

Takoma Park, Md. April 8, 1895.

The Council met in the Presbyterian Chapel at 7:30, P.M. The Mayor called the meeting to order and the following named gentlemen answered to the roll call. Mayor S. S. Shedd and Councilmen J. H. Clark, Chas. W. Scudder, George A. Warren and Morris Brien, Councilmen Dyar and Stammers were absent, the latter on account of illness. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted after amending as shown on the opposite page.

### Unfinished business

The finance committee reported that they had received bills aggregating \$17.90, audited the same and recommended an appropriation for the payment of the same.

Mr. George A. Warren from the committee on streets presented a report from said committee the following of which is an extract.

1. That the committee be authorized to expend \$35<sup>00</sup> for the construction of culverts, manholes fitted with iron gratings &c, on Carroll, Elm, Montgomery, Pine, Tulip, Oak and Holly avenues.
2. That they be authorized to expend \$150<sup>00</sup> in leveling, guttering, <sup>graveling</sup> and capping. Carroll, Maple Pine and Oak avenues.
3. That an appropriation of \$250<sup>00</sup> or so much thereof as may be necessary, be made for the immediate repair of Sigs bridge.
4. That the committee be authorized to expend \$14.25, for the purchase of tools for the use of the town.
5. That they be authorized to purchase one branching iron, 1000 feet of one inch boards for the repair of sidewalks &c, 1000, ash brick, 10. iron sewer gratings and a sufficient amount of lime and cement and sand to repair all old manholes and build the necessary new ones.
6. That the corporation that laid out the grounds

grounds extending Takoma Avenue be requested to cause a survey of said street and furnish the town with a plat of the same in order that the boundary of the street might be located when estimates would be submitted for grading and graveling the same.

7. The committee submitted the advisability of locating additional street lamps as follows,

- 1. on Tulip ave. between Oak + Maple.
- 1 " Takoma Ave.
- 1 " Oak Ave. between Tulip + Magnolia.
- 1 " Pine " " Montgomerly + Elm.
- 2 " Carrall " " Ethan Allen Avenue

and Mr. George W. Jackson's House. Mr. Warren from the Special <sup>on the purchase of fire apparatus</sup> Committee submitted a report stating that the Committee of the whole had considered propositions from nine companies but would recommend no action until after witnessing a test at Gaithersburg to be given on the 17<sup>th</sup> inst. after which they would submit a final report.

The health, Ordinance and Judiciary committees had no reports to submit.

The following bills, approved by the Committee were taken up and on motion of Mr. Clark were order paid, viz:

Bill of J. B. Kimmel for postage	\$ 3.20
" " W. Vattens for two barrels of oil	9.45
" " J. W. Wilson, work done on Sycamore Ave.	1.25
" " " " cleaning snow from streets &c	4.00
Total appropriation	\$ 17.90

The report from the street committee was then taken up

On motion of Mr. Clark the committee was authorized to spend \$35<sup>00</sup> for the construction of culverts, with proper gratings and manholes, across Carrall, Elm, Montgomerly, Pine, Oak and Holly Avenues. Mr. Clark also moved that

that the committee be authorized to expend \$150<sup>00</sup> in guttering, leveling, gravelling and capping Carroll, Maple, Oak and Pine Avenues.

The motion was unanimously carried.

The next section of the report was that relative to the repairs needed on <sup>bridge</sup> sligo. Mr. Warren and Mr. Scudder stated that they had made a very thorough examination and found the bridge in a dangerous condition. Mr. Scudder submitted some drawings and estimates of what he thought the repairs would cost.

The matter received a careful discussion by all the members of the Council present after which Mr. Bien moved that \$250<sup>00</sup>, or so much thereof as was necessary, be appropriated for the repair of said bridge. The motion was unanimously carried and the committee authorized to have the repairs made immediately.

On motion of Mr. Bien the committee was authorized to expend \$14<sup>25</sup> for tools as follows:

2 shovels at 75¢ each		\$1.50
" " (long handles) at 75¢ each		1.50.
" steel spades	" "	1.50.
" pick axes	" "	1.50.
" grubbing picks	\$1.00 "	2.00
one cutting bar, steel		1.00.
" wheelbarrow		1.75
" fifty foot tape line		2.00.
2 hoes at 75¢ each		1.50
Total		\$14.25,

which was to be paid for from the current funds of the town.

