

September 16th, 1901.

A special meeting of the Council was held this date, at 8 o'clock P.M., at the residence of the Town Clerk, on Oak Avenue, for the purpose of taking appropriate action on the death of President McKinley. There were present the Mayor, the Town Treasurer, the Clerk and Councilmen Lving, Mooers and Platt.

In calling the Council to order, Mayor Shedd stated the purpose of the meeting and feelingly alluded to the great sorrow which has befallen the Republic. In a few well-chosen words he paid a touching tribute to the life and character of the late President.

Upon motion of Councilman Platt the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, the Mayor and Council have heard with inexpressable grief—a grief shared by liberty-loving people throughout the breadth of all lands—of the death, at Buffalo, New York, on the morning of September 14, 1901, of PRESIDENT WILLIAM MCKINLEY, after a week of pain and suffering from wounds inflicted by a cowardly assassin, therefore be it

Resolved, By the Mayor and Council of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, that in this hour of overwhelming national sorrow, we record our tribute of affection for the pure life and great achievements of the gentle man, who, twice elevated to the Presidency, after a life fruited with honor and affection, met a violent death with the composure of a christian and a hero.

Resolved, That in accordance with the proclamation of President Roosevelt, the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to issue a proclamation inviting our people to gather in divine worship on the 19th day of September, there to bow in submission to God's will and to pay their tribute of affection to our late beloved President.

In accordance with the Resolutions the Mayor presented the following proclamation which was duly approved and issued:

A Proclamation.

The people of Takoma Park share in the great sorrow which today overshadows the Nation. In the tragic and untimely death of President McKinley, they feel keenly the loss of a great man. His long public career, embracing a brilliant service in the volunteer army of the civil war, in the halls of congress, as the executive of a great state of the Union, and finally twice elevated to the highest office in the gift of a free people, was a long record of distinguished service and proud achievement. Born of the people, he was at all times their earnest advocate and their best friend. That a man so typical of a free government and of a personality so lovable, should fall at the hands of a cowardly assassin, is one of the things to human intelligence inscrutable.

It is fitting that at this time our people should in a public manner express their tribute of affection for his well-spent life and sorrowfully bow in grief over his untimely death. Now, therefore, I, SAMUEL S. SHEDD, Mayor of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, by authority and direction of the Town Council thereof and in accordance with the proclamation of President Roosevelt, earnestly recommend that all our people gather in divine worship at the Presbyterian church, in Takoma Park, on Thursday, the 19th day of September, 1901, at eleven o'clock, A.M., there to bow in submission to the will of God and to pay our tribute of love and affection to the memory of our late President whose death has made the whole world mourn.

In witness whereof I have, on this 16th day of September, 1901, hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Town of Takoma Park, Md., to be affixed.
By the Mayor: BEN G. DAVIS, Town Clerk. Samuel S. Shedd, Mayor.

An invitation from Rev. John Van Ness for the participation of the Mayor and Council in the memorial exercises on the 19th was accepted.

The Council then, at 9 o'clock, P.M. adjourned. *Samuel S. Shedd Mayor.* Ben G. Davis, Town Clerk

Takoma Park, Md., October 7, 1901.

The Council met at 8:20 o'clock P.M., with the following members present: Mayor Shedd, Councilmen Lung, Mooers and Platt.

The minutes of the last regular meeting and of the special meeting held September 16th, were read and approved.

Dr. A.V. Parsons appeared before the Council and in view of the presence of contagious disease within and near the Town, strongly urged the purchase of the Kuhn disinfecting apparatus to adequately cope with any necessity that may arise in the future.

In connection with the same subject Mr. L.M. Mooers, Health Officer, submitted the following report:

To the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Md.

As Health Officer, I have the honor to submit the following report. On September 22, a case of diphtheria was reported by Dr. Parsons in the family of Mr. Emil Bertrand on Poplar Avenue. The patient, a girl of 12, was immediately isolated and anti-toxine administered. She is now practically recovered and no other case has appeared in the family. The premises will be disinfected this week and the quarantine removed. The case was of light form, the source of infection not determined.

