

Takoma Park, Maryland, June 11, 1894.

The Council met in the Union Chapel at 7:30, p.m. The Mayor called the meeting to order and the clerk called the roll which showed the following members present, Mayor Shedd and Councilmen Clark, Dyar, Spencer, and Warren, Messrs. Finch and Skinner arrived about 8 o'clock.

The Mayor then administered the oath of office to Councilman Clark and Town Clerk J. P. Kearney, after which the minutes of the previous meeting were read and after some amendment, were approved.

Under the head of Unfinished business, Councilman Warren moved that the entire correspondence relative to the extension of the time for the payment of the unmatured bonds on the town be referred to the Committee on Finance for further investigation.

This motion was seconded by Mr. Finch and after some discussion, was unanimously carried.

Mayor Shedd stated to the Council that he had been advised by Mr. George H. Jackson who had seen the attorney for Bockerill, that if the town of Takoma Park would pay the sum of \$200⁰⁰ and apologise to Mr. Bockerill, he would withdraw the suit.

The Mayor stated further that he did not see that the town had committed any offense for which it ought to apologise, and he therefore turned over all papers in his possession to Mr. Ashley M. Gould with instructions to protect the interests of the town in the suit.

Reports of Committees,

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Mr. Skinner from the committee on streets reported that Elm Avenue had been repaired; He also urged upon the Council the necessity of opening Tulip Avenue. In addition to this he stated that he had been reliably informed that the road machine, used by the town last year, could be purchased for \$50⁰⁰. On motion of Mr. Warren, seconded by Mr. Dyar, the report was received.

The Committee on Health reported to the Council with a recommendation that the town be divided ^{into} seven districts, the centers of which would be as follows:

District No. 3. Corner of Magnolia + Chestnut Avenues.

" " 4 " " " " Oak " "

" " 5 Presbyterian Chapel.

" " 6 Log Cabin

" " 7 Corner of Carrall + Ethan Allen Avenues,

" " 8 " " Wilcox + Montgomery " "

" " 9 " " Sycamore + Elm " "

They also recommended that nine deputy bailiffs be appointed and that the Town Clerk be authorized to procure suitable badges for them.

On motion of Mr. Clark, seconded by Mr. Finch, the report was received.

The committee on finance reported that they had gone over the tax books very carefully and made a thorough investigation of all inequalities, and that the result of their work had been to reduce the original levy on what is known as the Sligo Tract, except Blocks 37 + 50, one fourth; they also recommended the ^{reduction} of the original assessment

on improvements one third the value placed on them last year, and that the rate of taxation be fixed for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1894, at 65¢ on each \$100⁰⁰ of assessable property.

On motion of Mr. Spencer, seconded by Mr. Skinner the report ^{assessment for the year beginning} was received + adopted as the ^{July 1, 1894}.

The Judiciary committee returned the bond of J. P. Kimball, Town Clerk, with their approval whereupon a motion of Mr. Clark, seconded by Mr. Finch, the report was received and the bond accepted by the Council.

The committee on Ordinance had no report to make.

New Business.

In taking up the report from the committee on streets, Mr. Dyar moved that a committee of two, consisting of one member of the Council and one private citizen of the park, be appointed to interview Mrs. Elizabeth Thornton with a view of securing the donation of the land, if possible, for the extension of Tulip Avenue from its present terminus to Carroll Avenue.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Clark and after some general discussion was unanimously carried; whereupon the chair appointed Messrs. J. A. Finch from the Council and George W. Jackson as members of said committee.

On motion of Mr. Warren, seconded by Mr. Finch, the committee on streets was authorized to purchase the road machine, used by the town

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last year, at a cost not to exceed \$50⁰⁰ to be paid from the first money available.

Mr. Spencer moved that the report from the committee on health be withdrawn. The motion was lost for want of a second.

Mr. Warren then moved that said report be laid on the table. This motion was seconded by Mr. Spencer but was afterwards withdrawn. It was then moved by Mr. Warren and seconded by Mr. Spencer that the report be referred to the Judiciary committee.

After some general discussion the Chair put the question to the Council which resulted in a tie vote, three voting for and three against the motion. The Mayor cast his vote in the negative and the motion was lost.

Mr. Finch then moved that the report of the committee be adopted. This motion was seconded by Mr. Skinner and after some general discussion was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Dyar then moved that eight Deputy bailiffs be appointed as recommended by the committee.