It was decided not to order the plow and scoop recommended by the committee.

On motion of Mr. Bien the committee was authorized to purchase a branding iron.

On motion of Mr. Bien the committee was authorized to purchase 1000 ft of 1" boards, 1000 arch bricks, ten

iron sewer gratings and as much lime, sand and cement as, in the judgement of the committee, was necessary to complete the work for which it would be used.

On motion of Mr. Clark, the clerk was directed to communicate with the Tahoma Loan and Trust Co. and request them to have a survey of Tahoma Avenue made and furnish the Council with a plat of the same in order that the boundary of the street might be located.

The Street committee was authorized to locate additional street lamps as follows,

One on Tulip Avenue, between Oak and Maple Avenues, one on Oak Avenue between Tulip and Magnolia Avenues, and one on Pine Avenue between Montgomery and Elm Avenues.

The Mayor reported that the Washington Loan and Trust Company had deposited \$1500<sup>00</sup> to the credit of the Town of Tahoma Park W.S. and that said company had taken fifteen bonds of \$100<sup>00</sup> each, of the series authorized by the act of October 22, 1894; also that the latter bonds amounting to \$3500<sup>00</sup> had been placed for safe keeping with said company and when the old bonds became due on June 1, 1895, and June 1, 1896, the said company would take them up.

On motion of Mr. Binn the Mayor and clerk were authorized and instructed to draw a check for \$100<sup>00</sup> in favor of the Washington Loan and Trust Company, the same being 2% commission and \$5000<sup>00/100</sup> and charged by said company for taking up the old bonds and issuing the full new loan of \$5000<sup>00/100</sup>.

Mr. Warren notified the Council that on the 17, inst. the Howe engine Co. of Indianapolis, Ind. would make a test of their engine

at Gaithersburg, Md. and asked that the members of the Council attend.

Mr. Bien gave notice to the Council that at the next Regular meeting he would offer an amendment to rule 3, of the rules of order by which the words "Read by the Clerk," shall be changed to "The substance thereof stated by the chairman or a member of the Committee."

Mr. Bien moved that the Clerk be requested to send out copies of the Takoma Park Tidings, containing an article relative to the collection of taxes, to all delinquent tax payers. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clark and lost.

On motion of Mr. Clark the Council then adjourned.

Approved, May 13, 1845.

J. S. Ginnear,  
Town Clerk.

Takoma Park, Md. May 13, 1895.  
 The Council met at 8:00 o'clock p.m. in the basement  
 of the Presbyterian Chapel.

The Mayor called the meeting to order and the follow-  
 ing named gentlemen responded to the roll call.

Mayor S. S. Shedd and Councilmen J. N. Clark,  
 Chas. W. Scudder, George A. Warren and W. W. Dyar.  
 The minutes of the previous meeting were  
 read and approved.

The Mayor advised the Council that he, as president  
 of the Takoma Park Loan and Trust Co., had received  
 a communication from the Town Club requesting  
 a survey to be made of Takoma Avenue through  
 the property owned by the said company.

Mr. Warren then tendered his resignation as a  
 member of the finance committee.

A communication <sup>from Morris Green</sup> was then read in which he  
 called the attention of the Council to poor attention  
 given to the lighting of the street lamps on dark nights.

Mr. Warren from the Special Committee on  
 fire apparatus reported that the committee of the  
 whole had agreed to recommend the purchase of  
 a No. 4 engine from the Howe Pumps & Engine Co.  
 of Indianapolis; also Hook & Ladder, Truck and  
 Reel Cart with two hundred feet of extra hose,  
 and that <sup>\$300.00</sup> one third of the contract price (~~\$300.00~~),  
 be appropriated and made available upon the receipt  
 and acceptance of the outfit.

He also recommended that the original fire com-  
 mittee of three members be continued and that  
 said committee be one of the standing committees.

#### Reports of Standing Committees.

Mr. Warren from the Committee on finance  
 reported that said committee had received bills,  
 during the recess of the Council, amounting to  
 \$192.57, audited the same, found them correct  
 and recommended their payment.

Mr. Warren from the Committee on streets  
 submitted a report giving a detailed statement of

all improvements that had been made on the street during the recess of the Council and showing that \$399.00 had been expended for labor and material during said recess. Said report also showed that bids for gravel had been received ranging from 59¢ to 85¢ per yard and that the contract was awarded to J. F. Parker he being the lowest bidder.