On October 1st, a member of the Redmond family, an adult female, came to Dr. Parsons and was found to have a well-developed case of diphtheria. She had on that day come from Vermantown, Md., where she had been for some time. As there are in the Redmond family thirteen (13) persons living in four rooms, proper isolation of the patient was out of the question. Dr. Parsons at once notified the Health Officer and requested him to procure sufficient anti-toxine to treat the patient and immunize the rest of the family. The quantity called for was procured at Thompson's drug store in the city and cost \$12.38. This not being enough another quantity was bought costing \$13.75, and a second case having developed in the family, Dr. Parsons furnished on his own account sufficient to treat it, costing \$5.75. The money for the two lots procured by the Health Officer amounting to \$26.13, was advanced by Mr. George A. Warren. Dr. Parsons has used thus far two curative and ten immunizing injections of the anti-toxine and it is believed that the disease in this family is under control. While not malignant both were typical cases. It is proper to remark that this family does not reside within the corporation of Takoma Park, Md., but the exigencies of the case required immediate attention and it was given.

About the middle of September two children of Professor Whitney developed typhoid fever of rather a mild form. They are attended by Dr. Wright, of Forest Glen and at this time are convalescent. Nothing about the premises indicate any unsanitary condition and Professor Whitney is making investigation to determine if possible the source of infection.

The need for a disinfecting apparatus is now apparent, the conditions in the Redmond family making thorough disinfection imperative, not only to prevent a recurrence of the disease among themselves but to safeguard the whole town. It is recommended that the Kuhn apparatus as described at a former meeting be purchased at once.

A sample of water from the well on the Shufeldt property was sent to the analyst of the State Board of Health at Baltimore and a report received designating the well as "suspicious" as a potable water. Mr. Gray was informed of the report and the use of the water has been discontinued.

Respectfully,

L.M. MOOERS, Health Officer.

Takoma Park, Md., Oct. 7, 1901.

Mr. Platt moves the adoption of the report, that the expenditures therein noted be approved and that the purchase of the Kuhn apparatus as recommended by the Health Officer be authorized. It was so ordered.

The Treasurer submitted the following report:

Takoma Park, Md., October 7, 1901.

Balance on hand last report	\$ 1,808.60
Cash received from taxes	664.73
Received from Town Clerk on account permits	11.00
Sundry receipts, water rents	22.58
	<u>\$ 2,506.91</u>
By disbursements	958.62
Leaving a balance on hand of	<u>\$ 1,548.29</u>

Included in the disbursements is a charge of \$278.63 covering amount of interest paid Rosser & Castoe on certificate of \$13931.39 held by that firm.

GEORGE A. WARREN, Treasurer.

Mr. Lung reported verbally, that, together with the Health Officer, he had conferred with a representative of the District government in regard to the menace to the public health caused by house drainage from the District of Columbia into the open stream flowing between Holly and Oak Avenues; that the District inspector had promised to bring the matter to the attention of their health authorities and that he would recommend to the Commissioners a conference with the Mayor and Council with a view of bringing about some arrangement satisfactory to both the District of Columbia and the Town of Takoma Park, Md.

Mr. Lung, from the special committee to purchase a stone crusher reported verbally that, as authorized, he had visited the factory at Kennett Square, Pa., and after thorough examination of second-hand No. 3 and No. 4 crusher, had decided that the purchase of the latter for \$400 would be the most economical and satisfactory; that he had purchased said machine and that it had been received this date.

The Finance Committee reported as follows:

To the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Md.

October 7, 1901.