This motion was seconded by Mr. Clark and the following named gentlemen were appointed.

George Fleeze, J. Vance Lewis, R. W. Schufeldt, Victor Mindeloff, George St. Calvin, E. C. Blodgett and Daniel O'Driscoll, and B. L. Coover.

On motion of Mr. Dyar the question of assessment was referred to the Committee on Ordinance with instructions to draw

an ordinance fixing the levy for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1894 and ending June 30, 1895, and to submit said ordinance to the Council at its next regular meeting.

On motion of Mr. Dyar, seconded by Mr. Clark, the Clerk was directed to post notices stating that the Council would sit at its next meeting, June 18, 1894, to hear any complaints that might be made concerning the levy and assessment for the fiscal year 1895.

Mr. Warren then offered an amendment to Ordinance No. 32, in regard to the assessment of taxes upon dogs. On motion of Mr. Stimmer, seconded by Mr. Spencer, the amendment was referred to the Committee on Ordinance for their consideration and with instructions to report their action at the next regular meeting.

On motion of Mr. Dyar, seconded by Mr. Clark, Ashley M. Gould was appointed town attorney for the period of one year.

Daniel O'Driscoll being present stated to the Council that Sligo Avenue was in a bad condition and needed some repairing. On motion of Mr. Clark the matter was referred to the Committee on Streets.

On motion of Mr. Warren, seconded by Mr. Clark, the committee on health was instructed to make some arrangements about the employment of a scavenger and report at the next regular meeting.

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On motion of Mr. Finch seconded by Mr. Dyar, the Committee on health was instructed to see that the parties who are in the habit of depositing offensive matter on what is known as the Thonette tract, are prohibited from doing so again.

The clerk read a communication from the Public Welfare Association tendering the lamp on Carroll Avenue, at the Log Cabin, to the town of Takoma Park. The lamp was accepted with thanks and the Bailiff instructed to keep the same in repair and see that it is lighted.

On motion of Mr. Finch seconded by Mr. Clark, the Bailiff was instructed to haul the lumber from the old pound and stack it up somewhere on a lot to be designated by Mr. Skinner.

Mr. Warren moved that the Finance Committee be authorized to audit the books of the Bailiff and report at the next regular meeting of the Council some system of check for the purpose of avoiding errors in the collection of taxes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Spencer and unanimously passed.

The Mayor then appointed, with the approval of the Council, Messrs. J. Vance Lewis and J. J. Atwell a committee, without compensation, to audit the clerk's books.

There being no further business before the Council, it adjourned to meet Monday evening June 18, 1894

Approved June 18, 1894

J. B. Kinneer

Town Clerk.

Amendment, The report from the finance committee was adopted

J. B. Kinneer, T. C.

Takoma Park, Maryland June 18, 1894.

The Council met in the Chapel at 7:30 P.M.

The Mayor called the meeting to order and the following named persons answered to the roll call.

Mayor Shedd and Councilmen Clark, Dyar, Spencer Warren and Finch, Councilman Skinner arrived a few minutes later. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The Mayor then administered the oath of office to Mr. Ashby M. Gould as Town attorney. There being no unfinished business, reports from Special Committees were called for whereupon Mr. Finch from the committee appointed to interview Mrs. Elizabeth Thornton relative to the extension of Tulip Avenue from its present terminus, reported progress and asked that the committee be given further time in which to make a full report. Their request was granted.

Reports from General Committees.

Mr. Skinner from the committee on streets, stated that the committee had no report to make.

Mr. Dyar from Finance Committee, reported that ~~reported that~~ said committee had examined the Bailiff books and from all information that they could gather, they thought said books were correct.

The committee reported that from investigations made they found that it would be practicable for the Town Clerk to make Duplicate Tax Receipts kept in book form and the stubs to be retained. They recommended that such a system be inaugurated and that but one book be kept which

which should contain the names of all tax payers appearing on the tax book together with the valuations of property and amount of taxes; to be kept by the Town Clerk until the tax list became delinquent when said book was to be turned over to the Bailiff for his guidance in the matter of collecting delinquent taxes. On motion of Mr. Warren the report of the committee was received and their recommendations unanimously adopted.

The Judiciary Committee stated that they had no report to make.

Mr. Clark, from the Committee on Ordinances, reported the following Ordinances:

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

That Ordinance No. 32, (XXXII) approved April 25, 1893, levying a tax upon all dogs and to prevent the same from running at large, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1. That there shall be levied a tax of two dollars per annum on all dogs owned or kept within the corporate limits of Takoma Park, Maryland.