The health Committee had no report to make.

Mr. Clark from the Committee on Ordinances reported an ordinance providing for the issuing of two certificates of indebtedness for \$300<sup>00</sup>, each as deferred payments on the fire apparatus.

The Judiciary Committee reported back the constitution and by-laws of the Volunteer fire Committee, which had been referred to it, with the recommendation that said constitution and by-laws, as submitted, be adopted.

The following petitions were then read.

One praying that Tulip Avenue be opened and extended from its present terminus at the school house on a straight line to Carroll Avenue and that a substantial sidewalk be constructed thereon. This petition was signed by L. M. Moore, J. J. Atwell, Lona S. Barnitz, Lurinda A. Phelps, Edward B. Booth, William Steers, John R. Dean, Edgar Morris, W. O. Proctor, C. C. Hall, Mrs. S. F. Tennent, C. M. Douglas, D. A. Whitmer, O. D. Surrency, James K. Debus, George N. Bailey, G. C. Kirkiffin, A. M. Camp, W. F. King, J. A. Elyson, E. C. Blodgett, F. E. Skinner, C. J. Perry, Horace J. Long, W. F. Little, W. W. Cox, B. A. Ford, A. J. Long, H. F. Miller, W. B. Stewart, H. W. Keyser, M. Kingston, J. S. Swarnstedt & J. Jimerson Jr.

Also one praying the Mayor & Council to fill the park on Tulip Avenue signed by the following persons, Maggie Curand, Myra E. Curand, Mary A. Palmer, M. G. Palmer & Enoch Harris.

New Business.

The report of George A. Warren, Chairman of

of the Fire Committee, as directed by the Committee of the whole, was taken up, said report recommended the purchase of an outfit from the Howe Pump and Engine Co. of Indianapolis, Ind. Consisting of one No. 4, Engine, Hook + Ladder + Truck + Reel Cart with 200 feet of extra hose.

It was also recommended that the Town Clerk be instructed to officially notify the Howe Company of the confirmation by the Council of the contract: that \$300<sup>00</sup> be appropriated and made available for the purchase of said outfit and that the Fire Committee be made a permanent standing committee.

After some general discussion Mr. Dyar offered the following resolutions.

Resolved that the Mayor + Council of Takoma Park Md. do hereby purchase of the Howe Pump and Engine Co. a fire apparatus consisting of their engine No. 4, and Hook + Ladder Truck, Reel Cart 200. feet of extra hose, and forty five feet of extra section hose, upon the terms and conditions of the contract hereinafter set forth.

The resolution was carried unanimously.  
The following is the contract



name

Takoma Park

OFFICE OF THE HOWE PUMP AND ENGINE CO. Box 15, Indianapolis, Ind.

Takoma Park Md Apr 22 1895

To the Honorable Council of Takoma Park Md

GENTLEMEN—We beg leave to submit to your Honorable Body a proposition for exhibiting a Fire Engine in your City with a view of selling if found satisfactory. Our apparatus combines in one light, portable machine, all the solid advantages of a powerful water hand engine, for throwing water in large quantities, for subduing large fires, together with the equally important advantages of a first class chemical engine, for use where water is either scarce, or lacking, and for extinguishing incipient fires without the usual damage to surrounding property by water. We guarantee the following specifications and descriptions of the construction and operation of the machines to be correct:

The number... Engine has a powerful force pump with two... inch brass cylinders, with... inch stroke, capacity... barrels per minute; a... gallon copper tank for chemicals; a hose basket, with... feet of... inch rubber-lined cotton fire hose;... feet of... inch brass wire-lined suction hose, coupled with strainer; two hose pipes, with six nozzle tips; two polished brass lanterns; a tool box with two extra charges of the chemical powder; a fire ax; a crow bar; an automatic gong which strikes with each revolution of the wheels; a Siamese coupling for throwing two streams at once, and the usual spanners and wrenches, with step behind

The equipment is mounted on a strong four-wheeled carriage, with patent Sarven wheels and steel axles. It is cut under, so as to turn in its own length. It is provided with... pole and a rope reel and... feet of drag rope, also a No. 1. Hook & ladder truck a combination

It has folding brakes... feet long to accommodate... men, and folding braces or legs which can be instantly set, and take the entire weight and strain of the pumps, making the machine when in operation stand very firm and rigid.

