

Takoma Park, Md., April 7, 1902

The Council met at 8:15 P.M., with the following members present; Councilmen Depue, Long, Longley, Mooers and Platt.

In the absence of the Mayor and on motion of Mr. Mooers, Mr. Long was elected Mayor pro tem and presided as such during the evening.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Finance Committee reported as follows:

April 7, 1902

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 recommed payment:

Louis Hartig, Hardware	\$.68
Hengst & Keene, Plumbing materials and repairs		1.08
C. & P. Telephone Co. Messages		1.80
B. F. Schrider, Blacksmithing		8.75
W. H. Keene, Material and repair of water main		7.24
F. W. Longley, Fees for tapping main and cutting off water		18.00
F. W. Longley, Services for week ending Apr. 4, 1902		6.66
L. M. Mooers, Health officer, Bottles, express, etc.		1.80
		<u>46.01</u>

In the matter of the accounts of Angus Lamond for \$108.70 and Viddings & Waters for \$21.17 we recommend reference of same to Chr. of Street Committee for itemized statements. Accounts of Geo. E. Walker, Lumber, \$18.03; Geo. F. Muth & Co, Lamps, \$19.75 and Springfield Gas Engine Co. \$72 to be deferred until next meeting of the Council.

W. G. PLATT, }
J. K. DEPUE } committee

The report and recommendations of the Committee was adopted and payment of the bills approved ordered.

Mr. Longley from the Street Committee, reported verbally that the extension of the walk on Elm Avenue to the residence of Mr. Smiley, as ordered by the Council, had been completed. That necessary repairs had been made on Sligo Avenue and the sewer fields. Also that a break had occurred in the water main in North Takoma, necessitating an all night's work in repairing the same. In this connection he invited the attention of the Council to the necessity of keeping necessary repairs on hand for such emergencies.

Mr. Platt moved that the Mayor be authorized and directed to have on hand at all times at least two sleeves of the 4, 6 and 8 inch sizes and at least one length of each of the above sizes of water pipes for use in emergency repairs, and it was so ordered.

On motion of Mr. Platt, Mr. Longley was authorized to purchase a pair of handcuffs for the use of the Town Bailiff, to replace a pair broken by a recent prisoner.

Mr. Longley called the attention of the Council to the connection of the residence of Mrs. Purman in North Takoma with a drain which emptied upon private property and upon his motion the Clerk was instructed to notify Mrs. Purman that the sewerage pipes of her residence must be immediately disconnected therefrom.

The Clerk presented a communication from Mrs. A. G. Thomas calling attention to the failure of compliance with a recent order of the Council for removal from its present location of the water closet on the property occupied by Mr. A. R. Foote on Maple Avenue and the Clerk was instructed to notify Mr. Foote that compliance with the orders of the Council would be expected without delay.

A communication was also presented from Mr. B. A. Ford relative to removal by the Town authorities of a drain carrying surface water from his residence to the street and asking that the same be replaced. Upon explanation of the matter by the Chairman of the Street Committee the Clerk was instructed to inform Mr. Ford that if the drain from his house to the sidewalk was relaid so as to permit the water to be carried into the street gutter, the Town would replace the drain under the public walk.

Communications were read from the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company requesting permission for the erection of two poles on Takoma and Baltimore Avenues; to replace a pole at the corner of Tulip and Holly Aves and to erect two poles on Holly Avenue.

On motion of Mr. Platt such permission was granted subject to the usual condition that the specific location of such poles should be subject to the approval of the street committee.

Mr. Mooers brought to the attention of the Council the necessity of opening Harris Avenue and on motion of Mr. Longley the matter was referred to the Street committee to investigate as to cost, etc., and to report to the Council relative thereto.

The Clerk informed the Council that he had received a personal visit from the Inspector of Plumbing of the District of Columbia who desired to set a time for consultation with the Town authorities relative to arrangements looking to the use of the Town sewerage system by those portions of Takoma Park lying within the District of Columbia and which lie too low to utilize the District sewer.

On motion of Mr. Platt the Mayor and the Inspector of Plumbing were authorized and directed to consult with the Inspector of Plumbing of the District of Columbia and to enter into such contract with the Commissioners of the District of Columbia for the use of the Takoma Park, Md., sewage system, as, in the judgement of the Mayor he should consider equitable to all parties concerned.

The Treasurer submitted the following report:

		Takoma Park, Md., April 1, 1902
To the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Md.		
Gentlemen: I have the honor to submit the following report of receipts and disbursements for the month of March, 1902:		
Balance on hand at last report		\$ 935.89
Receipts: From general taxes	\$ 887.77	
Water rents	14.70	
Permits	9.00	
Charges, turning on water	1.00	
Fines	1.00	913.47
Disbursements		\$ 1849.36
		→ 592.19
		1257.17
Respectfully submitted:		BEN G. DAVIS, Treasurer.

The following Ordinance was presented:

Ordinance No. 88.

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR A GENERAL ELECTION OF A MAYOR AND COUNCIL.

Be it enacted by the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Maryland,

Section I. - Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 4 and 5 of the Charter of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, a General Election is hereby called for Monday, the 5th day of May, 1902, in the basement of the Presbyterian Chapel, Maple Avenue, at which time the qualified voters of the Town of Takoma Park, Md., will cast their votes for one person as Mayor and six persons as Councilmen. The polls will be open at 6 o'clock a.m. and will close at 6 o'clock P.M.

Section II - C. H. Remington, Arthur Colburn and J. M. McCauley are hereby appointed Judges of said Election.

The ordinance was adopted by the following vote: Aye, The Mayor, pro tem, Depue, Langley, Mooers, Platt. Nay - None.

The Mayor pro tem informed the Council that Mr. B. F. Gilbert had in his possession a map of the Town of Takoma Park which he was willing to dispose of for \$15⁰⁰

On motion of Mr. Platt the Clerk was instructed to examine said map and if, in his judgment it was desirable that the Town should possess the same, he was authorized to purchase it at the price stated.