Said tax shall be due and payable on the first day of July of each year for the year beginning on said day.

Any person owning or keeping an animal of the dog kind, who fails, neglects or refuses to pay such tax, when due, shall pay a fine or penalty of ten dollars for each dog and in default of payment

no. 42

Repealed by no. 1065 (21:7)

in the county jail for a period not to exceed thirty days.

Sec. 5: Any person owning any dog so recorded by the collector of taxes, shall be liable, in a civil action for any damage done by said dog for the full amount of the injury inflicted.

Sec. 6: If any person shall put, or cause to be put, a collar with the tax tag around the neck of any animal of the dog kind, owned or kept by any person or persons within the corporate limits of Takoma Park, Md. without first obtaining a license as herein before provided, for keeping such animal, he, she, or they, shall, upon conviction thereof before any court of competent jurisdiction, pay a fine or penalty of not less than \$5⁰⁰, nor more than \$10⁰⁰, for each offense, and in default of payment of said fine or penalty, shall be imprisoned in the county jail for a period not exceeding thirty days.

Sec. 7: Any person who shall own or keep, within the corporate limits of Takoma Park, Md. any animal of the dog kind, which, by bark^{ing}, biting, howling, or in any other manner, whatsoever, disturbs the comfort or quiet of any person shall, upon conviction thereof, before any court of competent jurisdiction, pay a fine or penalty of not less than \$5⁰⁰, nor more than \$10⁰⁰, and in default of payment of said fine or penalty, shall be imprisoned in the county jail for a period not exceeding 30 days.

Sec. 8: No animal of the dog kind shall be allowed to go at large without a tag, as above described, and if he be of a quarrelsome or dangerous disposition

disposition he shall be furthermore secured by a chain or cord held in the hand of some person accompanying him. If any owner or possessor of a fierce and dangerous dog permit the same to go at large in Takoma Park, Md., to the danger or annoyance of the inhabitants, he shall forfeit and pay, for the first offense, ten dollars; for the second offense, a sum not exceeding twenty dollars; and upon a third conviction of the same offense, the Mayor shall immediately cause the dog, upon account of which the conviction takes place, to be slain and buried.

Sec. 9: Whenever it shall be made to appear to the Mayor of Takoma Park, Md., that there are good reasons for believing that there are any dog or dogs within the limits of Takoma Park, Md., as mad it shall be the duty of the Mayor to issue a proclamation requiring that all dogs shall, for a period to be defined in the proclamation, wear good substantial muzzles, securely put on, so as to prevent them from biting or snapping and any dog going at large during the period defined by the Mayor, without such a muzzle, shall be taken up by the bailiff and impounded, subject to the provisions of Sec. 3.

Sec. 10: Any person who shall remove, or cause to be removed, the tax tag from any dog during the year for which the tax has been paid shall upon conviction thereof, before any court of competent

payment of said fine, shall be imprisoned in the county jail for a period not exceeding thirty days.

Sec. 2: It shall be the duty of the collector of taxes, upon receipt of said tax, to give to the person paying the same, for each dog so paid for, a suitable metallic tag stamped with the year showing said tax has been duly paid; and he shall keep a record of all such payments, with the date thereof, and the name of the person claiming any dog so paid for. A copy of such record, certified under the hand and official seal of said collector which shall be given to any person demanding the same, upon payment of twenty-five (25) cents therefor, shall be prima facie ^{evidence} of such payment in any court of competent jurisdiction.

Sec. 3: The bailiff of Takoma Park, Md. shall, during the entire year, seize all dogs ^{found} running at large without the tax tag, issued by the collector aforesaid, attached, and shall impound the same; and if within forty-eight (48) hours the same are not redeemed by the owners thereof, by the payment of two dollars (\$2.00), they shall be sold or destroyed as the bailiff may deem advisable, and any sale made by virtue thereof, shall be deemed valid, ^{in all} its intents and purposes in any court of competent jurisdiction.

Sec. 4: Any person who shall maliciously destroy, injure or imprison any dog wearing the tax tag as afore named, shall, upon conviction thereof, before any court of competent jurisdiction, pay a fine or penalty of not less than five, nor more than ten, dollars for each offense; and in default of the payment of said fine or penalty, shall be imprisoned

competent jurisdiction, pay a fine or ^{or} penalty of not less than \$5⁰⁰ nor more than \$10⁰⁰, and in default of payment of said penalty or fine shall be imprisoned in the county jail for a period, not exceeding thirty days,

J. H. Clark Chairman
Ordinance Committee,

Signed
Saml. J. Shedd
Mayor.

