

A regular meeting of the Council was held in the basement of the Presbyterian Chapel on Monday, July 6, 1896 at 8 p.m.

Mayor D. D. Shedd, Presiding

Roll call

Roll Call

Mayor	D. D. Shedd	<u>Present</u>
Councilman	W. W. Weyer	"
"	H. J. Long	"
"	B. C. Corn	"
"	F. J. Long	"
"	Geo. A. Warren	"
"	W. G. Platt	<u>Absent</u>

Minutes of the meeting of June 22, 1896 were read and approved

Reports of Committees

Public Improvements; No report

Finance:

Mr B. C. Corn, Acting Chairman submitted the following bills approved and recommended their payment:

Bills

Orndorff & Tuxton, Plow	\$14.00
S. D. Waters 2 Gmb. hors & Sledge	2.75
B. F. Schrider Repairs to scrop &c	5.80
Keuffel & Esser Co. Line	7.67
T. A. Goom printing tax bills	4.75

On motion Mr Long the report was accepted and bills ordered paid

Public Safety: Mr Long, Chairman made a verbal report that cost of iron cage for use of lockup would cost \$85.00 at place of manufacture

After some discussion as to the advisability of constructing a portable lockup at an estimated cost of \$50. or purchasing the iron cage, on motion of Mr. Warren the consideration of the matter

Lock-up

was postponed until next meeting  
 Mr. Coon, Chairman Ordinance Committee submitted the  
 following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE No. LIII.

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE PROTECTION OF SONG BIRDS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF TAKOMA PARK,  
 MARYLAND:

Section I.-That from and after the passage of this Act, it shall be unlawful for any person, or persons, to kill, trap, maim, destroy, or take, or pursue with intent to kill, trap, maim, destroy, or take, by any device, contrivance, or means whatever, any song bird within the corporate limits of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland.

Section II.-Every person within the corporate limits of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, who shall expose, or offer for sale, or have in his or her possession, or custody, any of said birds, shall be deemed guilty of taking the same within the meaning of the preceding section.

Section III.- Any person, or persons, offending against any of the provisions of the two preceding sections, or either of them, shall upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of not less than five (5) dollars, nor more than twenty-five (25) dollars.

Passed and approved July 6, 1896.

(signed) S. S. Shedd,

Mayor.

Attest:

Geo. A. Warren,

Town Clerk.

Repealed by Act 1068 (21.19)

After the ordinance had been read by the Clerk, it was enacted by the following Aye <sup>and</sup>  Nay vote

<u>Mayer</u>	<u>D. S. Shedd,</u>	<u>Yes</u>
<u>Councilman</u>	<u>W. W. Dycar</u>	"
"	<u>G. A. Warren</u>	"
"	<u>F. J. Long</u>	"
"	<u>B. C. Corn</u>	"
"	<u>W. J. Long</u>	"

Committee on Health: Mr Long, Chairman submitted the following report:

*Scavenger*  
 " That a Scavenger be appointed to collect garbage and remove night soil: That Mr. Nelson be appointed town Scavenger to remove garbage twice a week during summer and once a week during winter without compensation and to remove night soil whenever required at the rate of 50¢ for prairie hemlock buckets and  $\frac{1}{2}$  for boxes, to be paid by the householder  
On motion the report was adopted

*Street Lamps increase in price*  
Mr. Warren submitted a letter from Geo F Muth & Co stating that owing to an advance in price of the Dutz Street Lamps, they were unable to fill the order for lamps at old price viz 2.74 and the best they could do was \$3.24 each

On motion of Mr Dycar, the Committee on Public Improvements were authorized to contract for the lamps at the increased price, if after investigation it was found a lower price could not be obtained

*J. F. Phillips deputy Sheriff*  
On motion of Mr Warren, Mr Geo F Phillips was reappointed a deputy Sheriff

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

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TOWN OF TAKOMA PARK, MD.

For the period April 30, 1895 to June 30, 1896

RECEIPTS.

