisting of the Mayor & C^r Mainland with the Engineer with power to accept the same.

re floating of L 40,000 additt. Waterworks Loan

Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Gibbs

That the Loan be placed on the London Market for sale and that

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The National Bank be asked to undertake the negotiation of same.

Resolved that the debentures be as previously agreed viz L100 each of 30 years currency, and having Seven per cent interest – to date from 1st July 1879 Interest to fall due on 31st Dec. & 30th June in each year. Principal repayable at the National Bank of N Zealand London and interest warrants payable at the same place.

If sold prior to due date interest to be allowed –

Draft to be prepared by solicitors - that the provisions of the M C Act amendment Act 1878 as affecting thi9s question be referred to the Solicitor in connection with the form of debenture

Resolved that C^{rs} Headland & Humphrey with the Mayor wait on the Manager of the Bank and Solicitor with reference to the loan.

Wm J Steward Mayor

Feb^y 27.1879

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Feb^y 27. 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Humphrey, Proctor, Mainland, Gibbs Headland, Familton, Spence

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

A letter was read from W. J. Clarke Eng Victoria re Municipal Loan also a letter was read from Mess^{rs} J. & T. Burt re last shipment of Greymouth Coal it was

Resolved to advise Mess^{rs} Meek that the coal must in future be obtained from the Coalpit Heath Company's mine and be screened before shipment

Resolved that permission be accorded to M^r Charles Kearns to erect a building on Sec: 4 Block 21

Resolved that permission be accorded to M^r C. Galbraith to mortgage to the Bank of New Zealand the lease of Sec: 18 Block 4

Resolved that M^r J. S. Andersons tender for the supply of kerosene etc for six months

Viz	Kerosene	2/2	p ^r Gall.	/D /
	Chimneys	9/	p ^r Doz	
	Wicks	2/	p ^r Doz	

Be accepted

Tenders for fencing at the Waterworks ranging from 6/9 to 9/ per chain were opened and it was

Resolved that the Engineer be empowered to accept tenders @ 6/9 per chain.

Resolved that Thomas Flaherty's tender of L 481.11.3 for contract 136 – formation of Isis Street be accepted – L10 to be allowed for maintenance
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A report from the Inspector of Nuisances was read making suggestions with regard to sweeping channels etc and asking instructions with regard to a projecting sign board at the Labor Exchange in Tyne Street

It was Resolved that the Inspector be requested to see that the sign board referred to is placed in accordance with the bye-laws – and the Engineer to be requested to see that the sweeping of the channels is done before 9 am.

Resolved that the P. W. Comm^{ee} & Gas Works Comm^{ee} reports be recd. And the action of the Comm^{ee} approved

Prop^d by C^r Proctor

Second^d by C^r Headland

That a Kerosene Lamp be erected at the corner of Avon & Tyne Streets carried

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment excepting some of the Waterworks accounts which were referred to the Finance Comm^{ee}

Prop^d by C^r Gibbs

Second^d by C^r Humphrey

That a horse-hoe be purchased at a price not exceeding L 6 –
Carried

S. Gibbs

Chairman

Correct Minutes

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Emergency Meeting held March 7th 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Spence, Headland, Gibbs, Humphrey

Hw. The Mayor having reported that the National Bank would not undertake the negotiations of the Loan / L40,000 /

It was Resolved that the other Banks be waited upon.

The Mayor also reported that James Wilson lease of Municipal Section 4 Block 89 claimed compensation for part of his Section taken for diversion of Isis Street

Resolved that M^r Wilson be asked to state in writing the amount he claimed and that the Mayor write to M^r Lowe on the subject

A letter was read from M^r O'Meagher applying on behalf of M^r Keenan for permission to put up a temp^y building on Sec: 1 Block 6

It was Resolved that the application be refused

Correct Minutes

S Gibbs

Chairman

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Minutes of Council Meeting held March 13th 1879

Present C^r Gibbs /chr /

C^{rs} Mainland, Humphrey, Proctor, Headland, Spence

Resolved that permission be given to M^r F. H. Townsend to erect an Iron building on Sec: 12 HB^d Property

Resolved that the consideration of M^r Johnston's application to erect a Verandah & to make additions to M^r Milligans premises in Thames Street be deferred until after the 25 Inst.

Resolved that the application from M^r Henry Kite for permission to erect a wooden building on Section 2 Block 25 be referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} with power to act

Resolved that M^r Hugh Lipperts application for permission to erect a temporary Iron store on his property in Thames Street be referred to the P W Comm^{ee} with power to act.

Resolved that permission be accorded to M^r J. Booth to transfer the Lease of Sec: 2 Block 33 to M^r Thomas Williamson also permission to Major Evans to mortgage the Lease fo Sec: 6 Block 53 to the North Otago Permanent Building Soc^y.

The Clerk to the Kakanui Road Board wrote stating that a Deputation of the Board would wait upon the Councils Lessee / Stone / re piece of land
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In Section 42 Block 6 required for road.

A letter from M^r Henry Connell re Alexander Grants claim for compensation re loss of water occasioned by Tunnell thro his property

It was Resolved that the matter re compensation be left with the chairman of the Waterworks & M^r Connell with power to act.

Resolved that permission be given to M^r Baudinet to put in a drain across the footpath from Section 8 Block 37 provided Glazed pipes are used

A Telegram was read from G. I. Cooper under Sec stating that L70 has been allotted to Oamaru out of vote for Botanical Gardens also letter from the Treasury informing Council that L 11.12 License fees etc for month of Jan^y has been remitted to the credit of Municipal Council at the Nat. Bank.

A letter was read from the Secretary of the School Commissioners re Land applied for for the Waterworks also letter from the under Secretary for Public Works re Police Paddocks

A report from the Engineer was read also a report from the Inspector of Nuisances suggesting the closing of the grating opposite the empire Hotel it was referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} to report.

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Resolved that the P. W. Comm^{ee} be empowered to call for & accept Tenders for New Channel for creek.

W^m J Steward Mayor
27/3/79

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Minutes of Council Meeting held March 27th 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Headland, Proctor, Gibbs, Humphrey, Spence, Familton

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that M^r Walter Swanson have permission to transfer the Lease of Section 13 Block 24 to M^r Anthony Rogers

Resolved that the application from M^r W^m Aitken to transfer Lease of Section 10 Block 1 to M^r Patrick Gilleran stand over until next ordinary meeting

Resolved M^r Hugh M^cLean have permission to assign the Lease of Section 5 Block 18 to M^r Thomas Dunn provided all arrears are paid

Resolved that M^r Clements letter re Compensation be referred to Hw. The Mayor C^{rs} Gibbs, Mainland with power to act

A letter from M^r Hardy on behalf of M^r Alex: Kerr applying for permission to run a stoneware pipe drain onto the Lagoon etc referred to the Inspector of Nuisances for report

Resolved that a Drivers License be granted to James Walls as applied for

A letter from J. Henry Lowe Esq Resident Engineer asking whether the Copuncil would object to the continuance of the sidings now in progress between the goods shed & Tyne Street across Arun Street to form the line to the Breakwater – It was Resolved that the matter be referred to the

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Public Works Comm^{ee} with power to deal with the same

A letter from M^r Alexander Grant complaining of the loss of his water supply thro' Tunnel having been made & enclosing an acct for L 16 – (for lbr driving his stock to water) be referred to C^r Gibbs & M^r Connell to arrange

Resolved that permission be given to M^r Johnston to erect Verandah & make additions M^r Milligans to his premises in Thames Street – also permission to M^r Hugo Lippert to erect building of stone as per plan submitted

Prop^d by C^r Spence

Second^d by C^r Familton

That M^r Kites application to make alterations to his premises in Wear Street be referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} with power to act.

Resolved the report from the P. W. Comm^{ee} be received

A Report from the Inspector of Nuisances was read and the pgph re Gas Main was referred to the chairman of the Gas Works Comm^{ee}

A letter was read from M^r Kidd asking the Council to place a sum of money at his disposal for the purchase of Trees shrubs etc

Prop^d by C^r Proctor

Second^d by C^r Headland

That L 30 be placed at the disposal of M^r Kidd carried

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Resolved that a return be prepared for the year ending 31st March 1879 showing the amount received from the Reserves & the Expenditure

A report was read from the Engineer re the Municipal Endowment at Maerewhenua

Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Familton

That the Reserves Comm^{ee} be requested to bring up at next Meeting a report embodying suggestions as to the terms on which the Municipal Endowment at Maerewhenua shd. be offered for sale carried

Prop^d by C^r Gibbs

Second^d by C^r Humphrey

That notice be given that it is the intention of the Council to strike a rate of one shilling & sixpence / 1/6 / in the L on the present valuation payable on the 1st day of May 1879 carried

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Proctor

That Mess^{rs} Wilson & Roxburgh tender of L 49.12 to erect mason & concrete work near Chelmer Street be accepted carried

Resolved that notice be given to M^r Clarke that his Services as Assessor has be determined

Resolved that H. Wallace's Tender for 30,000 yds of clay @ 1/1 & 5000 yds clay for Puddle @ 3/3 & Thos. Flaherty tender for Metal @ 9/ & Pitching @ 9/1 be accepted
Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment.

Correct Minutes
S. Gibbs Chairman

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Special Meeting held April 8th 1879
Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Spence, Mainland, Proctor, Humphrey Headland, Familton

Re L 40,000 Loan

Resolved that His Worship The Mayor be asked to proceed to Wellington to make the best financial arrangement he can on behalf of the Council in connection with the Waterworks Loan

Correct Minutes

S. Gibbs

Chairman

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Minutes of Council Meeting held April 10th 1879

Present C^r Gibbs /Chr/

C^{rs} Mainland, Proctor, Humphrey, Spence, Familton

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that M^r Clements be paid L5 as compensation for the Watercourse going thro his Land Section 48 Block VI George Town when the conveyance is completed

Resolved that permission be granted to Mary June Smith to transfer the Lease of Section 18 Block 39 to Henry Winsley provided all arears of rent & rates are first paid

Resolved that the request of Mess^{rs} Hunt & Jeffrey to have all monies due to them on their Contract paid into Bank of New Zealand Oamaru be complied with

Resolved that permission be accorded to M^r Robert Lindsay to suspend a Gilt Hat as an advertisement from roof of Verandah provided that the same is hung not less than 14 feet above the footway.

A Telegram from the Mayor of Christ Church asking for the cooperation of this Council to have the next Sitting of Parliament at Christ Church

It was Resolved that the Mayor of Christ Church be informed that the Council decline to interfere in the matter at present

Resolved that permission be accorded to M^r William Aitken to transfer the Lease of Section 10 Block 1 to Patrick Gilburn of Totara provided all arears of rent etc are first paid

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Both agreed to M^r Hardy's application to lay down a drain from M^r Kerrs new store to the Lagoon It was resolved that the same be withheld until Cesspool is built

A report from the Inspector of Nuisances was read. The recommendation that dry rubbish be allowed to be put into the Lagoon at the point near Humber Street was adopted

The Pgph re Sly Grog selling in Boarding Houses it was resolved that the Inspector of Police at Oamaru be written to

Resolved that the rate be now made one shilling & sixpence / 1/6 / in the L on the present valuation, payable in one sum, on the 1st day of May 1879.

Resolved that the accounts signed by the Finance Comm^{ee} be passed for payment

A report was read from the Engineer re progress of Waterworks

Correct Minutes
W^m J Steward Mayor
24/4/79

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Special Meeting held April 16th 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Humphrey, Mainland, Gibbs, Proctor, Spence FAMILTON

A letter was read from H. J. B. Elliott Under Secretary enclosing Gazette 20 March 1879 temporarily reserving part of the Beach Reserve in Block IV as a recreation Ground

A letter from the Registrar General in reply to the Mayors letter re publication of vital statistics for Oamaru

A letter from the Chairman of the School Commissioners informing the Council that they have authorised the preparation of a Dft [] conveying to the Corporation the freehold of area required for Waterworks & also that they have agreed to grant right of tunnelling & access as required

Reception of Governor. (Sir Hercules Robinson)

Resolved that a reception Comm^{ee} consisting of Hw. The Mayor C^{rs} Gibbs & Proctor be appointed to make arrangements for the reception of the Governor and to ask the cooperation of the County Council & Harbor Board and to report at next ord^y meeting

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r FAMILTON

That the Council go into Comm^{ee} to consider financial matters, re

loan etc

carried

It was Resolved that the Mayor & C^r Humphrey be authorised to wait upon the several Banks to see what arrangements can be made re

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floating the Loan etc

Resolved that this Meeting adjourn until Friday

Adj. Meeting held Ap^l 18th 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Humphrey, Gibbs, Proctor Headland, Mainland Spence, FAMILTON

It was Prop^d by C^r Humphrey
Second^d by C^r Familton

That in view of the probable difficulty and delay in floating the L40,000 Loan the Engineer be instructed to discharge all day labor now employed in the Town or on the Waterworks except those absolutely necessary to do the scanger work in the Town and to look after the finished portion of the Race – This to take effect at one weeks notice carried

Prop^d by C^r Headland
Second^d by C^r Spence

That the Engineer be directed to lay before the Council at an adjourned meeting on Monday Evening a statement showing the power of the Council as regards stopping the several contracts at present in hand and also to be in personal attendance so as to furnish all information possible carried

Adjd. Meeting Ap^l 21st 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor, C^{rs} Spence, Familton Headland, Proctor, Gibbs, Humphrey, Mainland

That the Municipal Sinking Fund Trustees be written to requesting them to pay to the Corpⁿ a/c at the National Bank the interest accrued upon

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Certain Mortgages since date of deposit of said Mortgages with the Bank.

A Report from the Engineer as to position of Contracts was read

Resolved that the form of debenture and Coupon as prepared by the Solicitor and now laid on the table be adopted and be sent to Mess^{rs} Fergusson & Mitchell to be lithographed – Mess^{rs} F & M to be requested to get them ready within a week if possible

Resolved that the government be telegraphed to asking whether they are willing to assist this Corporation by instructing the Agent General to endeavour to negotiate the Oamaru Waterworks Loan in London.

Resolved that failing the Gov^t being willing to instruct the Agent General to the above effect they be asked whether they will intimate to him that they have no objection to his acting on the Councils behalf if applied to by the Council

Resolved that a Comm^{ee} consisting of the Mayor C^{rs} Gibbs, Huimphrey & Mainland & the Engineer be appointed to prepare all necessary information

Correct Minutes
Wm. J Steward Mayor
24/4/79

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Special Meeting held April 24th 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Humphrey, Gibbs, Proctor, Headland Mainland, Spence, Familton

Resolved that the Draft of address to be presented to His Excellency Sir Hercules Robinson as read be adopted

A rough proof of Debenture of Special Loan of L 40,000 was submitted and following telegram was directed to be sent to Mess^{rs} Fergusson & Mitchell in reply (see Letter B^k folio 921)

A telegram was read from Sir George Grey stating that the Government decline to advance L 20,000 & also that the Govern^t think it inadvisable that the Agent General should take active part in floating local loans

Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Headland

That M^r Hudman be requested forthwith to Telegraph to the General Manager of the Union Bank at Christ Church asking whether that Bank will undertake the placing of the Corporation Loan on the London Market & is so on what terms. The General Manager to be asked to reply by wire to day so that the reply may be considered by the Council at the Meeting tonight

carried

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

24/4/79

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Minutes of Council Meeting held April 24th 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Humphrey, Gibbs, Proctor, Headland Mainland, Familton, Spence

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that the Statement of Estimated Income & Expenditure for the year ending April 1880 be approved of & Published

Resolved that permission be accorded to Mess^{rs} Wansbrough to mortgage the Lease of Section 6 Block 5 to the Trustees of the L. O. L. M. U. I. O. O. F

Resolved that the consideration of the letter from the Secretary of the fire Brigade be deferred until next ordinary Meeting

Resolved that M^r Flahertys letter re payment of sums due to him on Contracts be ref^d to the Finance Comm^{ee} with power to act

A letter from the clerk to the Waiareka Road B^d stating that the land for the road to the Municipal Quarry in Section 29 Block 4 Oamaru Survey District had been acquired from

M^r W^m Fenwick & that plans & specifications had been prepared for the formation of the road and inquiring if it was the desire of the Council that tenders be called for the work It was Resolved that the Board be informed that the Council in accordance with the Town Clerk's letter of the 3rd June 1878 has caused the extension of Chelmer St to be Gazetted and hopes that the Board will lose no time in getting the road referred to formed as promised

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The Question of cost of formation is a matter for the Board the Council being only responsible to the Waitaki & Waiareka Boards as required
The cost of the land for that part of the road line between the Town Belt and the Quarry in Section 29 Block 4 only a small part of which is in the Waiareka Rd Board District the remainder being in the Waitaki district

Resolved that permission be accorded to Hector Morrison to transfer the Lease of Section 15 Block 71 to Stephen J. Bradbury

A letter was read from the chairman of the Otago School Commissioners stating that after careful consideration it had been decided that L 10 per acre was a fair price for the land required for the Waterworks 13. 1. 20 (acre, [] pole) in Secⁿ 32 & 33 Block XIII - it was Resolved that the letter be referred to M^r Connell for his advice thereon

A letter was read from Inspector Thompson re Lodging Houses making some suggestions

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

W^m J Steward Mayor
7/5/79
Correct Minutes

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Special Meeting held May 5th 1879
Present Hw. The Mayor
C^{rs} Spence, Mainland, Familton, Headland Proctor, Gibbs, Humphrey

Re Financial Matters

It was Prop^d by C^r Gibbs
Second^d by C^r Humphrey

That in consequence of the urgent necessity for the early floating of the L 40,000 Loan and in order to facilitate the same His Worship the Mayor be asked to proceed to London and endeavour to place the Loan on the Market there and that the Finance Comm^{ee} be requested to make arrangements with the Mayor as to expenses and report to the Council

Prop^d by C^r Headland as an amendment
Second^d by C^r Spence

That the further consideration of the matter be deferred until next
ordinary Meeting

carried

W^m J Steward Mayor

7/5/79

Correct Minutes

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Minutes of Council Meeting held May 8th 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Headland, Proctor, Humphrey, Gibbs

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Mainland

That the thanks of the Council be tendered to the Auditors for drawing attention to the charge made for paying Bonds for L 5000 – that the amount be certified as a correct record of Expenditure further that the Finance Comm^{ee} with the auditors be requested to interview the Manager of the Bank on the subject of the overcharge

carried

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

A letter was read from M^r Alexd^r Kerr asking for [permission to be allowed to shoot the pigeons that infest the Bank it was

Resolved that M^r Kerr be informed that the special circumstances of the case the Council will offer no objection to his shooting the pigeons but can give no authority to do so

Resolved that M^r Brownlee's letter re formation of footpath on East Side of Aln St be ref^d to the P. W. Comm^{ee} for report

Resolved that M^r Church's application to be released from the tenancy of Sect. 21 to 24 Blk 14 be acceded to

Resolved that M^r Herbert Edwards request to be allowed to lower level of approach to Sections 19 & 21 Block 28 be acceded provided it is left in a safe state and executed to the satisfaction of the Engineer

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A letter from M^r Gavin Paterson complaining that one Samuel Lintern has cut a gate into the Reserve Fence /D/ and asking the Council to enquire into the matter it was

Resolved that the letter ve referred to the Inspector with instructions to enquire into the complaint and if the same be found to be true to take proceedings

Resolved that permission be given to M^r W. H. Ronayne Trustee in M^r Hanley's Estate to transfer the Lease of Section 11 Block 20 to M^r John Cojoin

A letter was read from C^r Liddle handing in his resignation of His office of Councillor for Severn Ward it was

Resolved that C^r Liddle be informed that the resignation is not in form not being accompanied by the fine provided by Sec: 31 Otago Municipal Corporations Ordinance 1865 and that as only two clear months remain of the term of office the Council do not deem it expedient to accept the resignation as it might involve a cost to the Town of some L20 – The Council recommend C^r Liddle to apply for leave of absence for the remainder of the Municipal year

A Circular /dated April 25th 79/ from the Secretary to the Treasury informing the Council that the sum of L1069. 1. 6 Subsidy for half year ending 30th June 1879 had been paid into the National Bank of New Zealand to the credit of the Council

A Drft of conditions for Lasing Municipal Endowment at Marawhenua was amended & approved and it was Resolved that the Corporation Solicitor be requested to prepare Lease & that Mess^{rs}

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Fleming & Hedley be asked to submit the same to auction on Saturday 31st Inst at upset rental 4/ per acre

Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Familton

That the Mayor be asked to compile particulars re Waterworks and to lay the same before the Comm^{ee} appointed carried

Resolved that M^r Fulton the Secretary of the Fire Brigade be informed that the Council will provide accommodation for the Engine in a shed to be erected at the back of the Council Chambers - The P. W. Comm^{ee} to expend not more than L 10

The Town Clerk read the Balance Sheet for the year ending 31st March 1879 it was Resolved that it be adopted & printed

Resolved that the accounts signed by the Finance Comm^{ee} be passed for payment After some discussion on the subject of the proposed Loan consideration of the matter was deferred for a fortnight, with the understanding that should anything important turn up in the meantime, the Mayor should call a Special Meeting

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward

May 22 1879

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Special Meeting held May 14th 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Spence, Mainland, Headland, Gibbs, Proctor Humphrey

A letter was read from the Manager of the Bank of New Zealand /re Interest of Gas [Coupon] pd. To M^r Walkern in Melbourne/

