

Lakona Park, Md. July 12, 1892,

The Council met at 8 o'clock in the Union Chapel. Present Mayor Maris + Councilmen Crewshaw Ford + Gibbs.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and after having been concurred by inserting the following were adopted.

The Council ordered the clerk to pay Justice Condict for his services in administering two oaths to Mr Maris	\$2.00
For administering oaths to other members of the Council	3.00
Total allowance to Justice Condict.	5.00 <sup>11</sup>

also bill of C. Morrison Paper Co.

9.80

The Council then discussed the advisability of meeting in the school house.

On motion of Mr Ford, the old Committee, appointed June 28, 1892, for the purpose of securing a public place for the Council to meet, was continued until further arrangements could be made, and the committee instructed to report at the next meeting.

Mr Ford then put Mr George H. Bailey in nomination to fill the unexpired term of Enoch Maris, elected Mayor, and there being no other nominations, Mr Bailey was unanimously elected and the clerk instructed to officially notify him of the same.

On motion of Mr Crewshaw, Messrs. Ford and Gibbs were appointed a committee of two for the purpose of ascertaining whether the lower end of Oak Avenue had been deeded to the town and

if so, to further ascertain whether said street was in such condition as to warrant the Council in extending the sidewalk, on the South side of said street to the incorporation <sup>line</sup>, as asked for in a communication from Mr G. L. Spencer, owner of lots 14, 15, & 16, on South side of said street

A communication from the citizens committee was then read and on motion of Mr Ford was laid on the table.

A communication was then read from Mr James Mooney and laid on the table until the next meeting

On motion of Mr. Crenshaw, the clerk was authorized to present, at the next meeting, a list of all delinquent taxes, both Special and General.

On motion of Mr Ford the clerk was authorized to <sup>procure</sup> two bulletin boards 2x3 feet and have them placed one at the crossing of Tulip and Maple Avenues and the other at the junction of Carroll & Oak Avenues.

A resolution was then offered by Mr Ford instructing the clerk to place on the Bulletin boards the resolution above, referring to delinquent taxes.

On motion of Mr. Crenshaw, the meeting adjourned to meet in the Union Chapel on Tuesday evening July 19, 1892.

J. H. Zimmear  
Town Clerk.

P.S. the following bills were allowed at the above meeting

J. F. Sheary (C. B. Ford Manager) for printing election notices,  
 envelopes, letter heads + other small jobs \$13.50  
 U. Brainard, superintending street work, nails  
 + other odd jobs 19.10  
 F. Benjamin, Editor of the Montgomery Co. Press,  
 for publishing statement of the town's finances 10.00  
 Total \$42.60

Other bills were laid on the table.

Approved July 19, 1892 J. B. Finner  
 Town Clerk

Rakona Park, Md. July 19, 1892.

The Council met in the Union Chapel at 8 o'clock  
 Present Mayor Maris and Councilmen Gibbs, Ford  
 and Crewshaw. The minutes of the previous  
 meeting were read and approved.

Mr Ford served notice that he would call up  
 the report of the Citizen's Committee at the next  
 regular meeting.

On motion of Mr Crewshaw, the committee  
 appointed at the last meeting for the purpose of  
 investigating the title of Oak Avenue in front  
 of lots 13, 14, and 15, in Block 5, was continued with  
 instructions to report at the next regular meeting.

Committee appointed June 28, 1892, for the purpose  
 of securing a public place for the Council to meet  
 reported that they had made arrangements  
 with Admiral Calhoun to secure the  
 Union Chapel, at \$2<sup>00</sup> per night, until cold  
 weather.

On motion of Mr Ford the report was accepted and

the committee excused.

On motion of Mr. Crenshaw, the clerk was instructed to secure the services of Justice Condict at the next regular meeting for the purpose of administering the oath of office to Councilman Bailey.

On motion of Mr. Gibbs, Messrs Ford and Crenshaw were appointed a committee of two for the purpose of drawing an ordinance to make a tax levy for the year beginning July 1, 1892.