J. L. Spencer,
Geo. A. Warren,

Mr Skinner moved that the above ordinance be adopted as read. The motion was seconded by Mr. Warren and after some discussion the Mayor put the question to the Council and the vote thereon was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs. Clark, Dyer, Spencer, Warren, Finch and Skinner. There were no votes cast in the negative.

The Mayor stated that inasmuch as six votes had been cast in the affirmative and none in the negative the motion was carried and the above ordinance unanimously adopted.

The following Ordinance was then taken up for consideration.

An ordinance to provide for the levying of a tax on all real and personal property lying within the corporate limits of Takoma Park, Maryland.

Be it ordained by the Mayor and Council as follows.

Sec. 1: That a tax of \$0.65 on each one hundred dollars of the assessed value, which value shall be the

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same as adopted by the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Maryland, at a meeting held June 11, 1894 - of all real and personal property lying within the corporate limits of Takoma Park, Md, &c, and the same is hereby fixed and levied for the year ending June 30, 1895, as provided by Section No. 14, Chapter No. 558, of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1894.

Sec. 2: Said tax as hereby made due and payable on the first day of September 1894.

Sec. 3: All taxes not paid on or before September 1, 1894, shall bear interest at the rate of 6, per cent. per annum until paid, and all taxes that are not paid on or before January 1, 1895, shall be considered delinquent and shall be collected, together with all costs, as provided by Section No. 17, Chapter No. 588, of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1894.

Sec. 4: The town clerk is hereby authorized to collect and receipt for said taxes.

J. H. Clark, Chairman, Ordinance Committee
 signed, G. L. Spencer.
 Geo. A. Warren.
 Saml J. Shedd
 Mayor.

Mr Warren moved that the above ordinance be adopted as read. The motion was seconded by Mr Finch and after some general discussion the Mayor put the question to the Council and the vote thereon was as follows,
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Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs. Clark, Dyer, Spencer, Warren, Finch and Skinner.

There were no votes cast in the negative.

The Mayor stated that inasmuch as six votes had been cast in the affirmative and none in the negative the motion was carried and the above ordinance unanimously adopted.

Report from the Committee on Health.

Mr. Spencer Chairman of said committee had investigated the advisability of appointing a town scavenger to be paid a salary from revenues to be raised from a special assessment. He stated that in the opinion of the committee it would be unwise to increase the taxation at present and they therefore recommended that such scavenger be not appointed.

Mr. Finch moved that the report be received. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clark.

This question brought up rather a lively discussion - Mr. Warren maintaining that it would work a hardship on many persons who were not able to stand it while Mr. Clark ^{took} the opposite view of the question stating that the greatest care should be taken to keep the town clean and in a good sanitary condition. He also stated that in his opinion this was the most important question with which the Council had to deal. The motion was unanimously carried.

New Business.

Mr. Clark moved that the report from the committee

on health be adopted, this motion was seconded by Mr. Skinner and led to a lively discussion.

Mr. Finch moved as a substitute to the above motion that the report be laid on the table. This motion was seconded by Mr. Clark and unanimously carried.

Mr. Dyar moved that Mr. Finch be authorized to make arrangements with Mr. F. H. Gosson to have ^{printed} not to exceed two hundred copies of the amended town charter together with such ^{ordinances} of general interest as might be designated ^{by the Mayor}. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clark and unanimously carried.

~~Mr. Warren then moved that the Council adjourn to meet at the call of the Mayor. The motion was seconded by Mr. Dyar and unanimously carried.~~

Messrs. Calburn, Dorsey, Longley, Kahlerr and other citizens were present and expressed themselves as being highly pleased with the new assessment recommended by the Committee and adopted by the Council.

Mr. Warren then moved that the Council adjourn to meet at the call of the Mayor. The motion was seconded by Mr. Dyar and unanimously carried.

Approved July 16th 1894.

J. O. Kimball
Town Clerk.

Takoma Park, Md. July 16, 1894.

The Council met in the Chapel at 8:00 o'clock pursuant to a call of the Mayor.

The Mayor called the meeting to order and the following named gentlemen answered to the roll call.