A Draft letter was read to be forwarded to M^r Walkern and it was resolved that the National Bank be written to stating the circumstances and enclosing a letter to M^r Walkern

Resolved that C^{rs} Mainland Gibbs & the Engineer be a deputation to interview M^r Burnett on the subject of M^r Low's letter re road to Breakwater and to endeavour to arrange for an approach to the beach in the line of Arun Street and for the Junctions of the Breakwater road to remain at the same point as at present

Resolved that the Waitaki board be written to stating that the Bridge at George Town was erected at the place and in the position pegged out by their own Engineer /M^r Oliver/ and that the Council does not consider that it has any further responsibility beyond that of Keeping it in repair

Resolved that the Waitaki Board be informed that the heap of earth in front of M^r Hutchinsons house is being removed also that a bridge will be erected over the Race at Section 73 Block II the Board's engineer to be requested to point out the exact site
Resolved that M^r Hall's account of L 71.10

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Consideration money for purchase of part Section 29 Block 4 Awamoko Survey Dist be passed for payment

Resolved that two copies of Stewarts Map of Oamaru be obtained

Correct Minutes
W^m J Steward Mayor
May 22. 1879

Special Meeting held May 15th 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor'

C^{rs} Mainland, Gibbs, Humphrey, Headland Familton, Proctor

Resolved that the Mayor be requested to visit Dunedin and interview Mess^{rs} Dalgety & Co. Cargills & Co Bright Bros. J. Gray Russell & Co re Waterworks Loan

Resolved that the Balance Sheet of Estimated Receipts & Expenditure of the Waterworks as drafted by the Mayor be added to the papers to be published in connection with the L40,000 Loan

Resolved that the proposal of the Government as contained in their letter of the 12th May be agreed provided the Government refund to the Corporation the sum expended in labor & planting on the portion of the Reserve required to be taken for the road

Correct Minutes
Wm. J Steward Mayor
22/5/79

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(A copy of the Debenture sent Home pr Cargill Gibbs & Co re the 'Special Loan of L40,000 for the Corporation of the Incorporated Town of Oamaru) is pasted in on page 418

Urgent Meeting Held 18th May 1879

Present C^r Gibbs, /Chr/ Mainland, Spence Headland, Humphrey, Proctor, Familton

A Letter was read from the Mayor from Dunedin re floating Loan L40,000

Resolved that the Council are willing to accept the conditions mentioned in the Mayors letter dated 17th May, the Minimum price to be L95 pr []

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

22/5/79

(See Minutes Feb 20th 1879 folio 394)

Special Meeting held May 20th 1879

Present H. W. The Mayor

C^{rs} Gibbs, Proctor, Headland, Familton, Mainland

Re L40,000 Loan

Prop^d by C^r Proctor

Second^d by C^r Spence

That Mess^{rs} Cargills Gibbs & Co be appointed on the terms named in their letter of May 19th the agents of the corporation for the purpose of negotiating in London the L40,000 Waterworks Loan authorised by "the Oamaru Waterworks Act 1875 Amendment Act 1878" and that a certificate of such appointment be issued under the Seal of the Corporation

That Mess^{rs} Cargills & Co as such agents be authorised under Seal to domicile the debentures and to make the Coupons payable at such Bank in London as they may deem expedient

That sir Julius Vogel, Agent General for the Colony be written to informing him of the

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Appointment of Mess^{rs} Cargills, Gibbs & Co as the corporation Agents and asking him in accordance with the promise of the Government to render any assistance in his power towards placing the debentures

Resolved that the Mayor C^r Headland & the Town Clerk be authorised to sign the debentures on behalf of the Corporation.

Resolved that while the Council deeming the Security offered for the loan to be of the best class is of opinion that the debentures should realise a premium yet as it is impossible to predict the fluctuations of the money market and in order not to fetter the agents for the Loan – it hereby authorises Mess^{rs} Cargills & Gibbs as such agents to accept tenders or offer for the debentures at or over L95 per L100 Debentures

W^m J Steward Mayor

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Minutes of Council Meeting held May 22nd 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Gibbs, Mainland, Headland

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

A letter was read from Mess^{rs} Cargills Gibbs & Co acknowledging receipt of their appointment as agents for raising the L40,000 Waterworks Loan also authority to dominate and to accept tenders

A letter from the Clerk to the Waitaki Road Bd with refce to the bridge over the water race at Gorge Town complaining that it is insufficient for the traffic etc.

It was Resolved that the Board be informed that the Council will give the matter attention as soon as it is able to do so, but is anxious not to undertake any new work at present

Resolved that permission be given to Major Evans to mortgage the Lease of Sec: 6 Block 53 to the N. O. O. B. Sec^y also to M^r Fred Bicknell to transfer the leaser of Section 20 Block 35 to M^r Edw^d Grave also to transfer the Lease of Sec: 2 Block 88 from M^r Glassed to Fred^k Earle

A letter from M^r Herdman of the Union Bank asking the Council not to part with any money on account of M^r John Hendersons Waterworks contract without reference to him

A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury informing the Council that the sum of L7.2 has been placed to the credit of the Council in the Nat: Bank of N.Z for the month ending 31st March viz.

Bye law Penalties L3.2.-

T licences L4.

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A letter from Mess^{rs} Hislop & Creagh re Grants claim that the arbitrators have failed to make an award and to have the matter referred again it was

Resolved that the Mayor be authorised to obtain the services of an expert to report as to whether any, and if so what damage has been done to M^r Grant thro' the construction of the Waterworks and that Mess^{rs} Hislop & Creagh be informed in reply to their letter that the Council is making enquiries as to the facts of the case and will communicate with them further as early as possible

Resolved that permission be granted to the Young Mens [] Assocⁿ to erect a Lamp under the Verandah of the Waitaki Buildings under the supervision of the Engineer

Resolved that the Inspector of Nuisances report be received

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

A Petition presented by C^r Headland from certain ratepayers in Wharf Street re footpath referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} for report

Resolved that the Mayor be requested to enquire as to the feasibility of borrowing for one year the sum of £5000 under Municipal Corpⁿ Ord^{ce} 1865.

Resolved that the Government be written to on the subject of the offer to lease frontages on Tyne Street being part of the area taken from this Council ostensibly for railway purposes and asking that the area proposed to be leased

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May be re-vested in the Council

Resolved that the P. W. Comm^{ee} with the Engineer be directed to enquire as to the proposed plans re railway crossing at Thames and Humber Streets with power to act

Correct Minutes
S. Gibbs Chairman

Special Meeting held May 29th 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Gibbs, Humphrey, Proctor Headland & M^r McLeod

Resolved that permission be accorded to M^r Grenfell to remove wood building to back of his section

Resolved that the letter from Mess^{rs} Smith, Anderson & co re award to NZ & Aust Land Co. be referred to the Councils Solicitor and instructions to be written thereon for next meeting

Re Tunnell

Resolved that the Engineer be authorised to cause those portions of Grants Tunnel which require masonry to be properly secured with instructions to incur no further expenditure than is necessary for the present safety of of the tunnel

Resolved that the Members of the District be requested to introduce a Bill to the effect of the draft now submitted by the Mayor and entitled the "Oamaru town Lands Exchange Bill" and that the intention to introduce such Bill as also of the Municipal leases confirmation Bill to be introduced by the Government be notified in manner provided by the Standing Orders in local Bills legislation

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Resolved that an appeal be lodged against the valuation for Land Tax Municipal Endowment Marawhenua 1771 accs.

S. Gibbs
Chairman

Minutes of Council Meeting held June 5th 1879
Present C^r Gibbs /Chr/
C^{rs} Mainland, Headland, Humphrey, Proctor

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

A letter was read from Mess^{rs} Cargills, Gibbs & co acknowledging receipt of 400 L100 Waterworks Debentures & other documents

A letter was read from the Colonial Secretarys office intimating that the sum of L 2.9 had been placed to the credit of the Council

A letter was read from Mess^{rs} Bright Bros & Co advising that the order for Blakes Machine had been placed @ L200 less 25% - Elevator & screen extra.

Resolved that the letter from M^r John Thomson drawing the Councils attention to the crossing between Reid & Torridge Streets be referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} for report

Resolved that an appeal be lodged against the valuation under the Land Tax Act for Sec 20 to 24 Block 14

Resolved that Mess^{rs} Hunt & Jeffreys request to have all payments of any moneys due on contracts paid to them personally instead of

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Into the Bank of New Zealand be acceded to

A Petition presented by C^r Gibbs from 37 ratepayers residing in Eden Street praying that the footpaths may be formed – referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} for report

Resolved that M^r McLeods report re progress of Waterworks be received

Resolved that the accounts as read [] signed by the Finance Comm^{ee} be passed for payment

Correct Minutes
W^m J Steward Mayor
19/6/79

Special Meeting held June 6th 1879
Present Hw. The Mayor
C^{rs} Headland, Gibbs, Humphrey Mainland, Proctor

Special To consider the question of borrowing the sum of L 5000 under Municipal Corpⁿ Act 1865.

Resolved that the Mayor be authorised to empower Mess^{rs} Gillies, Street & Hislop of Dunedin to negotiate for a Loan of L5000 to replace the L5000 repaid to M^r W. J. Clarke for a period of one, two or three years at a minimum of L97 if for one year, L94 if for two years and L91 if for three years either upon debentures transferable on delivery or upon Mortgage Bonds as may be arranged

Correct Minutes
W^m J Steward Mayor
19/6/79

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Special Meeting held June 16th 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Gibbs, Proctor, Familton, Headland Mainland.

The Corporation Solicitor attended with refce to exchange of road lines to Municipal Quarry in Block IV (Wallace's) and was directed to complete the necessary documents as requested by the Government

The following report from M^r Dennison C.E re claim of M^r Grant for water taken by tunnel at the Waterworks was read

A copy of the mentioned letter is her pasted in.

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It was Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Gibbs

That M^r Grant be furnished with a copy of the report and that he be offered the sum of L200 in settlement of all claims this offer to be final on the part of the Council and if rejected to be deemed to be without prejudice as regards any future proceedings

carried

The Mayor stated that M^r Luckie Comm^r of Amenities had offered to take up the whole or part of the Waterworks Loan he having a considerable sum of money to invest on behalf of clients in England it was Resolved that the Mayor be authorised to sell the Waterworks Debentures in the Colony at par

A letter was read from the Secretary to Coursing Club asking that steps be taken to have the 24th June proclaimed a Bank & public holiday it was Resolved that the matter be left to the Mayor's discretion

Correct Minutes
W^m J Steward Mayor
19/6/79

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Minutes of Council Meeting held June 19th 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor
C^{rs} Mainland, Proctor, Headland, Gibbs, Humphrey

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

A letter from M^r John Mackay of the Junction Hotel requesting the Council to cause a Service Gas Pipe to be laid into his premises and stating that he would require 35 lights

A letter from M^r W. Glass asking for a road to Sec 20.21.22 Blk 76 it was
Resolved that M^r Glass be informed that the Council regrets that it does not see its way to proceed with the work at present

A letter from M^r Nancarrow Secr to the Coalpit Heath Coy asking if any report had been made by the Gas Manager regarding the use of the Company's Coal - referred to the Manager M^r Gledhill

Resolved that the Auditors be notified of the charge made by the Bank of New Zealand for payment of Coupons in Melbourne

A letter from Mess^{rs} Gillies, Street & Hislop informing the Council that they will give the matter re negotiation of L5000 Loan their best attention

Mess^{rs} Millington Bros. Of Hensley wrote making a claim of L30 value of a horse which was killed falling into a hole made by the men employed at the Waterworks
Referred to the Engineer for report

A letter from Bridget O'Donnell asking for permission to open up the footpath in tyne St

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For the purpose of cleaning the drain, referred to the Engineer with power to act.

Resolved that the order from Mess^{rs} Hunt & Jeffreys dated 7th June re payment of moneys into Bank of New Zealand be complied with

A letter from the Club to the Waitaki Road Board enclosing Mess^{rs} Hislop & Creaghs account for services in connection with obtaining road line to Quarry referred to the Finance Comm^{ee} for examination

The Inspector of Nuisances reported a dangerous formation of road at Junction of Isis & Severn Street.

Resolved that it be referred to the Public Works Comm^{ee} with power to act also the fencing embankment in Wansbeck Street adjoining Reserve D

A report from the Engineer re progress of the Waterworks was read also a letter from M^r M^cLeod re irrigation referred to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} for report

Resolved that the ordinary accounts be passed for payment - the Waterworks accounts referred back to the Finance Comm^{ee} with power to deal with the same and that the sum of L1500 be transferred from the Ordinary a/c to the Waterworks a/c

Resolved that the Council sit as Court of Revision on Monday 7th July @ 8 pm

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

3/7/79

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Emergency Meeting held June 20th 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

Crs Gibbs, Proctor, Headland, Spence, Mainland

Resolved that in accordance with the recommendations of the Finance Comm^{ee} a further sum of L500 be paid from Ordinary acct to Waterworks acct.

Resolved that permission be accorded to M^r Herbert Edwards to take a few loads of earth from the cutting in Wharf Street under the supervision of the Engineer.

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward

3/7/79

Special Meeting held June 26th 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Gibbs, Mainland, Proctor, Spence Headland

Resolved that the resolution appointing 8 pm as the hour for sitting as Court of Revision be rescinded and that the hour of noon be appointed

Resolved that permission be accorded to M^r C. J. Moore to transfer the Lease of Section 10 Block 29

Resolved that leave of absence be granted to C^r Liddle

Letter from Hislop & Creagh re Grants claim consideration deferred until next Meeting

Resolved that the account from the Railway be passed for payment subject to being certified correct

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The Gas Works Comm^{ee} reported that it would involve an expenditure of L150 to carry the Gas Main as far as Mackays Junction Hotel it was Resolved that the Gas Comm^{ee} be authorised to extend the main

Resolved that in handing the Town Lands Exchange Bill to the Members they be asked if they find that there is no chance of carrying it in its entirety to modify its proposals so as to carry out as much as possible of its intentions

Resolved that tenders be called for printing the Draft bye-laws copies on slips, [] to be furnished to the Council and Council Solicitors and type to be kept standing till bye laws approved and published twice to be issued with town issue also made up in pamphlet from 500 copies

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward

3/7/79

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Minutes of Council Meeting held July 3rd 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Gibbs, Mainland, Headland, Humphrey Proctor

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

A letter was read from the Sec^y to the Board of Education asking if the Council would assist the Board in getting a Bill through Parliament for the purpose of effecting exchanges of Sections for a site for the new South School - It was Resolved that the request be complied with.

A letter from the Secretary to the Oamaru Harbor Bd drawing the attention of the Council to the dilapidated state of the fence at the end of Humber Street - Resolved that the matter be referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} with power to act

A letter was read from M^r Ogilvie of the Crown Lands department stating that the Crown Grants for the Municipal "Endowment & other lands would be forwarded for the Governors signature in a few days

A letter was read from M^r H. B. Elliott undersecretary General Crown Lands with refce to the vesting of the Recreation Reserves & suggesting that the should be brought under the Public Domain's Act – Resolved that the letter be referred to the Mayor for reply.

Resolved that permission be granted to M^r Thos. Proctor to mortgage Section 20 Block I to M^r W. Beatty and to M^r James King to mortgage Sec: 7 Block 73 to the Nat: Bank also to M^r Thos. Kennedy to mortgage Sec: 18

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Block 12 to Mess^{rs} J. L. Hassell & Balmer

Resolved that permission be given to M^r John M^cDowell to erect and Iron addition to his premises in Thames Street

A letter from M^r Jarvis White re drain opposite his premises referred to the Engineer with power to deal with the same.

Resolved that M^r Kerr's letter be ref^d to the Mayor & chairman of the Finance Comm^{ee} to arrange the matter

A letter from M^r Chas. R. Glass applying for levels of Eden Street opposite Sec. 3 Block 65 referred to the Engineer to supply information requested

A letter from M^r John Hardy on behalf of M^r Cojoin was read asking that the rateable amount on his premises Sec: 2 Block 6 owing to the same having been destroyed by fire – Similar applications from Mess^{rs} Thomas Morris & Shrimski & Moss on same grounds It was Resolved that a rebate of one-third of the total assessment be allowed on the properties burned

A Letter was read from Mess^{rs} Hislop & Creagh with reference to M^r Grants claim in connection with the Waterworks

It was Prop^d by C^r Mainland

Secd^d by C^r Spence

That the Mayor C^r Gibbs and the Engineer be appointed a Comm^{ee} to deal with the matter under the advice of the Councils Solicitors

Carried

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Resolved that the claim of Mess^{rs} Aitchisons & others re drainage done by overflow of the Water race owing to the flood – It was resolved that Hw. The Mayor, C^r Gibbs & the Engineer be empowered to deal with the same

Resolved that the complaint made by M^r J. T Hughes re his premises being flooded, be referred to the Engineer to report

A letter was read from the prop^{trs} of the North Otago Times applying to the Council for payment of the account incurred by the provisional directors of the Gas Company. It was resolved that the Prop^{trs} be informed that the Council does not consider that it has anything to do with the matter and therefore cannot recognise the claim

A Petition was presented by C^r Gibbs from ratepayers in Eden Street complaining of the condition of the roadway & footpaths

Resolved that the petitioners be informed that the matter will have attention so soon as the state of the funds will permit.

A report was read from M^r McLeod re drainage done to the Waterworks by the recent floods

It was Resolved that the sum of L35 for shifting the men to the Awamoko Section & Petty Cash purposes be

A report from the Inspector of Nuisances was read and it was resolved that notice be given to the owner of Section 24 Block 25 to have the creek running thro the section cleaned out

Resolved that the tenders for Printing the Bye laws be referred to the Bye laws Comm^{ee}

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Resolved that the nominations for the office of Mayor take place at the Council Chambers on Wednesday the 16th Inst at noon

Resolved that the following be appointed Polling Booths if obtainable

Jetty Ward		M ^r Collis store Tyne Street
Thames Ward	-	M ^r Hardys office, Wear Street
Severn Ward	-	Vacant shop in Sumpters Buildings Thames Street
High Ward	-	Old Grammar School, Greta Street

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Resolved that a further sum of L500 be transferred from the Ordinary Acct to the Waterworks a/c

Correct Minutes
W^m J Steward Mayor
17/7/79

Court of Revision held July 7th 1879
Present Hw. The Mayor
C^{rs} Humphrey, Mainland, Gibbs

Resolved that the names appearing upon the Schedule for the four Wards as submitted being those of persons who have paid their rates be added to the Citizens Roll by Supplementary List

Correct Minutes
W^m J Steward
Mayor

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Minutes of Council Meting held July 17th 1879
Present Hw. The Mayor
C^{rs} Gibbs, Headland, Mainland, Spence Familton

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that the Council approves of the action of the Comm^{ee} in agreeing to a fresh arbitration in Grants case as proposed by Mess^{rs} Hislop & Creagh in their letter dated June 21st, the intent of which is clearly expressed in the words 'by appointing new arbitrations' to which course M^r Grant was stated to be agreeable, this being clearly understood to mean a fresh arbitrator to be appointed to each party and a fresh umpire selected by the Arbitrators

Resolved that the appointment of M^r Calcutt as arbitrator for the Council by the Comm^{ee} be approved

Resolved that M^r Morris have permission to change the position of the right of way to the Northern Stables and the plans of buildings submitted be approved.

A letter from M^r G. A. Sutton drawing attention to the condition of a portion of the footpath on the East side of Wharf Street - resolved that the matter be referred to the engineer with power to act.

Resolved that permission be given to transfer the Lease of Section 10 Block I to M^r Donald M^cDonald

Resolved that the letter from the Manager of the Gas Works re repairs to small Gas holder &

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Price of Coke – referred to the Gas Comm^{ee} with power to act

A letter from M^r Gould applying to lease portions of the road line adjoining Section 8 Block 62 leading to Reserve F Resolved that M^r Gould be informed that the Council does not see its way to accede to his request-

M^r W Arthur chief Surveyor wrote stating that the amount paid by the Council for the Survey of the Maerewhenua Endowment would be refunded-

M^r John Frew wrote calling the attention of the Council to the damage done to his property by overflow of water from water race and claiming of £6 for damages. Referred to the Engineer for his report

A letter from the Under Secretary for Crown Lands intimating that 8 acres 3. r 16 p being portion of Beach Reserve Block 4 Oamaru district had been permanently reserved as a recreation ground

The Clerk to the Waitaki R. B. wrote asking the Council to have the spoil from water race removed from road line between Church property & M^r Gilchris's Sections in Peebles town - Resolved that it be referred to the Engineer

The Mayor drew the Council's attention to the matter of the liability of Council for damage caused by easements of the Water race and it was Resolved that it be referred to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} to enquire as to the necessity for legislative provisions being made with reference to the right of discharging

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Surplus water from the Water race into certain natural water courses specifying the Streams into which it is dedired so to discharge; The Comm^{ee} to report at next ordinary meeting –

Resolved that permission be given to M^r J. Staples to make a right of way to his property under supervision of the Engineer

A circular from the Secretary to the Treasury intimating that th sum of L5.17 Bye law Penalties & Licence fees has been placed to the credit of the Council at the national Bank

Resolved that the nominations for Councillors & auditors take place on Friday 25th Inst. in the Council Chambers at noon. And the same polling Booths be used as appointed for the Mayorl election

Resolved that the Bye-laws Comm^{ee} report re Printing Bye-laws be adopted

Resolved that Mess^{rs} Millington claim for loss of a horse killed thro falling into a hole at the Waterworks be paid

Resolved that the Inspector of Nuisances letter re Ouse Street be ref^d to the P. W. Comm^{ee} for report

Resolved that the rents set aside as security for the L40,000 Loan be on and after 6th Dec.1879 as they fall due paid into the Waterworks account

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Resolved that the accounts signed by the Finance Comm^{ee} be passed for payment

Resolved that the Council agrees to the terms of the Manager of the National Banks letter of the 12th July re Situation of overdraft from L2000 to L500 Mainly

“1 That the proceeds of the second issue of the Waterworks Debentures shall be lodged with the Bank and remain with the Bank until disburced for the purposes for which the Loan is raised.