Cash in sinking fund (see last report).....	\$ 98.77
Received from general taxes.....	3362.25
Received from special assessments.....	74.00
Proceeds, sale of bonds.....	3500.00
Balance in special improvement fund (see last report).....	1274.94
W ages uncalled for and covered into treasury...	1.19
Sundry cash receipts.....	13.15
Interest on deposits.....	4.20
Road-tax from Montgomery county.....	423.60
Amount received from Dog Tax.....	12.00
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Total receipts.....	\$8764.10

DISBURSEMENTS.

Amount paid for tools.....	\$ 30.55
Furniture for engine house.....	9.00
General Expenses, to include freight, stationery, printing, drayage, advertising, postage &c...	302.75
Expended for public improvements (street work)..	1463.22
Expended for Street lights (oil & material)....	186.91
Rent.....	39.50
On account fire apparatus.....	418.50
Interest on bonded indebtedness (18 months).....	420.00
Interest on certificate of indebtedness.....	36.00
Redemption of bonds (series 1891).....	3500.00
Redemption of bonds (series 1894).....	500.00
Redemption Certificate of indebtedness.....	300.00
For Services:	
Jas. W. Wilson, Bailiff.....	150.00
J. B. Kinnear, Clerk, Bailiff.....	158.99
William Jones, Lamplighter.....	80.00
Ashley M. Gould, Tax-collector.....	150.00
Geo. A. Warren, Clerk and Treasurer.....	26.50
Ashley M. Gould, legal services.....	150.00
Geo. W. Jackson, surveying.....	23.75
E. E. Blodgett, carpenter.....	2.50
Cash in Wash. Loan & Trust Co.....	815.93. \$8764.10

I certify that the above is a true statement of the receipts and disbursements for the fourteen months ending June 30, 1896

GEORGE A. WARREN,  
Treasurer.

Purchase  
Wheel  
Scoops

Mr. Warren brought to the attention of the Council that Mr. B. F. Gilbert had made an offer to sell to the town a number of wheel scoops and parts thereof, stored near the Stables in North Takoma, for ten dollars, and urged the acceptance of the offer.

Mr. Dyer moved that \$10.00 be appropriated, to be immediately available for the purchase of the scoops.

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Report of Town Treasurer.

Report of  
Treasurer

Amount on hand last report	\$ 834.48
Cash received	9.80
<u>Total</u>	<u>844.28</u>
By disbursements	\$ 99.06
<u>Balance on hand</u>	<u>\$ 745.22</u>

Charter

A letter was read from Mr. Alex Kelgen States Attorney for Montgomery Co. in answer to one sent him, in which he stated that the Charter of the town published in the Montgomery Advocate was accurate, and suitable for copy for printer.

Ordered filed

Annual report of Treasurer submitted and ordered filed.

No further business appearing the Mayor declared the Council adjourned.

Geo A Warren  
Clerk

Approved:

Samuel Shubert  
Mayor

● The regular monthly meeting of the Council was held in the basement of the Presbyterian Chapel on Monday, Aug 3<sup>d</sup>, 1896

Mayor S. S. Shedd, presiding

Roll Call

Mayor	S. S. Shedd	Present
Councilman	W. W. Dyar	"
"	F. J. Lung	"
"	W. G. Platt	"
"	B. C. Coon	"
"	H. J. Long	"
"	Geo. A. Warren	"

Minutes of prior session were read and approved

The oath of office was administered to Mr. Saml Queen as a deputy Sheriff

Standing Committees

Health, Ordinance and Judiciary no reports

The Finance Committee submitted approved bills aggregating in amount \$65.71 as follows

J. H. Gosum, printing charter	35.00
" " " Card record	11.25
Nicolau Bros Oil	9.78
B. F. Schreier Hacksmulding	1.75
Orndorff & Truxton	1.45
S. D. Walen Nails &c	4.40
Jones, drayage &c	208

On motion Mr Long, the report was accepted and bills ordered paid

The Committee on Public Improvements submitted a written report recommending an appropriation of 52.50 to complete the improvements on Sycamore Ave.