Mayor, S. S. Shedd, and Councilmen W. W. Dyer, J. H. Clark, G. J. Spencer, George A. Warren and Wm. E. Skinner, Mr. J. A. Finch having been out of town, was not present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Unfinished Business

Mr. Finch being absent the Mayor reported that he had ordered of Mr. J. H. Gosson five hundred copies of the new charter with such ordinances as were necessary. They were to be printed in pamphlet form and to be completed in a few days.

The Clerk read a communication from C. B. Thornton of Port Royal, Va. address to Mr. George W. Jackson, in which he stated that the land for the extension of Tulip Avenue from its present terminus to Carrall Avenue would be donated to the town providing the said avenue would be graded through and a sidewalk laid without any expense to the owner.

Mr. Warren moved that the proposition be accepted and the whole matter be referred to the Judiciary Committee with instructions to prepare immediately the papers necessary for making the transfer. The motion was seconded by Mr. Skinner and

and unanimously passed. The clerk was instructed to notify the owners of the property what action had been taken by the council.

No reports from Special Committees.

Mr. Skinner from the Committee on streets and sidewalks reported that the bridge on Sligo Ave. just below Carroll Ave. had been repaired and that the bridge on Sligo Avenue just above the old mill had been re-built. He also reported that two new bridges had been built at the dam, making said Avenue in good condition its entire length.

He called the attention of the council to the condition of Sligo bridge on Carroll Avenue.

On motion of Mr. Clark, seconded by Mr. Spencer, the report was adopted.

The Committee on health had no report to make.

The Finance Committee made a verbal report stating that they had investigated the question of ^{collecting} delinquent taxes but had not as yet any definite report to make to the council. Mr. Gould, Town Attorney stated that he had examined the records and law relative to the collection of taxes which were four years delinquent but had no final report to submit at present.

The Judiciary and Ordinance committees had no reports to make.

Mr. Morris Bier called the attention of the council to the bad condition of the board walk on Elm Avenue. The Chairman of the Street Committee was instructed to have said walk repaired.

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The following bills were presented and the cl^{erk} ordered to pay the same, viz:

Bill of C. Leondist for administering the oath of office to the Mayor and Council #2.00

Bill of J. H. Gosom for printing 1000 letter heads 3.00

Bill of J. B. Kinnear for money advanced on account of stationery, copies of charter, stamps, dog tags, bailiffs badges, + freight on horse 12.27

Total allowance #17.27

The resignation of Dr. R. W. Shoefeldt, ^{as Deputy Bailiff} was then read and accepted.

On motion of Mr. Warren, seconded by Mr. Spencer, the Bailiff was directed to enforce the dog ordinance immediately.

There being no further business, the Council adjourned to meet at the call of the Mayor.

Approved August 14 1894 J. B. Kinnear

Town Clerk.

Takoma Park, Md. August 14, 1894.

The Council met in the basement of the Presbyterian Chapel at 7:30 o'clock. The Mayor called the meeting to order and the following named gentlemen answered to the roll call. Mayor S. S. Shedd and Councilmen W. W. Dyar, J. H. Lark, G. I. Spencer, George A. Warren and W. C. Skinner, Mr. J. A. Finch being away from town was not present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Unfinished Business.

The question of paying the bills of J. D. Gibbs for work on Carroll Avenue allowed May 15-1894, and J. F. Cherry for filling pond on Tulip Avenue, allowed April 19-1894, was brought up for discussion, and on motion of Mr. Warren both bills were referred to the Committee on streets for further investigation and with instructions to report at the next meeting of the Council.

Reports of Special Committees.

Mr. Skinner reported that the road machine which he had been instructed to purchase, could be bought for \$50⁰⁰, and the party who owned it would take a note payable in ninety days. Mr. Skinner was instructed to procure the machine at once and to call on the clerk for the necessary money to pay for the same.

Reports of General Committees.

Mr. Dyar from the Committee on Taxes submitted a report showing that there was \$1019.57, general taxes delinquent

Delinquent and \$ 578.29, Special Tax delinquency.