2nd That the National Bank shall continue to be as heretofore, the Bankers of the Corporation

4 rd That the Corporation shall pay current rates for the overdraft, but not less than 9%. “

Resolved that the Waterworks accounts be referred to the Finance Comm^{ee} & the Engineer with instructions to provide first for payment of the Interest of the L60,00 Loan /L2100? In London and to pay such accounts as funds are available for

Resolved that the Finance Comm^{ee} be requested to take further steps to float the L5000 Loan

W^m J Steward Mayor
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Emergency Meeting held July19 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor, C^{rs} Gibbs, Humphrey, Spence Mainland, Headland

Also M^r Anderson Jun of the firm of John Anderson & co contractors for the Waterpipes Resolved that the Mayor be requested to interview Mess^{rs} Cargills, Gibbs & co with a view to arranging for draft on London if required to the amount of L12,800 for payment of Waterworks pipes and plant

W^m J Steward Mayor
31/7/79

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Special Meeting held July 23rd 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Headland, Familton, Proctor, Gibbs Spence, Mainland, Humphrey & M^r Anderson of J. Anderson & co

Resolved that M^r John Anderson be informed that in the event of Council not being in funds to meet the first or any subsequent payment on account of the Waterworks plant ordered from him the Council will give him an order on the holders of the debentures of the L40,000 loan in London for the amount so due to him and further in the event of the proceeds of the Loan not being available to meet such order will give an authority to the Councils agents in London to hand to M^r John Anderson's agent debentures to be valued for this purpose at the amount it represents viz L100 –

Resolved that M^r Donald Borries letter re damage by leakage from Water race be referred to the Engineer with instructions to act at once

Resolved that the Mayor C^{rs} Headland & Gibbs be appointed a Committee to interview the Manager of the Bank & arrange finally a report as regards the account

Resolved that the following accounts be paid – viz

Balance due Stations L351.19 and L30 to Patrick Ford and that the necessary amounts be transferred from ordinary to Waterworks a/c

Correct Minutes
W^m J Steward Mayor 31/7/79

(440) extra page attached

Emergency Meeting July 31st 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Gibbs, Mainland, Headland, Familton, Proctor

An offer was submitted by M^r George Sumpter on behalf of a client to advance L2500 Or 300 against the short dated debentures of the L5000 loan to be issued under authority of the Otago Municipal Corporation Ordinance 1865 on the debentures being placed in his clients hands for negotiation – The rate of commission to be 2 ½ %

It was resolved that the Council on conditions of the advance of L3000 against the debentures agrees to place the same in the hands of M^r Sumpter's client for negotiation the minimum price to be

If of 1 years currency L97 per L100 debenture

If of 2 “ “ L94 “ “ “

If of 3 “ “ L91 “ “ “

If of 5 “ “ L90 “ “ “

Rate of commission for floating loan to be arranged by a Committee consisting of the Mayor C^{rs} Mainland & Proctor

Correct Minutes

W^m J Steward Mayor

31/7/79

A newspaper cutting of the Mayor's farewell address given on Friday August 1, 1879 is pasted in on the following page

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Minutes of Council Meeting held July 31st 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^s Mainland, Proctor, Humphrey, Headland, Gibbs Familton

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed A letter from M^r John Curries asking the Council to make a reduction in the rates re Sec. 1 Block 6 on account of the building having been destroyed by fire – It was resolved that a reduction of one-third of the amount be allowed

A letter from M^r I. P. Maitland Comm^r of Crown Lands notifying that soil is being removed from Section 60 Block IV Awamoko – The letter was referred to the Engineer for attention and report

A letter was read from the County Clerk re discharge of water into the Awamoko Creek from the water race and stating that if likely to continue a foot bridg would be necessary – It was resolved to acknowledge the receipt of the letter and that it be referred to the Engineer

A letter was read from M^r Peter Aitcheson re right of discharge of water into certain streams and it was Resolved that the letter be acknowledged and he be informed that the matter will receive the attention of the Council

M^r George sumpter wrote stating that he had been requested by M^r John Smith of Papakaio to apply to the Council to fence the race through Secs 71. 72. 74 Block III Papakaio

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Resolved that M^r Sumpter be informed that the work of fencing re race in in progress – the letter was referred to the Engineer

A letter from M^r T. H. Brown President of the Oamaru Hospital with reference to the state of the road leading to the Hospital

Resolved that the letter be referred to the Public Works Committee

Two notices of disallowance of appeals of the Council against the Land Tax were read and it was Resolved that the Mayor be requested to take the necessary steps to prosecute the appeals

The clerk to the Waiareka Road Board wrote enclosing account for solicitors expenses /L26. 5.5 / incurred in the matter of organising road line to Municipal Quarry and asking the Council to arrange with Mess^{rs} Julius & Balmer direct It was Resolved that it be referred to the Finance Comm^{ee} for certification

A letter was submitted from C^r Mainland Chairman of the Gas Works Comm^{ee} from the Manager re additional plant required for the works It was resolved that the necessary articles be ordered

A report from the Engineer dated 31st July re Waterworks was read and it was resolved That M^r M^cLeod be requested to inform the Council of the terms of the arrangement entered into for the supply of timber, giving all particulars as to price, quantities, etc

Resolved that the accounts signed by the Finance Comm^{ee} be passed for payment. The accounts handed in by the Engineer were ref^d to the Finance Com^{ee} to select which shall be paid

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Propd^d by C^r Gibbs

Second^d by C^r Proctor

That the members of the Oamaru Municipal Council desire to place on their record their appreciation of the very able manner in which the retiring Mayor W. J. Steward has conducted the duties of his office, and that the same be recorded in the minutes
carried

Propd^d by C^r Humphrey

Secon^d by C^r Headland

That a vote of thanks be recorded to the retiring Councillors
Carried

Resolved that the terms mentioned in M^r Kerrs letter of the 28th July be agreed to namely
1 Lowest current rates to be charged upon the overdraft that may exist & highest current rates for such monies as may be deposited

3 Th corporation to bind itself to retain the National Bank as it Banks for three years –

Resolved that 2 ½ p^r c^t Comm be given to M^r Sumpter on obtaining the L5000 Loan said commⁿ to include all charges for any advances made against the Loan

A telegram was read from M^r John Anderson of Ch: Ch: suggesting advisability of wiring home re Debentures It was resolved that the following telegram be sent to M^r Anderson

“That the Council has arranged to be informed by Cable so soon as Loan is floated – have rec^d no advice to tha effect as yet”

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Resolved that the next ordinary Meeting of the Council be held on Thursday next August 7th @ 7.15 pm
Correct Minutes

S. Gibbs Mayor

Resolved that the following be added to the copy of Draft By laws

“Any person loitering on any public footway

“and refusing or objecting to move on when

“required so to do by any officer of the Council

“or by any Constable”

Correct Minutes

S. Gibbs Mayor

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Minutes of Council Meeting held August 7th 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Humphrey, Townsend, Headland, Galland, Mainland, Otterson, Smith, Roberts

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that the letter from the Secretary of the Atheneum re state of footpath in Thames Street from its Junction with Severn Street to the Post Office be referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} for report

Resolved that permission be granted to Peter M^cLaren to make a right of way to the Albion Boarding House from Wharf Street subject to the work being done under the supervision of the Engineer

A letter from M^r James Iles suggesting that the Council should send some Photos of the principal buildings in the Town to the Sydney Exhibition & submitting specimens It was Resolved that M^r Iles be informed That the Council while greatly admiring the views submitted, regret that they cannot comply with the suggestion

A letter from M^r George Sumpter re payment of compensation on behalf of owner of Sec. 71. 72. 101 Block 3 Papakaio for land taken for the water race

It was resolved that the letter be referred to M^r Connell the land Purchase Commissioner for report

A report from M^r M^cLeod was read re arrangements he had made with ref^{ce} to the supply of timber required for the Waterworks and submitting quotations – Resolved that the matter be

6

Referred to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} and the Engineer with power to act

Resolved that the following Councillors be appointed members of the several Committees as under

Namely

Public Works & Reserves

C^r Roberts /cnvr/ Mainland, Otterson, Garland

Bye law & Legislature

C^{rs} Smith /cnvr/ Garland, Mainland, Roberts

Finance

C^{rs} Headland /cnvr/ Otterson, Garland, Humphrey

Waterworks

C^{rs} Townsend /cnvr/ Headland, Smith, Roberts

Gas

C^{rs} Mainland /cnvr/ Humphrey, Townsend, Headland

Health

C^{rs} Humphrey /cnvr/ Garland, Townsend, Smith

Resolved that the Mayors honorarium be L100 for the coming year

Engineers Salary L750 / L250 for Town work L500 for Waterworks

With 12 months agreement, 3 months notice

To determine the same –

Town Clerk L350 per annum

Asst. D^o L175 “ “

Gas Manager L 4 “ week

Inspector of Nuisances L3.10 “ week

Auditors L15. Each

Valuator L 75.

Resolved that the action taken by the Mayor in in accepting the offer of the Postmaster General made thro’ Mess^{rs} Hislop & Shrimski. M H R’s

7

To lend the Corporation L5000 for six months to bear interest @ the rate of seven per cent p a be approved

Resolved that a return be furnished by the engineer showing the length of the Water race which is finished with the cost of the same the length at present under contract with the Amounts paid on these contracts and the amounts still due the length not yet under contract with the estimated cost of completing such contracts the amounts due for timber & other materials and the estimated cost of laying the pipes through such streets as have been agreed upon – The amount already expended on the reservoir and the amount required to complete it also the amount paid for compensations for land taken with amounts still due

Correct Minutes

S Gibbs

Mayor

Notice of motion By C^r Roberts

That a man be employed to level the ruts in Chelmer Street and Cross Lane to the Hospital and to keep these streets in passable repair.

8

Special Meeting held Aug. 11th 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Garland, Townsend, Smith, Humphrey Roberts

Mess^{rs} Hislop & Shrimski M HR's were also present

Re Temp^y Loan of L5000 –

Resolved that the offer of the Postmaster General made thro' Mess^{rs} Hislop & Shrimski M HR's to lend the Corporation L5000 for six months /reserving the right to make the Loan a permanent one/ @ seven per cent per annum Interest under the unimpended borrowing powers of the Municipal Corporations Ordinance 1865 be accepted and that a debenture be prepared by the Solicitors and forwarded at once

Resolved that the thanks of the Council be recorded to Mess^{rs} Hislop & Shrimski M HR's for their services in endeavouring to obtain the L5000 Loan from the Government

Correct Minutes

S Gibbs

Mayor

9

Minutes of Council Meeting held Aug: 21st 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Smith, Roberts, Otterson, Mainland, Headland Humphrey, Townsend, Garland

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

A letter was read from M^r John Frew of Papakaio enclosing an account for L30 damage done to his property by the water race It was

Resolved that M^r Frew be asked to explain how the claim had increased from L6 to L30 –

The Secretary to the Hospital Comm^{ee} wrote drawing the attention of the Council to a former communication re State of Hospital road

Resolved that the Secretary be informed that the road is being repaired by the daymen

It was Resolved that the Mayor be requested to interview M^r Inspector Thompson re prison labor.

Resolved that permission be given to M^r John Cojoin to transfer the Lease of Section 2 Block 6 to William Darling Esther also permission was accorded to the Commercial Building & Mutual Investment Society to transfer the Lease of Section 5 Block 7 to William Shaw

A letter from Treasury notifying that the sum of L6.15 has been placed to the credit of the Council at the National Bank

A letter from the Under Secretary for Crown Lands intimating that the Commissioner for Crown Lands Dunedin has been directed to prepare Crown Grants for all the unsectionised Reserves as per Schedule enclosed

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Resolved that the application from Michael Sheirlaw for a nightman's licence be granted subject to the approval of the Inspector of Nuisances

Resolved that the letter from the Inspector of Nuisances re Lagoon in Ouse Street be referred to the P.W. Comm^{ee} for report

The engineer reported with reference to the complaint of the Commissioners for Crown Lands as to removal of soil from Section 60 Block 4 Awamoko District

It was resolved that the matter be held in abeyance until the Council hear from the Comm^r in reply to letter sent by the Corporation

Resolved that the Waterworks Committee report be adopted also the Finance Comm^{ee} report

Resolved that the accounts read by the Clerk & signed by the Finance Comm^{ee} be passed for payment
Prop^d by C^r Roberts

Second^d by C^r Smith

That a dayman be employed occasionally to level the ruts in Chelmer Street and Cross Lane

It was Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Otterson as an amendment

That the matter of repairing Chelmer Street be referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} for their report

Carried

Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Smith

That the matter of Rusbatch's contract for Thames & Severn Streets be referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} with power to act carried

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Resolved that the Engineers report re Waterworks be rec^d and referred to the Finance Comm^{ee} for consideration and report

Correct Minutes

S Gibbs

Mayor

Council Meeting held Sept. 4th 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Roberts, Smith, Townsend, Humphrey

Prop^d by C^r Roberts

Second^d by C^r Townsend

That the Meeting be adjourned until tomorrow evening Friday 5th Inst @ 7.15 pm carried

S Gibbs

Mayor

12

Minutes of Council Meeting held Sept 5th 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Roberts, Townsend, Mainland, Headland, Garland, Otterson Humphrey

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that M^r Baudinets application to remove a few loads of gravel from aln Street be referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} with power to act.

Resolved that the Petition from ratepayers living in Ouse Street re Lagoon in Street be referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} for report

Mess^{rs} J. & T. Meek letter complaining of the bad state of the approach to their Mills in Severn Street

Resolved that the matter be referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} for report

Resolved that M^r Frew's claim for L30 damage done to his property be referred to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} for their report

Resolved that permission be accorded to M^r J. W. Draper to make a right of way to his premises in Coquet Street also to make a pipe drain – under the supervision of the Engineer

Resolved that the letter from M^r Fairfax Fenwick's agent / M^r C. F. Black/ re formation of road fronting Sec 54 & 56 Block IV Oamaru district referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} for report

With the object of reducing the expenditure as much as possible and to confer with

Sec: 14 Blk 78 from M^r Claskin to M^r N. C. Baudinet

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Reserve D from M^r Joseph Williams to M^r James Patterson

Sec: 19 Blk 76 from M^r C. I. Allen to William Dunbar – Sec: 6 Blk 38 from M^r W. Newton to E. E. Harding also perms. To M^r Harding to lease a portion of the Section to M^r W Newton and to mortgage the Section – Permission was also granted to M^r H. B. Hook to mortgage the Lease of Sec: 16 Blk 38 to M^r John Sinclair

A letter was read from M^r Weldon the Superintend^t of the Police re prison labor Resolved that the matter be left for arrangement in the hands of the Mayor

A letter from sir Julius Vogel agent-general stating that he will give all the aid he can towards floating the L40,000 loan was read

A letter from M^r Sumpter forwarding an account from Mess^{rs} Webb and Street of Dunedin of L50 in brokerage on the negotiating of a Loan of L5000

Resolved that the matter be left to the Mayor and the chairman of the Finance Comm^{ee} to arrange with M^r Sumpter, in no case to exceed L50.

Resolved that the letter from M^r Bathgate as agent for the Public Trustee re James Draffield: funeral expenses be referred to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} with power to act

Resolved that applications be invited from persons willing to act as Valuator to be in by next ordinary meeting

Resolved that the Finance Comm^{ee} report be adopted

14

Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Roberts

That the matter re expenditure in the Waterworks be specially refd to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} with the object of reducing the expenditure as much as possible and to confer with the Engineer
carried

A letter was read from Mess^{rs} Cargill Gibbs & co enclosing a copy of letter from Cargills Joachim & co re Debentures

Resolved that permission be given to M^r Johnston to erect building for M^r Maitland on Sec: 1 Block 6 as per plans & specifications submitted

I Humphrey

Correct Minutes

15

Special Meeting held Sept: 15th 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Otterson, Roberts, Smith Townsend, Headland, Garland

Meeting called to consider the following cablegram from Mess^{rs} Cargill Joachim & co. London

“Cannot float Oamaru Loan present form,

“Amount too small, cancel New Act, get powers

“increase Sixty Thousand issue to one hundred

“thousand loan. New bonds identical to old

“following numbers – Telegraph reply” –

It was Resolved that a Deputation consisting of Hw. The Mayor C^{rs} Mainland & Headland be requested to wait upon M^r Hislop MHR to ask the Government if they can assist the Corporation in the present emergency by advancing L40,000 on the Waterworks Debentures

Correct Minutes

I Humphrey

Special Meeting held Sept 16.1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Otterson Mainland, Headland, Garland Townsend, Smith, Humphrey Roberts

Special

Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Headland

That Hw. The Mayor be requested to proceed to Wellington to interview the Government in ref^{ce} to taking up the L40,000 Waterworks Loan and failing that to use his best endeavours to get the money elsewhere

carried

Correct Minutes

I Humphrey

16

Minutes of Council Meeting held Sept. 18 1879

Present C^r Humphrey /ch/

C^{rs} Otterson, Garland, Smith, Roberts, Mainland Headland, Townsend

Resolved that the minutes as read be confirmed

A Letter was read from M^r Inspector Thompson re dancing in registered Lodging Houses in the Town and requesting authority under the seal of the Corpⁿ for the police to sue for & recover penalties etc

Prop^d by C^r Roberts

Second^d by C^r Smith

That the request of the Inspector of Police be acceded to.

Carried

Resolved that M^r Lorings letter re improvements to cottage at Gasworks be referred to the Gas Works Comm^{ee} with power to act.

The Secretary to the Treasury wrote stating that the sum of L8. 2. Had been placed to the credit of the Corporation on a/c of Bye law Penalties etc

Resolved that M^r Keenan be allowed to give up the Lease of Reserve 96 /next to windmill/ provided he makes the fencegood and pays 3 months rent

A letter was read from Mess^{rs} W & A Pirie for payment of claim for Land taken for the Waterworks viz. L72.1.7 It was Resolved that the letter be referred to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} with a request that they endeavour to ascertain what claims for land remain unsatisfied.

A letter from the Bank of New Zealand enclosing invoice of goods for Gas Works from the Fulton Foundry

17

Amounting to L33.12.5 – ordered to be paid

Resolved that M^r Martin Taylor have permission to erect a barber's pole in front of his shop in Thames Street under the supervision of the Inspector

Resolved that permission be granted to M^r Lemon to erect a lamp over his premises in Thames Street under the supervision of the Inspector

A letter from M^r Alfred Dray asking permission to be allowed to fence the road in Eden Street
Resolved that it be referred to the Reserves Comm^{ee}

Resolved that the P. W. Comm^{ee} report be adopted – The work in Ouse Street recommended by the Engineer to be done when the Council are in funds. To be done by tender

Resolved that the Waterwork's Comm^{ee} report be adopted - the first pgph in the report re Frew's claim refd back to the Comm^{ee} with power to act

Prop^d by C^r Otterson

Second^d by C^r Garland

That a return of all men /with their names/ in the employment of the Council on the Waterworks, Testing Pipes etc nature of their duties amount of wages be laid before the Council also that the Engineer be requested to furnish a statement showing the differences which have occurred between the original estimates of expenditure and the actual cost and the reasons for the same
carried

18

Resolved that C^{rs} Roberts, Smith & Otterson be deputed to accompany the Engineer & visit the works.

Resolved that the accounts signed by the Finance Comm^{ee} be passed for payment

Prop^d by C^r Roberts

Second^d by C^r Headland

That the Engineer be instructed to render the channel opposite North Otago Hotel in Exe Street safe for foot passengers by filling it up either with metal or shingle or any other inexpensive matter the work to be done by the daymen

Resolved that M^r John Lemon be appointed to the office of Valuator.

Correct Minutes

J S Headland

Chairman

Notice of Motion

By C^r Roberts

That the Gas pipes be extended along Thames Street in a northerly direction from the present termination to the Town boundary and that Gas Lamps be erected and maintained at the intersection of every cross street with Thames Street.

19

Emergency Meeting held Sept 23rd 1879

Present C^r Humphrey /chr/

C^{rs} Otterson, Mainland, smith, Headland Roberts, Garland, Townsend

To consider Telegram from Hw. The Mayor

Govt. held two meetings no money advise us to wait and see Shrimski tomorrow to arrange about bill get it through in a fortnight – call special Meeting to consider advisability of increasing 40 to 50 or L60000

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Garland

Recommend that the Loan for L60,000 be at once changed into a L100,000 Loan in accordance with the request of the Home agents and that the Mayor be requested to get the Bill for same at once drawn up in Wellington obtaining all the legal assistance there that may be necessary to give the Mayor all the assistance in their power carried

Resolved that the matter of reducing the expenditure on the Waterworks be referred to the Comm^{ee} appointed viz. C^{rs} Otterson, Smith & Roberts by reducing the number of men employed on the same to as few as possible and further that they be authorised to replace any men whose services are absolutely required on the Waterworks with the daymen & [gardeners] from the Town also that the Comm^{ee} arrange with the contractors with a view to getting them to reduce the number of their hands and their expenses generally in view of the unavoidable delay which has arisen to the obtainment by the Council of further funds

S J Headland Chairman

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Oct: 2nd 1879

Present C^r Headland /chr/

C^{rs} Mainland, Smith, Roberts, Otterson, Garland Humphrey, Townsend

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

A letter was read from the Manager of the National Bank re amalgamation of Loan

A letter from M^r John Thomson drawing the attention of the Council to the state of Glen Street opposite Sec: 20 Block 60 ref^e to the P. W. Comm^{ee} for report

A letter from M^r Peter Aitchison re Land required from him for Waterworks & ordering attention to the fact that the Council had not yet completed the transfer It was resolved that M^r Aitcheson be informed that the Council will comply with his request as soon as they are in funds

Mess^{rs} A & T Burt wrote forwarding their account L1229. 3 .1 and stating that they will accept an order thro' the Councils agents payable in London. It was Resolved that Mess^{rs} Burt be informed that the Council will be happy to accede to their request directly the New Debentures are forwarded home.