The Clerk laid before the Council the request of Miss Emma V. Pendleton that the water be turned on her premises and that she be permitted to pay the rent therefor \$1⁰⁰ monthly in advance.

The Clerk was instructed to inform Miss Pendleton that the Council could not see its way clear to grant her request as it was contrary to the regulations and would establish a bad precedent.

The Clerk presented the following communication from the Board of Assessors:

Takoma Park, Md., April 7, 1902.

To the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Md.

Gentlemen: The undersigned, Board of Assessors appointed by the Council to prepare a revised assessment of all real property in the corporation of Takoma Park, Md., beg to report that such assessment has been prepared and is in the hands of the Town Clerk.

Very respectfully,

GEO. A. WARREN }
 BEN G. DAVIS } Board of Assessors.
 LISLE MORRISON }

The Treasurer was instructed to issue the usual public notices of the completion of the assessment and that the Council at its regular meeting in May will sit as a Board of Review and accept or reject the assessment as presented by the Board.

The following communication was presented:

Takoma Park, Md., April 7, 1902.

To the Honorable Mayor and Council, Takoma Park, Md.

Gentlemen - I hereby tender my resignation as Chief of Fire Department of Takoma Park, Md., to take effect at next regular meeting of Council.

Thanking you for the courtesy uniformly shown me, I am,

Respectfully,
O. D. SUMMY, Chief, Fire Department.

On motion of Mr. Platt the resignation was accepted with regret and the Clerk instructed, in notifying Mr. Summy of its acceptance, to express to him the unanimous and hearty appreciation of the Mayor and Council at the fidelity, zeal and earnest interest which at all times has characterized his incumbency of the position and to express their deep regret at the necessity which impelled him to relinquish the public duty he has so long and faithfully performed.

On motion of Mr. Platt the Chairman of the Street Committee was authorized to have done such work as is absolutely necessary to preserve and protect the sewer fields and that the members of the street committee be directed to examine and consult regarding such work.

There being no further business, the Council, at 10:30 P.M. adjourned.

Wm. Platt
Mayor

Ben G. Davis Town Clerk

Takoma Park, Md., April 29, 1902.

A special meeting of the Council was held this date at the residence of the Town Clerk for the purpose of considering the issuance of \$7000 additional bonds as authorized by the last session of the legislature and to consider such other matters as may be presented.

After stating the object of the meeting the Mayor presented the following ordinance providing for a special election:

Ordinance No. 89.

Providing for a Special Election to Create an Additional Debt of \$7,000.00.

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

Section 1. That a special municipal election of the qualified voters of the Town of Takoma Park, Md, be, and the same is hereby called for Monday, May 12, 1902, in the basement of the Presbyterian chapel in said Town, the polls for which shall be opened at 6 o'clock A.M. and closed at 6 o'clock P.M., of said day, for the purpose of submitting to said voters the question of borrowing on the credit of said Town, the sum of Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7000.00) additional to the amounts authorized to be borrowed by said Town by Chapter 125 of the laws of the General Assembly of the State of Maryland, passed at the session of 1898, and by Chapter 292 of the laws of said General Assembly passed at the session of 1900, in accordance with the terms and provisions of an Act of the General Assembly of the State of Maryland, passed at the session of 1902, entitled: "An Act to authorize the Town of Takoma Park to borrow an additional sum of not exceeding \$7000, on the credit of said Town, for the purpose of completing and maintaining water works 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.

Section 2. And be it further ordained, that the Clerk of said Town be, and he is hereby instructed to prepare, post and publish the notice of said election required by said act.

Section 3. And be it further ordained, that C. H. Remington, J. H. Clark and Arthur Colburn be, and they are hereby appointed Judges of said election.

Upon an aye and nay vote the ordinance was passed as follows: Voting aye, Long, Longley, Depue and Platt. Voting nay, none.

On motion of Mr. Longley, in view of the candidacy of Mr. J. M. McCauley for a member of the Council, the action of the Mayor in excusing that gentleman from serving as a Judge of the election on May 5th, 1902, and the appointment of Mr. J. H. Clark to the vacancy, was endorsed.

Mr. Longley called the attention of the Mayor and Council to the fact that a gang of men has invaded the Sligo region and with steam engine and derrick were removing stone from the stream, and asked for instructions relative thereto.

On motion of Mr. Long the bailiff was directed to stop the removal of stone from the Sligo at once and to permit no repetition of the offense except upon written permission of undoubted authenticity, from the owners of lots or stream bed from which stone are being taken.

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

Samuel L. Shedd
Mayor.

Ben B. Davis Town Clerk.

Takoma Park, Md., May 5, 1902.

The Council met at 8:30 P.M., with the following members present: Mayor Shedd and Councilmen Depue, Long, Longley and Mooers.

The minutes of the last regular meeting and of the meeting held April 29th were read by the Clerk and approved.

In accordance with public notice given thereof, the Council thereupon resolved itself into a board of appeal to hear and determine objections and complaints to the revised assessment as submitted by the Board of Assessors.

Miss Emma V. Pendleton entered objection to the valuation placed upon the improvements on lot 19, block 12 and after consideration of the matter, upon motion of Mr. Long the said assessment was reduced from \$1300 to \$1000.

There being no further objections the following ordinance was presented:

Ordinance No. 90

To adopt an Assessment of Real and Personal Property Made for the Purpose of Taxation.

Be it Ordained by the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Md.:

That the revised assessment of real property for the purpose of taxation made under and pursuant to the resolution of the Council of March 5, 1902, by George A. Warren, Lisle Morrison and Ben G. Davis and reported by them April 7, 1902, be, and the same is hereby adopted as the assessment for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1902, the Council having set at its regular meeting on May 5, 1902, to hear appeals and complaints in regard to such assessment after two weeks notice of such meeting having been given by posting notices thereof in five or more conspicuous places in the Town, all appeals and complaints having been acted upon.