The committee recommended that inasmuch as the taxes for the year ended June 30, 1891, were barred by limitation of statute it would be unwise to make an attempt to collect said taxes, but they recommended that the taxes delinquent, for the years, ending June 30, 1892, June 30, 1893, and June 30, 1894, be enforced by legal proceedings and that all property in Takoma Park, Md. on which taxes are due and unpaid for the fiscal years, ending June 30, 1892, June 30, 1893, and June 30, 1894, be advertised for sale and that the day of sale be fixed for October 1, 1894, at 10 o'clock a. m. and be continued, with adjournments to subsequent days if necessary, until all the property advertised shall be sold, and that the place of sale be at the door of the log cabin on Carroll Avenue; also that property sold for delinquent taxes in Prince George's County be sold at the Court house in Upper Marlboro. They also recommended that no action be taken at present in regard to the collection of special taxes inasmuch as they could be collected at a later date.

Mr. Clark moved that the report be received. The motion was seconded by Mr. Spencer and carried.

Mr. Clark of the finance committee submitted a report recommending,

1. That the Town Clerk, acting in conjunction with the finance committee, correspond with Rallins & Dorr, Boston bankers, with a view of ascertaining upon what terms the bonds now held by their clients, could be taken up.
2. That the citizens of Takoma Park, Maryland

be asked to authorize the Mayor and Council to increase the bonded indebtedness of the town, not to exceed \$5000⁰⁰/₁₀₀, represented by ten Certificates of Indebtedness of \$500⁰⁰/₁₀₀, each, payable as follows; Certificate No. 1, payable two years from the date of issuance; Certificate No. 2, one year thereafter and thus continue to pay one certificate each year until the debt is fully satisfied.

3, That if the premiums demanded by Rollins and Son for relinquishing or refunding the bonds held by their clients, are deemed excessive, a sufficient number of certificates, representing a new loan made through other parties, be issued to pay the bonds as they become due.

The report showed that the estimated revenues of the town for the ensuing year were \$3738.39, including ~~revenues~~ amounting to \$25.56, for earth delivered to sundry persons, the Bills for which the committee recommended be placed in the hands of the town attorney with instructions to collect the same immediately. It was further recommended that the Mayor and Council take no steps toward issuing new bonds until the attempt to collect delinquent taxes was made. Mr. Spencer moved that the report be received. The motion was seconded by Mr. Skinner and carried.

The Judiciary Committee reported, through Mr. Gould, the Town Attorney, that the deed for the land to extend Tulip Avenue was prepared and that the other matters pertaining to the transfer of the property would be attended

attended to in a few days,

New Business

Mr Warren offered the following resolution

Resolve that that the Bailiff be directed to proceed with the tax sale at the time and according to the general method provided for in the report of the Finance Committee, with liberty to change the place of sale and the details of the proceedings as he may be advised by the said Committee or the Town Attorney. The resolution was seconded by Mr Spence and unanimously carried.

Mr Warren offered the following resolution

Resolve that the report of the Finance Committee relative to the issue of a new loan be accepted and adopted by this Council so far as the first three pages are concerned down to, and including the word, Total, and that the finance committee, in conjunction with the Ordinance Committee prepare an ordinance and advertisement for an election in accordance with the charter. The resolution was seconded by Mr Spence and carried unanimously.

The Mayor then announced that he was going away from the town on vacation to be absent a month or more and that it would be well to designate some one to act as Mayor in his absence.

On motion of Mr. Warren, Mr. Skinner was unanimously chosen to act as Mayor during the absence of Mayor Shedd.

Mr Skinner reported that Mr Norman wanted some improvements made on Sycamore Avenue. The Town Clerk was directed to see Mr. Norman

and have him ^{to the Council} present in writing what improvements were necessary on said Ave.

Mr. Warren then offered the following resolution which was referred to the Judiciary Committee with instructions to report at the next meeting.

1. Resolve that it is the sense of the Council that on and after September 1, 1894, the office of Town Clerk and Bailiff be merged into one, the duties thereof to be performed by the present town clerk.
2. That the practise of soliciting in the collection of taxes be discontinued, that the bills be sent by mail or otherwise to the proper persons with the understanding that after the expiration of the limit they will without further action, be turned over for collection by process of law.
3. That commencing with September 1, 1894, that the allowance of 5% for the collection of tax be discontinued.
4. That commencing with September 1, 1894, this Council ~~be~~ by ballot, select a deputy bailiff who will be vested with the Authority of the bailiff in the matter of enforcing the town ordinances & c,
 That his duties shall further consist of keeping the town's property in order, the lighting of lamps, the preservation of peace and such other duties as may be assigned him from time to time by the Mayor, Council or Committee on streets, which duties shall be wholly confined to the Corporation.
 For compensation he be paid at the rate of \$1.50 per day, said salary to be paid monthly.