Resolved that M^r Sumpter letter re M^r Knights claim for compensation and other similar claims be referred to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} for report

Resolved that permission be granted to Mess^{rs} C. J. Moore & J. T. Evans to transfer the Lease of Section 8 Block 26 to M^r Henry Marshall provided the rates in arrears are first paid.

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Resolved that M^r George Mathews letter be referred to the Engineer for report

A letter from the Manager of the Gas Works was read stating that he will require a cargo of Coal in about 7 or 8 weeks time It was resolved that the matter be ref^d to the Gas Works Comm^{ee} with power to act

It was resolved that M^r Kennedy's offer to distemper the walls etc of the cottage at the Gas Works for L6. 15. Be accepted

It was resolved that the Comm^{ee} report recommending M^r Frew to be paid L18 compensation be adopted

Resolved that the Engineers report be recorded

Resolved that the report from the Comm^{ee} appointed to visit the Waterworks be considered at a Special Meeting to be held on Thursday Oct 9 @ 7.30.

Resolved that M^r Alfred Dray be informed that the Council have no power to grant him permission to fence in the road opposite

Sec: 5. 6 Block 63 Eden Street

Resolved that the matter re extending Gas Mains along Thames Street to the Town Boundary be referred to the Gas Works Comm^{ee} for report

Resolved that the Finance Comm^{ee} report be adopted

Correct Minutes

S Gibbs

22

Special Meeting held Oct: 9th 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Otterson, Mainland, Smith, Headland, Roberts Humphrey

To consider reports on the Waterworks from the Sub Comm^{ee} & the Engineer read at last Ordinary Meeting of the Council

It was Prop^d by C^r Headland

& Second^d by C^r Humphrey

That a Comm^{ee} be formed consisting of Hw. The Mayor C^{rs} Roberts, Otterson Smith, Headland for the purpose of examining the terms of the drains contracts now proceeding with a view of terminating the same, if it be found that they can legally or equitably be so terminated; and in the event of it being found that any contract cannot legally or equitably be terminated, the Comm^{ee} be authorised to make the best arrangements they can with the contractors; the Committee to obtain any legal assistance they may deem necessary – That no works be gone on with at the present time except it be found absolutely necessary to continue any portion of them to effect a Junction with the nearest natural outlet, for the purpose of carrying off any flood or surface water, which otherwise might damage the race carried

Resolved that tenders be invited from the various Insurance Comp^s for insuring the Buildings and Aqueducts on the Waterworks

Resolved that the next ordinary meeting of the Council be held on Wednesday next

Resolved that a vote of thanks be recorded in the Minutes to H w. The Mayor for the trouble taken by him on his

23

Late visit to Wellington

Correct Minutes

S Gibbs

Mayor

Minutes of Council Meeting held Oct: 15th 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Humphrey, Roberts, Mainland, Smith Garland, Otterson

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

M^r Gordon's letter applying for leave to lay down a drain under footpath in Reid Street from Sec: 9 Block 47 was referred to the Inspector of Nuisances to report

Resolved that M^r David Grants application to be allowed to use the slaughter yard Reserve be granted provided he pays a weekly rental of 5/- and keeps the fence in repair; one weeks notice to terminate the agreement

The clerk to the Waitaki Road Board wrote again urging the Council to erect a bridge over Water race on road line in Section 13 Block II Awamoko District – It was

Resolved that the matter be referred to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} with power to act

Mess^{rs} Bros wrote asking for a remittance L57. 8 for Gas Meters etc Resolved that the letter be rec^d & referred to the Finance Comm^{ee}

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A Circular from the Secretary to the Treasury informing the Council that the sum of L1236. 11. 6 has been telegraphed to the National Bank, Oamaru /subsidy for half year ending 31st Dec 1879 –

A report was read from the Inspector of Nuisances re state of Wear & Humber Streets ref^d to the Public Works Comm^{ee} for report

A letter from the auditors re Engineers Petty Cash Book – ref^d to the Finance Comm^{ee} for report

Resolved that M^r George Matthews be informed that the Council cannot entertain his claim of L4 – having been advised by the Engineer to that effect

Resolved that the form of Payment Voucher submitted by red^d and that Hw. The Mayor & the Chairman of the Finance Comm^{ee} be requested to ask the several Managers of the Banks whether they approve of the form – with power to have same presented.

Resolved that the matter of repairing the Pump in High Ward be ref^d to the P. W. Comm^{ee} with power to act

Resolved that the Tender from the North British & Mercantile Insurance Co for insuring Aqueducts & Buildings on the Waterworks be accepted

Resolved that the matter of Cropping p^t of Garden Reserve be left to the Reserves Comm^{ee} with power to act

Resolved that the accounts as passed by the Finance Comm^{ee} be paid when funds are available

Correct Minutes

S Gibbs Mayor

25

Special Meeting held Oct: 20th 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Otterson, Mainland, Smith, Headland Roberts, Humphrey

Re payment of M^r John Anderson's account for Pipes

It was Prop^d by C^r Otterson

Second^d by C^r Humphrey

That M^r J. Anderson be informed that the Council are advised that a Draft such as proposed by M^r Anderson Jun would not be accepted on presentation in England and could incur a cost of at least L2000 for Exchanges, under these circumstances the Council are unable to

give the Draft as proposed - The Council however will be willing to give an order on the National Bank London or Oamaru payable as soon as the Loan has been floated carried

S Gibbs Mayor

26

Special Meeting held Oct: 23rd 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Garland, Smith, Headland, Roberts Humphrey, Otterson

Meeting called to consider the following report from the Sub Comm^{ee} appointed to make inquiries re the position of the various contracts on the Waterworks

{ newspaper clippings re various contracts pasted in here}

Resolved that the report be adopted, Clause 10 ref^d to the Finance Comm^{ee} for report

Resolved that the corrected form of Payment Voucher submitted be adopted

Resolved that the action taken by the Mayor in accepting the offer from the Deptmt of Justice regarding the employment of prison labor on Municipal works in the Town on condition that the Council pay 8/ a day for a worker be confirmed

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Resolved that permission be given (in the payment of the usual fees to) M^r Thomas Proctor leave to Mortgage Section 6 block III and Section 1 Block 79 to the National Bank of New Zealand.

A letter from Cargills Gibbs & co asking for payment of freight for Pipes in Forfarshire ref^d to the Finance Com^{ee} with power to act

Resolved that the draft drawn at 14 [] for L68. 3 by M^r R. Davis of Melbourne upon the Corporation be paid when due /8th Nov/

Correct Minutes

S Gibbs

Mayor

28

Minutes of Council Meeting held October 30th 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Garland, Smith, Humphrey Otterson, Headland

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that the letter from the Jailor intimating that there are about 30 loads of broken metal at the yard & applying for some stone for Prisoners to break at the Goal be ref^d to the P. W. Com^{ee} with power to act

Resolved that M^r G. A. Sutton have permission given to him to put in a box drain to carry surface water from his Section

A letter was read from M^r Loring asking for payment of the Railway account

Resolved that Mess^{rs} Morris & Robt Grant application for Gas to be laid to their premises b ref^d to the Gas Comm^{ee} with power to act

M^r Thomas Hastie wrote complaining of the unacceptable nature of the Vouchers issued by the Council

The Secretary of the Oamaru Hospital wrote asking how far the Council will be prepared to extend the Gas pipes in the direction of the Hospital

Resolved that the Sec^y be informed that the estimated cost of extending the mains to the Hospital Building would cost L30 and that the Council will be willing to contribute half of that amount

Resolved that M^r W. J. Steward's resignation of the office of one of the Trustees of the Municipal Sinking Fund be accepted and M^r Samuel Gibbs be recommended as his successor

29

Prop^d by C^r Garland

Second^d by C^r Headland

That the letter from the Manager of the National Bank re Special advance /L1550/ be ref^d to the Mayor to make the best arrangements he can with M^r Kerr and to express the willingness of the Council to transfer the Mortgages from Trustees of the Sinking Fund to the Bank in extinguishment of the advance carried

Resolved that the letter from the auditors be rec^d and referred to the Finance Comm^{ee}

A letter from Mess^{rs} Cargills Gibbs & co was rec^d

Resolved that the letter from Mess^{rs} Stewart & Denniston re Moynahans a/c be referred to the Finance Comm^{ee} & the Engineer with power to act

Resolved that the account from P. Malten for making right of way in Tyne Street be referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} to confer with Engineer

Resolved that the balance sheet for the half year ended 30th 1879 be adopted and published

A report from the Engineer re Waterworks was rec^d and ref^d to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} for their report

Resolved that the Gas Work's Comm^{ee} report be adopted

30

The Finance Comm^{ee} report having been read it was Resolved that the 1st pgph of the report re Vouchers be referred back to the Comm^{ee} and that they be requested to get the best legal opinion on the matter

Pgph No III re M^r Sumpters claim for L50 for negotiating loan. It was resolved that M^r Sumpter be asked to furnish the Council with whatever proof he may be able to give that the L5000 Loan for the negotiations of which he claims L50 [] was actually negotiated as the Council do not like to pay so large a sum unless they are in a position to satisfy the auditors that the Loan was negotiated and the L5000 at the service of the Council

Pgph No IV re award to [Grn^t] Jones for Land taken for the Waterworks resolved that the matter be referred to the Mayor to see M^r Connell (the Land Purchase Comm^r)

Pgph No V re M^r Days bill to Mess^{rs} Fleming & Hedley L53 due 10th Nov It was resolved that it be paid when it comes due

Pgph No VI It was Resolved that the accounts passed for payment by the Finance Comm^{ee} be paid as soon as the Council are in funds

It was Resolved that the clerk be instructed to take legal proceedings for the recovery of all rates & rents in arrear

Correct Minutes

S Gibbs

Mayor

31

Minutes of Council Meeting held Nov 13th 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Otterson, Mainland, Smith, Townsend, Roberts Garland, Humphrey

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Garland

That M^r Charles R. Glass be informed that the Council will allow him to abandon his Lease of Municipal Reserve F on the payment of rent in arrear – immediate possession to be given
carried

Resolved that the matter of leasing the vacant Reserves & Sections be left with the Reserves Comm^{ee} with power to act

Resolved that M^r Patrick Ford be informed that the Council will take into consideration his application (viz that the Vouchers held by him constitute a preference claim) as soon as they are in a position to do so

Resolved that Mess^{rs} Farr Bro^s have permission to erect a Verandah opposite their premises in Thames Street – Work to be done under the supervision of the Engineer –

Mess^{rs} Guthrie & Larnach wrote asking the Council to give them a bill at 4 [] for the amount of their account it was

Resolved that they be informed that the Council are advised that they cannot accept Bills

32

A letter from the Palmerston Boro' Council asking the Council to co-operate in an endeavour to get a later train each way between Dunedin & Oamaru it was resolved that the letter be acknowledged

Resolved that J. Thomson & co have permission to remove a few cartloads of earth from the cutting in aln Street – under the supervision of the Engineer

A letter was read from Mess^{rs} Cargills Joachim & co re Loan

A letter from the Treasury that the sum of L6. 2 – had been placed to the credit of the Corporation in a/c of the Byelaw fines etc. was read

Mr^r I. C. Gilchrist wrote asking for information re an account he had sent in for royalty on stone

Resolved that the accounts from the Waitaki & Waiareka road Boards for advertising re road to Municipal Quarry be referred to the Finance Comm^{ee}

The Engineer's report having been read it was

Resolved that the Engineer be empowered to accept Cargills Gibbs & co. tender for cement

Resolved that the matter re compensation to Mr Ross be referred to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} for arrangement

Resolved that the engineer be directed to call for tenders for the erection of two aqueducts at Peebles.

Resolved that the matter of arranging with Mr Peattie re access thro' his property be left with the Waterworks Comm^{ee} with power to act.

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The question regarding filling in the Lagoon & drainage was referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} for report

Resolved that the Finance Comm^{ee} report be adopted

Correct Minutes

S Gibbs

Mayor

34

Special Meeting Nov 18th 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Otterson, Mainland, Garland, Headland, Smith, Humphrey

Re Telegram from Hon H. J. Miller

"Waterworks Act passed thru' Comm^{ee} addition to clause II provides that such Loan shall not be raised until the majority of the ratepayers in favor of such Loan has been first obtained – other amendments do not affect the principal or amount of Bill"

Resolved that a Telegram be sent to the Members to ask them to send copy of Bill

Resolved that permission be given to the South British Fire & Marine Unsur^{ce} Coy to erect a stone builsind on Sec: 1 Block 5 – subject to the supervision of the Engineer

Resolved that Mr Hood have permission to open up & clean drain opposite his premises in Eden Street

Notice of Motion By C^r Headland

That the action of the Members for the District in increasing the amount of the Waterworks Loan from L100,000 – to L110,000 is approved of by this Council

S Gibbs Mayor

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Nov 27th 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Headland, Smith, Townsend, Humphrey, Garland, Roberts

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

A letter from the Sec^y of the Oamaru Hospital thanking the Council for their offer to contribute L15 towards laying down Gas Mains to the Hospital Building

Resolved that permission be given to M^r J. J. Spence to mortgage the Lease of Section 1 Block 20 to M^r Patrick Gilluean provided all rates etc are first paid

A letter from Mess^{rs} Guthrie & Larnach with reference to their account

Prop^d by C^r Garland & Sec^d by C^r Roberts

It was resolved that the clerk be instructed to inform Mess^{rs} Guthrie & Larnach that this Council while desiring to meet them as far as possible regrets that it is unable to grant the debentures requested but encloses herewith the only form of Voucher which it is legally enabled to issue carried

Resolved that M^r Sumpter be referred to the Government Engineer for the information desired re Land taken for M^r T. Duncan for road purposes in Isis Street

Resolved that M^r Sumpter be paid the sum of L50 as conv. In full discharge of all claims by himself or his Principals in connection with the negotiations of the L5000

Resolved that the Waterworks Comm^{ee} report be adopted. The matter re “Irrigation’ be referred to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} for report

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The tenders for erecting two aqueducts at Peebles town having been opened it was

Resolved that Charles Days tender of L 103.5 be accepted

The Reserves Comm^{ee} report having been read it was

Resolved that Pgph N^o 1-2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 10 be adopted pgph 9 re Reserve at Intake be referred to Reserves Comm^{ee} It was Resolved that the Sections be placed in M^r Maudes hands for sale on Saturday 6th Dec^r.

Resolved that the Engineer be asked to furnish a detailed statement of the Vouchers issued up to date

Resolved that Sam^l Rusbatchs a/c be specially ref^d to Hw. The Mayor & the Chairman of the Finance Com^{ee}

Resolved that the Finance Comm^{ee} report be adopted

M^r J. Anderson & co account red^d to the Finance Comm^{ee} for report

Resolved that the Public Works Comm^{ee} report be adopted

Resolved that M^r M^cLeod be requested to supply a list of all the working plant that can be dispensed with.

Resolved that the action taken by the Members for the District & Hw. The Mayor in increasing the amount of the Waterworks Loan from L 100,000 to L 110,000 is approved of by this Council and the resolution passed Sept 23rd 1879 be rescinded

Correct Minutes

S Gibbs Mayor

Notice of Motion By C^r Humphrey

That the resolution passed on the 17th July re the rents set aside as security for the L 40,000 Waterworks Loan be held over for 6 months from 6th Dec 1879

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Dec 11th 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Smith, Townsend, Roberts, Humphrey, Otterson, Garland, Headland

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

A letter from M^r Arthur, Chief Surveyor stating that he has forwarded a Voucher to the Government for L 75.3 [] of Marawhenua Reserve etc

A letter from Mess^{rs} Caygills Gibbs & co stating that they have advised their friends in London by the mail that the Bill has been passed

A letter from M^r Arthur local agent for the Union Steamship Comp^y forwarding accounts for carriage of Waterworks and Gasworks plant

It was Resolved to give vouchers for the account subject to the approval of the Finance Comm^{ee}

A letter from Mess^{rs} Bright Bros advising the arrival of a stone breaking machine for the Council per Hermione

A letter was read from M^r Laing [?] applying for payment of the railway account L 132.5.11 also a letter from Mess^{rs} A & T. Burt asking for payment of their account

It was Resolved a letter be written offering a Voucher

A letter from M^{rs} Hargreaves asking for payment of an a/c for Powder supplied to the Council by her husband Resolved that the account be referred to the Engineer & if found correct a voucher to be given for the amount

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A letter from M^r George Strachan re damage done to his property thro' the floods in June last Referred to the Waterworks Comm^{ee}

A letter from M^r J. Gray the Weighbridge Keeper suggesting to the Council that instead of 3^d. 6^d per Ton all round & 1/ for Waggon should be charged

Inspector of Nuisances Report was read and referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} with power to act

Resolved that M^r Edw^d Graves have permission given to him to mortgage the Lease of Sec: 20 Block 35 provided the fee & arrears are first paid

A Report from the Engineer re Waterworks was read also a report from the Waterworks Com^{ee} was read and adopted

Prop^d by C^r Otterson

Second^d by C^r Smith

That the Engineers be requested to inform the Council why the Land Surveys are being carried on by Day labor in the face of a resolution of the Council that tenders should be called for the work & why his assistant M^r Sanderson is still in the employ of the Council when his Services were ordered to be dispensed with carried

Resolved that the 1st pgph of the Engineers report be ref^d to the P. W. Comm^{ee} 2nd That the Pipes for Valve Tower be tested If contractors will take Voucher to push on work

That Tenders be called for completing Stations Tunnel payment to be by Voucher

That a List of Plant be supplied

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Resolved that the finished Land Plans be bought down from Papakaio to this office

Resolved that the next General Meeting of the Council b held on Tuesday 30th Dec^r @ 7.15

Resolved that the resolution passed on the 17th July last re The rents set aside as security for the L40,000 Waterworks Loan be held over for 6 months from Dec 6th 1879

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Correct Minutes

S Gibbs

Mayor

Notice of Motion by C^r Headland

That the charge at the Corporation Weighbridge be for Weighing any kind of Material in a 2 wheel dray a charge of 6^d be made

For weighing any kind of Material in a 4 wheel waggon a charge of 1/ be made

No less charge than 6^d to be made for any weighing

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Special Meeting held Dec: 22nd 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Smith, Humphrey, Townsend, Roberts, Garland

Business To open Tenders for making Survey & Land plans of part of the Oamaru Waterworks

It was Prop^d by C^r Garland

Second^d by C^r Smith

That Mess^{rs} Davison & Grant tender be accepted / L 9.10 p^r Mile/

Carried

Resolved for the purpose of supplying the Town with water and completing the works now in progress it is desirable to borrow L 50,000 /making with the L 60,000 already borrowed the sum of L 110,000/ and a security for such sum of L 50,000 the corporation hereby pledges the rents and profits of the Sections enumerated in the Schedule to the Oamaru Town Reserves management Act 1869 and to set aside such sum not exceeding 1/ in the L out of the Annual Assessment of the Town or such less sum as may be necessary to make up the interest on the said loan –

Resolved that Debentures be issued of L 100 each at seven per cent Interest 30 years currency to date from 1st Jan^y. 1880. Interest to fall due on 1st July and 1st January - Principal and interest payable at the National Bank of New Zealand, London or the office of the Corporation

Resolved that the Town clerk be appointed Returning officer in connection with the question of the New Loan for the Waterwork's The poll to be taken between the hours of 9 am & 6 pm on Wednesday 24th

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Resolved that the Cottage & Plant at the Gas works be insured in the South British Fire & Marine Insur^{ce}. Coy L 330 @ 30/

Correct Minutes

S Gibbs

Mayor

Minutes of Council Meeting held Dec: 30th 1879

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Smith, Mainland, Roberts

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that M^r John Lewis have permission to transfer the Lease of Sec: 33 Block 73 to M^r Patrick Martin also that permission be given to M^r Thos. Proctor to mortgage the Lease of Section 20 Block I to M^r G. Sumpter

Resolved that the letters from Mess^{rs} A. & T. Burt Guthrie & Larnach be received and that H. W. The Mayor be asked when in Dunedin to wait upon them and explain to them the position of the Council

A Notice was read from the Manager of the Bank of New Zealand, Christchurch informing the Council that Coupons No 71 to 130 of the L25,000 Loan will be presented for payment in London on March 1st next

A letter from M^r R. C. Faintain under Sec Deptmt of Justice re Prison Labor stating that it is intended to give the labor of only such prisoners as would usually be kept to undergo their sentences on the spot –

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Resolved that the question re The desirability of continuing the services of the Warden be referred to Hw. The Mayor with power to act.