The tank is kept filled with a salt solution that is not likely to freeze, and, by the addition of the chemical powder, has the greatest fire-extinguishing power; and as the tank and pumps are of brass and copper and are left constantly filled with this non-freezing fluid, the pumps are always primed and will not dry up or become disabled by years of neglect. It is always ready for instant use.

2 or 3... men can draw this engine on a level road, and can set it and get a stream in the air in one minute. Two men can furnish power enough to throw the chemical stream onto any ordinary two-story dwelling. 14 to 16 men will, however, throw a powerful water stream to the top of a... storied building, or... feet high, or two streams onto a... story building.

The chemical fluid used in this machine is the same as is used in the ordinary hand grenades and is not explosive. It is pumped onto the fire by the same pump that is used to throw the water, the only difference being that for throwing chemical the small tip is used on the nozzle and only one or two men are needed on the pump brakes. This chemical can be renewed while in use at a fire by simply adding water and the chemical powder through the man-hole in the top of the tank, putting in one charge of the chemical to... buckets of water. This enables the chemical stream to be kept up indefinitely, and is an advantage, too, in that by running more lines of buckets to the tank and putting more men on the brakes, large water streams can be thrown, doing good in places where the suction hose cannot reach. We can change the Engine from chemical to water or vice versa in a few seconds by turning the three-way valve, changing the nozzle and dropping the suction hose into the water.

We guarantee the Engine to be well made and of good material, to combine elegance of finish with greatest strength and durability. It is tastefully and artistically painted and striped, and the air chamber, cylinders, hub bands and brass ornaments are nickel plated and polished. The tank is jacketed with black walnut and ash, polished and varnished.

If you want a good Fire Engine and like the descriptions and prices of ours, and would like to have one tried in your own town and before your own people, we will bring one for exhibition and test on the following conditions: If the Engine is constructed as described

and fulfills all the guarantees and tests... among which will be a fire test on a... feet frame... building filled with inflammables saturated with coal oil, you are to purchase it at the price, \$... delivered F. O. B. cars at Indianapolis,

with \$145.00 rebate (freight guaranteed, not to exceed \$25 any excess to be paid) But if it fails to fulfill all or any part of the guarantee, or is not constructed as described, we will take it away with no expense to you.

Payable one third of the balance, or more cash and the rest inside of one year, in certificates of indebtedness issued by the town under its charter with interest on deferred payments at... per cent per annum.

Extra..... \$.....

Extra.....

Yours with respect,

HOWE PUMP AND ENGINE CO.

Per... P. J. Howe

presented on the sheet operated by the Howe Pump & Engine Co.

Mr. Dyar then offered the following resolution.  
 Resolve that the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Md. do hereby appropriate the sum of \$300<sup>00</sup> to meet the first payment to become due on the fire apparatus (after the acceptance of the same in accordance with the terms of the contract of the purchase this day entered into with the Howe Pump and Engine Co. the entire purchase price thereof being \$900<sup>00</sup>.)  
 This resolution was also unanimously carried.

Mr. Dyar then moved that \$25<sup>00</sup> be appropriated for paying the freight on the fire apparatus which motion was carried.

The recommendation of the committee that there be a permanent committee appointed to be known as the Fire Committee to whom all matters pertaining to the Fire Department would be referred, was laid over until the next meeting.

Mr. Delack from the Ordinance Committee introduced the following ordinance.

Ordinance No. 47, To provide for certificates of indebtedness for the purchase of fire apparatus.

Be it enacted by the Mayor & Council of Takoma Park, Md. That in pursuance of Sec. 25. of the act of Incorporation, the Mayor is hereby authorized to issue two certificates of indebtedness, payable not later than one year from the date thereof, bearing interest at not more than 6% per annum, in the sum of \$300. each, as the deferred payments on the fire apparatus ordered at a meeting of the Mayor and Council this day. Provided that said certificates shall not be issued until the apparatus has been delivered and tested, and the acceptance thereof certified to the Mayor by the Fire Committee. Mr. Dyar moved that said ordinance be adopted.

The Mayor put the question to the Council and  
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and the vote stood as follows, Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs, W. W. Dyar, J. W. Clark, Chas. St. Scudder, and George A. Warner, Messrs. William C. Skinner & Morris Bien were absent. There being four votes in the affirmative and none in the negative the Mayor declared the motion carried and said Ordinance adopted.