Upon an aye and nay vote, the ordinance was adopted as follows: Voting aye, Depue, Long, Longley and Mooers; voting nay, none.

Mr. J.H. Clark, one of the Judges of Election held this date thereupon presented the following:

Report of Judges of Election for Mayor and Council at the Election held May 5th, 1902.

We, the undersigned Judges at an election for Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Maryland, held in the basement of the Presbyterian Church, on Monday, May 5, 1902, hereby certify that the following named persons received the number of votes set opposite their respective names:

<p><i>For Mayor:</i></p> <p>John B. Kinnear 114 votes</p> <p>Mr. Guerry 1 vote</p> <p>George A. Warren 1 vote</p> <p><i>For Members of the Council:</i></p> <p>E. E. Blodgett 96 votes</p> <p>J. B. Derrick 109 "</p> <p>E. M. Douglas 103 "</p> <p>B. C. Hall 26 "</p>	<p><i>Members of Council, Continued.</i></p> <p>J. M. McCauley 21 votes</p> <p>Lisle Morrison 106 "</p> <p>Daniel O'Driscoll 19 "</p> <p>C. W. Scudder 101 "</p> <p>Cassell Severance 106 "</p> <p>I. Granville Tennant . . . 1 "</p> <p><i>Total number of votes cast 117</i></p>
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It appearing that the following named candidates for Mayor and Councilmen for Takoma Park, Maryland, received the majority of all the votes cast at said election, they are hereby duly declared elected for the term of two years beginning on the first Monday in June, A. D. 1902:

For Mayor - - - - - John B. Kinnear.

For Members of the Council - E. E. Blodgett,

J. B. Derrick

E. M. Douglas

Lisle Morrison

C. W. Scudder.

Cassell Severance.

Respectfully submitted:

Attest:

(Signed) Harry H. Campbell, Clerk.

(Signed) C. H. Remington.

Arthur R. Colburn.

J. H. Clark

Judges of Election.

Mr. Long moved that the report be adopted and placed upon the records and it was so ordered.

The Mayor reported that, in compliance with the instructions of the Council he had conferred with the Inspector of Plumbing, the Superintendent of Sewers and the Health Officer of the District of Columbia and that negotiations are now under way for the use of the Town sewerage system for the drainage of those houses on the District side that cannot utilize the sewers of the District of Columbia.

The Mayor also reported that he had entered into an agreement with Mr. Sydney F. Marshall, Administrator of the estate of the late M. J. Wine whereby delinquent taxes on certain lots in which said estate is interested, amounting to \$65.42, were to be received in consideration of the transfer by said estate to the Town of Takoma Park of certain marginal lots on the Sligo which it was very desirable the Town should own.

Mr. Long moved that the action of the Mayor in the matter be endorsed and it was so ordered.

The Clerk presented a communication from Mrs. S. B. N. Warfield requesting that the same rates be given for the use of water at the hotel in North Takoma as prevailed last year, namely, \$60.00 for the four months constituting the summer season.

After a thorough discussion of the matter the Clerk was instructed to inform Mrs. Warfield that an annual water rent of \$100.00 will be required for the Takoma Hotel and that no reduction can be made for a portion of the year; that said water rent may be paid for the present season in two payments on the 15th of May and the 15th of June respectively.

The Finance Committee presented the following report:

To the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Md.

May 5, 1902.

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:

Springfield Gas Engine Co. Pulley wheel for stone crusher.	\$ 72.00	U.S. Fidelity and Guaranty Co., Premium on Treasurers bond	\$ 10.00
George E. Walker, Lumber.	18.03	D. N. Walford, Merchandise (Handcuffs)	4.75
George F. Muth & Co. Street lamps	19.75	Angus Lamond, Tile for sewer farm	15.30
Giddings and Waters, Material	23.38	Angus Lamond, Tile for sewer farm	93.40
Montgomery Press, Advertising tax sale	30.80	George L. Tarbell, Oil and gasoline	57.28
Ben G. Davis, Treas., Expenses tax sale	30.00	Arthur W. Skinner, Printing election tickets	1.25
William Watkins, Coal	3.15	Total	\$ 379.09

(Signed) HORACE J. LONG } Com.
JAMES K. DEPUE }

On motion of Mr. Mooers the report was approved and payment of the bills ordered.

The Mayor called attention to the fact that he had been informed that certain water-takers were allowing non-water-takes to use water from private hydrants indiscriminately and on motion of Mr. Depue the ordinance committee was instructed to prepare an ordinance to be presented at the next meeting of the Council, prohibiting such practice.

On motion of Mr. Mooers the Clerk was instructed to prepare and mail to the legal voters of the Town a circular explaining the reasons for the proposed bond issue of \$7000, to be voted upon on Monday, May 12, 1902.

The following report was submitted by the Chairman of the Street Committee:

The Honorable Mayor and Council,

Takoma Park, Md, May 5, 1902,

Gentlemen: I hereby submit a report of the work done during the month of April. There was no work done on the streets except the filling of a few sunken places in the roadway and some repairs to the board walk. The most of the labor performed during the month was the building of a log wall about four hundred feet long, and an average of three feet high along the branch that runs by the sewer field. As I explained to the Council at the meeting in April, the building of this wall was necessary in order to protect the banks of the sewer farm from damage during high water. This, I feel confident, has been done. The plan was approved by Engineer H. A. Pressy. The upper, or first of the three new fields is also completed, and is working nicely, discharging the water through the under drain, between each discharge of siphon. These three fields are in good working order and will only require such attention as is necessary to keep them in order.

Respectfully

F. W. LONGLEY, Town Supt.

The Treasurer submitted the following report:

To the Mayor and Council,

Takoma Park, Md., May 1, 1902.