Resolved that permission be given to Chiani & Cuius to exhibit in the Town on the 8. 9. 10 of July provided the pavilions are securely erected to prevent any accident

A letter from M^r F. M. Rickman returning his voucher and asking to be informed of a date when the Council will be in a position to pay his account

A letter from M. J. R. clement re compensation for Land taken for Waterrace thro' Sec: 48 Blk 6 George Town / L5/ also compensation for Sec: 17 Peebles – referred to M^r Connell for information

Resolved that a voucher for L40 dating from Oct: 30 1879 be given to M^r W. Knight for compensation

Two letters from M^r J. Anderson of Ch: Ch: re his account – referred to the Finance Comm^{ee} for their immediate attention

A letter from ratepayers living in Ouse Street complaining of the state of the Street – referred to the P W Comm^{ee}

A letter from Mess^{rs} Caygills Gibbs & co re their account for freight of goods on [Infanshaw] amty to L149.5 9 referred to the Finance Comm^{ee}

Resolved that the freight of Stone breaker L 17.10 be paid. It was also Resolved that the Engineer be instructed to get it erected & placed at the back of the Chamber

Resolved that the P. W. Com^{ee} report be adopted

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Resolved that a few loads of shingle be placed on the road leading to the Volunteer Hall –

Resolved that the matter re Valve Tower fittings be referred to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} with power to act

Resolved that the letter from the Public Trustee re amt owing Moses Bolger deceased be referred to the Finance Comm^{ee}

Resolved that the Salaries & wages be paid and that the accounts handed in by the Engineer if passed by the Finance Comm^{ee} be paid by Voucher

Correct Minutes

S Gibbs

Mayor

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Jan^y 8th 1880

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Smith, Townend, Roberts, Garland, Mainland Headland, Humphrey

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that M^r James Iles have permission to open up the footpath opposite his premises in Tees Street provided either a stone or cast iron Pipe is put down. – The work to be done under the supervision of the Engineer – Permission was also granted to Mess^{rs} Coxhead & Sargeant to erect a signboard in front of their premises in Tees Street subject to the supervision of the Inspector of Nuisances

M^r John Lemon the valuator handed in the Valuators List for the year ending March 1881 showing the valuation to be L48,272 – Resolved that the List lie open at the Council chambers for inspection and that the same be advertised – M^r Lemon to be requested to fill in the Christian names of the ratepayers

A Notice was read from M^r Cooper under Secy of the appointment of M^r Sam^l Gibbs as one of the Trustees of the Municipal Sinking Fund

Resolved that the Waterworks Comm^{ee} report be rec^d and adopted

Resolved that the Tenders for securing the Stations Tunnell be ref^d to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} for the Engineer with power to accept

Resolved that M^r Fraser & co tender of L35 for fitting & erecting pipes & valves in Valve Tower be accepted

45

Resolved that the D^{rt} of a letter to M^r Anderson submitted by the Engineer be approved of.

Resolved that the accounts as read be passed for payment

Resolved that the question of the engagement of the Engineer be taken into consideration at the next ord^y meeting

Resolved that the question of repairing & painting the Lanterns be left with the Gas Works Comm^{ee} with power to act

Resolved that as regards the a/c for the Pipe tester the Council while agreeing to pay the amount take the opportunity of calling the Engineers attention to the fact that it is quite contrary to the custom of the Council to give out any work for more than L20 without calling for tenders for the same

Resolved that a register of all vouchers issued showing date of issue amount of Voucher, name of holder and when taken up, date of payment with interest paid, be kept and handed in to the Finance Comm^{ee} & Council at every meeting

Correct Minutes

I M Humphrey

Chairman

Notioce of Motion By C^r Roberts

That pending the extension of Gas Mains to the North Town belt a Kerosene Lamp be erected and kept lighted on dark nights at the Junction of Thames & Ouse Streets

That the Schedule to Bye-law No 10 be altered as follows /line 14 page 8 / instead of 1/ per mile per passenger read 1/ per mile if only one passenger or 6^d per mile per passenger, if more than one passenger –

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/ and line 21 page 8/ instead of “every cwt 1/- per mile” read “every half cwt or portion of half cwt 6^d per mile”

Minutes of Council Meeting held Jan^y 23rd 1880

Present C^r Humphrey /chr/ Mainland, Smith Roberts, Otterson, Townsend, Garland, Headland

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

A letter from the Registrar General was read asking for information to enable him to revise the estimate population of the Town viz number of Inhabited homes etc on the 1st Jan^y.

A letter from the Secretary Irish Famine Relief Comm^{ee} asking the Council to aid in the movement, Resolved that he be informed that a Comm^{ee} has been formed in Oamaru and that the money will be forwarded Home direct

Resolved that M^r M^cMurtries letter offering to pay 1/ per week for 6 head of cattle to run on Reserve F and latter from M^r A. H. Maude re selling the Reserve by auction – be ref^d to the Reserves Comm^{ee} with power to act

Resolved that M^r Thos. Kennedy have permission to transfer the lease of Section 10 block 44 to M^r Edward Atkinson also permission to M^r Jas Dunn to transfer Lease of Sec: 8 Blk 37 to M^r W^m Kerr

Mess^{rs} J. & T. Jardine wrote drawing the attention of the Council to the damage done to their Land from the Water race – The matter was ref^d to the Engineer to be remedied

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Hw. The Mayor having stated in his letter that h had seen the Hon. M^r Oliver Minister for Public Works who said that he would shortly be visiting Oamaru It was

Resolved that a Comm^{ee} be appointed consisting of Hw. The Mayor C^s Humphrey Headland Garland & Otterson to arrange for an interview with th Minister for Public Works to bring under his notice the many matters requiring attention

Mess^{rs} Julius & Balmer wrote forwarding Dft agreement of the arbitration between the Council and M^r Alexander Grant – Resolved that it be ref^d to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} with power to act.

The Inspector of Nuisances reported on the nuisance caused by the Lagoon in Ouse Street - It was Resolved that the Engineer be requested to suggest the best plan of removing the nuisance complained of, and the probable cost of the same.

Resolved that the Waterworks Comm^{ee} report be red^d and adopted - With refce to the survey on M^r Ross land it was Resolved that the Engineer be requested to have the work done and to keep a special record of all expenses incurred in so doing and that M^r Ross be informed that the voucher

agreed upon can be obtained at any time - It was also Resolved that the Engineer call for tenders for cutting the race thro M^r Ross land

It was Resolved that the Engineer be requested to acknowledge receipt of letter from M^r Maltby acting for Dist Engineer

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A letter from Mess^{rs} Julius & Balmer enclosing their a/c and stating their willingness to accept a voucher for the same - referred to the Finance Com^{ee}

Resolved that the Finance Comm^{ee} report be adopted.

Prop^d by C^r Roberts

Second^d by C^r Smith

That pending the extension of Gas Mains to the North Town Belt a Kerosene Lamp be erected and kept lighted on dark nights at the junction of Thames & Ouse Street

It was Resolved that the matter of erecting lamps be ref^d to the Gas Works Com^{ee} for report

Prop^d by C^r Roberts

Second^d by C^r Townsend

That the schedule to Bye-law No 10 be altered as follows; Line 14, page 8, instead of one passenger or 6^d permile per passenger if more than one Passenger and in Line 21 page 8 instead of every cwt 1/ per mile read every half cwt or portion of half cwt 6^d per mile

Carried

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Otterson

That M^r M^cLeod be re-engaged as Engineer to the Corporation at a salary of L500 per annum without private practice Three months notice on either side to terminate the engagement

carried

Prop^d by C^r Roberts

Second^d by C^r Smith

That the salary of Inspector West be L5 per week dating from 1st Feb^y

Carried

49

Notice of Motion

By C^r Headland

That the Weighbridge charges be for weighing a load in a 2 wheeled Dray or in an express 6^d and for weighing a load in a four wheeled waggon 1/-

S Gibbs

50

Minutes of Council Meeting held Feb^y 5th 1880

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Otterson, Garland, Smith, Townsend, Roberts Humphrey, Mainland, Headland

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that permission be given to M^r Jas Ayton to transfer the Lease of Section 11 Block 64 to M^r Jas Nimmo and permission to M^r W^m D. Esther to transfer th Lease of Sec: 2 Block 6 to M^r James Emslie also permⁿ to M^r E. A. Atkinson to mortgage the Lease of Sec: 10 Block 44 to M^r W^m Beattie

An application from M^r Joseph Pring for a Drivers License referr^d to the Inspector of Nuisances, with the proviso that if there were no objections thereto, the License be granted

The Secretary of the Oamaru fire Brigade wrote forwarding a resolution asking the Council to allow one of the Daymen to clean the working Plant after fires or practice

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Garland

That the request be granted

carried

A Petition from certain residents in Severn Ward with ref^{ce} to cattle trespassing be - referred to the Inspector

Mess^{rs} Connell & Clowes on behalf of Mess^{rs} J. & G. Dalgliesh calling attention to th damage being done to their crops by water flowing over their land

The Engineer stated that th matter had been attended to.

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Resolved that the account for advertising Licenses handed in by M^r Filleul / L6. 11/ be paid

Resolved that the letter from M^r J. Henry Lowe D Eng re alteration to road to Quarry Reserve in Block 4 O. D be ref^d to the Reserves Com^{ee} with power to act.

The under Sec^y M^r J. S. Cooper wrote forwarding copies of a Bill re management of Hospitals etc & asking Council to forward any suggestions

Resolved that the Convenor of the Bye laws Comm^{ee} /C^r Smith/ be requested to see the Solicitor & arrange for an early meeting of the Comm^{ee} to revise the bye.laws

A letter from M^r Hugh Ross declining to accept a Corpⁿ voucher in payment of his claim

It was Resolved that M^r Ross be paid the amount and that it be left with Hw. The Mayor & the solicitor to settle the matter

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Townsend

That immediately after the settlement with M^r Ross the Tenders for cutting the race thro' Ross' land be ref^d to the Engineer to ascertain which is the lowest tender and to accept the same provided there is no personal objection ag^t the lowest tenderer carried

M^r J. Johnston architect wrote asking for permission to erect buildings on Sec: 2 Block 6 - Resolved that M^r Johnston be informed that he has sent the wrong specifications & that until the specifications are sent in to the Engineer for his approval permission could not be given

52

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Smith

That it be an instruction to the Inspector of Nuisances that in all cases where new buildings or alterations to buildings are commenced it is his duty to ascertain whether the Council has given permission for the same and to take all necessary steps for compelling compliance with the bye-law affecting the same - carried

Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Otterson

That the matter re employing a practical mason to supervise the mixing the concrete etc at the Valve Tower be ref^d to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} with power to act

Carried

Resolved that the question of obtaining occasional clerical assistance for the Engineer be referred to the Finance Comm^{ee} with power to act.

Resolved that the consideration of the matter of Pipe Testing remain over until next meeting of the Council – the engineer to be asked to attend

Resolved that the Engineer be empowered to accept M^r R. Smarts offer of L30 for the use of the Reservoir Paddocks for 4 months

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Townsend

That the weighbridge charges for Weighing a load in a 2 wheeled Dray or in an express 6^d and for weighing a load in a 4 wheeled waggon 1/. Carried

S Gibbs

Mayor

Correct Minutes

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Special Council Meeting held Feb 10th 1880

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Otterson, Garland, Headland, Humphrey Roberts, Smith

Re Mayors interview with the General Manager of the National Bank in Dunedin

It was Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Otterson

That a telegram be sent to the Manager of the National Bank offering to deposit Crown Grants of freehold Quarry Reserve free of encumbrances and value for over L1100 as collateral security and also guarantee to strike a special water rate of 1/3 which will provide L3000 and collect same as soon as possible in consideration of the Bank paying the interest on the L25,000 Loan due on 1st March 1880 in London viz L875 - carried

Resolved that permission be given to M^r J. Lemon to erect building in Tees Street for M^r Marshall as per plans & specifications submitted under Supervision of the Engineer

Correct Minutes

S Gibbs

Mayor

54

Special Meeting of Council held Feb^y 17th 1880

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Otterson, Garland, Smith, Headland, Townsend Roberts, Humphrey

Business re Letter rec^d from the Manager of the National Bank re payment of L875 ½ years interest on L25,000 Loan now falling due in London and Special rate

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Humphrey

That M^r Kerr be written to /see Letter Book folio 270 Feb^y 17/80/

Carried

Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Headland

That a Telegram be sent to the Hon the Colonial Treasurer thanking the Government for their kind & prompt attention in offering to guarantee the payment of L875 to the National Bank carried

Re Special rate

Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Otterson

That an annual special Water rate of 1/3 in the L be levied payable one half on 1st April and the other half on 1st Sept in each year SG

Resolved that this special Meeting stand adjourned until next Thursday to consider the above proposition

S Gibbs

Mayor

55

Minutes of Council Meeting held Feb^y 19th 1880

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Garland, Smith, Townsend, Roberts, Otterson, Headland

Resolved that the Minutes of the 5th & 10th Feb^y be confirmed

Resolved that the Engineer be instructed to keep the Goal supplied with stone for the prisoners to break.

A Letter from Mess^{rs} Caygills Gibbs & co with copy of cablegram to Caygills Joachim & co re altering date of payment of the Interest Coupon.

Resolved that permission be given to Mess^{rs} Robert & Barker to erect a barbers Pole in front of their premises in Thames Street – under superⁿ of the Inspector of Nuisances

A letter from M^r W^m Glass asking for a road to be formed to his Section 23 Blk 42 it was Resolved that the Engineer be instructed to put the daymen on for two days.

Bright Bros. & co wrote forwarding audit note for L2.17.9 claim made on the ship Hermione

A letter from M^r Patrick Ford asking for some assistance it was Resolved that he be informed that the Council regret that they are not in a position to accede to his request

Resolved that a letter be written to Mess^{rs} Guthrie & Larnach confirming the terms stated in their letter of the 10th Feb^y and they be asked to return the Corpⁿ Voucher to have the date corrected

56

Resolved that M^r Johnston have permission to erect building White Hart Hotel in Thames Street as per plans & specifications submitted –

Resolved that the Finance Comm^{ee} reports be red^d and adopted – Mess^{rs} Ferrier & Rich's a/c to be paid by Voucher

Resolved that the Reserves Comm^{ee} Reports be adopted – M^r J. Henry Lowe to be informed that the Council see no objection to the alteration proposed

Prop^d by C^r Garland

Second^d by C^r Headland

That the Waterworks Comm^{ee} report be adopted & that the question of M^r Kirkby's future employment be referred to the Waterworks after consultation with the Engineer to report to the Council carried

Resolved that M^r Burnetts applicⁿ to be allowed to cut a drain inside the Garden fence be referred to the Public Works Com^{ee} with power to act

Correct Minutes

S Gibbs

Mayor

Adjourned Special Meeting

Re Special rate etc

Resolved that this Meeting be adjourned until after the Assessment [C]

57

Special Meeting Council held Feb^y 26th 1880

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Garland, Headland, Townsend Roberts, Humphrey & M^r Balmer Corp. Solicitor

To Give the acct of Ord^y & Special rate to meet Interest of L60,000 Waterworks Loan

It was Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Townsend

That for the purpose of providing for the Interest on the L60,000 Waterworks Loan borrowed by the Corpⁿ of the Town of Oamaru pursuant to the Municipal Corporations Waterworks Act 1872 and the Oamaru Waterworks Act 1875 – the Council give notice of its intention to strike a Special rate of 1/3^d in the L on the present valuation payable in equal instalments of 7 d1/2 in the L on the 1st April and the 1st Oct. 1880. – also that notice be given that it is the intention of the Council to strike a General rate of one shilling & sixpence in the L on the present valuation payable in one sum on the 1st April next - and that a Special Meeting of the Council; be held on the 11th March @ 11 o'clock a m for the purpose of making the said Special & General rates

carried

Prop^d by C^r Mainland as an amendment

Second^d by C^r Roberts

That the General rate be one shilling in the L –

58

Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Headland

That power be given to M^r John Lawson to erect an addition of Ion to his premises at the corner of Wansbeck & Tees Streets - subject to the supervision of the Engineer

Carried

A letter from Mess^{rs} Newton & Mirams on behalf of M^r Patrick ford for payment of damages for injuries sustained by him thro fall of earth in 28 chains Tunnel

Resolved that the letter be ref^d to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} for their report

Resolved that the following letter be written to M^r Kerr the Manager of the National Bank in reply to letter of the 23rd Inst. addressed to Hw. The Mayor See folio Letter Book 284 – Feb^y 27 : 1880

S Gibbs

Mayor

59

Minutes of Council Meeting held March 4th 1880

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Humphrey, Roberts, Townsend, Headland Smith, Garland, Otterson, Mainland

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Telegram was read from Mess^{rs} Caygills Gibbs & co

“Loan all sold at hundred and four goss hope to pay National Bank fifty thousand /L50,000/ 17th March”

It was Resolved that Mess^{rs} Caygills Gibbs & co be thanked for the very satisfactory manner in which the Loan has been floated

A Letter from the Town Clerk Ch: Ch: Boro council enclosing a resolution re The position of Sunday trading - it was

Resolved that the letter be acknowledged & informed that the Council cordially agree with them & will be very happy to co-operate in endeavouring to get a Act passed

A letter from M^r Sumpter enclosing a letter addressed to him by M^r H. Connell re claim for land taken from Secs 71-72 & 101 Block III Papakaio for Waterworks purposes

It was Prop^d by C^r Headland

Secd^d by C^r Townsend That M^r Connell be informed

That this Council being exceedingly anxious to have the various land claims in connection with the Waterworks finally settled would be glad if M^r Connell w^d with the least possible delay forward a complete list of all the land taken for the works whether paid or unpaid, with the amount agreed upon in each case, or where no agreement has been come to, the amount demanded and the amt offered

carried

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It was also Prop^d by C^r Otterson

Second^d by C^r Smith

That M^r Sumpters letter be ref^d to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} and that they confer with M^r Connell and the Engineer & bring up a report at next Ordinary Meeting of all Land claims settled or unsettled

carried

Resolved that a letter be written to the Survey Department enclosing whole of correspondence between M^r Arthur chf Surveyor Dunedin & the Corporation re Survey of Municipal Endowment at Marawhenua

A letter from the County Council asking for permission to be allowed to remove about 500 cubic yards of clay from the hill on the street – live between Thames and Derwent Streets It was

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Roberts

That permⁿ be granted provided no injury is done to the Road or the Sections
& under the direction of the Engineer - The cutting to be left in a safe state carried

Resolved that permission be given to M^r Tho^s Proctor to transfer the Lease of Sec: 2 Blk 67 to M^r James Howard

Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Otterson

That M^r J. I. Anderson's tender to supply kerosene @ 2/4 per gall /D / be
accepted carried

A letter from the Inspector of Nuisances re plates for Dog collars It was Resolved that the matter be left with the Inspector of Nuisances with power to act

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Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Humphrey

That the Waterworks Comm^{ee} report be accepted carried

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Smith

That the Public Works Comm^{ee} report be adopted carried

Prop^d by C^r Roberts

Second^d by C^r Smith

That the Finance Comm^{ee} report be adopted carried

Prop^d by C^r Smith

Second^d by C^r Humphrey

That the Engineer be requested to have all works under contract measured
up to date also estimate of sum required to complete the whole works - such statement to be
prepared for next ordinary Meeting carried

Resolved that a statement be prepared by the Finance Comm^{ee} of the total indebtedness of the Corpⁿ on a/c of the Waterworks

Prop^d by C^r Otterson

Second^d by C^r Garland

That the engineer be instructed to call for tenders under three separate contracts for laying the Pipes in the Town - Tenders to be in by next ordinary meeting carried

Correct Minutes

S Gibbs

Mayor

Notice of Motion

By C^r Roberts

That 2 Fire Inspectors be appointed for the Boro'

62

Special Meeting held March 11th 1880

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Otterson, Smith, Mainland, Headland Roberts, Humphrey

Business to make Special & General Rates etc etc

Resolved that a Special Rate of $1/3^d$ in the L be now made on the present valuations payable in equal instalments of $7^d 1/2$ in the L on the 1st April & the 1st Oct 1880 for the purpose of providing Interest on the L60,000 Waterworks Loan

Resolved that a General Rate be now made of one shilling & sixpence in the L on the present valuation payable in one sum on the 1st April next –

Prop^d by C^r Otterson

Second^d by C^r Roberts

That all the Pipes be [r y] and any that have been cut or in the opinion of the Engineer require further testing shd be tested by Hydraulic pressure under the superintendence of an Inspector to be appointed salary 70/ p^r week carried

Resolved that M^r Hardy have permission to lay dow glazed pipes under the footpath in Wear Street – provided they are to be used for carrying off surface water only

Resolved that permission be given to the First Oamaru Permanent Building Soc^y to transfer the Lease of Sec 12 Block 28 to Miss Bridget Crowe

Correct Minutes

S Gibbs

Mayor

63

Minutes of Council Meeting held March 18th 1880

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Otterson Mainland, Smith Headland, Roberts Humphrey, Townsend

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

A letter from M^r J. Harwood asking for permission to deposit earth on the steep bank of Yare St opposite Section 2 Block 67 – Resolved that permission be granted under supervision of the Engineer

Resolved that the Engineer be instructed to furnish M^r Markham with levels of Thames St opposite Sections 15.16 Block 4

A letter from the Colonial Secretary announcing that L357. 13. 6 bal^{ce} of subsidy and L9. 7 bye law Penalties had been placed to the credit of the Corporation in the National Bank

Prop^d by C^r Smith

Second^d by C^r Humphrey

That 1 weeks leave of absence be granted to M^r Gilmore carried

A letter from Anderson & co offering a cargo of Greymouth Coal /215 Tons/ from the Coal Pit Heath Co^y @ 33/ p^r Ton delivered at the Gas Works Siding - referred to the Gas Works Comm^{ee} with power to act

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A letter was read from the Secretary Hospital Comm^{ee} asking for suggestions or recommendations with reference to the Hospital & charitable Institutions Bill - referred to the Legislative Comm^{ee} for report

Resolved that M^r I. E. Clarke be informed that the Council are not at present in need of an Inspector of Works

A letter from the Manager of the National Bank re hypothecating Special rate Resolved that it lie on the table

Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Garland

That the Engineers report be refer^d to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} with power to act carried

Resolved that the Inspector of the Police for the time being be recommended to the Governor to be appointed Fire Inspector of the Town.