The report of the Finance Committee was then taken up, and on motion of Mr. Clark the following bills, as approved by said committee, were ordered paid,

Bill of D. F. Mason for Cement	\$3.00
" " F. A. Schneider for tools	27.90
" " A. Lamond for sewer pipe	7.52
" " Guarantee paint company for paint	.85
" " William Watkins for 2 lbs of oil	13.78
" " George F. Muth & Co. for lamps & posts	13.62
" " Washington Brick Co. for 2000 arch brick	14.00
" " E. W. Gray & Co. for iron gratings	14.00
" " A. B. Graham for <sup>printing</sup> check books	.50
" " Whedley Bros. for lumber	3.94
" " " " " "	86.70
" " F. A. Schneider for Nails & spikes	2.00
" " Angus Lamond for sewer pipe	4.70
Total Appropriation	\$192.51

Mr. Dyar moved that an additional appropriation of \$150<sup>00</sup> be made to complete the Sigs bridge. The motion carried.

Mr. Dyar then moved that \$10<sup>00</sup> additional be appropriated for the purpose of repairing culverts on Oak & Tulip avenues. This motion was also carried.

On motion of Mr. Dyar the Committee on streets was authorized to expend from the general street fund \$100<sup>00</sup> in repair of streets, not more than \$25<sup>00</sup>, to be used on any one street.

Report of the Judiciary Committee.  
The Committee's report relative to the adoption of

of the constitution & bylaws of the Fire Department was then taken up and after a prolonged discussion was, on motion of Mr. Dyar seconded by Mr. Warren, adopted.

The petition asking that Tulip Avenue be extended, together with a resolution offered by Mr. Warren to have published in some newspaper a notice of said extension, was referred to Mr. Gould, Corporation attorney, with instructions to notify the parties interested of the action of the Council and to obtain if possible a title to the street. If no title could be procured, he was instructed to notify the parties owning the land across which the street will extend that if consent is not given to open said street condemnation proceedings would be entered into at once.

The petition relative to filling the pond on Tulip Avenue was referred to Health Committee.

Mr. Warren from the Committee on Finance tendered his resignation as a member of said committee giving for his reasons his inability to do justice to the duties imposed on said committee because his time was so completely occupied with the duties of the Street Committee. The resignation was received with regret and the Mayor appointed Morris Bier Chairman of the Finance Committee.

On motion of Mr. Dyar a sum not to exceed \$10<sup>00</sup> was appropriated for repairing the log cabin so as to make it acceptable for the meetings of the Fire Company.

On motion of Mr. Clark an appropriation of a sufficient amount of money was made to insure the fire apparatus.

Mr. A. M. Gould tendered his resignation as Bailiff and Mr. J. W. Wilson tendered his resignation as Under Bailiff.

Mr. Gould was then appointed Corporation Attorney

with the additional duty of assisting the Bailiff in the collection of taxes attorney at a salary of \$25<sup>00</sup> per month and James W. Wilson was appointed Bailiff at a salary of \$25<sup>00</sup> per month.

Mr. Dyer then moved that the Bailiff be instructed to sell all property upon which delinquent taxes are now due for the year 1894, and prior years, <sup>men</sup> commencing with Block 3, and including the blocks numbered consecutively. The sale to include as many blocks as the Bailiff may deem advisable.

This motion met with a lively discussion, Mr. Clark insisting that all property upon which taxes are now delinquent should be advertised and offered for sale.

The motion was carried, all voting in the affirmative except Mr. Clark who voted in the negative.

The clerk then reported to the Council that he had expended \$25<sup>00</sup> under Rule 6, of the Rules of Order - said amount being salary of Jas. W. Wilson for the month of April 1895.

The clerk then presented the following financial statement of receipts and disbursements for the year ended April 30, 1895, which report was ordered to be spread upon the minutes.

Financial report of receipts and disbursements for the  
year ended April 30, 1895.

Receipts.