Gentlemen:- I have the honor to submit the following report of receipts and expenditures for the month of April, 1902:

Receipts:

Balance on hand last report.	\$ 1,257.17
Recd from General Taxes	401.24
" " Proceeds of Tax Sale	185.91
" " Water Rents	34.40
" for Redemption of property sold for taxes	121.19
" from permits	\$ 2,016.00
	\$ 2,016.91

Disbursements:

Expended on sewerage field	\$ 96.00
Repairs to water mains, and tapping fees	25.24
Street work	6.66
General expenses	53.06
Interest on bonds	1,000.00
Salary, William Jones, lamplighter, etc.	45.00
Salary, Geo. Day, Engineer	36.00
H.A. Pressey, Services as Engr. on account	200.00
Disbursements from redemption fund	121.19
Purchase of lots along Sliquo	65.42
	\$ 1,648.57
Balance on hand May 1,	368.34
	\$ 2,016.91

Respectfully submitted; (Sgd) BEN G. DAVIS, Treasurer.

The Treasurer also invited the attention of the Council to the fact that the Town funds were very low and current bills heavy and that about \$500 would be required to pay the running expenses of the Town to July 1, the beginning of the new fiscal year.

Whereupon the following ordinance was presented:

Ordinance No. 91.

To provide for issuance of a Certificate of Indebtedness for the purpose of raising money to meet the expenses of the Town.

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

That the Town of Takoma Park, Md., issue a Certificate of Indebtedness bearing date of May 1, 1902, for the sum of five hundred Dollars (\$500) payable within three months from date, payable to bearer, and bearing interest at the rate of six percent per annum until paid. The proceeds of said certificate of Indebtedness to be used in paying the running expenses of the Town.

Upon an aye and nay vote the ordinance was adopted as follows: Voting aye, Messrs. Long, Depue, Longly, Mooers. Voting nay, none.

On motion of Mr. Longly, Mr. Samuel Queen was appointed a deputy bailiff of the Town.

Several requests relative to minor repairs on streets were presented to Council and after brief discussion were referred to the Street Committee.

The Treasurer presented the following report relative to the delinquent tax sale held, April 16, 1902;

To the Mayor and Council.

Takoma Park, Md., April 30, 1902.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to submit the following report relative to the sale for delinquent corporation taxes which occurred in front of the log cabin on Wednesday, April 16, 1902,

On the first day of March there was due on unpaid taxes slightly more than \$1500. On that day a circular was mailed to each delinquent stating that unless paid on or before March 17th, their property would be advertised. This circular, in connection with a large number of letters written on the same subject, resulted in the collection of a very large proportion of the amount due so that the list as finally advertised, which included an additional percentage to cover costs of advertising and expenses of tax sale, amounted to \$556.22. Of this amount \$256.06 was paid previous to the date of sale which left a balance of \$300.16 to be sold.

The delinquent list was advertised three times in the Montgomery Press and the printed list duly posted in five or more conspicuous places in the town as required by law. In addition copies of the notices were sent to each delinquent, every effort being made to collect the taxes without subjecting the owners to the expense of sale and record.

On the day of the sale each parcel of property was called off as required by law and all parcels were sold with the exception of the improvements on lots 7 and 8, block 32, being the Wildwood property which was bid in in the name of the Town.

The amount received as proceeds of the sale was \$183.91. The cost of the sale had been carefully estimated at \$86.00 and that amount proportioned among the delinquents. The actual expenses of the sale, including advertising, recording, services, clerical assistance, type-writing, etc, amounted to \$80.00, the balance of \$6.00 being credited to the Town.

Within ten days from the date of the sale a detailed report thereof was made to the circuit courts of Montgomery and Prince George Counties and the sales duly recorded.

A copy of each paper in connection with this matter is appended to this report.

Respectfully submitted.

BEN G. DAVIS, Treasurer,

On motion of Mr. Longley the report was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Long an appropriation of \$35 was authorized for payment of the Board of Assessors for preparation of the revised assessment list and an appropriation of \$24.00 for payment of the Judges and Clerk of the biennial town election held May 5, 1902, and of the special election called for May 12, 1902 at \$3.00 per day each.

There being no further business the Council at 10:30 P.M. adjourned.

Samuel L. Shedd
Mayor.

Ben G. Davis, Town Clerk.

Takoma Park, Md., June 2, 1902.

The Council met at 8 o'clock p.m., with the following members present: Mayor Shedd; Councilmen Depue, Long, Langley, Mooers and Platt.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read by the Clerk and approved.

The Clerk laid before the Council the following report of the Judges of the special election held May 12, 1902

To the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Md.

At the special election called by the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Md., "For the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters the question of issuing bonds to the extent of \$7,000, \$5,000 thereof for the purpose of refunding the debt still due the Messrs. Rosser & Castoe, contractors, on the water and sewerage system, and \$2,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary to install a duplicate pumping plant," held in the basement of the Presbyterian church on Monday, May 12, 1902, we, the undersigned judges of said election, duly appointed and sworn, have the honor to report that the polls were opened promptly at 6 o'clock, P.M., that 47 votes were cast by duly qualified voters; that the result of said vote was as follows:

For the debt ----- 42 ballots, Against the debt ----- 5 ballots.

Furthermore, we have the honor to state that the proposition to bond the Town, as proposed, was carried by more than the necessary two-thirds of all the votes cast, to-wit, by a majority of 37 votes.

A list of all voting at said election was kept by the clerk appointed by us and duly sworn, which list is returned herewith, and also the ballots cast as aforesaid.

Attest:

BYRON McP. COON, Clerk of Election.

(Signed)

C. H. REMINGTON

ARTHUR R. COLBURN

J. H. CLARK

} Judges of Election.