Resolved that Mess^{rs} Williams & Bentley's tender for carting Pipes @ 3/ p^r Ton be accepted

Resolved that Mess^{rs} Baracloughs & Walsh tender for No 1 Pipe laying contract L871 – 11. 2 be accepted on condition that they forward a marked cheque for amt. of their deposit, and that they agree either to find [] to the satisfaction of the Council or agree to a detention of 25% on all work done until completion of contract

Resolved that Mess^{rs} A & T. Burts tender of L1061. 6. 8 for "No 2 Pipe laying contract" be accepted

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Resolved that A & T. Burts tender of L765. 19. 3 for "No 3 Pipe laying contract" be accepted

Resolved that the Statement of Liabilities submitted by the Finance Comm^{ee} be received

Resolved that M^r Connells report & statement be referred to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} for their report

Resolved that the matter of calling for tenders for repairing the Water race be left with Waterworks Comm^{ee} with power to act

Correct Minutes

S Gibbs

Mayor

66

Special Meeting held March 25th 1889

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Otterson Mainland, Smith, Headland, Townsend Roberts, Humphrey

Re No 1 Contract for Pipe laying

Resolved that Mess^{rs} Barraclough & Walsh offer to take up No 1 Pipe Laying Contract for L1071 be accepted

Resolved that the clerk be instructed to advertise that the Vouchers will be paid on & after March 30

The following was written on a piece of paper pasted on this page

Mess^{rs} Barraclough & Walsh

Offer to take up No. 1 Pipe Laying Contract for L1071 –

Having made mistake in calculation in original Tender ---

W^m Barraclough & Walsh

25/3/80

With

Extension money of 25 p^r st

S Gibbs

Mayor

67

Minutes of Council Meeting held April 1st 1880

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Otterson, Smith, townsend, Roberts, Humphrey Mainland, Headland, Humphrey

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that M^r T. J. Bradbury have permission to transfer the Lease of Section 15 Block 71 to M^r John Black

Prop^d by C^r Roberts

Second^d by C^r Humphrey

That the plans submitted by M^r J. Lemon of a stone addition to M^r Familtons premises in Thames Street be approved of carried

M^r J. C. Gilchrist wrote requesting th Council to fence the race thro' his property in Block I Papakaio a similar request from M^r J. Gibson the Lessee –

It was Resolved that the letters be referred to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} to report

A letter was read from M^r J. Anderson of Ch: Ch: acknowledging receipt of a cheque for L12000 on a/c of Pipe Contact

A letter from M^r Samuel Crawshaw applying to be appointed Inspector of the plumbers work at the Waterworks

It was resolved that the matter of Pipe inspecting be referred to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} with power to act

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A letter from Mess^{rs} Bright Bros & co of Dunedin requesting settlement for Blasting powder supplied by them to the late M^r J. Henderson and for the Stone breaker

It was Resolved that the acct for the stone breaker be paid and the claim for the powder be ref^d to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} for report

An order was read from M^r W^m Eadie to pay M^r Henry Aitken L40 due to him as mortgage of M^r Peattie's property – referred to the solicitors

A letter was read from the Surveyor General informing the Council that the department could not refund the amount paid by the Council for the Survey of the Municipal Endowment at Marawhenua

Resolved that the matter of preparing the Oamaru Creek for the overflow from the Waterworks be referred to the engineer for report

Prop^d by C^r Smith

Second^d by C^r Roberts

That Two Kerosene Lamps be erected between the North Otago Hotel and the Town boundary

It was Prop^d by C^r Otterson as an amendment

Second^d by C^r Mainland

That the matter be held over for the present carried

Resolved that the Waterworks Comm^{ee} report be adopted

Resolved that a Special Meeting of the Council be held on Thursday net @ 4 o'clock pm

To open Tenders for the Waterworks

Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Mainland

That the Waterworks Comm^{ee} by specially instructed to confer with the Engineer and see what reductions can be made in the matter of Wages & Salaries and that it be a special instruction to the Engineer that no contracts however small be let nor men employed without the authority of the Council or Waterworks Committee carried

Resolved that the attention of the Engineer be called to the fact that M^r Walter Knight has not been debited with the cost of cement which he destroyed, and that the same is to be deducted from the next progress payment

Resolved that Councillor Roberts be requested to act as Honorary Paymaster during the completion of the Waterworks

Resolved that the Engineers attention be called to the item of L97-17 for road making which is included in Wallaces voucher and that he be requested to report to the Council in reference to the matter

Resolved that M^r Day's a/c be referred to the Waterworks Comm^{ee}

Resolved that the remainder of the Finance Comm^{ee} report be adopted

Resolved that the matter of the Land needed for the Water race not arranged for to date be referred to M^r Calcutt for settlement

Correct Minutes

S Gibbs

Mayor

70

Special Meeting held April 8th 1880

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Otterson, Smith, Headland, Tonwsend Roberts, Humphrey, Garland

Tenders for finishing Race from 8 to 18 (m) - 12 (ch:)

Prop^d by C^r Otterson

Second^d by C^r Humphrey

That M^r Thos Flahertys tender of L876.12. be accepted subject to his signing the bond as p^r the terms of the specification except that he shall not be responsible for any damage caused by flood unless the same be caused by his own default carried

Tenders for Pitching at Reservoir

Resolved that Pat. Mullins tender @ 1/4^d ½ p^r be accepted

Tenders for Carting Timber

Resolved that Peter Dooley's tender @ 1/4^d p^r 100 feet be accepted

Tenders for Fencing

Prop^d by C^r Roberts

Second^d by C^r Townsend

That M^r Hugh M^cLaren's tender @ 5/5 be accepted carried

Resolved that a list of Land claims which are arranged for be sent to the solicitor with instructions to get deed prepared at once and that he be informed that the necessary tracings can be procured at the Engineers office on application

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Notice of Motion

By C^r Otterson

That at next meeting he will move that this Council will take legal advice as to the advisability of adopting the whole of the "Municipal Corporations Act 1876"

Correct Minutes

S Gibbs

Mayor

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Minutes of Council Meeting held April 15th 1880

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Otterson, Mainland, Smith, Townsend, Roberts Humphrey, Headland, Garland

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

A letter from M^r George Amos re nuisance caused by stench from drain near Northern Hotel

Referred to the Public Works Comm^{ee} with power to deal with the same

Resolved that M^r W. H. Barnes letter re his tender be received

A letter from M^r J. Markham asking to be allowed to remove building in Section 16 Block 4 to within 18 or 20 feet of the footpath

Resolved that permission be granted

A letter from Mess^{rs} Newton & Mirams making a claim on behalf of M^r Thos. Wheeler for L20 damage sustained by his mare getting bogged in a trench cut for the water pipes at crossing from Ouse Street into Thames Street

Resolved that Mess^{rs} Newton & Mirams be informed that the Council do not consider themselves responsible for any damages

A letter from the Manager of the Ardgowan & Totara Estates asking to be furnished with a tracing showing the land required by the Council on the Ardgowan Estate –

It was resolved that the Engineer be requested to furnish the same

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A letter from M^r Francis Fulton re the arrangement made by M^r H^y Connell to supply a 2 inch Iron pipe of water for ever free of cost for the land required for the water race thro' Sections 116 & 125 Block III Papakaio

It was Resolved that the mater be handed to M^r Connell to settle and M^r Connell be informed that on no account can the Council grant a pipe or pipes of water as payment or part payment for any land taken, but the Council authorise M^r Connell to negotiate for the payment of the land referred to in money at a price not exceeding that already agreed upon in case no pipe was given

A requisition was read from a number of residents living within one mile of the North Town boundary asking that a main be laid and that water be supplied to them on the same terms as to the residents of the Town

Referred to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} for report

A Circular from the Treasury enclosing a form to be filled in under Section 32 of the financial Arrangements Act 1876 and intimating that it is not to be taken as an indication that provisions will be made during the approaching Session for the payment of any Subsidy

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Humphrey

It was Resolved that the Government be informed that the Council having forwarded all their calculations of expenditure upon the continuance of the Government Subsidy, and having undertaken the construction of a most complete and comprehensive system of Water Supply involving a very great expenditure are decidedly of opinion that the loss of the Subsidy will have a most disastrous effect

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Upon the undertaking and therefore respectfully request that the Government will see fit to continue the Subsidy or make such other arrangement as will prevent the Council suffering any diminution of its Income

carried

A letter from the Christchurch Boro' Council forwarding resolutions re the proposed Bill re Charitable aid & Hospitals etc.

Referred to the Legislative Comm^{ee}

A Petition presented by C^r Otterson from residnets living in parts of Tees & Wharf Streets & Test Street drawing attention to the state of the above streets and asking that the portions mentioned may be metalled before the Winter sets in

Prop^d by C^r Roberts

Second^d by C^r Humphrey

That the petitioners be informed that the Council while admitting the necessity for the work asked for, regret that they are not in a position at present to accede to their request

carried

Resolved that the finance Comm^{ee} report be adopted

Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Otterson

That the Engineer be instructed to accept M^r Robert West's resignation and that the Engineers report be rec^d. & ref^d to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} with power to act carried

Prop^d by C^r Otterson

Second^d by C^r Humphrey

That the Council take legal advice as to the advisableness of adopting the whole of the Municipal Corporations Act 1876

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And that the matter be left with the Legislative Committee and the mover and Seconder to confer with the Solicitor and draw up a report carried

Resolved that the matter re The Camp at Papakaio be left with the Waterworks Comm^{ee} with power to act

Resolved that the matter of accepting tenders for the supply of Lime for the Gas Works be left with the Gas Work's Comm^{ee} with power to act

Re M^r Kerr's letter to Hw. The Mayor & C^r Headland chairman of the Finance Comm^{ee}

It was resolved that the overdraft be paid off and that H. W. The Mayor & C^r Headland be empowered to make written application for an overdraft on the Ordinary a/c of L5000 and ascertain rate of interest etc.

Correct Minutes

S Gibbs

Mayor

76

Minutes of Council Meeting held April 29th 1880

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Garland, Headland, Humphrey, Mainland Otterson Roberts, Smith, Townsend

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

A Petition signed by 18 ratepayers was read praying that a footbridge be erected over the Oamaru Creek at the outlet of Chelmer Street upon the road line through the Acclimatisation Reserve

Resolved that the matter be referred to the P. W. Com^{ee}

M^r W. H. Barnes wrote stating that he had los Vouchers No^s 346 & 347 both for L5. And asking that the Council w^d give him the money for them - It was Resolved that he be informed that the Council will pay him a month from date, provided he gives the Council sufficient indemnity

M^r W.H. Barnes also wrote asking why his tender for cleaning out the water race had been rejected

Resolved that he be informed that his tender was informal and that the Council are not bound to accept the lowest or any tender

Mess^{rs} Caygills Gibbs & co wrote enclosing their a/c for L576. 0. 6 for freight & goods supplied ---
Referred to the Finance Comm^{ee}

Resolved that permission be given to M^r H^y Marshall to lay glazed pipes across the footpath from
Sec. 8 Block 26 for the purpose of carrying off surplus water

M^r Peter Aitchison wrote stating that he w^d be obliged by the Copuncil finishing the fencing along
the water race on his property also by defining

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What ground the Council require underneath the fluming –

Referred to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} with power to act

M^r Peter aicheson wrote also on behalf of the George Town Cemetery Trust drawing the Councils
attention to the unfinished state of the fence along the water race –

Referred to the Waterworks Com^{ee} with power to act

A letter was read from M^r Leonidas W. Clarke with ref^{ce} to his contract

Referred to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} with power to supply the materials and report

M^r C. F. Roberts of Livingstone wrote asking the Council if they had any second hand wheelbarrows
for sale and the price

Referred to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} with power to act

M^r T. Brydone Manager of the N Z & Aust Land Coy wrote stating that he believed that an [award]
had already been made by M^r Calcutt for the 5 acres of Land on the Ardgowan Estate

Referred to the Waterworks Com^{ee} to make enquiries

M^r George Jones “Prop^r of the Evening Mail” wrote that in consequence of the many alterations in
the Bye.laws after the contract for printing an additional charge would be made

M^r I. C. Gilchrist wrote re his [] & pipes etc & also applying for payment of his land taken for the
Waterworks

Referred to the Waterworks Com^{ee} to confer with the Engineer & report and to ascertain why the
Land claims are not completed

78

Presented by C^r Humphrey

A Petition from ratepayers living in Frances Block praying that a Water pipe sufficiently large for the
supply of the inhabitants be laid

Resolved that the Petitioners be informed that the Council will take their request into consideration
at the earliest opportunity

Mess^{rs} Bright Bros wrote explaining cause of discrepancy in the act of Scrubber for the Gasn works

A letter from M^r C. Macandrew Secretary to the School Commissioners of Otago stating that the
Commiss^{rs} adhere to their former decision not to accept less than L10 per acre for the land taken for
the Waterworks Referred to M^r Henry Connell.

A letter from the Ashburton Boro' Council offering to sell a number of Pipes - consideration of letter was deferred until price had been ascertained

The Report of Sub Comm^{ee} appointed to consider advisableness or otherwise of adopting the whole of the 'Municipal corporations Act 1876"

Resolved that the report be adopted and it was decided to take the necessary steps to bring the act into operation

Prop^d by C^r Garland

Second^d by C^r Smith

That the Gas works Comm^{ee} report be adopted and that the tender of the "Oamaru Mail" for printing the Rules / viz 50 copies 35/-/ and the "North Otago times" for printing the Licenses /50 @ 12/6/ and that a charge of 5/- be made for a License carried

79

Resolved that the P. W. Com^{ee} report be rec^d and adopted – The Engineer was instructed to take the necessary steps upon the several items

Mess^{rs} Anderson & co wrote re water for Milling purposes & asking for certain information from the Council whether they can rely upon 30 horsepower or thereabouts & the charge p^r horse power

Referred to the Waterworks Com^{ee} for report

A Memo from the Engineer re Power at M^r Hargreaves It was resolved that the Mayor & C^{rs} Otterson & Headland be appointed a Sub Committee to deal with the same

The Engineer's report was read – The pgph re Collins & Browns Contract was ref^d to the Waterworks Com^{ee} - It was resolved that this meeting adjourn until tomorrow evening @ 7 ½ oclock to consider that portion of the report referring to the Pipes

Resolved that the Waterworks Comm^{ee} report be adopted

Resolved that all the accounts except those referred to the Engineer be passed for payment

S Gibbs

Mayor

Correct Minutes

80

Adjourned Ordinary Meeting April 30th 1880

Present Hw The Mayor

C^{rs} Otterson, Mainland, Smith, Townsend, Roberts Garland, Humphrey, & the Engineer

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Humphrey

That in pursuance of the engineer's proposal to lay down 12 & 15 Inch Pipes in place of the 18 inch Pipes short - Estimates he got from the contractors as to the extra cost before proceeding with the work and a report of the same be laid before the Council for its decision

Carried

Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Smith

That Hw. The Mayor be authorised to arrange with M^r Anthony Rogers for the amount of compensation to be paid him

carried

Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Otterson

That the Interim report from the Waterworks Com^e be read & adopted

Carried

Resolved that the statement of Wages in Pay sheet D & the other a/cs pointed out by the Finance Comm^{ee}, be ref^d back to the Finance Comm^{ee}

S Gibbs

Mayor

81

Adjourned Meeting held May 5th 1880

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Garland, Smith, Headland, Townsend, Roberts, Humphrey

A letter was read from the officer in charge of the Telegraph Deptmt in re stays of Telegraph Posts obstructing the footpaths and offering to make suitable alterations subject to the approval of the Inspector of Telegraphs –

Resolved that the Engineer be instructed to attend to the matter

A Memo. Was read from the Engineer re cost of alterations to the 18 Inch supply pipe

It was Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Humphrey

That the substitution of 12 & 15 Inch pipes short sent for the main supply of water from the Reservoir be sanctioned by the Council

carried

A report from the Waterworks Comm^{ee} as to M^r Gilchris's claim for compensation was adopted –

M^r Twaddles a/c for Pipe Inspector to be made up for next Meeting

With ref^{ce} to M^r Gilchris's claim it was resolved that the Mayor & C^r Roberts inform M^r Gilchrist that the Council is advised that it is illegal to grant the Water pipes and to request him to inform the Council what sum he is prepared to accept in him thereof

Resolved that the small severance piece at 17 Miles 12 Chains be bought from M^r Gilchrist at the price of L13 per ann.

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Resolved that Tenders for forming upper side of M^r M^cIntyres land about 100 chains more or less to be called for by next meeting

Post & Rails to be obtained by the Engineer from Waimate at L3-6 and L3 for 100 respectively

S Gibbs

Mayor

83

Minutes of Council Meeting held May 13th 1880

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Smith, Headland, Townsend, Roberts Humphrey, Otterson, Garland

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

A letter from the N A & Aust. Labd Coy stating that the award for the land on the Ardgowan Estate was L200 –

A letter from Cargills Gibbs & Co enclosing letters from Cargills Joachim & co with particulars re floating L50,000 Loan

A letter from the Sydenham borough Council asking for information as to the steps taken by the Council in regard to the floating of the Loan – The Clerk was instructed to supply the information

An a/c from Mess^{rs} A & T. burt for interest on L1202- 1-5 ref^d to the Finance Comm^{ee}

Mess^{rs} Bailey & Humphrey wrote asking for a reduction of the valuations on their property in Thames Street owing to a portion of it having been destroyed by fire – Resolved that a reduction of on third be allowed

Resolved that permission be given to M^r P. Nihill to transfer the Lease of part Sec: 16 Block 41 /Well Section/ to M^r W^m Cuthbert – Mason

A letter from the Dunedin Boro' Council with ref^{ce} to the question of the withdrawal of Subsidies

Resolved that the letter be ref^d to the Legislative Com^{ee} and a reply sent that the Council would be glad to co operate with other Municipalities on the matter

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A letter was read from the Secretary of the Treasury acknowledging receipt of returns also copy of resolution sent by the Council re 'discontinuance of Government Subsidies'

A letter was read from the Colonial Secretary Office, forwarding a warrant under the hand of his Excellency, appointing Inspector Thompson Fire Inspector for the Town

Mess^{rs} Julius & Balmer to be instructed to have the deeds of conveyance of the two acres of Quarry Land above Chelmer Street prepared at once

Resolved that Hw. The Mayor be requested to lift the Crown Grants for Maerewhenua Endowment & others when in Dunedin

Resolved that the Balance sheet for the year ending 31st March 1880 be adopted

Resolved that the plans submitted by M^r John Lemon of "Northern Hotel" & "Store for M^r J. Udall" to be erected in Tyne Street be approved of.

M^r M^cLeod wrote tending his resignation as Engineer three months from date /May 13th/

It was Resolved that his resignation be accepted

A letter was read from M^r Inspector Thompson calling attention to Section 19 of the "Common Lodging House Order referred to the Legislative Comm^{ee} for report

Resolved that the P. W. Comm^{ee} report recommending that a foot bridge be erected over the Oamaru Creek in Chelmer Street extension at an expense not exceeding L7-10 be adopted

The Sub Comm^{ee} appointed to consider M^{rs} Hargreaves claims reported that they had agreed to pay M^{rs} Hargreaves L10 in full satisfaction of the claim

It was Prop^d by C^r Garland

Second^d by C^r Humphrey

That the Sub Comm^{ee} report be received and adopted

Carried

The tenders for fencing upper side of Water race at the Horse Gully flume having been opened It was resolved that John Williams tender and H. J. Saunders tender @ 5/ per chain be referred to the Engineer to give the contract to either or both

Resolved that the matter of carting the post & rails be left to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} with power to act

Resolved that M^r John Bezett be appointed Inspector of the Timber work on the Waterworks the engagement to terminate on a weeks notice

Resolved that the accounts as certified to by the Finance Comm^{ee} be passed for payment

Resolved that the Mayor write to M^r Anderson requesting to be informed of the amount of his contract for the supply of the Waterworks material in Glasgow – informing M^r Anderson the reason for the enquiry and that M^r Twaddle be paid 2 ½ pr. C^t on the said amount

Resolved that M^r Dooley's a/c be paid if approved of by the finance Comm^{ee} and that Williams & Bentley's a/c be asked to send in their a/c to the Town Clerk to date exclusive of the Pipe carting contract

Resolved that the Petition to His Excellency to Governor praying that the whole of the "Municipal Corporations Act 1876" might be brought into force in Oamaru be forward to the

Resolved that the Reserves Comm^{ee} be requested to examine the Land proposed to be given to the Government in exchange for the Goal site for the purpose of ascertaining the respective values of the two sites and report fully to the Council at a special meeting to be called for that purpose on Thursday

Resolved that Mess^{rs} Anderson & co be informed that the Council hope to be in a position to supply them with water for motive power in about three months and that in all probability the charge per horse power will not exceed L15 per annum.