Sycamore Ave

No action

A further appropriation of 15<sup>00</sup> to continue getting weeds out of the streets and on motion of Mr Dyar the amount was made 30<sup>00</sup> and so ordered

Cleaning Weeds from Streets \$30.

That 6<sup>00</sup> be appropriated to place gravel on a portion of Holly Av. and on motion of Mr Long the amount asked for was authorized

Holly Ave gravel \$6<sup>00</sup>

Attention was called to the condition of Elm, av. sidewalk and the Committee asked instructions but no action was taken

Elm Ave Sidewalk

Report of Treasurer

Amount on hand last report	745.22
Cash recd for taxes	10.13
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	755.35
By disbursements	
	280.21
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<u>Balance on hand</u>	475.14

Treasurer's Report

The Mayor submitted a letter he had received from the General Manager of the Ball & Washington Transit Co, requesting that Ordinance 49 granting right of way to said railroad through the town be amended so as to grant the company the right to lay tracks on other streets in the town.

Ball and Wash. Tran. Co

Owing to the indefinite language of the letter Mr Warren moved

Committee to confer with R.R. officials

That a Committee of 3 one of whom shall be the Mayor be appointed by the Chair to meet the officials of said railroad and

ascertain exactly what is desired, and if considered necessary that a special meeting of the Council be called

Carried

The Mayor appointed such Committee to act with him the Chairman of the Committee on Public Improvements Mr. Warren and Committee on Finance Mr. Platt.

No further business appearing, the Council was declared adjourned

Geo. A. Warren  
Clerk

Approved:

Saml. J. Shedd  
Mayor



A special meeting of the Council was held Friday, Aug 14, 1896 at the residence of Mayor Shedd

Present

Mayor J. S. Shedd  
 Councilman G. A. Warren  
 " W. G. Platt  
 B. C. Corn  
 F. J. Long  
 F. J. Long

Absent

Councilman W. W. Dyer

Mayor Shedd Chairman of the Special Committee in conference with the Ball & Wash. Transit Co made a verbal report and submitted a rough copy of proposed amendments to Ordinance 49 also recommending an extension of the time for 90 days

Mr. F. C. Drome, General Manager of the Company was present and explained the difficulties that had been encountered by the Company and their reasons for desiring an extension of time in which to commence work.

After considerable discussion of the subject the ordinance was amended as follows.

Mayor Shedd, Councilmen Corn, Platt, Long, Platt, Long and Warren voting in favor thereof

No. 53A

Amendment to Ordinance #49 Granting Right of Way to the  
Baltimore and Washington Transit Company of the State of Maryland.

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BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR and COUNCIL of TAKOMA  
PARK:

Repealed by 1065 (2.1.17)

That Ordinance 49, passed and approved February 15, 1896, be, and hereby is amended to read as follows:

After the word "Sligo creek" on line 19 of Section 1, add---  
or (3) leaving Carroll avenue at its junction with Ethan Allen  
avenue, thence along the said Ethan Allen avenue, provided land be  
acquired from the owners of abutting property and the street widened  
to at least fifty feet without expense to the town of Takoma Park,  
to the boundary of the town; thence through such public street (or  
private property as may be acquired from the owners thereof) as may  
be necessary to reach Sligo creek, thence along Sligo creek or  
Flower avenue to the northerly line of Takoma Park,

Provided, that land acquired by agreement, purchase or condem-  
nation for right of way for tracks along streets recorded on the plat  
of Takoma Park, shall be dedicated to the Town of Takoma Park for a  
public right of way before the company shall lay its tracks on said  
street.

The said Baltimore and Washington Transit Company is further  
granted the right to construct a railway commencing at the intersec-  
tion of Chicago avenue and the northerly boundary of the town of  
Takoma Park, passing thence through Chicago avenue to a point at, or  
near its intersection with Takoma avenue, thence along and through the  
parking on the westerly side of said Takoma avenue to a point where  
the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company has constructed a siding, but  
no right herein granted shall authorize the said Baltimore and Washing-  
ton Transit Company to construct or maintain any building, shed, pen  
or other structure on said parking, and cars shall not be allowed to  
stand or be stored on said parking for a longer time than is abso-  
lutely necessary to load or unload freight.