Gentlemen: The Finance Committee has to report that they have carefully examined the following bills and accounts submitted to the Committee for report. We have approved the following and recommend payment:

J. H. McVill, Cement	\$ 19.20	S. S. Shedd & Bro. Setting water quage and material	\$ 16.93
F. Fidler, Smithing	3.80	George L. Tarbel	82.00
W. J. Briddings, Nails	2.75	Contingent	48.73
L. Hartig, Tools	12.11	O. S. Maus, Dynamite	15.25
C. M. Heaton, Assignee, Plumbing	7.20	J. C. Kramer, Smithing	3.60
L. Hartig, Wire	80	George E. Walker, Lumber	51.14
Nat. Electric Supply Co. Batteries	2.90	William Jones, Matches	5.94
Nat. Electric Supply Co.	5.00	Washington Brick Co. Brick	90.00
		Dr. A. V. Parsons	5.75
			<u>\$ 373.10</u>

W. G. Platt, Committee.

Mr. Lung moved that the report be adopted and the bills paid and it was so ordered.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following bill together with the accompanying opinion of the Corporation attorney thereon:

Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, D.C.

Sept. 2, 1901.

To J. W. Hodges

To \$25⁰⁰ for failure to keep sewer in condition according to agreement.

October 7, 1901.

Hon. S. S. Shedd, Mayor, Takoma Park, Md.

Dear Sir: In reply to your verbal request that I give you an opinion as to the liability of the Town to a penalty of five dollars per day to John W. Hodges under the deed by which he conveyed to the Town a right of way for a sewer, I have the honor to submit the following:

My understanding of the facts is that the receiving basin of the sewage disposal grounds became filled up and congested, causing a stoppage and overflow. This disposal basin is on the property of the Town, but adjacent to the lands of Mr. Hodges, and the sewer which empties into it comes across the lands of Hodges. He claims under the agreement by which he conveyed the right to build the sewer across his lands a penalty of five dollars per day for five days during which this overflow was a nuisance. I have carefully examined the deed whereby the said right of way is conveyed to the Town by Hodges, and am of the opinion that the penalty aforesaid is only payable by the Town to him for a leakage or offensive smell, when proved to have existed for ten days after written notice to the Town, which shall proceed from any sewer or sewers upon his grounds, and that it does not apply or become due by reason of a leakage or nuisance which exists beyond the limits of his land and upon the property owned by the Town.

Of course, if the aforesaid basin or disposal vault was in such a condition as to be nuisance, the Town would be liable to an adjacent owner for any damage caused thereby; such damage would have to be proved, and would not be measured by the penalty provided in this contract for leakage in the sewer running across his ground.

I return herewith the deed for the right of way, which was handed me by Mr. Davis.

Very respectfully, ASHLEY M. GOULD.

The Clerk was instructed to return the bill to Mr. Hodges with the information that in view of the opinion of the corporation attorney, payment thereof was declined.

The Mayor also laid before the Council a communication from Mr. W. H. McDonald, inclosing bill for \$6⁷⁵ repairs to plumbing at his house on Holly Avenue, which he claims were necessitated by negligence on the part of the Town authorities in turning on the water after repairs had been made to a water main - and requesting payment of the same.

The Clerk was instructed to return the bill to Mr. McDonald with the information that the Town could not hold itself responsible for damages of this nature.

On motion of Mr. Mooers the Street Committee was authorized to purchase six new, complete street lamps and twelve extra founts.

There being no further business the Council at 10 o'clock, P.M., adjourned.

S. S. Shedd
Mayor.

Ben G. Davis, Town Clerk.

Takoma Park, Md, October 9, 1901.

A special meeting of the Council was held this date at the residence of the Town Clerk, at 8 o'clock p.m., upon the call of the Mayor for the purpose of taking action upon the sale of \$10000 additional waterworks and sewerage bonds.

There were present the following: Mayor S. S. Shedd, Councilmen W. G. Platt, James K. Depue and F. W. Longley.

The Mayor announced that for some weeks he had been negotiating for the sale of the additional \$10000 bonds authorized and that he had accepted the offer of the Washington Loan and Trust Company, of Washington, D.C., to purchase the entire issue at par.

The Mayor then presented the following ordinance drawn by the corporation attorney:

Ordinance No. 87.