Prop^d by C^r Roberts

Second^d by C^r Otterson

That it is the opinion of this Council that the proposed Hospital Bill is not adapted to the requirements of Oamaru carried

Correct Minutes

S Gibbs

Mayor

Notice of Motion By C^r Otterson

That this Council do take into consideration the advisability of dispensing with the services of their Engineer and replacing him at once

87

Special Meeting held May 20th 1880

Present C^r Humphrey /chr/

C^{rs} Mainland, Smith, Headland, Roberts, Otterson Garland

It was Resolved that a Deputation consisting of C^r Humphreys, Mainland, smith & Headland be appointed to wait on the engineer to interview him in reference to reports as to his being in an unfit state to attend to his duties from the effects of drink on the 19th & 20th of May 1880

S Gibbs

Mayor

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Minutes of Council Meeting held May 27th 1880

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Smith, Townsend, Otterson, Headland Humphrey, Garland

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

A letter from M^r John Henderson of Awamoko asking for payment of his claim for land taken also that an addition piece of land had been taken / 2 roods 31 poles/ for which hi was willing to accept the same rate as for previous lot

Resolved that M^r Henderson be informed that the Council are prepared to pay him on the voucher of the assessor for the land taken from him for the Waterworks at the rate agreed upon viz L30 per acre for the land taken and a special sum of L30 for severance damage

A letter from M^r Chas. Murphy applying for a license to drive a cab – It was Resolved that the matter be left in the hands of the Inspector to deal with

A letter from the clerk of the Waitaki County Council re footbridge on the County Road at the overflow creek at Black Point etc

Resolved that the Council be informed that the matter re footbridge will be attended to as soon as possible

A letter from Mess^{rs} Bright Bros re Blasting Powder stating that 31 kegs had been delivered to the Engineer by M^r John Lemon and has not been paid for Resolved that the matter be left in the hands of Hw. The Mayor to make further enquiries

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A letter from M^r George sumpter, as agent, applying that Gas may be laid on to the Mill lately occupied by Mess^{rs} Hay & Barr and now leased by Mess^{rs} Anderson & co

It was Resolved that the matter be referred to the Gas Com^{ee} to report on

A letter from M^r John Mainland asking permission to make certain alteration to wooden building in Tees Street Resolved that the request be acceded to

A letter from the Secretary of the Oamaru Fire Brigade asking for some pecuniary help /L40/ referred to the Finance Com^{ee} for report

A letter from Mess^{rs} Hislop & Creagh on behalf of M^r Robert West urging a claim for L40. 13. 4 for wages

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Humphrey

That the matter be referred to the Waterworks Com^{ee} to confer with the Engineer & report carried

Resolved that M^r James Emslie have permission to mortgage the Lease of Sec: 2 Block 6 to M^r John Braddock of Dunedin

Resolved that permit be given to M^{rs} Townsend to transfer the Lease of Sec: 9 Blk XI to M^r James Ferguson

A letter from Mess^{rs} Anderson & co stating that the price which the Council contemplated charging for horse power viz L15 was excessive

Resolved that they be informed that the matter is still under consideration of the Council.

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M^r John Anderson of Ch: Ch: wrote stating that the Waterworks Plant Contract cost a little over L10000.

A letter from the Kakanui Road Board re transfers of pt. Sec: 42 Blk 6 Oamaru district to complete road line – Resolved that the Board be informed that the Council are prepared to carry out their original agreement as per letter dated 17th Feb^y 1879

A letter was also read from the Stone C^{oy} the Council [] agreeing to relinquish the portion of the Section required

A letter was rec^d from M^r James Kidd drawing attention to the danger to the bank of earth in Reserve from Cross Lane & above Severn Street bridge should flood water rise to it

Resolved that the report from the Reserves Comm^{ee} re Oamaru Town Lands Reserve Exchange Bill be adopted

A Report from the Engineer re Waterworks was received

Resolved that M^r Grants award be paid

Resolved that the matter of Leasing the Sections in Block 95 & other Sections be referred to the Reserves Com^{ee} for report

Resolved that the Engineers attention be called to the present state of the Pipe Stacks

Resolved that the accounts as certified by the Finance Com^{ee} be passed for payment excepting Collins & Brown a/c ref^d to the Waterworks Com^{ee}

Resolved that the Finance Com^{ee} report re wages be adopted viz Hiddleton to be paid 8/ per day

Patterson	7/6 “ “
Steward	48/ p ^r week

Correct Minutes J W Humphrey Chairman

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Special Meeting Held June 4 1880

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Otterson, Headland, Garland, Mainland, Smith Humphrey, Townsend

Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Otterson

That Hw. The Mayor be authorised to engage the services of M^r Higginson C E to report on the cost to finish the waterworks and that Hw. The Mayor & C^r Mainland together with the members of the Waterworks Comm^{ee} be a Committee to go over the works along with the Engineer
carried

Prop^d by C^r Otterson

Second^d by C^r Garland

That M^r Dawes letter be accepted as a guarantee for the payment of Vouchers No 346 & 347 each of L5. on his putting the necessary stamp to the same

Carried

Resolved that the Inspector of Nuisances letter stand over until next meeting

J. W. Humphrey

Chairman

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Minutes of Council Meeting held June 14th 1880

Present C^r Humphrey /chr/

C^{rs} Mainland, Townsend, Smith, Otterson, Headland

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Otterson

That the matter of M^r J. Hendersons /Awamoko/ claim be left in the hands of the Mayor and chairman of the Waterworks Comm^{ee}, with power to act carried

M^r James Markham wrote asking that the valuation of his property Sections 15 and 16 Block IV might be reduced, the buildings /The Queens' Hotel/ having been destroyed by fire It was

Resolved that a reduction of one-third be granted

M^r J. Johnston wrote requesting to be released from his lease of Section 4 Block 95 Thames St

It was Resolved that he be informed that the Council cannot entertain his request

M^r W. C. Baudinet wrote stating that in pulling down the Northern Hotel he had taken out about 15 yards of Blue Stone rubble fit for road metal which he wished the Council to purchase, the proceeds to go against his rates ref^d to the Public Works Com^{ee} for report

M^r John Hardy agent for M^r Keenan wrote asking permission to make certain alterations & additions to timber built cottage on Section 2 Block 8 also to be allowed to erect a sign board

M^r Hardy also wrote for permission to make an asphalt crossing from Thames to Section 2 Block 8
Resolved that the letters be referred to the Inspector of Nuisances for report

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Mess^{rs} Newton & Mirams wrote asking on behalf of Mess^{rs} J. & T. Jardine, for payment of the sum of L60 damages for alleged injuries and loss sustained by them through the flooding of their land by the overflow from the Oamaru Waterworks

Resolved that the matter be referred to the Mayor & the Waterworks Comm^{ee} for report.

M^r W. J. Steward wrote suggesting certain steps to secure the issuing to the Corporation of the Crown Grants for Reserves lettered A to F and also the Municipal Sections in various parts of the Town

(A newspaper clipping has been pasted in at this point – appearing to be a copy of the above mentioned letter)

It was Resolved that the letter be referred to the Legislative Committee for report

Mess^{rs} Julius & Balmer wrote stating that the Council had not the power under the Common Lodging-house Ordinance to make regulations with regard to music and dancing

The Inspector of Nuisances reported that re Drivers of Licensed Cabs driving prostitutes etc. & ref^d the Council to Sec: 6 part 12 of the Municipal

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Corporations Act 1876.

It was Resolved that the Inspector be informed that if he can point out any driver of a licensed cab who is an improper person to hold a license the Council will on sufficient evidence bring law before them refuse or cancel such license

M^r Shrimski M H R sent copies of the following Bills "Auctioneers" Oamaru Harbor B^d Amendment Real Estate Act & Municipal Corp Act amendment

Prop^d by C^r Otterson

Second^d by C^r Mainland

That the Waterworks Comm^{ee} report be rec^d and adopted carried

Resolved that the accounts passed by the Finance Comm^{ee} be paid

Hood & Shennans a/c be paid less L4.10 re M^r Nevills a/c

The Council are of opinion that no charge sh^d be made for M^r Nevills services as the Engineer stated at the time that he was engaged and would be paid by the Engineer himself as it was for the Engineers own convenience he had engaged him

Re Engineers charge of 30/ p^r week [ing] Expenses

The Council are at a loss to understand how the amount is made up as the Council pays for all horse feed shoeing & repairs funds a buffy and pays the man who looks after the trap & horses – should the Engineer have been put to any expense for refurbishments – the Council would be happy to pay the amount so expended

Correct Minutes

S Gibbs

Mayor

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Minutes of Council Meeting held June 24 1880

Present Hw The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Townsend, Roberts, smith Headland, Otterson

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that M^r John Mainland have permission to put down glazed pipes thro' the footpath in Tees Street from Sec: 11 Block 26. under supervision of the Engineer

Resolved that the Engineers attention be called to the state of the footpaths where the service pipes have been laid and that where the specifications of contents admit, contractors be not finally paid before the footpaths are put in proper repair

A letter was read from Mess^{rs} Anderson & co stating that the rate they are willing to pay was L7-10 per h. p. or L150 p^r annum

It was Resolved that Mess^{rs} Anderson & co be informed that the offer of L7-10 as proposed cannot be entertained.

Resolved that the letter from M^r Alexander Gillespie re asking for reduction in price of Gas for large consumers - ref^d to the Gas Comm^{ee} for report

Resolved that M^r Sumpter have permission to erect buildings in thames Street on Sec: 2 Blk 24 as per plans & specifications submitted

Resolved that M^r W^m Cuthbert be paid L2 cost of erecting fence on Sec: 16 Block 41 /Well Section/

A Petition from the Cabmen asking to be allowed to have from the East side of Thames Street between

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The Empire Hotel and the National Bank as a stand Resolved that the prayer be granted for 4 months from date the hours to be from sunset to sunrise and all crossings and right of ways kept clear.

A letter from the Secretary of the Excelsior Cricket Club asking to be furnished with an estimate of the probable cost of forming cricket Ground – Referred to M^r James Kidd for the information required

A letter from the clerk to the Waitaki County Council re erection of footbridge at Black Point requesting that as little water as possible be let into the overflow creek at Black Point –

Referred to the Waterworks Committee

A letter from Mess^{rs} Guthrie & Larnach asking for payment of their a/c L22. 0. 4

Referred to the Finance Comm^{ee}

A letter from Mess^{rs} Bright Bros re [] a/c and drawing attention to their letter of the 19th May Referred to Hw. The Mayor

A letter from M^r George Sumpter on behalf of M^r R Knight asking for compensation for loss thro' trespass of horses and sheep on his property in consequence of fence being taken down

Referred to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} to enquire into the matter.

A Petition from ratepayers in Hull Street praying that the Waterpipes be continued from M^r Humphrey's

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Section to Section 23 Block 42 Hull Street

Resolved that the request cannot at present be complied with, the part referred to not having complied with, the part referred to not having been included in the original plan, and there being therefore no pipes on hand for the purpose The request will be acceded to as soon as practicable

Resolved that M^r Thos. Williamson have permission to mortgage the Lease of Section 2 Block 32 to the Trustees of the Municipal Sinking Fund.

A report from the Inspector of Nuisances was read

Resolved that the report be adopted and that M^r Hardy be informed that the Council cannot comply with his request to be allowed to make the alterations to M^{rs} Keenans premises - permission given to make asphaltting crossing provided broken metal is used

Resolved that the metal now lying in Thames Street be spread by the daymen.

Resolved that the Council sit as a Court of Revision of the Citizens Roll on Thursday July 8th @ 7-15 pm.

Resolved that the proposed new Bye-laws be published and that a special meeting of the Council for the purpose of considering them be held on Thursday 8th July 1880 at 9 o'clock pm at the Council chambers

Resolved that permission be given to M^r C. Galbraith to erect an office on Sec: 29 H B P.

Resolved that the Waterworks Comm^{ee} be empowered to deal with the Waterworks plant at the Camp Papakaio - lease expires about middle of July.

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M^r Higginsons report on the Waterworks was read and received

Resolved that the P.W & Reserves Comm^{ee} report be adopted

Resolved that the Waterworks Comm^{ee} report be adopted

The Engineers report re Waterworks was read & rec^d

Resolved that the Finance Comm^{ee} report be adopted

Correct Minutes

J. W. Humphrey

Chairman

Special Meeting July 2nd 1880

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Otterson, Mainland, Smith, Headland Townsend, Roberts, Humphrey

A letter was read from the Manager of the National Bank delivering the Councils application re L5000 []

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Smith

That the Mayor be authorised to proceed to Wellington to interview the government with the object of raising a temporary loan for the purpose of finishing the Waterworks

Carried

Resolved the Rev^d A Gifford have permission to transfer the Lease of Sec: 22 Block 91 to M^r Alex^{dr} Morrison also M^r F. H. Townsend permⁿ to transfer the Lease of Section 25 Block IX to M^r Ch. S. Allan.

Resolved permⁿ be given to M^r J. Hardy to lay down asphalting 4 ft 6 in width in Wear Street from Thames St 80 feet twds Humber Street

Correct Minutes

JW Humphrey

Chairman

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Minutes of Council Meeting held July 8th 1880

Present C^{rs} Humphrey /chr/ Otterson, Mainland Smith, Townsend, Roberts, Headland

Court of Revision of the Citizens roll

Resolved that the names appearing upon the Schedule for the four wards as submitted by the town Clerk being those of persons who have paid their rates be added to the Citizens roll by supplementary List

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

A letter from the Rev^d John Crump drawing attention to the state of the footpath between thames Street and the Wesleyan Church

Referred to the P. W. Comm^{ee} for report

A letter from M^r James Reid asking permission to erect new premises for Mess^{rs} Reid & Gray at corner of Eden and Thames Street according to plan already submitted

Resolved that the request be granted provided that the portion pointed out by the Council at a previous meeting be built of stone and not as shown in the plan as wood

Mess^{rs} Caygills & Gibbs & co wrote enclosing Westgarth circular re Waterworks Loan

A letter from Mess^{rs} A & T Burt re payment of their a/c for Pipe Laying and asking for interest at the rate of 10% - ref^d to the Finance Com^{ee}

A letter from M^r J. Anderson of Ch: Ch: sending his a/c

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A letter from the Hon: H. J. Miller stating that he would do his best with such Bills as reach the Legislature Council

A letter from M^r T. J. Henderson office of the Engineer for constructed Railways asking that the Council w^d cause arrangements to be made to provide for the supply of water to the Railway Station

and Engine shed and stating that the Assistant Engineer M^r Maltby would be instructed to see the Council Engineer on the subject

Referred to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} for report

Resolved that the Engineer be instructed to furnish M^r John Mackay with levels of Sction 12. 13 Block 93 as requested

Messrs Hislop & Creagh wrote making a claim on behalf of M^r John Smith for damages done to his property on section 101 Block 111 ref^d to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} for report

M^r W. C. Baudinet wrote stating that he would accept L3 for the Blue Stone rubble

Resolved that he be informed that the Council adhere to their original offer of L2 –

A letter from M^r Alexander Pirie requesting payment of his a/c for land and damage to Wheat crop ref^d to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} to confer with M^r Connell and to report

Resolved that the plans submitted by M^r Lemon of building of “the New Queen’s Hotel” for M^r Markham be approved of

Resolved that M^r Johnston have permission to erect building for M^r M^c Kenzie on Sec: 5 Blk 18 as per plans submitted also that the Engineer be

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Requested to furnish M^r Johnston with the levels of Nen Street

A Petition presented by C^r Roberts from ratepayers residing on the South side of Trent Street requesting that a footpath be formed etc ref^d to the P. W. Com^{ee} for report

Waterworks Comm^{ee} report was read

1st pgh – re Tenders for footbridge at Blackpoint Resolved that the Tenders be ref^d to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} with power to act.

2nd pgh re R. Knights claim for damages ref^d to Mess^{rs} Barraclough & Waqlsh

3rd pgh re reducing staff & day labor

Adopted subject to Waterworks Comm^{ee} having the power to retain those men not yet discharged so long as their services may be deemed necessary

That a man be engaged to superintend the Plumber work, salary at the rate of L3.10 p^{wk} also a man to take charge of the Reservoir salary L2.10 p^r week and cottage – adopted

Fresh instructions of duties to be prepared by the Waterworks Comm^{ee} Resolved that the 6th pgh re disposal of Plant & buildings at Papakaio be adopted

Resolved that the Nomination for the Mayoralty be held in the Council chambers on Friday 16th Instant at noon

Resolved that the town clerk be appointed Returning Officer at the forthcoming election

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Resolved that the Engineers report be received

Resolved that M^r Kidds report re cricket ground be adopted.

Resolved that the accounts signed by the finance Comm^{ee} be passed for payment

Resolved that M^r W. F. Patterson be appointed to take charge of the Reservoir works salary L2.10 p^r week & a Cottage and Samuel Crawshaw be approved store keeper & Plumber salary L3.10 p^r week

Correct Minutes

S Gibbs Mayor

1 Notices of Motion By C^r Townsend

That a sliding scale be charged for motive Power as follows

11 Horse Power L 15.

11 " & under	12. h p	L 14.10
12 " & "	13 "	14.
13 "	14 "	13.10
14 "	15 "	13.
15 "	16 "	12.10
16 "	17 "	12.
17 "	18 "	11. 10
18 "	19 "	11.
19 "	20 "	10. 10
20 " over		10

2 By C^r Roberts July 20. 1880

That a roadway about 16 feet wide be formed across the Ouse Street Lagoon

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Special Meeting held July 8th 1880

Present C^r Humphrey /chr/

C^{rs} Otterson, Mainland, Smith, Townsend, Roberts Headland

To consider Bye-laws as advertised

Prop^d by C^r Smith

Second^d by C^r Otterson

That the prepared New Bye-laws Nos XI to XXIII both inclusive having been considered by the Council, a subsequent Special Meeting of the Council be held on Thursday 12th August with a view to the adoption of the same

carried

S Gibbs Mayor

Special Meeting held July 15th 1880

Present C^r Headland /chr/

C^{rs} Otterson, Mainland, Smith, Townsend, Humphrey

It was Resolved that the following be appointed polling Booths for the forthcoming elections if necessary

Jetty Ward	M ^r Collis' store	Tyne Street
Thames "	M ^r Hardys office	Wear Street
Severn "	Oddfellows Hall	Coquet Street
High "	Grammar School	Greta Street

Resolved that the Nominations for Councillors & Auditors if necessary be held on Tuesday July 27th @ 12 oclock

Councillors Roberts & Smith having been elected Councillors for Severn Ward at the same time for the same period

It was Resolved that a Ballot be taken as required by Clause 17 of the Otago Municipal Corpⁿ Ord^{ce} 1865

It was Resolved that C^r Roberts retire

S Gibbs Mayor

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Special Meeting held July 19 1880

Present C^r Headland /chr/

C^{rs} Otterson, Mainland, Smith, Townsend Roberts

Prop^d by C^r Smith

Second^d by C^r Otterson

That the clerk write the Engineer informing him that his services as Engineer will not be required after 20th July 80 and that his salary will be paid to the 14th Aug being the expiry of his 3 months notice and that he be requested to hand all papers, plans and other property belonging to the Council to the Waterworks Committee or such person as may be appointed by the Council

carried

Resolved that the Waterworks Committee be authorised to arrange with M^r Sandison for the continuation of that gentlemans Services

S Gibbs

Mayor

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Minutes of Council Meeting held July 22nd 1880

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Smith. Townsend, Roberts, Otterson, Mainland Humphrey, Garland

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

A Telegram was read from the Town Clerk Ashburton stating that the Ashburton Boro Council offered six 9 and 12 inch Iron Pipes at present ruling prices in the London Market. with expenses added Resolved that the consideration of the telegram be held over

A letter from M^r W. C Baudinet re bluestone rubble stating his willingness to accept the Councils offer of L 2.

A letter from Mess^{rs} Sievwright & Stout on behalf of M^r Francis Fulton stating that unless the agreement is immediately given effect to, will commence proceedings against the Corporation Resolved that they be informed the Council can find no memorandum of agreement & will be obliged to being furnished with a copy

A letter from M^r. A. G. Creagh asking permission to lay a pipe under the footpath in Wansbeck Street opposite Sec. 13 Blk 37 to carry off overflow from Tanks

Granted provided that glazed pipes are used

A letter from M^r John Forrester sending an a/c L 15. For damage done to his crop by carting thro' it Resolved that he be requested to furnish particulars

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A letter was read from M^r W^m Shaw asking to be shown the boundaries of Section 20 Block 14 recently Resolved that M^r Sandison show the boundary as requested

A letter from M^r F. Patterson asking that the cottage at the Reservoir may be put in proper repair Ref^d to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} with power to act.

M^r. Alexander Pirie wrote sending copy of his agreement Resolved that he be informed that the Council have referred the matter to their Land Commiser and are writing his reply.

Resolved that M^r. Henry Connell be requested to send without delay all the original agreements re Land taken for waterworks

M^r. George Sumpter wrote on behalf of Gen^l Jones re compensation for Land – Resolved that he be informed that the matter will be attended to so soon as the Deeds are prepared

A letter from M^r. Herbert Edwards re Service Pipes Referred to the Acting Engineer – and M^r. Edwards be informed that as required by the Waterworks Act the Council will put a separate service to the building line of each house from which the service may be continued by any approved plumber M^r. Edwards may select.