The Mayor thereupon reported that in view of the approval of the qualified voters of the Town, of the proposed bond issue, he had caused to be advertised bids for said bond issue and had received in response to said bids, propositions from Messrs. Rosser and Castoe, of Bellaire, Ohio, Jose, Parker & Co., of Boston, Mass., and the Washington Loan and Trust Co., of Washington, D.C., all bidding par and accrued interest for the bonds

Mr. Long moved that the bid of the Washington Loan and Trust Co. be accepted and the motion was unanimously adopted.

Whereupon the following Ordinance was presented:

Ordinance No. 92.

An Ordinance Providing for the Issue of \$7,000 additional Water-works 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 May 12, 1902.

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, Maryland, to borrow an additional sum of not exceeding Seven Thousand Dollars on the credit of said Town for the purpose of completing and maintaining water works 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 interest thereon," approved April 8, 1902, the Mayor and Council of said Town of Takoma Park, by ordinance duly passed and approved April 29, 1902, 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 \$7,000 for the purpose of carrying

pleting and maintaining waterworks and a sewerage system in accordance with the terms and provisions of the said Act, and the said Mayor and Council of the said Town caused the Mayor and Town Clerk to give notice of the holding of such election on May 12, 1902, 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 12th day of May, 1902, 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 \$7,000 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: \$7,000 of bonds payable thirty years after date, with interest at the rate of four (4) per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and the same to be issued pursuant to said Act approved April 8, 1902, 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 \$7,000 of 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 the Mayor of \$7,000 of bonds as hereinbefore described, to the said Washington Loan and Trust Company, be approved, ratified, and confirmed, and that \$7,000 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 8, 1902, and entitled as aforesaid and under and pursuant to the vote of the qualified voters of said Town at the special election held May 12, 1902, 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 fifty-one (51) to fifty-seven (57), both inclusive, shall bear date the first day of May, 1902; shall be payable thirty (30) years after their date, shall bear interest at the rate of four (4) per cent 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 the 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 Waterworks 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 May, 1932, and interest thereon at the rate of four per cent 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 State, entitled "An Act to authorize the Town of Takoma Park to borrow an additional sum of not exceeding Seven Thousand Dollars on the credit of said Town for the purpose of completing 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 interest thereon," approved April 8, 1902, 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 _____, 1902.

(Corporate Seal)

Countersigned _____

Mayor.

Clerk.

(Form to be placed on back of 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 engrassed 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 thus 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.

The ordinance as presented was thereupon adopted by the following vote: Voting aye, the Mayor, Councilmen Depue, Long, Longley, Mooers and Platt. Voting nay, none.

Mr. Long presented the following Resolution which was unanimously adopted:

Whereas, The special committee on extension of water and sewerage system verbally agreed to allow Mrs O.D. Summy the privilege of connecting any building that may be erected on her lot in the District of Columbia with the sewer on the line of said lot and her lot in Takoma Park, Md., in consideration of the right of way for said sewer, therefore be it Resolved that said agreement with Mrs. Summy is hereby ratified and approved by the Mayor and Council.

The Treasurer submitted the following report:

To the Mayor and Council,		Takoma Park, Md., June 2, 1902,	
Gentlemen: - I submit the following report of receipts and disbursements for the month of May, 1902:			
RECEIPTS:		DISBURSEMENTS:	
Balance on hand May 1	\$ 368.34	Taking up unpaid road tax check Pr. George Co.	\$ 68.36
Recd from general taxes	\$ 24.86	Work and material, sewer farm	160.28
Water rents collected	59.66	Pulley wheel for stone crusher	72.00
From permits	20.00	Oil and Gasoline	57.28
Redemption of property sold for taxes	6.25	Cleaning waterworks dam	29.50
Miscellaneous receipts	14.00	Street work and material	80.03
Proceeds of Cert. of indebtedness	500.00	Street lamps and founts	19.75
	624.77	General expenses	147.95
	\$ 993.11	Salaries	90.00
		Interest on General Bonds	60.00
		Paid from redemption fund	6.25
		Total disbursements	\$ 791.40
		Balance on hand	201.71
			\$ 993.11

Respectfully submitted:

Ben W. Davis, Treasurer.

The Finance Committee submitted the following report:

To the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Md.		June 2, 1902.	
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:			
Presbyterian Church, Rent for year	\$ 32.50 ✓	F. W. Longley, Tapping Fees	\$ 18.00 ✓
Angus Lamond, Terra-cotta pipe	1.26 ✓	Pacific Flush Tank Co., Syphon	50.00 ✓
Geo. L. Tarbell, Oil and Gasoline	52.95 ✓	L. M. Mooers, Health officer, demi-john and expressage	1.00 ✓
William Jones, Matches	5.04 ✓		\$ 160.75

W. G. PLATT
HORACE J. LONG } Committee.
JAS. K. DEPUÉ }

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

Mr. L. M. Mooers, Health Officer, reported verbally, that he had recently sent a sample of the city water to the State Board of Health and submitted the report of the Board relative to the analysis of such sample, which showed the water, for drinking purposes, of the highest quality.

The following report was submitted by the Chairman of the Street Committee:

To the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Md.

Takoma Park, Md., June 2, 1902.

Gentlemen: I hereby submit the following report of work done during the month of May: That portion of Sligo Creek in and above the dam that formed the reservoir from which the Town is supplied with water, had filled up with sand to such a point as to retard filtration into the well. It was necessary to remove the sand which was done by washing a great quantity through the outlet at the bottom of the dam; that which could not be washed through was taken out with team and scoop and piled upon the bank. About seventy-five or a hundred yards was saved in this way. Carroll Avenue hill on the north side of Sligo creek, which was reported in bad condition, was found to be as reported. The necessary repairing of this piece of road from Flower Avenue to the bridge across Sligo has been done. The necessary repairs to the pipe culvert and board walk on Elm and Pine Ave., as requested by Mrs. Bien, have been made. Board walks on several other streets have been repaired. The pipe gutter on Tulip Avenue has been repaired - the pipe that was washed out replaced and some new ones set. Built two gutter traps one on Tulip Avenue between Oak and Holly and one on New York Avenue between Takoma and Buffalo. Raised six traps on Oak and Tulip so as to give better drainage. Under the direction of Engineer H.A. Pressy I set twenty-five manuments to mark the boundaries of the town property, the two sewer fields, pumping station and tank.