An ordinance providing for the issue of \$10000. additional Waterworks and Sewerage Bonds of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, being the bond voted by the qualified electors of said town at the election held February 28, 1901.

Whereas, under and pursuant to the Act of the General Assembly of the State of Maryland, entitled "An Act to authorize the Town of Takoma Park to borrow an additional sum of not exceeding ten thousand dollars on the credit of said town (if the same shall be necessary) for the purpose of constructing and maintaining waterworks and a sewerage system for said town, to issue bonds for the payment thereof, and to levy taxes to redeem said bonds and to pay the interest thereon; and to authorize the issue of said bonds and also a prior issue of bonds for the purpose of constructing and maintaining waterworks and a sewerage system only," approved April 7, 1900, the Mayor and Council of said Town of Takoma Park, by ordinance duly passed and approved January 14, 1901, determined to call a special municipal election of the qualified voters of said Town to vote on the question of the creation of debt and the issuance of bonds to the amount of \$10000 for the purpose of constructing and maintaining waterworks and a sewerage system in accordance with the terms and provisions of the said act, the sum heretofore authorized by an act of said General Assembly approved March 28, 1898, for said purposes having been ascertained to be insufficient therefor, and the said Mayor and Council of said town caused the Mayor and Town Clerk to give notice of the holding of such election on February 28, 1901, and the said notice was duly given by publication in a newspaper circulating in said town, and by posting the said notice in five conspicuous places in said town, said publication and posting being done more than ten days prior to said election, which said notice was given fully and in all respects as required by the said act and by the laws of the State of Maryland, and

Whereas, under and pursuant to said notice and to the ordinance calling the said election, and under and pursuant to said act of the General Assembly and the statutes of said State in such cases made and provided, the said special municipal election was held on the 28th day of February, 1901, and there was submitted to the qualified voters of said town at such special election, the question of creation of an additional indebtedness as aforesaid, and the issuance of \$10000 of bonds representing the same, and more than two-thirds of the qualified voters of said town voting at said election voted in favor of the creation of such indebtedness and the issuance of said bonds; and the returns of said election have been duly made and canvassed and the result thereof declared as required by law; and

Whereas, the Mayor of this town, acting under and pursuant to a resolution of the Mayor and Council thereof, has sold said bonds, to wit: \$10,000 of bonds payable thirty years after date, with interest at the rate of four per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, and the same to be issued pursuant to said act approved April 7, 1900, to the Washington Loan and Trust Company, a corporation created and existing under and by virtue of an Act of the Congress of the United States, at par; and

Whereas, all acts, conditions and things required to exist, be done and performed precedent to and in the issuance of the said \$10,000, if bonds have existed, been done and performed, as required by the constitution and laws of the State of Maryland; and the said bonds, together with all other indebtedness of the said town, do not exceed any limit prescribed by the constitution or statutes of the said State,

Now, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, that the said issuance by its Mayor of \$10,000 of bonds

as hereinbefore described to the said Washington Loan and Trust Company, be approved, ratified and confirmed and that \$10,000 of bonds be issued by the said Town, under and pursuant to the aforesaid Act of the General Assembly of the State of Maryland approved April 7, 1900, and entitled as aforesaid, and under and pursuant to the vote of the qualified voters of said Town at the special election held February 28, 1901, and other proceedings of the said town hereinbefore recited. Said bonds shall be of the denomination of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) each, shall be numbered from forty-one (41) to fifty (50) both inclusive, shall bear date the first day of November, 1901; shall be payable thirty (30) years after their date, shall bear interest at the rate of four (4) per centum per annum, payable semi-annually on the first day of November and the first day of May and both principal and interest shall be payable in gold coin of the United States of the present standard of weight and fineness, or its equivalent, at the office of said Washington Loan and Trust Company, in Washington, District of Columbia. Said bonds shall be signed by the Mayor and countersigned by the Town Clerk, and shall have the corporate seal of the Town affixed thereto, and said bonds shall be in substantially the following form, to-wit:

No. United States of America, State of Maryland. \$1000.00
Town of Takoma Park Water Works and Sewerage Bond.