M^r. Milsom wrote re his dismissal Letter read –

M^r. F. R. Bust sending an a/c for damage to his Cab

Ref^d. to Mess^{rs} A & T. Burt the contractors for Pipe Laying.

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Prop^d by C^r Otterson

Second^d by C^r Humphrey

That the Waterwork's Comm^{ee} report and appendix to same by C^r Roberts be
adopted carried

Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Headland

That the Waterworks Comm^{ee} accompanied by Mess^{rs} Otterson, Mainland &
the mover be requested to view the water race with M^r Sandison the acting Engineer to examine
and report upon the same carried

Resolved the the recommendation of the Gas Comm^{ee} that a reduction of 1/ per 1000 feet on amt
consumed over 10,000 feet provided same is paid on the 14th of each month be adopted

The following report from Hw. The Mayor re his trip to Wellington on Council matters was read

(A newspaper clipping re the trip to Wellington is pasted in here)

It was Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Smith

That the thanks of the Council be forwarded to M^r C. A. de Latour MHR
for the very valuable assistance rendered by him to the Mayor while in Wellington on the Councils
business carried

Resolved that the thanks of the Council be accorded to Hw. The Mayor for the attention given by
him to Municipal matters during his recent stay in Wellington

Prop^d by C^r Townsend

Second^d by C^r Humphrey

That a sliding scale be charged for motive Power as per his notice of Motion
of July 8th 1880

It was Resolved that the matter be referred to a select Committee consisting of C^{rs} Townsend,
Headland Humphrey & Mainland to report to a special meeting of the Council on Thursday next /July
29th/

Prop^d by C^r Roberts

Second^d by C^r Smith

That the acting Engineer estimate and report cost of making footpath thro' Ouse
Street Lagoon - Correct Minutes

S Gibbs Mayor

Special Meeting held July 29th 1880

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Smith, Roberts, Headland, Otterson, Mainland, Townsend

Prop^d by C^r Roberts

Second^d by C^r Otterson

That the following scale be charged for motive Power for 12 hours from 6 A
M to 6 pm. Price for H. P. per annum

4 h.p. to 10 h.p.	15- “ “
11 “	14. 10
12 “	14-
13 “	13 – 10
14 “	13.
15 “	12. 10
16 “	12.
17 “	11. 10
18 “	11.
19 “	10. 10
20 “ or over	10

That Special arrangements be entered into for less than

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Four horse power. That for a daily supply of 24 homes 50 per cent additional be charged : and that special arrangements be made with the Council when necessary as to time of working

Prop^d by C^r Otterson

Second^d by C^r Roberts

That a Stand Pipe be erected at the corner of Arun & Hull Streets in High Ward for the use of those persons in whose streets the water is not laid on

It was Resolved that the matter stand over for further consideration

Resolved that plumbers wishing to lay in house services in connection with the water supply should apply to the Acting Engineer for the necessary License –

Correct Minutes

S Gibbs Mayor

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Special Meeting Aug: 2nd 1880

Present C^r Headland /chr/

C^{rs} Humphrey, Mainland, Otterson, Roberts, Snith Townsend & M^r Balmer

Re Thomas Flaherty's contract

Resolved that M^r. Flaherty be instructed to finish his contract doing all works necessary to bring down the water - any extra work to be paid for at Schedule rates – such extras to be done only when instructed by the Acting Engineer in writing - That a Gang of men under M^r. Fraser clean out and finish the race down to meet M^r. Flaherty - That the overbys be done at once

That M^r. W. F. Patterson be instructed to finish race from Tunnel to Reservoir – get water from Grants Tunnel into Reservoir at once and cracks in Tower closed – M^r. Kirkby to oversee Flaherty's contract

That the acting Engineer be requested to ask Mess^{rs} Days & Barnes to send in tenders at once for scouring up, tarring & corking the aqueduct at Frew's Gully as per specifications to be drawn up – Tenders to be referred to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} with power to act

Resolved that M^r. John Bell be instructed by the Acting Engineer to erect the boxing between the two aqueducts at Peebles Town @ 7/ p^r. 100 feet The necessary timber to be ordered from M^cCallum & co.

Correct Minutes

S Gibbs

Mayor

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Minutes of council Meeting held Aug: 5. 1880

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Roberts, Otterson, Smith Townsend, Headland

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

A letter from M^r. John Peattie of Peebles requesting that the damage done to his property by the Waterworks be repaired by the Council & conveying a similar request on behalf of M^r. Jas. Burnett Referred to the Waterworks Comm^{ee}

Resolved that M^r. J. M^cCombe have permission to put a glazed pipe drain under the footpath in Reid Street opposite Sec: 6 Block 46 also permission to M^r. Herbert Edwards to put a glazed pipe under footpath in Tees Street opposite Sec: 4 Blk 28

A letter from M^r. George Brownlee requesting the Council to take some steps towards repairing the footpath near his property at the South End of Aln Street Referred to the P> W> Com^{ee} with power to act

A letter from M^r. John Ross owner of Section behind the Cemetery asking for road to be formed etc

It was Resolved that M^r. Ross be informed that he resides outside the town boundary and that therefore the Council cannot entertain the application

Resolved that permission be acceded to Mess^{rs} Fleming & Hedley to transfer the Lease of Section 8 Block 2 to M^r. John M^cLean of Redcastle

A letter was read from M^r. Twaddle asking for payment of his a/c – Ref^d. to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} for report

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A letter from M^r. J. Anderson of Ch: Ch: re his a/c asking that the amount of deductions may be made up for the Pipes found damaged

A letter from M^r. C. J. Moore applying for L3. 8. 4

Amt paid by him for Land Lease on Sections fronting Thames Street Resolved that his request be not entertained

A letter was read from M^r. John Robson asking the Council to erect a small bridge near [] fence Referred to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} for report

A letter from M^r. James Munro drawing attention to the bad state of part of Isis Street Referred to the Public Works Comm^{ee} with power to act

A letter from M^r. Pryde Sec^y to the Otago Education Board drawing attention to the steep cutting in Arun Street in front of the new School and asking the Council to cut away the street to its full width It was Resolved that he be informed that the Council are not in a position to undertake the work at present, but that the Council will make no objection to the Boards doing the work themselves under the supervision of the Acting Engineer

Resolved that the Reserves Comm^{ee} report be adopted

Resolved that the Waterwork's Com^{ee} report be adopted

Resolved that the Acting Engineer be instructed to remove the Camp from Papakaio at once

Resolved that the Report from the Acting Engineer be received and adopted provided the Acting Engineer feels satisfied that the erection of the Sluice Gate at George Town will have the effect anticipated

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Resolved that the Waterworks Comm^{ee} in conjunction with the Acting Engineer be authorised to procure certain Surveying instruments as recommended by the Acting Engineer

The Acting Engineer reported that the probable cost of making the footpath thro' Ouse Street Lagoon on the Northside could be L8 or 9 It was Resolved that two daymen be put on for a week to do the work

Resolved that the a/cs certified by the Finance Comm^{ee} as being correct be passed for payment

C^r Roberts submitted Bye-laws in connection with the water supply

Referred to the Bye-laws Com^{ee} for report

Correct Minutes

S Gibbs

Mayor

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Special Meeting held August 12th 1880

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Otterson, Headland, Smith Roberts, Humphrey, Townsend

Business

To confirm & adopt the Proposed Bye-laws No XI to XXIII etc

A Petition was presented by C^r Headland from 19 ratepayers asking that the final settlement of the New Bye-laws be postponed until the end of the present month and asking that the Bye-laws may be reprinted & distributed Resolved that the Petition be received

Prop^d by C^r Roberts

Second^d by C^r Otterson

That the schedule of the [nine] arrear at the end of Bye-law No XIII be altered to The whole of Blocks numbered 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 23. 24. 25 26 & 95

Sections 1 to XI both inclusive Block VIII

Sections 1 to V both inclusive in each of the following Blocks –

10. 10.11. 12. 13. 14. 15. 16. 17. 18. 19. 20. 221. 22

Sections 12 to 16 both inclusive Block 27 and the whole of the Harbor Board Blocks

Resolved that the words “from the Council” be inserted after the word “petition” in Section XI Bye-law XII and that the word “loaded” be inserted after the word “any” in Section 21 Bye-law XXI

Section 26 Bye-law XXI - That all the words after the word “place” in 4th line be struck out and the words “within the Borough” be substituted

Resolved that Bye-law No XXIII re [Bagnan] be struck out

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Sec: 44 Bye-law XXI

Resolved that it be altered to rate chargeable for weighing in a vehicle having two wheels only or in an Express 6^d –

Rate chargeable for weighing in a four wheeled wagon one shilling.

Resolved that subject to the forgoing alterations Bye-laws Numbered XI to XXII be adopted for the Borough of Oamaru and the Council by this Special order confirm them /

Resolved that the sum of L 10,000 be borrowed on Debentures @ 6 p^r. c^t p. ann: Interest in order to repay the Liabilities of the Borough on Waterworks a/c at the date of the “Municipal Corporations Act 1876” being brought into force in the Borough and that a Sepecial rate of sixpence in the L be pledged as security for the said Loan and that a special Meeting be held on Thursday 16th day of September to confirm the said Resolutions @ 7.15 pm

(a newspaper clipping of the above information pasted in here on this page)

Resolved that the Nominations of Councillors be held on Wednesday 1st Sept 1880 @ 12 o'clock
& the election on Thursday 9th September

Resolved that the following be appointed Polling Booths for the forthcoming elections

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Jetty Ward	-	M ^r . Collis store	Tyne Street
Thames	"	M ^r . Hendrys office	Wear
Severn	"	Oddfellows Hall	Coquet
High	"	South School	Greta

Resolved that the following gentlemen be appointed Returning officers for the forthcoming elections

James F. Crawford	for	Severn Ward
W ^m . Edward Dansey	"	Thames
W ^m . Spain	"	Jetty
Thomas Ferens	"	High

To be paid L1 -1 each

Correct Minutes

S Gibbs

Mayor

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Aug: 19. 1880

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Mainland, Smith, Townsend, Roberts, Humphrey Headland

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

A letter was read from M^r. P. Mullin stating that he had finished the laying of the pitches at the Reserves that there was a considerable amount needed to finish it & offering to find pitches and deliver them for 8/ per superficial yard

Ref^d to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} with power to act

M^r. James Udall wrote asking for permission to make a right of way to his new premises in Tyne St Granted provided that the same is either metalled or asphalted and that drays are not allowed to stand on the footpath.

A letter from M^r. D. Borrie re Waterpipes and asking the Council to appoint some one to meet him on the ground so as to point out where he requires the pipe put

Referred to the Waterworks Com^{ee} for report

A letter from Mess^{rs} Millington Bros re alleged damage to his crops by water overflowing from the water race and asking the Council to appoint assessors to estimate the damage

Resolved that the Mess^{rs} Millington be informed that the Council do not consider that they have any claim against the Corporation

M^r. L. W. Clarke wrote re his contract etc sending a claim for L 197 for work done by others but belonging to his contract Ref^d to the Waterworks for report

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A letter from the Town Clerk, Dunedin asking for information re rates, and of valuation & price paid for Gas

It was Resolved that the Town Clerk be requested to supply the information and that he write for similar information from Dunedin, Invercargill, Timaru, Ch: Ch: Ashburton, Wellington, Nelson New Plymouth, Wanganui, Auckland

A letter was rec^d from the Colonial Secretary announcing that the Town of Oamaru had by proclamation in the Gazette been declared a Boro' under the "Municipal Corporations Act 1876" in compliance with the prayer of the petition of a number of ratepayers

Six Tenders for the erection of a bridge to Valve Tower were opened & It was Resolved that the consideration of these tenders be remitted to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} and the Acting Engineer with directions for considering the advisableness or otherwise of curtailing the proposed length of the bridge and making other alterations as they may think necessary to advise the cost of the same

Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Mainland

That the Waterworks Com^{ee} report be rec^d. & adopted

Carried

Resolved that the Finance Comm^{ee} report be adopted with this amendment

That the Fire Brigade plant be taken over by the Council and that C^{rs} Headland, Smith & Humphrey be a fire Brigade Comm^{ee}

Resolved that M^r. Flaherty's a/c contract a/c be ref^d. to a Special Comm^{ee} consisting of C^{rs} Headland, smith & Humphrey

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Resolved that the Reserves Com^{ee} report be adopted

Resolved that the solicitors be instructed to have the conveyance at once completed of the two acres of blue stone Quarry, at the head of Chelmer St opened to be purchased thro' M^r. C. S. Allen

Resolved that a Special Meeting be called for next Thursday to consider proposed waterworks by-laws

Correct Minutes

S Gibbs
Mayor

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Special Meeting held August 26th 1880

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Otterson, Mainland, Smith, Headland, Townsend Humphrey

Re Waterworks Bye-laws

The Draft Bye laws having been submitted

It was Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Otterson

That clause XI be struck out carried

Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Otterson

That instead of clause XII part of Section 249 M. C. Act 1876 be embodied as follows

Water supplied for the use of Railways, Manufacturies Machinery, public Baths & wash houses, Breweries Chemical works be deemed to be an extraordinary supply carried

Resolved that clauses 14. 19. 20. 22. 23 & 24 be struck out

Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Otterson

That clause 253 of the M C. Act 1876 be embodied carried

Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Headland

That Mess^{rs} D & J. Hay be informed that the Council have not finally fixed the rates but think that in their case the charge would be from L10 to 15

Carried

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Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Headland

That Mess^{rs} Hislop & Creagh be written to and informed that the matter of M^r. Maguires claim is under consideration of the Council and will be attended to

Carried

Resolved that the letter from the Acting Engineer re Instruments stand over and his letter re Horse & Dray for the Waterworks be ref^d to the Waterworks Comm^{ee}.

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Smith

That the Finance Comm^{ee} be empowered to issue vouchers to those requiring them carried

Prop^d by C^r Humphrey

Second^d by C^r Otterson

That the matter of a demonstration on the opening of the Waterworks be left with the Waterworks Comm^{ee} with power to make arrangements & that His Worship the Mayor be asked to proclaim a half holiday carried

Correct Minutes

S Gibbs

Mayor

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Sept 2nd 1880

Present Hw. The Mayor

C^{rs} Smith, Headland, Townsend, Roberts Otterson

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

A letter was read from the Way & Works Department Dunedin asking what rates the Council intend charging per h. p. for Water Engines

The Clerk was instructed to supply the information

Prop^d by C^r Smith

Second^d by C^r Otterson

That permission be given to M^r. Cagney to erect a Verandah in front of his premises in Thames Street as per plans submitted & provided that none of the ornamental & other work of the Verandah be less than 8 feet above the footpath

The work to be done under the supervision of the Engineer carried

Resolved permission be given to M^r Jas. [Menzies] to transfer the Lease of Sec: 2 Blk 91 to M^r. Thomas Jenkins

Resolved that the offer of Cap^{tn} Paterson of the Isabella Anderson to supply a cargo of Greymouth hut Coal to be delivered in Trucks at the Gas works siding @ 34/6 p^r. Ton cash on delivery be accepted.

Resolved that the Manager of the Nat Bank be informed that the Council agree to the terms mentioned in his letter of the 28th Inst with the exception of pgh 1 thereof which they agree to on the following modified form

Viz 1 Rates & Rents to be collected & paid into

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The Bank for the purpose of meeting the Coupons as they arrive and to pay current working expenses of the Council

Answers were read from

The following Boroughs in reply to

Circular sent to them by this Council re rates, valuation & price p^r 1000 ft of Gas

Timaru, Dunedin, Christchurch, Invercargill Ashburton

Resolved that the report from the Acting Engineer re Waterworks be received

M^r. Maguires claim of L 24.11.4 for quarrying stone and dressing pitchers was ref^d to the finance Committee with power to authorise payment if found correct

Resolved that the Waterworks Comm^{ee} report be adopted

A letter from Mess^{rs} Barraclough & Walsh re payment of their a/c – It was Resolved that they be informed that they will be paid as soon as the Council are in funds and that the Council hope that they will be in that position about the 20th Instant

Resolved that the Finance comm^{ee} report be adopted / M^r. P. Dooleys & D. Shaws a/c ref^d to the Waterworks Com^{ee} for report – the other a/cs to be paid when in funds

Resolved that the report from the Special Comm^{ee} appointed to consider the circumstances respecting M^r. Flaherty's Contract was adopted

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Resolved that the report from the Fire Brigade Comm^{ee} requesting the Captain to hand to the Council a list of the plant was adopted

Resolved that a special meeting of the Council be held on Thursday 16th Instant for the purpose of considering the proposed Bye-laws relating to Water supply and that the by laws be published with notice of the Meeting

Resolved that a vote of thanks be tendered to the Hon. H. J. Miller & Robert Campbell MLCs and to Mess^{rs} Shrimski & Jones MHR's members for the district for their services in carrying thro' Parliament the Bill for the additional Loan for completing the Waterworks.

Correct Minutes

S Gibbs

Mayor

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Minutes of Council Meeting held Sept: 16th 1880

Present H W. the Mayor

C^{rs} Spence, Sutton, Blair, Hardy, Proctor, Smith Headland, Townsend, Hassell, deLatour

Special - Business – to confirm resolution adopted at a special meeting held on the 12th August last re borrowing L10,000 to complete the Waterworks

It was Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Smith

That having considered the following resolution adopted at a Special Meeting held on the 12th August last viz

“That the sum of L10,000 be borrowed on debentures in order to repay the Liabilities of the Borough on Waterworks account at the date of the Municipal Corporations Act 1876 being brought into force in the Borough; and that a special rate of sixpence in the pound be pledged on security for the said Loan “ The Council hereby confirm the same carried

Prop^d by C^r Proctor

Second^d by C^r Blair

That Hw. The Mayor be requested to proceed to Wellington to use his best endeavours to obtain the Loan of L10,000 from the Govt Life Insurance fund carried

Prop^d by C^r Spence

Second^d by C^r Hardy

That the proposed Bye-law XXIII re Water supply be remitted to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} to revise also the letters rec^d from M^r. Conyers Com^r of Railways & Mess^{rs} Anderson & co be ref^d to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} carried

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General Business.

Resolved that the Minutes as read be confirmed

Resolved that permission be given to M^r. George Grant on behalf of M^r. Otterson the lessee of Sec: 8 Block 43 to place a Glazed pipe under the footpath for the purpose of carrying off surface water

Resolved that permission be granted to M^r. Lewis Morton to transfer the Lease of Sec: 20 Block III to the Bank of New Zealand also to M^r W Shaw to mortgage Sec: 14 Blk 20 to M^r. George Sumpter

Resolved that permission be given to M^r. J. Lemon to construct a 6 in Glazed pipe drain from the New Northern Hotel into the Sewer in Tyne Street provided that it is to be used for carrying Surface Water only. The work to be done under the supervision of the Acting Engineer

Resolved that M^r. Lemon have permission to erect a building for M^r. Townsend on Sec: 22 Blk 2 as per plans submitted also to erect building for M^r. Sumpter on Sec: 3 Blk 6

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Spence

That the Sec^y for the amateur Entertainment in aid of the funds of the Oamaru Fire Brigade be informed that the Council will have much pleasure in acceding to his request

carried

Resolved that M^r John Frews claim of L10.10 be ref^d to the Waterworks Comm^{ee}

Resolved that M^r. Fred^k Watling have permission to lay down a box drain in the channel in Ribble Street for a crossing to his Section

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Resolved that Mess^{rs} Barraclough & Walsh's letter be ref^d to the Finance Comm^{ee}

A letter was read from the Treasury announcing that L 6.16 had been placed to the Councils credit for Bye law Penalties etc

Resolved that the Acting Engineer be requested to furnish M^r Samuel Rusbatch with the boundaries of Sec: 22 block 14 as requested

Resolved M^r O'Meaghers letter on behalf of M^r Thos Flaherty be ref^d to the Waterworks Comm^{ee} to report

Resolved that the Acting Engineers report re Waterworks be received

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Smith

That the a/cs as read be passed for payment

carried

Prop^d by C^r Townsend

Second^d by C^r Smith

That the Mayors honorarium be at the rate of L100 p^r. annum and that the Council regret that their financial position would not admit of their increasing that amount

Carried

Prop^d by C^r Headland

Second^d by C^r Townsend

That the Mayor be a member of all committees – there to form a quorum in each case

carried

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Resolved that the several Councillors be appointed members of the Several Committees as under

Finance committee – C^{rs} Smith /conv^r/ Hardy, Proctor Blair, Sutton

Public Works, Reserves & C^{rs} Proctor /conv^r/ Hardy, deLatour Otterson & Sutton

Buildings Committee

Gas Committee C^{rs} Headland /conv^r/ Spence, Townsend Blair &

Bye-laws & Health Comm^{ee} C^{rs} De Latour /conv^r/ Hassell Smith, Otterson &

Fire Brigade Comm^{ee} C^{rs} Hassell /conv^r/ Blair, Headland, Smith Otterson

Prop^d by C^r Proctor

Second^d by C^r Townsend

That the cordial thanks of the Council be tendered to M^r Mainland for his long and arduous services as a Member of the Council and their regret that he has seen fit to retire from the same

carried

Correct Minutes

S Gibbs

Mayor

Notice of Motion

By C^r Spence /Sept 16 80/

That the Acting Engineer furnish the following information with reference to the maintenance of the Water race including intake and Reservoir

1 How many men are employed and rate of wages

2 How many overseers or foremen including those in permanent charge – rate of wages respectively