On motion of Mr. Gibbs, the bailiff was instructed to have Sligo Avenue, from the bridge to Major O'Driscoll's, repaired by filling holes with gravel.

A communication from Mr. E. H. Booth was then read in which he stated the contract of filling his yard had not been complied with.

On motion of Mr. Ford the clerk was instructed to ascertain whether said contract had been complied with, and if it had, to notify Mr. Booth that he would be expected to pay the bill in full.

On motion of Mr. Crenshaw the meeting adjourned.

Approved July 26, 1892

J. O. Kinnear  
Town Clerk

Potomac Park, Md. July 26, 1892,

The Council met at 8 o'clock in the Union Chapel.  
 Present Mayor Maris and Councilmen <sup>Crenshaw</sup> and C. B. Ford. The Clerk read the following communication which upon motion of Mr Crenshaw was ordered to be placed on the minutes.

"Washington D. C. July 25, 1892.

"To the Hon. Mayor and Council of Potomac Park, Md.  
 "Gentlemen;

"I have received the notice of my appointment to fill a vacancy in the Board Council.

"I find it impossible for me to perform the duties with any sort of regularity and satisfaction to myself and am therefore obliged to decline.

"Thanking you for the honor and with a desire to aid you in any way in my power, I remain yours very respectfully,

"Signed George H. Bailey"

Mr Byron A. Ford was then put in nomination by Mr Crenshaw, to fill the vacancy declined by the above letter and caused by the promotion of Mr Crenshaw Maris from Councilman to Mayor. There being no other nominations, the vote was taken and Mr Byron A. Ford unanimously elected.

Mr Ford was then notified of his election, by the Bailiff, and appeared in person and after having taken the oath of office administered by Justice L. Condict, took part in the business of the evening.

Mr Crenshaw moved that Justice Condict

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved

be allowed \$2<sup>00</sup> as his fee for administering the oath to Councilman B. A. Ford which motion was carried and the clerk directed to pay the same

On motion of Mr. Crenshaw the clerk was directed to obtain a <sup>copy</sup> of the last code of the state of Md.

Mr. C. B. Ford was then excused on account of illness and the Mayor appointed Mr. B. A. Ford to act on the committees of which Mr. C. B. Ford was a member.

On motion of Mr. Crenshaw the following bill was allowed

H. Brainerd for hauling lumber, furnishing nails, superintending street work and other odd jobs \$18.20

After some general discussion the Council adjourned.

Approved August 1, 1892,

J. A. Kinnear,

Town Clerk.

Nakoma Park, Md. August 2, 1892.

The counsel met in the Union Chapel at 6 o'clock, Present Mayor Maris and Counselmen Brushhaw and B. A. Ford.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The counsel instructed the clerk to see J. Owen Dorsey concerning the bill held against James Mooney for earth placed on his (Mooney's) lot.

On motion of Mr. Brushhaw the clerk was directed to obtain if possible a copy of the tax law of 1892.

The following bills were presented and ordered to be paid.

R. C. Simonds for two bulletin boards	\$2.80
George W. Jackson's bill for surveying Carroll Ave. in 1891.	7.50
Total allowance,	\$10.30

The bailiff was instructed to make such repairs on Elm Ave. as were immediately necessary.

On motion of Mr. Brushhaw the clerk was instructed to furnish the counsel at its next regular meeting, a list of all delinquent taxes both Special and General with a view of ~~and~~ taking some definite action to ~~be~~ collecting the same. The Clerk was also ordered to post the above resolution on both the bulletin boards.

Mr. Brushhaw offered a resolution calling on Mr. Geo. W. Jackson for an estimate on the cost of a map of Nakoma Park, Md. drawn on the scale of 200 ft to the inch. Motion carried

After some general discussion the meeting adjourned.

Approved Aug. 9, 1892.