Know all men by these presents that the Town of Takoma Park, in the State of Maryland, United States of America, for value received, hereby acknowledges itself indebted and promises to pay to the **Washington Loan and Trust Company** of Washington, D.C., a corporation, its successors, or assigns, the sum of One Thousand Dollars, on the first day of November, 1931, and interest thereon at the rate of four per centum per annum, payable semi-annually on the first day of November and the first day of May, both principal and interest payable in gold coin of the United States of the present standard of weight and fineness, or its equivalent, at the office of the Washington Loan and Trust Company, Washington, D.C.

This bond is issued under and pursuant to and in strict accordance with the constitution of the State of Maryland, and an act of the General Assembly of the said State, entitled "An Act to authorize the town of Takoma Park to borrow an additional sum of not exceeding ten thousand dollars on the credit of said town (if the same shall be necessary) for the purpose of constructing and maintaining water works and a sewerage system for said town and to issue bonds for the payment thereof, and to levy taxes to redeem said bonds and to pay the interest thereon; and to authorize the issue of said bonds and also a prior issue of bonds for the purpose of constructing and maintaining water works and a sewerage system only," approved April 7, 1900, and in pursuance of a vote of the qualified voters of said town voting at a special municipal election duly and legally called and held to vote upon the question of the issuance of this bond and the creation of the debt represented thereby, at which election more than two-thirds of the qualified voters of said town voting thereat voted in favor of the creation of the debt and the issuance of this bond.

It is hereby certified, recited, and declared that all acts, conditions and things required to exist, to be done and performed precedent to and in the issuance of this bond have existed and been done and performed as required by the Constitution and laws of the State of Maryland, and that this bond together with all the other indebtedness of said town does not exceed any limit prescribed by the constitution or statutes of the said State. This bond is not subject to taxation for town and county purposes. This bond is transferable by the registered owner thereof in person or by attorney duly authorized by written power of attorney on the books of said town and by registry of such transfer on the back of this bond by the Clerk of said town, or such other officer of said town as may be designated by law for that purpose.

In witness whereof, the said Town of Takoma Park has caused this bond to be signed by its Mayor, countersigned by its Clerk, and bear the corporate seal of said town, this ----- day of -----, 1901.

(Corporate Seal)
 Countersigned

----- Mayor.

----- Clerk

(Form to be placed on back of the said bond.)

NOTICE: No writing on this bond except by an officer of the Town of Takoma Park.

Date of Registry.	In whose name registered.	Clerk of Town of Takoma Park.

Section 2. Be it further ordained that when the said bonds have been duly engraved, lithographed or engrossed and signed by the Mayor and countersigned by the Town Clerk, and have the corporate seal of the town affixed thereto, and have been duly registered, they shall be delivered to the said Washington Loan and Trust Company, the purchasers thereof, on payment of the purchase price therefor; and the receipt of the Treasurer of said town shall be to the said Washington Loan and Trust Company, a full acquittance for the said purchase price, and they shall not be bound to see to the application of the same. For the assurance of the said purchaser and of each and every person and corporation who may at any time be or become the holder of any of said bonds, it is hereby declared that the said bonds, when this executed and delivered, shall and will be the valid and legally binding obligations of the said town, and the said town hereby covenants and agrees that it will assess, levy and collect a sufficient tax on all the taxable property in said town to pay the interest on said bonds as the same shall become due and will also levy and collect such taxes as may be necessary to pay the principal of said bonds when the same become due.

Mr. Platt moved that the ordinance be passed, inserting as the dates for payment of interest, November 1 and May 1, and upon an aye and nay vote the motion was unanimously adopted and the ordinance thereby passed and approved.

On motion of Mr. Platt the Clerk was directed to inquire as to the cost of lithographing, printing, or engrossing the required ten bonds, and was authorized to engross and have the requisite number photo-lithographed therefrom, should that prove the least expensive method and if satisfactory to the Washington Loan and Trust Company.