Respectfully,
F.W. LANGLEY, Chr. St. Com.
Jas H. DEPVE.

On motion of Mr. Long the report was accepted and ordered recorded.

This having completed the business before the Council Mayor Shedd in appropriate words expressed to the Council his deep appreciation of the services rendered by them and called attention to the fact that during his eight year of service he had always found the members of the Council ready and willing to perform the duties assigned them. The Mayor also took occasion to thank the citizens of the Town for the support given the Mayor and Council in the arduous work of installing the water-works and sewerage system and it gave him pleasure in being able to turn over to the incoming council and his successor that system complete and perfected. The Mayor also read a letter from Councilman F.J. Lung, who was unable to be present, and who expressed regret because of his unavoidable absence on this occasion.

There being no further business the Mayor thereupon declared the Council adjourned without date.

Approved:

J.B. Cinnear, Mayor.

Ben D. Darr, Town Clerk.

Takoma Park, Md., June 2, 1902.

Upon the final adjournment of the retiring Council, Mayor-elect John B. Kinnear, having presented his certificate of election and evidence of having taken the necessary oath of office before the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Montgomery County, thereupon assumed the duties of Mayor.

The following named Councilmen-elect, whose election had been duly certified thereupon appeared and the oath of office was duly administered by the Mayor, to-wit: E. E. Blodgett, J. B. Derrick, E. M. Douglas, Lisle Morrison, C. W. Scudder and Cassell Severance.

The Mayor announced the first business before the Council to be the election of a Clerk and Treasurer for the ensuing year. Mr. Douglas nominated Ben G. Davis for Clerk and Treasurer, and there being no further nominations Mr. Davis was duly elected, and, having taken the prescribed oath of office, entered upon the discharge of his duties.

The Mayor laid before the Council the resignation of Mr. B. F. Smith as Building Inspector, and the same was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Scudder the positions of Building Inspector and Plumbing Inspector were consolidated and he moved further that Mr. E. E. Blodgett be appointed to fill said positions. The motion was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Blodgett moved that Mr. Samuel Queen be appointed chief bailiff and that George Day, Wm. Jones and Policemen John Barry and Charles Speer of the Metropolitan Police fore be appointed deputy bailiffs. Carried.

The Mayor administered the prescribed oath to Messrs. Queen, Day and Jones.

The Mayor announced the appointment of committees for the ensuing year as follows:

Finance and Expenses:- L. Morrison, Chairman; E. M. Douglas, C. W. Scudder.

Streets and Lights:- E. E. Blodgett, Chairman; E. M. Douglas, Lisle Morrison.

Health and Sanitation:- C. W. Scudder, Chairman; J. B. Derrick, Lisle Morrison.

Judiciary:- Cassell Severance, Chairman; E. E. Blodgett, J. B. Derrick.

Water and Sewers:- E. M. Douglas, Chairman; C. W. Scudder, Cassell Severance.

Ordinances:- J. B. Derrick, Chairman; Cassell Severance; E. E. Blodgett.

The Mayor laid before the Council an application from the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company requesting permission for the erection of poles necessary to supply telephone service to Mr. J. B. Derrick, submitting with such application a blue-print showing location of poles.

On motion of Mr. Scudder such permission was granted, the exact location of the poles to be approved by the Chairman of the Street committee.

The Council then proceeded to the consideration of the tax rate for the ensuing year.

Mr. Morrison presented an estimate of the expenditures and receipts for the fiscal year, commenting briefly thereon and stating that in his judgment the present rate of \$1.25 per \$100.00 could not safely be reduced.

Thereupon the following ordinance was presented:

Ordinance No. 93.

To levy a General Tax for Municipal Purposes and an Additional Tax for the Payment of Interest, the Creation of a Sinking Fund and the Operation and Maintenance of a Waterworks and Sewerage System.

Be it Ordained by the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Maryland:

Section 1. That a general tax of Seventy-five Cents on each One Hundred Dollars of assessed value of the real property within the limits of the Town of Takoma Park, Md., as shown by the Assessment adopted May 5, 1902, Ordinance No. 90, be, and the same is hereby levied and fixed for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1902.

Section 2. An additional tax of Fifty Cents on each One Hundred Dollars of assessed value of the real property within the limits of the Town of Takoma Park, Md., for the payment of interest, the creation of a sinking fund, and the operation and maintenance of a water works and sewerage system, is hereby levied and fixed for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1902.

The ordinance was adopted by the following vote: Voting aye, the Mayor, Councilmen Blodgett, Derrick, Douglas, Morrison, Scudder and Severance. Voting nay - none.

A communication from Mr. F. D. Hopkins, requesting two additional lights on Carroll Ave. was referred to Committee on Streets and Lights for report.

Mr. Douglas moved that the services of Mr. George Day as engineer and Mr. Wm. Jones as lamplighter be continued for the present at their present salaries, and it was so ordered.

The Mayor called the attention of the Council to the necessity of repairs on the Carroll Avenue bridge across the Sligo and on motion of Mr. Scudder the Street Committee was directed to examine the bridge and report relative to repairs needed and probable cost thereof.

Mr. Castue, of the firm of Rosser and Castue, Contractors, appeared before the Council relative to the matter of installing a dupli-

cate pumping plant, making some valuable suggestions in regard thereto

On motion of Mr. Morrison the Committee on ^{Judiciary} ~~Water and Sewers~~ was instructed to prepare specifications for a duplicate pumping plant and the Clerk instructed to insert the necessary advertisements for bids therefor.