It is further and expressly stipulated that this right of way  
through Chicago avenue shall not be operative and that no work shall  
commence thereon until such time as the said Baltimore and Washington  
Transit Company shall have constructed its road and laid its tracks  
on one of the three routes named in this Section via Laurel and Car-  
roll avenues, and # # # #

On motion of Mr Long, the following amendment to Ordinance #49 was passed, Roll being called Mayor Shedd, Comalman Warren, Corn, Platt, Long & Long voting Aye.

Extension of time to the Baltimore & Washington Transit Company.

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR and COUNCIL OF TAKOMA PARK.

Extension of Ord 49

as amended

That Ordinance No.49, passed and approved February 15, 1896, be and the same is hereby extended for the period of ninety (90) days from August 15, 1896.

No further business appearing, a motion to adjourn was carried

Geo. A. Warren  
Clerk

Approved:

David Shedd  
Mayor.

7653B (2/17)

A regular meeting of the Council was held Monday, Sept 7, 1896 at 8 pm in the Sacrament of the Mrs. Chapel  
Mayor S. S. Shedd presiding

Roll Call

Mayor	S. S. Shedd	Present
Councilman	W. W. Dyer	"
"	W. G. Platt	"
"	B. C. Coon	"
"	H. J. Long	"
"	G. A. Warren	"
"	J. J. Lung	"

Minutes of prior sessions of Aug 31<sup>st</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> were read and approved:

Communications and Bills

*Sammond  
Bill*

Bill of A Sammond for pipe furnished for use at the Presbyterian Church, and ordered during the time of the Maris Council by ladies of church, was submitted and referred to Finance Committee

*Spencer, G. L.*

Letter from Geo L. Spencer requesting work done on Oak An was referred to the ~~Street~~ Committee on Public Improvements for report

*Resolutions  
of  
Chris Endv.*

A paper purporting to be a series of Resolutions adopted by the Christian Endeavor Association of Takoma Park, but without signature, was presented, having for its object the suppression of all business, ball playing and other acts on the Sabbath and the traffic in liquor at all times, and urging the Council to take appropriate action

Referred to Judiciary Committee

Mayor D. O'Driscoll being present was recognized by the Mayor whereupon he made an appeal

to the Council for improvements on Stage Car and  
two more Camps.

The Mayor informed the gentlemen that his request  
would receive consideration as soon as the terms  
financials would warrant.

### Treasurers Report:

Sept 7, 1896

Amount on hand last report	475.14
Received from taxes	177.42
	<u>\$ 652.56</u>
Disbursed	373.76
Balance	<u>278.80</u>

### Reports of Committees

Health— Councilman F. J. Leung submitted a report  
stating that upon complaint of Dr. R. W. Shufeldt, he  
had abated a nuisance on the rear of Mr. E. Maris's  
premises.

Finance: Councilman W. G. Platt presented the following  
bills approved by his Committee:

J. N. Gosson	Printing	3.85
S. Queen	Drayage	1.50
Muth & Co	Camps	133.71
J. H. Summers	Oil Can	3.00
Ondorff & Trinton		4.25
Nicolai Bros.	Oil	19.27
		<u>\$ 165.58</u>

On motion of Mr Dyer, the report was accepted  
and bills ordered paid.

Public Improvements: The Chairman submitted a  
written report covering operations of the Committee  
during the month and making certain recommen-  
dations: The following items in the report  
were acted upon:

Elm Ave  
Walk

Calling attention to the dilapidated condition of  
Elm Ave sidewalk - On motion Mr Hoyer  
the Committee was directed to take up the board  
walk and fill up the holes

Sewer in  
Sycamore Ave

Relation to need of a sewer pipe in Sycamore Ave  
On motion of Mr Hoyer the Committee was authorized  
to lay a pipe in front of Mr Combs at an  
expense not to exceed \$10.00