The Mayor presented a communication from Dr. E. E. Stonestreet, Secretary of the County Board of Health, requesting the abatement of some nuisance not designated, within 15 days and the Clerk was instructed to reply thereto.

There being no further business the Council at 9:20 o'clock p.m., adjourned.

Sam J. Shedd
Mayor.

Ben O. Davis, Town Clerk.

November 4, 1901.

The Council met at 8 o'clock p.m., with the following members present: Mayor S.S. Shedd, Councilmen H.J. Long, F.W. Longley, L.M. Mooers and W.G. Platt.

The minutes of the regular October meeting and of the special meeting held October 9th were read and approved.

The Mayor laid before the Council the report of a committee appointed to audit the accounts of the Town Treasurer for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1901, as follows:

Takoma Park, Md., October 31, 1901.

To the Mayor and Council, Takoma Park, Md.

Gentlemen: - We have the honor to report that we have this day examined the accounts of the town treasurer and find the books and papers in most excellent shape, and the interests of the town cared for in every respect.

We took up the enclosed financial report, and verified same by comparison and examination with the ledger, checks and vouchers in support of each item. In this connection we desire to call attention to the fact that the treasurer has deposited to the credit of the general funds of the town more money than actually received by him, and to suggest that some means be devised by which he will be reimbursed this sum which amounts to \$5.03.

We also desire to call attention to the enclosed voucher and check in favor of Fred J. Long amounting to \$24.00 for certain street work. This account has been duly paid by the treasurer but through inadvertance was not included by him in his account for the past fiscal year and the council should take the necessary steps to authorize the treasurer to include same in his accounts for the current year in order that the check may be passed to his credit.

In passing we desire to note the great increase in the number and extent of these accounts from year to year and hope that the Council will appreciate the immense amount of labor and responsibility involved in the careful record that your treasurer has kept. The vouchers pertaining to the several accounts have been placed in separate jackets which are properly labeled so that the same can be referred to at a moments notice and we take pleasure in certifying to the accurateness of the financial statement as submitted.

Respectfully yours,

BYRON C. COON.

LISLE MORRISON.

Auditing Committee.

Mr. Long moved that the report be adopted, that the recommendations therein contained be approved and that the Treasurer be authorized to have a synopsis of his annual report for the year ending June 30, 1901, printed for distribution among the taxpayers of the town. It was so ordered.

Mr. Longley, from the Street Committee, reported that the stone crusher was in position awaiting the arrival of the friction clutch pulley to connect it with the engine; that in the meantime a quantity of stone had been taken out and prepared for crushing.

Mr. Platt moved that the Chairman of the Street Committee be authorized to employ Mr. George Miller to adjust the pulley to

the engine and that Mr. Miller also be engaged to examine the engine and pumping machinery at stated intervals and to keep the same in proper condition. The motion was unanimously carried and it was so ordered.

Mr. Longley reported further that the street lamps and repairs authorized at the last meeting of the Council had been purchased and that the work of replacing and repairing worn out lamps was now in progress.

Mr. Mooers, Health Officer, reported verbally that, as authorized, he had purchased the Kuhn Formaldehyde disinfecting apparatus, and that the same had already been used in disinfecting the public school building, and the Bernhard and Cannell houses, and that the apparatus had already, in these instances alone, more than justified the necessity of its purchase and that it has given eminent satisfaction. Mr. Mooers reported further that he had had the water of the Takoma spring analyzed and that it had been pronounced of the finest quality.

The finance committee reported as follows:

Takoma Park, Md, Nov. 4, 1901.

To the Mayor and Council.