Cash on hand, (see last report)	(Available	\$	5:66	
	(Sinking Fund		<u>492:06</u>	\$ 497:72
	(Comr. of Pr. George's Co.		43:85	
Rec'd from County Comrs.	( " "Montgomery Co. 1892		140:78	
	( " " " " 1894		368:55	
	( " " " " 1895		<u>402:37</u>	955:55
	(Dog tax		20:00	
Received from taxes	(Special assessments		79:59	
	(General taxes		1501:99	
	(For advertising		<u>11:34</u>	1612:92
Received from building permits				4:50
" " sale of bonds				<u>1500:00</u>
Total receipts				\$ <u>4570:69</u>

Disbursements.

For Street Lights				45:78
Paving Material				222:50
Tools				77:28
Commission to James W. Wilson, Tax Collector,				21:21
	(James W. Wilson Bailiff,		331:45	
	(J.B.Kinnear, Town Clerk,		240:00	
General Expenses	(Commission on new loan,		100:00	
	(Talbutt & Prettyman, Atty's fee,		50:00	
	(Sundry expenses,		<u>383:59</u>	1105:04
Street work,				298:93
Certificates of Indebtedness, Nos. 2 and 3,				1000:00
Interest,				240:00
Street Lamps,				195:24
	(In Sinking Fund,		98:77	
Cash on hand,	(In Special Improvement fund,		<u>1274:94</u>	1373:71
Total disbursements,				\$ <u>4570:69</u>

I hereby certify that the above is  
a true statement of the money received and  
disbursed by me during the year ended April 30, 1895.

*J. B. Kinnear*

Town Clerk.

The clerk was directed to have said financial report typewritten and pasted in some conspicuous place.

There being no further business, the council then adjourned.

Approved June 10, 1895,

J. S. Kimball  
Town Clerk.

Takoma Park, Md, May 27, 1895,

The Council met in the basement of the Presbyterian Chapel at 8:00 o'clock, in pursuance of a call by the Mayor.

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

Mayor S. S. Shedd and Councilmen W. W. Dyak, George A. Warren and Morris Bien  
Councilmen Skinner, Clark & Scudder were absent

The minutes of the previous meeting were not read. No unfinished business was considered

The Mayor reported to the Council that he had taken out an insurance on the fire apparatus for \$1000<sup>00</sup>, temporarily

By unanimous consent the Mayor was authorized to have the fire apparatus and tools insured for one year, for \$1000<sup>00</sup>, in the Penn. Fire Insurance Co.

The Committees on Streets, Health, Ordinance and Judiciary had no reports to make.

The Committee on Finance reported that they had received the following bills, found them to be correct and recommended their payment.

Bill of L. D. Jones for blacksmithing	\$ .40
" " Parkins & Gelman for 1 sack salt & 1 barrel	1.05.
The clerk reported that he had this day received the following bills, viz:	
Bill of Misses O'Keary for typewriting	2.08
" " J. B. Kimmear for postage & other money advanced by him for freight	2.70.
Bill of E. W. Gray & Co. for bolts & c. for the bridge	5.96
" " Frank Libby & Co " lumber " " "	<u>36.60</u>
Total,	\$48.79

The above bills after being approved by the finance committee were ordered paid.

Mr Warren moved that 200 feet of ~~lumber~~ be purchased for the repair of the sidewalk on Tubip ~~Street~~ hose be purchased from the Howe Pump and Engine Co. the motion was seconded by Mr.



Mr. Bieri and unanimously carried.

On motion of Mr. Warren the Street Committee was authorized to purchase ten iron gratings for sewers, and that the committee was also authorized to extend the drain pipe near the church, 70 feet at a cost of \$14<sup>00</sup>.

On motion of Mr. Warren, Rev. John C. Tennant, F. O. Longley, and William Jones were appointed under bailiffs without compensation.

The Committee on streets was requested to report at the next meeting what progress, if any, had been made on the extension of Oak Avenue to Maple Avenue.

On motion of Mr. Bieri the Mayor was instructed to see Mrs. A. J. Thomas and ascertain if she would pay the expenses of repairing the sidewalk on Tulip Avenue on the lower half of the block between Oak and Maple Avenues.

On motion of Mr. Bieri the street committee was directed to insure more careful management of the street lamps and repair the sidewalks requiring immediate attention.

The question of moving the street lamp on Elm Avenue near the junction of Pine Avenue received considerable discussion & was finally referred to the street committee.