J. A. Kinnear  
Town Clerk

Takoma Park, Md. August 9, 1892

The Council met in the Union Chapel at 8 o'clock. Present Mayor Morris and Councilmen B. A. Ford, Crenshaw & Gibbs.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

On motion of Mr Crenshaw the bill against James Moore for 110 yds. of earth amounting to \$6.00, was ordered to be cancelled inasmuch as Mr Moore had never ordered the earth in question to be placed on his lot and refused to pay for the same.

On motion of Mr Crenshaw, the Clerk was ordered to render a bill to Priscilla Scudder for 75 yds of earth as that appeared to be the approximate amount furnished by the Council.

On motion of Mr Crenshaw, the Mayor and B. A. Ford were appointed a special committee to investigate the electric lights and make recommendations as to the location of said lights and the number of hours they should be kept burning also to investigate the water supply by which said lights are run and make a report at the next meeting.

On motion of Mr. Crenshaw the Clerk was ordered to pay B. F. Gilbert \$40<sup>00</sup> in full for electric lights for the month of July 1892, said lights not



having been run during the whole month.

The following committees were the announced by the Mayor, viz:

Committee on Finance { A. P. Crenshaw,  
J. D. Gibbs,  
Enoch Maris.

Committee on Sidewalks + Streets { J. D. Gibbs  
B. A. Ford,  
A. P. Crenshaw ✓

Committee on Assessments { C. B. Ford, + Ba.  
A. P. Crenshaw, ✓  
Enoch Maris.

Committee on Ordinance { Enoch Maris,  
J. D. Gibbs  
B. A. Ford.

Committee on Health { Enoch Maris,  
C. B. Ford, +  
J. D. Gibbs.

On motion of Mr. Crenshaw the Mayor was instructed to obtain the written opinion of some prominent Maryland lawyer as to the legality of the proposed assessment of property in Prince Georges County lying within the incorporate limits of Takoma Park Md. and make his report at the next regular meeting.

The following bill was allowed and the clerk ordered to pay the same

N. Brainard for hauling lumber, furnishing material, Superintending street work & c. \$17.00

On motion of Mr. Gibbs, the Clerk was instructed to have tax bills printed for the fiscal year 1893.

The meeting then adjourned.

Approved August 16, 1892,

J. A. Finneas  
Town Clerk

Takoma Park, Md. August 16, 1892,

The Council met in the Union Chapel at 8 o'clock.

Present Councilmen Gibbs, Crunshaw and B. A. Ford. The Mayor not being present, the meeting was called to order by Councilman Gibbs and on motion by him Councilman Crunshaw was called to the chair for the evening.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The following Ordinance was then presented by Mr. B. A. Ford, from the Committee on Ordinance

An ordinance to provide for the levying of a tax for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1893.

Be it ordained by the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park as follows:

Sec 1. That a tax of fifty cents on each one hundred dollars of the assessed value of all real and personal property within the ~~incorporate~~ limits of Takoma Park, be, ~~do~~ and the same is hereby fixed and levied for the year ending June 30, 1893, as provided by Sec. 14, of the Act of the General Assembly of Maryland incorporating the town of Takoma Park, and that the said tax is hereby

made due and payable on the first day of September 1892, as provided by Sec. 218, of Chapter 418, of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1892.

Sec. 2, All taxes not paid on or before September 1, 1892, shall bear interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum until paid and all taxes that are not paid on or before January 1, 1893, shall be considered delinquent and shall be collected, together with all costs, by distraint as provided by the Statute of Maryland.

Sec. 3, That J. B. Kinnear is hereby appointed to make the assessment of said taxes and that he shall adopt the amount of valuation made in the assessment by the proper authorities for state and county purposes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1893, and that the said assessor shall be paid such compensation for making said assessment as the Council shall deem reasonable.

Sec. 4, That the Town Clerk is hereby appointed with full power and authority to collect and receipt for said taxes when the same shall have been paid, without distraint, according to the provisions of this ordinance.