Gentlemen: The Finance Committee has to report that they have carefully examined the following bills and accounts submitted to the committee for report. We have approved the following and recommend payment:

L. F. Orndorff, Scoops -----	\$ 13.50	Contingent expenses -----	\$ 41.28
O. S. Maus, Dynamite -----	6.14	W. J. Viddings, Paints, Oils, etc. -----	15.33
F. J. Lung, Building Material -----	17.70	George E. Walker, Lumber -----	94.14
F. Fidler, Smithing -----	2.25	H. J. M. Howard, Hose expander -----	10.90
Mveller Mfg. Co., Taps -----	15.30		\$ 216.54

In the matter of the account of the Springfield Gas Engine Co. we have withheld approval pending arrival of pulley

W. G. PLATT,
HORACE J. LONG } Committee.

On motion of Mr. Long the report was adopted and the bills approved ordered paid.

Mr. Platt, from the special committee appointed to inquire into the requested extension of water pipes to the hotel at Wildwood, reported that the committee had gone over the route and had visited Wildwood to confer with the proprietor but had not succeeded in obtaining such conference with him and the matter had therefore been dropped.

On motion of Mr. Long the Chairman of the street Committee was authorized to countermand orders for tiling which was found unnecessary in the improvement of the sewerage disposal fields.

The Treasurer submitted the following report:

November 4, 1901.

Balance on hand last report	\$ 1548.29
Collected during October	261.92
Cash advanced town	75.00
	<u>\$ 1885.21</u>

Disbursements:

Payment of bills approved last meeting	\$ 373.10.
Purchase of formaldehyde generator	48.50
Salary Wm. Jones for October	45.00
Interest on bonded indebtedness	802.00
Pay-roll of laborers October 4	\$ 62.65
October 11	122.53
October 18	161.35
October 25	127.37
November 1	137.48
	<u>611.38</u>

Total disbursements during month	\$ 1879.98
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Balance cash on hand	\$ 5.23
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GEORGE A. WARREN, Treasurer.

On motion of Mr. Platt, the Mayor and Treasurer were authorized to take such action as they deemed necessary to secure cash funds to meet the needs of the Town.

Mr. Longley called attention to the necessity of having an Inspector of Plumbing in the absence of Mr. Lung.

Mr. Long moved that Mr. Longley be appointed Inspector of Plumbing and it was unanimously so ordered.

The Mayor laid before the Council a communication from Mrs. A. S. Thomas complaining of a violation of the plumbing regulations in the location of the outside water-closet on the premises of Mr. Allan R. Foote.

The matter, having been thoroughly discussed, the Clerk was instructed to notify Mr. Henst, the plumber responsible for the work, that, not having been given the required permission to connect said water-closet as at present located, he would be expected to disconnect the same without delay.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution:

Whereas, the upper sewerage disposal field has not, for some time, been properly disposing of the sewage matter discharged thereon, and

Whereas, in view thereof, the Mayor, after investigation and consultation with Mr. S.A. Spencer, an authority upon the subject, and Mr. H.A. Pressey, the engineer of the waterworks and sewerage system, had plans prepared by the latter for certain improvements which it is believed will largely obviate the difficulties heretofore existing, and which plans were fully explained by Mr. Pressey at an informal meeting of the Mayor and Council recently held at the office of Mr. Pressey in Washington, DC, Therefore be it Resolved, that the Mayor and Council hereby approve the plans prepared by Mr. Pressey for improvement of the upper sewerage-disposal field and hereby authorize the work and expenditure necessary in accordance therewith.

On motion of Mr. Long the resolution was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Mooers called the attention of the Council to the rumored violation of the ordinance preventing the sale of liquor within the Town of Takoma Park, Md. During discussion of the question, upon which no definite conclusion was reached or action taken, Messrs. J.H. Clark and J.B. Kinnear, citizens of the Town, addressed the Mayor and Council, urging a strict enforcement of the provisions of the ordinance mentioned.

There being no further business the Council then, at 10:15 p.m., adjourned.

Ben B. Davis, Town Clerk,

Sam. J. Shedd
Mayor

December 2, 1901.

The Council met at 8:00 o'clock p.m. with Mayor Shedd and the following members present: Messrs. Depue, Longley, Mooers and Platt.