Mr. Bieri moved that the clerk be directed to request Messrs. Daniel O' Driscoll, B. C. Hall, B. C. Coon, A. J. Long, J. J. Atwell & N. Brainard, to act without compensation, as a committee to audit the accounts of the clerk and that their replies be laid before the Council at the next meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Warren and carried.

There being no further business, the Council then adjourned.

approved June 10, 1895.

J. O. Kinnear  
Town Clerk.

Takoma Park, Md. June 10, 1895;  
 The Council met at 8:00, o'clock in the  
 basement of the Presbyterian Chapel.

The Mayor called the meeting to order and the  
 following members answered to the roll call,  
 Mayor S. S. Shedd, + Councilmen J. N. Clark  
 Chas. W. Scudder, George A. Warren, and Morris  
 Bien:

The minutes of the meetings held May 13,  
 and May 27, 1895, were read and approved.

Unfinished Business.

Mr. Bien called his resolution of April 8, 1895,  
 amending rule 3, of the rules of order, from the  
 table. The resolution was as follows,

Resolved that rule 3 of the rules of order shall  
 be changed so that the words "Read by the clerk"  
 shall read "The substance thereof stated by the  
 chairman or a member of the committee"

Mr. Bien moved the adoption of said res-  
 olution. The motion was seconded by Mr.  
 Scudder and unanimously carried.

Mr. Gould, the corporation attorney reported  
 that he had written to the representatives of the  
 persons <sup>who</sup> own the Thornton tract of land,  
 relative to the extension of Tulip avenue  
 but had received no reply.

Mr. Bien then offered the following  
 resolution,

Whereas, a written application signed by  
 many residents and tax payers of Takoma  
 Park has been presented to the Mayor and  
 Council praying that Tulip avenue be opened  
 and extended easterly to a junction with  
 Carroll avenue, therefore be it

Resolved, that, to allow all parties interested  
 an opportunity to present their reasons for or  
 against such action, the following notice be  
 published in some news paper of general  
 circulation

Amend-  
 ment of  
 Rule 3

circulation in the town, once a week for the next four weeks and pasted in five conspicuous places in the town, to wit:

Notice is hereby given that application has been made to the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Md. for the opening and extending of Tulip Avenue from its present terminus in an easterly direction to a junction with Carroll Avenue; and this extension to be forty feet in width, the northerly line of the extension being a prolongation of the northerly line of the present Avenue, and that the same will be acted upon at the next regular meeting July 8, 1895.

The above resolution was seconded by Mr. Warren and unanimously carried.

On motion of Mr. Brien the Mayor was authorized to have the above resolution published in the Washington Evening News.

The Clerk advised the Council that he had received a communication from Rev. John M. Tennent and one from F. O. Fongley declining the appointment as Deputy Bailiffs.

The Mayor administered the oath of office to William Jones as Deputy Bailiff.

#### Reports of Committees

Mr. George A. Warren from the Special Committee on Fire apparatus reported that the committee had ordered one dozen chairs, one table & one lamp for the fire department to be used in the log cabin;

also that a bell had been procured and placed on the Cabin, the cost being \$4<sup>00</sup>/<sub>100</sub> and he recommended that an appropriation of said amount be made for the payment of the bell.

They also reported that the Fire Department was now fully equipped; that the town clerk be directed to correspond with the Howe Pump and Engine Co. and request that they expedite the shipment

shipment of all supplies ordered including the brags to the engine; also that the former recommendation to make the Fire Committee one of the standing committees was withdrawn,

Mr. Scudder moved that the appropriation asked for by the committee, viz \$4,100<sup>00</sup>/<sub>100</sub>, be made. The motion was carried.

Mr. Bien moved that the report be adopted and the committee discharged. The motion carried.

Mr. Warren from the committee on streets made a report giving in detail the work that had been done during the recess of the Council, recommending that a street lamp be erected on Elm Avenue between Pine and Hickory <sup>east of</sup> Sligo Bridge avenues, & giving the total cost of the Sligo Bridge, which was completed May 25-1895, to be \$397.85.

Mr. Bien moved that the report of the street committee be adopted and that \$12<sup>00</sup>/<sub>100</sub> be appropriated to paint the bridge. The motion was unanimously carried. Said motion included an appreciation by the Council of the work done by the Committee and also Mr. E. C. Blodget as superintendent.

The Committee on health had no report to make. The Finance committee reported that they had received bills amounting to \$16.90, audited said bills and recommended their payment.