The above ordinance was unanimously passed and numbered XXVIII.

Counselman Gibbs reported that Mr. George H. Jackson had made a proposition to survey Carroll Avenue.

Mr. Daniel O'Driscoll was given the privilege of making some remarks in regard to the conditions of Sligo Avenue and asked that said Avenue be

be repaired. The matter was then referred to the committee on Streets

On motion the clerk was then ordered to pay the following bill

E. R. Calhoun for the rent of the chapel for one month (four nights in July) \$8.00

On motion of Mr B. A. Ford the meeting then adjourned.

Approved August 23, 1892,

J. B. Kinnear  
Town Clerk

Takoma Park, Md. August 23, 1892.

The Council met in the Union Chapel at 8 o'clock

Present Councilmen Crushaw, B. A. Ford and Gibbs

The Mayor being absent, the meeting was called to order by Councilman Gibbs + Councilman Crushaw was called to the chair for the evening.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mr Gibbs from the Committee on Streets reported that some work had been done on Sigs Avenue and that said Avenue was now in good repair; also reported that some parts of Carroll Avenue needed some attention

The following bills were then read by the clerk and ordered paid.

Bill of N. Brainard for supt. street work &c \$11.40

" " John Shiry for printing tax bills 5.50

Total allowance. \$16.90

On motion of Mr Gibbs, the clerk was

instructed to notify Mr. F. W. Longley to settle up his account with the Council and turn in the balance of taxes collected by him.

Mr. C. B. Ford then tendered his resignation as Counselman which was, upon the motion of Mr. Gibbs, accepted with regrets.

On motion of Mr. Gibbs the Clerk was authorized to go in person to the town of Marlboro, Md. make such an investigation as ~~was~~ necessary for the purposes of ascertaining whether or not the town can collect the taxes ~~from~~ on property lying in Prince George's County Md. and present his bill for the same.

Meeting then adjourned.

Approved August 30, 1892,

Pastor Sept. 10, 1892.

J. B. Finner  
Town Clerk

Potomac Park, Md. August 30, 1892.

The Council met in the Union Chapel at 8 o'clock  
Present Councilman Crushaw, Ford and Gibbs  
The Mayor being absent, the meeting was called to order by Councilman Gibbs and Councilman <sup>Crushaw</sup> was called to the chair for the evening.

The Clerk made a report to the effect that he had been to Marlboro, Md. as instructed and upon investigation found that it would be impossible to put property of Potomac Park, lying in the County of Prince George's, on the tax books for the fiscal year 1893.

a verbal complaint was then made by Mr John S. Polar who requested that the Council take some immediate steps to abate the nuisance caused by allowing stagnant water to stand in a pond on Philip Avenue. The complaint was referred to Mr Gibbs of the Health Committee, who was authorized to take the necessary steps toward having said nuisance abated.

Mr Crushaw then reported that a vacancy existed in the Council whereupon Mr Gibbs put in nomination Mr Wm E. Skinner to fill the unexpired term of C. B. Ford resigned. The Chair put the motion and Mr Skinner was unanimously elected and the clerk instructed to notify him of his election and to secure the services of Justice Landier at the next regular meeting for the purpose of administering the oath of office to said Wm E. Skinner.

A bill, having been presented from Barber and Ross, for lumber purchased by the old Council, amounting to \$140<sup>00</sup> was referred to Mr Crushaw from the Committee on finance.

Bill from J. Kinnear for making tax levy &c, was presented and allowed \$32.09

In motion of Mr. J. Gibbs, Mr George W. Jackson was appointed City Surveyor of Pakenia Park, Md, without any salary.

Meeting then adjourned.

Approved <sup>Sept.</sup> August 11, 1892

J. Kinnear

Down Club

September 6, 1892, Nakoma Park Md.

The Council met in the Union Chapel at 8 o'clock. Present Mayor Mann and Councilmen Gibbs & Ford Justice C. Landiet administered the oath of office to Mr W<sup>m</sup> E. Skinner. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Committee on health reported that an investigation had been made of the pond on Pulip Avenue, which had been complained of as a nuisance, but no definite action had yet been taken to abate the nuisance.