On motion of Mr. Blodgett the Committees on Water and Sewer and on Ordinance were directed to conjointly consider the matter of use of water by water takers and hours for sprinkling, and such other matters relative thereto as may appear to require action and to prepare an ordinance to cover any abuses that may exist.

The Mayor presented a communication from Mr. George A. Warren as follows:

Hon. J. B. Kinnear, Mayor-elect,
Takoma Park, Md.

Takoma Park, Md., May 29, 1902.

Dear Mr. Kinnear:- It requires hard, earnest work to run a town with a limited income, a large portion of which is already pledged for standing expenses, and your council will meet many difficulties. It is therefore my wish, in common with all others interested in your administration to extend every assistance possible, hence I place the following in writing so there may be no misunderstanding:

1. For the convenience of the town, I allowed a pressure gauge to be placed in my house. To remove this gauge, repair the wall and reestablish it elsewhere would entail a cost of from \$30 to \$40. I believe it economy to leave it where it is and therefore grant the Council such permission during its official existence.

2. In connection with the use of this gauge, as well as other town business, I extend the Chairman of the Committee on Streets the free use of my telephone for local messages and give him access to my house at any and all times for this purpose. Further, any messages for him or other town officials, from the Mayor or Clerk will be taken down and delivered to the Chairman at his residence by some member of my family.

3. The town is now paying \$50 per annum for rent of the Log Cabin and \$10 additional for insurance on the fire apparatus. This \$60. can be saved if the Council will accept my barn for the free storage of its tools, fire truck, etc., under lock and key, for the coming year.

Any personal cooperation I may be able to give the Mayor or Council or its clerk by word or deed (outside the acceptance of office) will be cheerfully rendered without cost.

Very respectfully,
GEORGE A. WARREN.

On motion of Mr. Morrison the Clerk was instructed to acknowledge receipt of Mr. Warren's letter and to thank that gentleman cordially for his interest and his liberality, of which due advantage would probably be taken by the Council at an early day.

The communication of Mr. Warren was thereupon referred to the Finance Committee for consideration and report.

Mr. Thomas Waters, of S, Mr. J. H. Clark and Mr. J. M. McCauley, representing a committee from the Takoma Park Citizens' Association appeared before the Council with a report adopted at a recent meeting of the Citizens' Association, relative to the improvement of certain roads and streets within the town. Messrs. Waters and Clark briefly addressed the

Council relative to the importance of the improvements recommended which they hoped might be undertaken at such time as the finances of the Town will permit. The report presented is in full as follows:

We, the undersigned, a special committee appointed by the Citizens' Association of Takoma Park on the 17th day of March, 1902, and assigned the duty of investigating and reporting to said Association relative to the general condition and especially as to the condition of the roads in a large area within the corporate limits of said Park remaining in an unimproved and neglected condition, have the honor to report as follows:

On the 27th of March we undertook our investigation and view of the territory in question, by means of a good team handled by an experienced driver by which we were able to traverse every wagon track penetrating and passing through said territory.

From our observation we are decidedly of the opinion that an immediate outlay of public money should be made for the improvement of the roads in said territory, not only in pursuance of a wise and enlightened public policy, but also in justice to the few settlers and multitude of tax payers interested in the land in question, who for many years have patiently borne their full share of taxation made necessary by improvements made exclusively in other sections of the Town and from which said taxpayers have derived no direct or practical benefit.

We especially recommend an appropriation for the opening of Flower Avenue located on the northeastern border of the territory lying east of the Sligo to the full width of said Avenue as it appears of record, putting it in the condition of a first class County road.

Sligo Avenue was formerly considered, and properly so, to be one of the most attractive drives in the vicinity of Washington. The water, the rocks and the trees combined to form one of the most picturesque and attractive bits of natural scenery in this whole region. It should be the purpose and policy of the people to preserve and enhance the natural beauties of the scenery of the Park in every reasonable way.

The incomprehensible action of the Town Council in attempting to barter away the rights of the people in "Spring Park," has probably postponed, indefinitely a realization of the plan to improve and beautify that plot of ground, and thereby change it from a scene of desolation and neglect to one of attractiveness and beauty where a pleased and contented people might gather to while away the moments of rest and recreation amid agreeable surroundings and under favorable circumstances.

This probable postponement, however, should not cause the people to abate one jot or tittle from a determination to preserve and improve the natural scenery of Sligo Avenue. Nature has done her share there and elsewhere, now let the people heartily join with her, and so make our Park attractive and satisfying to the home-loving people already residing here, as well as to others who may elect to make their homes here in the days to come.

Your committee recommends the improvement of Sligo Avenue for the reasons above stated and also because the loop formed by it and Flower Avenue would enable one to enjoy an attractive drive from Carroll Avenue to the Blair road by the way of one and a return by way of the other.

As these suggested improvements would be of no special convenience and benefit to the tax payers and residents west of Sligo Creek we recommend the opening and improving of Ridge Avenue from the Blair road to Brashears Branch, and thence by the most practicable route to Carroll Avenue.

The opening of a street from Carroll Avenue to the vicinity of the sewage disposal field, as above recommended, and thence to the pumping station would be of great convenience to the Town by providing a short route over which the necessary supplies could be hauled to the pumping station. This section west of the Sligo should be also provided with a direct route through Takoma to the railroads. The best plan will probably be to extend Maple Avenue to a point where it would join Ridge Avenue near the sewage disposal field, or by the use of the street now being opened through the property of the Thornton estate.

We believe that a policy of opening and improving the dedicated streets of the sections referred to, put into practical operation as soon as possible and resolutely persisted in, would very soon effect a large increase in the taxable basis and thereby prove a valuable investment to the Town, besides affording relief to and allaying the discontent of the citizens and tax payers referred to, who, while amenable to the laws are also entitled to their protection. It is a matter of simple justice to them to share in the benefits resulting from the expenditure of the money previously paid into the public treasury in the form of taxes.