The minutes of the November meeting were read and approved.

The Mayor laid before the Council a communication from Mr. Alfred D. Smith, of Washington, requesting a hearing before the Council in behalf of Takoma Lodge No. 17, I.O.G.T., and the temperance people of Takoma Park generally in regard to the sale of intoxicating liquors within the limits of the Town.

Mr. Smith, being present, and no objection being offered, proceeded to address the Mayor and Council relative to the open violation, at Wildwood, of the provisions of the Town ordinance against the sale of intoxicants. Mr. Smith stated that he spoke from personal knowledge and presented a pink flask alleged to contain whiskey, which he had purchased at the bar at Wildwood, and expressed his desire

and intention to file the necessary information before the Mayor for the prosecution of the proprietor of Wildwood.

No other of the several gentlemen present desiring to be heard upon the subject the council resumed routine business as follows:

Mr. Langley, from the street committee reported relative to the replacing and repairing of street lamps and suggested the purchase of additional globes for the same. On motion of Mr. Depue the Chairman of the street committee was authorized to order a barrel of globes.

The finance committee reported as follows:

December 2, 1901.

To the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Md.

Gentlemen: The Finance Committee has to report that they have carefully examined the following bills and accounts submitted to the committee for report. We have approved the following and recommend payment:

O. S. Maus, Dynamite	\$ 2.40	F. Fidler, Smithing	\$ 4.85
G. F. Muth, Lamps	38.00	William Watkins, Lumber and Coal	24.25
W. S. Thompson, Lime	1.50	A. Lamond, Pipe	98.04
L. Hartig, Tools and belt for pump house	43.59	G. L. Tarbell, Oil and gasoline	87.00
Contingent expenses	4.12		\$ 303.75

W. G. PLATT } Committee
J. K. DEPUE }

On motion of Mr. Platt the report was adopted and payment of the bills ordered.

The Treasurer submitted his monthly report as follows:

Takoma Park, Md., Dec. 2, 1901.

Balance on hand last report	\$ 5.25
Cash from funds advanced the town	500.00
Received from taxes	293.74
Sundry receipts	13.42
	\$ 812.39
By disbursements	539.74
Balance on hand	\$ 272.65

GEORGE A. WARREN, Treasurer.

Mr. Langley called attention to the damaging of a 90-foot rope borrowed for the purpose of removing the stone crusher from the cars and recommended that an appropriation of \$5⁰⁰ be made for the purchase of said rope, about sixty feet of it being in good condition and such a rope being a necessity to the town.

On motion of Mr. Platt the appropriation of \$5⁰⁰ for the purchase of such rope was authorized.

Mr. Longley presented to the Council the matter of compensation to Mr. George Day for extra services in fumigation of infected premises, and on motion of Mr. Mooers the sum of One Dollar was allowed Mr. Day for each fumigation made.

The Mayor read a communication from Mr. J. W. Wildman requesting permission to remove certain trees in front of his premises, lots 10 and 11, block 20, to secure additional sunlight, said work to be done at his own expense and street to be restored to present condition.

On motion of Mr. Platt said permission was granted on the terms offered.

The Mayor also presented a communication from Mr. E. M. Douglas, complaining of failure of the town to furnish him deed to lots 7, 9, 11, 12 and 13, block 58, which were purchased by him at tax sale, April 13, 1899 and for which he had handed to the town treasurer certificate of purchase nearly six months ago.

Upon suggestion of the Mayor the communication was referred to the town treasurer with instructions to furnish duplicate certificates to the town attorney, from which deeds could be furnished Mr. Douglas.

Mr. Longley presented, verbally, request from Mrs. A. G. Seaman, Columbia Avenue, for construction of a street crossing in front of her premises and on motion of Mr. Mooers such request was granted.

There being no further business the Council then, at 9:30 p.m. adjourned.

Sam J. Shedd
Mayor.

Ben D. Davis - Town Clerk.