The Mayor then made a request of the Committee on Ordinance to meet at his house one evening of the present week.

Rev. Mr. Remington made a verbal request that the Council give him permission to lay a street gutter in front of his premises and allow him the amount of his city taxes on said gutter. Referred to Committee on streets and sidewalks.

On motion of Mr J. D. Gibbs the following bills were allowed.

J. K. Inman, Town Clerk, salary for July & August 1892,	\$30 <sup>00</sup>
C. Landiet Justice of Peace, administering oath of office to Councilman Skinner (No bill rendered)	2.00
E. R. Balhoun for the rent of Chapel for the month of August 1892,	10.00
Total allowance	\$42.00

The Chair then appointed Mr Gibbs & Skinner a committee who together with the Clerk was instructed to make some arrangements

necessary for the safe keeping of the city records,

The meeting then adjourned.

Approved September 27, 1892, J. O. Kinnear

Town Clerk

Takoma Park, Md. September 27, 1892,

The Council met at 8 o'clock in the Union Chapel.  
Present, Mayor Maris and Councilmen, Gibbs,  
Crenshaw & Ford. Minutes of previous meeting  
read and approved

Finance Committee reported favorably on  
the bills of P. Mann & W. H. Sleeper, and on  
motion of Mr Ford said bills were allowed as  
follows.

P. Mann	\$28.67
W. H. Sleeper	4.25
Total allowance . . . . .	\$32.82

On motion of Mr Gibbs the committee on  
streets & sidewalks was instructed to have  
the bridge across Sligo Creek, which was re-  
ported to be in a dangerous condition, repaired  
at once: also to have gutters & road this side of  
Sligo bridge repaired.

Committee on health reported the city to  
be in good sanitary condition except for a  
one Philip Avenue.

Committee on streets were ordered to make  
the necessary arrangements for having grades  
established on Chestnut, Holly, Oak and  
Maple Avenues.

On motion of Mr Crenshaw it was



ordered that B. F. Gilbert be paid at the rate of \$75<sup>00</sup> per month from October 1, 1892, for electric lights, provided said lights are furnished, and that this order continue in effect until the Committee on lights makes its report as to the contract between the city & Mr. Gilbert.

On motion of Mr. Crenshaw it was decided to meet hereafter on the second and fourth Tuesdays in each month at 7 o'clock and that the clerk is instructed to notify each member of the Council, previous to the meetings.

The meeting then adjourned.

Approved October 11, 1892

J. K. Linnear

Town Clerk.

Sakona Park, Md. October 11, 1892.

The Council met in the Union Chapel at 7:30 o'clock. Present Mayor Maris and Councilmen Crenshaw, Gibbs, Ford & Skinner.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Committee on streets reported that the bridge across Sligo Creek had not been repaired.

On motion of Mr. Crenshaw the ordinance committee was instructed to draw an ordinance for the laying of a sidewalk in front of lots 14, 15, and part of lot 16, in block 5, fronting on Oak Avenue.

On resolution of Mr. Crenshaw the committee

on

our streets was requested to take what steps were necessary to put Dakota Avenue, near the intersection of Chestnut Avenue, in order.

The following bill was then allowed

Prof. William Newsom for the rent of Chapel  
three meetings in <sup>September</sup> August 1892. \$6.00

Bill of Barber & Pass for \$280<sup>00</sup> was referred to the  
Committee on finance

After some general discussion the  
Council adjourned to meet Tuesday Oct. 25, 1892

Approved October 25, 1892, J. D. Zimmis

Town Clerk

Takoma Park, Md. October 25, 1892

The Council met in the Union Chapel at 7 o'clock. Present Mayor Maris and Councilmen Crenshaw, Ford and Gibbs.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Committee on Ordinance reported the following ordinance.