The bills were, on motion of Mr. Bien directed to be paid.

Bill of George W. Jackson for surveying	\$11.25
" " F. A. Schneider for tools	2.65
" " D. F. Masan " cement	3.00
	<u>\$16.90</u>

Other appropriations	
For the purchase of a bell	4.00.
" painting the bridge	12.00
Total appropriation	<u>\$32.90</u>

Mr Clark Chairman of the ordinance committee introduced the following ordinance

Ordinance No. 48.

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 sixty-five cents (\$.65) on each one hundred dollars of assessed value of all real and personal property lying within the corporate limits of Takoma Park, Maryland be, and the same is hereby fixed and levied for the year ending June 30, 1896, as provided by Section No. 14, Chapter No. 558, of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1894.

Sec 2,

That the assessed value of all real and personal property, lying within the corporate limits of Takoma Park, Maryland, shall be the same as adopted by the Mayor and Council at a meeting held June 11, 1894, with such additions as have been made since July 1, 1894, (and which are subject to assessment for State and County taxes) to be assessed by the Bailiff who is hereby authorized so to do.

Sec 3,

That said tax is hereby made due and payable on the first day of September 1895,

Sec 4,

That all taxes not paid on or before September 1, 1895, shall bear interest at the rate of 6 per centum, per annum, until paid, and all taxes not paid on or before January 1, 1896, shall be considered delinquent and shall be collected together with all costs, as provided by Section No. 17, Chapter No. 558, of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1894.

J. H. Clark.

Signed

Wm. Bier.

Chas. W. Scudder.

Mr Clark moved that the above ordinance be adapted.

The Mayor put the question to the Council with the following result, by yeas & nays vote

Those voting in the affirmative Messrs.

J. N. Clark, Chas. W. Sudder, George A. Warren, Morris Bien and Mayor S. S. Shedd.

Councilmen Skinner and Dyar were absent.

There being five votes in the affirmative and none in the negative, the Mayor declared the motion carried and said ordinance adapted.

The Judiciary committee had no report to make.

There were no petitions.

### New Business

Mr Bien offered the following resolution.

Whereas Benjamin F. Gilbert made and caused to be plotted and duly recorded in Liber No. 3 J. A. folio No. 478 and 479, of the land records of Montgomery; and also Prince George's counties Maryland, a certain addition to Takoma Park, and;

Whereas in said addition he selected and set apart a certain portion thereof in Block 16, to be a public park for the use and benefit of the inhabitants of Takoma Park and caused the same to be registered under the name of Spring Park; and,

Whereas the said Spring Park has been known and recognized by the inhabitants of Takoma Park, as a public park and lots and tracts of land have been purchased with reference to said plat and on account of said dedication of said Spring Park to public use; and,

Whereas the Mayor and Council is informed that the said Gilbert has attempted

to convey said Spring Park to the Takoma Park Springs Co: and

Whereas the said Takoma Park Springs Co. improperly claims to own the said Spring Park, and has notified the public not to go upon the same: by all of which proceedings the people of Takoma Park are deprived of rights and privileges to which they are justly entitled; therefore be it,

Resolved that the clerk ~~be instructed~~ be instructed to send a copy of this resolution to the Takoma Park Springs Co. and demand that a certain sign on said Spring Park, to the effect "Private property No Trespassing"; be removed: and,

Whereas by mistake and inadvertence the said Spring Park has been placed on the assessment rolls of the County of Prince Georges and the town of Takoma Park, and the sum of \$1<sup>45</sup> has been improperly collected as the result of such mistake and inadvertence as taxes thereon by the town of Takoma Park; therefore be it,

Resolved that the bailiff be instructed to remove the said Spring Park assessment from the rolls and to refuse to accept further payment on account of said assessment; that the commissioners of Prince Georges County be furnished with a certified copy of this resolution by the Town Clerk and be requested to remove said assessment from its rolls: and that the Town Clerk is hereby instructed and authorized to refund to the said Takoma Park Springs Co. the sum of \$1<sup>45</sup> heretofore improperly collected on account of taxes on said Spring Park.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Warren and after some general discussion was carried; Messrs. Warren, Scudder and Bier voting

voting in the affirmative and Mr. Clark  
voting in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Warren the Council  
then adjourned.

approved July 8, 1895,

J. A. Kinnear  
Town Clerk.