Takoma Ave

On motion Mr Long: "In order to prevent any  
serious damage to the work done on Takoma  
Ave. and to complete the street and make  
embankment secure from wash, \$50. or so much  
thereof as may be necessary is authorized"

Signs to Sag

Mr Long moved that all signs directing visitors  
to the Spring except via Carroll & Columbia Aves  
be removed. Approved

Bicycles  
Lamps  
Speed

Ordinance: Mr Coon, Chairman, submitted  
an ordinance making it unlawful to  
ride bicycles through the town at a greater  
rate of speed than 15 m. per hour and  
requiring bicycles to have lighted lamps  
after sundown

The ordinance was read by the Clerk and  
after discussion its enactment was defeated  
by the following aye & nay vote

For the passage  
Councillors Warren & Coon - 2  
Against, Mayor Shedd  
Councillors Platt, Long, Hoyer Long } 5

No further business appearing the Council was on  
motion declared adjourned.

Approved

Mayor

Geo. A. Warren  
Clerk

Monday, September 14, 1896.

A special meeting of the Council was held this date at 7 p.m. at the residence of Mayor Shedd.

Roll call showed the following members present:

Mayor S.S. Shedd---Councilman W.W. Dyar, F.J. Lung, B.C. Coon, W.G. Platt and G.A. Warren

Councilman H.J. Long absent.

The Mayor stated that information had been received from the Manager of the Baltimore & Washington Transit Co. that owing to the fact that the son of the late Gen. Carroll was not of age, there were legal difficulties that made it impracticable to obtain land from the Carroll estate for right of way and the company desired that the amendment to Ordinance 49 passed August 14, 1896 be still further amended so as to permit the company to lay a single track down Ethan Allen avenue. After discussion, Mr. Dyar made the following motion, seconded by Mr. Warren which was passed by an aye and nay vote, all members voting in the affirmative.

That the amendment to Ordinance #49 passed and approved August 14, 1896 granting right of way to the Baltimore and Washington Transit Company be repealed and reenacted so as to read as follows: [p. 53A]

Amendment to Ordinance #49 Granting Right of Way to the  
Baltimore & Washington Transit Company of the State of Maryland.

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or (3) leaving Carroll avenue at its junction with Ethan Allen avenue, thence along the extreme northerly side of said Ethan Allen avenue, with a single track to the boundary of the town; thence through such public street (or private property as may be acquired from the owners thereof) as may be necessary to reach Sligo creek; thence along Sligo Creek, or Flower avenue to the northerly line of Takoma Park.

Provided, that the said Baltimore and Washington Transit Company of the State of Maryland shall at the time of construction of its road on said Ethan Allen avenue, open and grade said avenue for the passage of vehicles to its full width of thirty (30) feet.

Provided further, that land acquired by agreement, purchase or condemnation for right of way for tracks along streets recorded on the plat of Takoma Park, shall be dedicated to the Town of Takoma Park for a public right of way before the Company shall lay its tracks on said street.

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The said Baltimore and Washington Transit Company of the State of Maryland is further granted the right to construct a railway commencing at the intersection of Chicago avenue and the northerly boundary of the town of Takoma Park, passing thence through Chicago avenue to a point at, or near its intersection with Takoma avenue, thence along and through the parking on the westerly side of said Takoma avenue to a point where the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Co. has constructed a siding, but no right herein granted shall authorize the said Baltimore and Washington Transit Co. to construct or maintain any building, shed or other structure on said parking, and cars shall not be permitted to be stored on said parking for a longer time than is absolutely necessary to load or unload freight.

It is further and expressly stipulated that this right of way through Chicago avenue shall not be operative, and that no work shall commence thereon until such time as the said Baltimore and Washington Transit Company shall have constructed its road and laid its tracks on one of the three routes named in this section viz. Laurel and Carroll avenues, and    x    x    x    x

On motion of Mr. Platt, the Clerk was directed to communicate with the District Commissioners and ascertain whether the Company had deposited the \$1,000 required by Congress.

No further business appearing, the council was declared adjourned.

*Approved*

*Geo. A. Warren*  
Clerk

*Mayer*