An Ordinance to provide for laying a sidewalk on Oak Avenue in front of lots 14, 15 and ~~one~~ half of lot 16, in block 5,

Be it ordained by the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Md. as follows,

Sec. 1: That a sidewalk shall be laid on the South side of Oak Avenue, beginning on the West side of lot 14, extending across the front of lots 14, 15, and twenty five feet of the West side of lot 16, in block 5.

Sec. 2: Said sidewalk shall correspond in width with the walk already laid on said Avenue and the material used shall be well burnt paving bricks.

Sec. 3: The cost of constructing said sidewalk shall be apd, the same is hereby assessed against the several <sup>abutting</sup> lots on such sidewalk and the owners of the several abutting lots shall each pay his or her proportion of the whole cost of the same to the Treasurer of Takoma Park, within sixty days after said walk is completed, subject to the provisions and penalties for nonpayment as provided

in

in Section 13, of the Act of the General Assembly of Maryland incorporating the town of Power of Takoma Park, Md.

On motion of Mr. Crenshaw the above Ordinance was unanimously passed and numbered XXIX.

The committee on health reported the city in good sanitary condition.

On motion of Mr. Crenshaw it was decided that beginning on November 1, 1892, the Council would thereafter pay, not to exceed \$40<sup>00</sup> per month for electric lights until further orders.

The following bill was then allowed.

J. B. Kinnear, salary as clerk for September & October 1892, ~~but not to be paid until October 31, 1892~~ \$30<sup>00</sup>

Postage advanced by J. B. Kinnear, Town Clerk 2.49

Total allowance . . . . . \$32.49

On motion of Mr. Crenshaw the Council then adjourned to meet Monday November 7, 1892.

Approved November 7, 1892

J. B. Kinnear  
Town Clerk

Dakoma Park, Md. November 7, 1892,

The Council met in the Union Chapel at 7 o'clock, present Mayor Maris and Councilmen Crenshaw, Gibbs and Ford.

Mr. Gibbs from the Committee on streets reported that work was being done on Carroll Avenue.

The Committee on finance had no report to make.

There being no further reports from Committees, the following bill was presented and allowed

J. C. Cramer or Kramer \$ .65

After a general discussion in regard to the collection of taxes, the Council, on motion of Mr. Gibbs, adjourned to meet Tuesday November 22, 1892.

Approved January 10, 1893.

J. B. Kinnear  
Dum Clerk

Dakoma Park, Md. November 22, 1892.

Mr Ford + Mr. Crenshaw were present and there being no quorum, the meeting adjourned.

Approved Jan. 10, 1893

J. B. Kinnear Clerk.

Dakoma Park, Md. <sup>December</sup> November 17, 1892

As Mr Ford was the only member present, no meeting was held.

Approved Jan. 10, 1893. J. B. Kinnear

Dum Clerk

Potomac Park, Md., December 27, 1893,

No members of the Council were present, hence no meeting was held

approved Jan. 10, 1893,

J. B. Kinnear  
Town Clerk

Potomac Park, Md., January 10, 1893,

The Council met in the Union Chapel at 7 o'clock. Present, Mayor Mair and Councilmen Ford, Skuner and Gibbs.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. No reports from committees were made, except committee on assessments which reported that the sidewalk on Columbia and Poplar Avenues had been assessed at 11¢ per lineal foot and the clerk ordered to put said assessment on the book send out the bills and collect the same.

A communication was read from A. J. Leary concerning the overestimate of earth furnished to him in the Fall of 1891.

On motion of Mr. Gibbs the clerk was instructed to investigate said complaint and settle the bill for what, in his judgment, he thought would be equitable and just.

The following bills were then presented and ordered paid.

Bill of Co. Commissioner for lumber	\$47.76
" " J. B. Kinnear, two months services, November and December 1892, and passage advanced	31.52
Bill of Prof. William Fewsmith rent of chapel Oct. Nov. & Dec	15.00
Carried forward	\$94.28