Finally, we recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, that the recommendations contained in this report be, and they are hereby endorsed and approved.

Resolved, further, that the special committee be continued with authority to present the recommendations contained herein to the Mayor and Council at their next regular meeting and to take such other action as will bring about the desired results.

Respectfully submitted.

THOMAS WATERS OF S.

J. M. McCAULEY

J. H. CLARK

} Special Committee.

The report was referred to the Street Committee for consideration.

The Clerk read a communication from Mr. H. C. Emery, addressed to Mr. C. M. Heaton and referred by that gentleman to the Mayor and Council calling attention to the dangerous condition of a house on Holly Avenue owned by Mr. C. W. Smiley, in which the floors are badly settled and making the danger from fire great.

The communication was referred to the Inspector of Buildings for report.

There being no further business the Council, at 10:30 o'clock p.m. adjourned.

Ben D. Davis

Clerk.

Approved:

J. O. Kinnear Mayor.

Tuesday, June 17, 1902.

The Mayor and Council met in special session at the residence of the Town Clerk, at 8 o'clock p.m. for the purpose of considering the specifications for the proposed duplicate pumping plant and such other business as may be brought before them.

There were present Mayor Kinnear and Councilmen Bladgett, Derrick, Douglas, Morrison, Scudder and Severance.

Mr. Severance, Chairman of the Judiciary Committee, submitted the following draft of the pumping plant specifications:

The Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Md., invite bids for machinery, materials and work as hereinafter set forth.

Each bidder will be required to furnish with his bid a certified check on a solvent bank in the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200) which shall be made payable to Ben D. Davis, Treasurer of the Town of Takoma Park, Md., as a guarantee that he will enter into a contract and furnish satisfactory bonds to the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park within five days after the award of said work. Should the bidder fail to furnish the above mentioned bond and enter into a contract as above mentioned, the check of \$200 shall become the property of the Town of Takoma Park.

Of the contract price for said work, five hundred dollars (\$500) thereof shall be withheld for sixty (60) days from the completion of the work as a guarantee that the same has been properly done.

The Mayor and Council reserve the right to reject any and all bids submitted.

Bids are invited upon the following:

A gasoline engine and a triplex power pump of types to be approved by the Mayor and Council, the said engine and pump to be erected complete in

the power house of the Takoma Park, Md., pumping station situated upon Sligo creek.

It is the intention of the Mayor and Council, under these specifications, to secure an engine and a pump which shall be practically duplicates, or equals, respectively, of the engine and pump now in said power house, as they were originally installed.

The engine therefor should be one of sufficient capacity to operate a pump like that now in the power house and of not less than thirty horse power.

The pump should be one capable of delivering three hundred (300) gallons of water per minute into a tank at a height of three hundred (300) feet above the same. The pump shall not be less than size eight by ten (8x10.)

The new engine and pump, and the engine and pump now in said power house, are to have direct connections, and for this purpose the new engine is to be placed opposite the pump already in the said power house and its shaft connected therewith having a suitable friction clutch, while the new pump is to be placed opposite the engine now in the power house and to have its driving shaft connected with the shaft of the said engine, a suitable friction clutch being also provided.

The present engine in the power house will require such alterations in its shafting as it make it possible to use a direct acting connection between it and its pump instead of a connection by belt as now used.

The present pump will also require such repairs and changes as may be needed to put it into first class working condition which will include new actuating pinion wheels, a new shaft such as will be necessary to secure a direct acting connection with the driving engine, and a suitable friction clutch, the bidder to further supply any other material, machinery or parts that may be necessary to put the pump and also the engine with its automatic starting mechanism, in good running condition.

Everything is to be furnished by the contractor for the new machinery including all foundations, which shall be equal in firmness and stability to the foundations of the machinery now in said power house, and also including necessary suction and discharge piping properly connected, so as to put the entire plant in first class condition.

It is further intended that these specifications shall cover the supplying and placing of a fire-plug, located outside of the power house, together with the necessary piping not less than four (4) inches in diameter, for connecting the said plug with the water system. The said plug is to be located at a point to be designated by the Mayor and Council, so that it may afford a suitable hose connection for throwing water upon the buildings of the pumping station and also that water may be thrown upon the bed of the stream for cleansing its surface from time to time.

It is further intended that the contractor for this machinery and work shall furnish all piping, necessary labor, tools, foundations and machinery necessary to put both engines and pumps in first class working condition.

On motion of Mr. Douglas the specifications were approved and adopted.

The Mayor laid before the Council a communication from Mrs. W.W. Warfield asking for a reduction of the water rates fixed at \$100 per annum, for the hotel at North Takoma, to \$60 for the 4 months constituting the summer season.

After considering the subject at some length, the following resolution, presented by Mr. Douglas, was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Clerk is hereby directed to inform Mrs. Warfield that the Council has carefully considered her protest against the rate fixed for the use of water in the North Takoma hotel and declines to change the rate previously fixed by the Council; that the time within which final payment of the balance due may be paid, has been extended by the Council until Monday, June 23, at 9 o'clock, and if not paid by that time the water will be cut off and not again turned on until the penalty and costs have been paid in full.

The condition of the Carroll Avenue bridge across the Sligo was also considered and on motion of Mr. Scudder the Chairman of the Street Committee was authorized to purchase the necessary material and repair the bridge.

The Chairman of the Street Committee was also authorized to have the filtering well thoroughly cleaned.

On motion of Mr. Derrick the emergency expenses incurred by cleaning of the pits at the sewer field, the construction of a cover for the smaller pit, purchase of lime and repairing of water pipe, were approved.

On motion of Mr. Scudder the Clerk was directed to offer the fire engine, and hose and reel to the Town of Kensington, for the sum of \$400.

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

Approved:

J. K. Kearney Mayor.

Ben D. Davis
Clerk.