

named in duplicate and to report its conclusions at as early a date as practicable. The motion was carried.

The Mayor appointed as such committee Messrs. Scudder, Derrick and Blodgett.

Mr. Scudder moved that a vote of thanks be extended Mr. George N. Beale for valuable suggestions and assistance. Carried.

On motion of Mr. Morrison an appropriation of \$6⁰⁰ was authorized for the purchase of a new oil tank.

There being no further business the Council, at 11:50 p.m., adjourned.

Approved:

J. K. Kearney Mayor

Ben D. Davis, Clerk.

Monday Evening, October 5, 1903.

The Council met at 7:30 o'clock p.m., There were present the Mayor and Messrs Blodgett, Derrick, Morrison, Scudder and Severance.

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

The Treasurer submitted his regular monthly report as follows:

To the Mayor and Council.

Takoma Park, Md., October 1, 1903

Gentlemen: I have the honor to submit herewith report of receipts and disbursements for the month of September, 1903.

Balance on hand last report	2152.66
RECEIPTS:	
From general taxes	200.47
" water rents	9.05
" permits	6.00
" redemption of lots sold for taxes	3.10
	<u>218.62</u>
	2371.28

DISBURSEMENTS:	
Pumping plant: gasoline	\$ 75.00
Waterworks	8.41
Street work: material	\$ 47.83
labor	9.00
Street lighting: oil	18.00
lamps, globes, etc	97.78
General expenses	4.89
Salaries: clerk and treasurer	20.00
lamplighter	30.00
engineer	48.00
Paid from redemption fund	1.75
Total	360.66
Balance on hand	\$ 2010.62
	<u>2371.28</u>

Respectfully submitted:

Ben D. Davis, Treasurer.

Unfinished business was taken up and disposed of as follows:

The report of the Treasurer for August was reported back from the Finance Committee with recommendation that the same be accepted and adopted and such action was taken upon motion of Mr. Derrick.

The Estimates of the several committees were returned by the Finance Committee with the following report,

To the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Md.

October 2, 1903.

Gentlemen:- In the opinion of your Committee the inclosed estimates can only be used as a general guide for the several Committees interested and not accepted as final. Their adoption is therefore not recommended as final but merely as a general guide as mentioned above.

Respectfully, L. MORRISON,

Mr. Severance moved that the report be accepted. Carried and so ordered.

The specifications for cement walks, referred to the Finance Committee, were returned with the following indorsement:

Respectfully returned to the Mayor and Council with the information that from July 1st, 1903, up to and including September bills, [October 2, 1903.] town has expended \$1776.79; for fixed operating expenses during remainder of year \$1900.00 will be required; for interest on bonds, taking up one general bond of \$500.00, the sum of \$2840.00, making a total of \$6516.79. This will leave an unexpended balance of about \$500.00 for current expenses during remainder of year, or an average of about \$56.00 per month. In view of the foregoing it seems impracticable to lay any cement sidewalk, to be paid for from this year's revenues. It is recommended that all necessary arrangements for letting of contract for cement walks be made during coming spring so that contract may be entered into and work commenced by the end of the fiscal year and payment therefor be made out of next fiscal year's revenues.

L. MORRISON,
E. M. DOUGLAS,
CHAS. W. SCUDDER,

On motion of Mr. Derrick the report was received.

The Finance Committee returned the itemized expenditures for the construction of Sewer on Takoma Ave from residence of Mr. Webber to Chestnut Ave., with the recommendation that the sum of \$1.15, the amount over estimated cost of said Sewer, be paid by the Town.

On motion of Mr. Severance the recommendation of the committee was concurred in.

The committees having in charge the naming of unnamed streets, the procuring of rights of way for water and sewer pipes and the revision of town laws and ordinances, reported progress, respectively.

A communication from Mr. J. A. Wetmore complaining of the street lighting service in the vicinity of his residence in North Takoma, was read by the Clerk and referred to the Committee on Streets and Lights for investigation and report.

A communication was presented from Mr. L. M. Mooers, Registrar of Vital Statistics, submitting a list of births and deaths from May 2, 1902, to date, together with bill for \$4⁸⁰ fees for recording same.

On motion of Mr. Derrick the report was received and payment of bill authorized.

The Finance Committee submitted the following report:

To the Mayor and Council.		October 2, 1903,	
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:			
Standard Oil Co., Lubricating Oil and oil - - - - -	\$ 3.35	C. & P. Telephone Co., Messages from pump house, - - - - -	.30
" " " Oil - - - - -	16.00	Best Street Light Co., Burner for gasoline lamp, - - - - -	.35
" " " Gasoline - - - - -	37.50	E. C. Peter and C. W. Prettyman, legal services Wildwood case, - - - - -	102.50
E. E. Blodgett, Tapping main - - - - -	3.00		<u>\$ 167.30</u>
C. & P. Telephone Co., Rental of telephone, Sept. and Oct. - - - - -	4.50		
		LISLE MORRISON E. M. DOUGLAS, CHAS. W. SCUDDER.	

Mr. Derrick moved that the report be accepted and payment of the bills authorized. Carried and so ordered.

Mr. Scudder, from the Committee on Water and Sewer submitted the following report:

The Water and Sewer Committee respectfully report that they met by appointment the representatives of the Seven-day Adventists and they informed this Committee that they proposed to establish a sanitarium which would accommodate one hundred patients and a school to accommodate one hundred pupils and that this number of patients and pupils would require at least one hundred attendants, teachers, etc. This committee was also informed that large quantities of water would be required as they make a specialty of water treatment. The place where they propose to locate the sanitarium is about 600 feet easterly from the pumping station on the brow of the hill overlooking the Sligo and it is proposed to locate the school about 300 feet northerly therefrom. They also desire to extend the main from the corner of Ridge and Carroll Ave. to the Sligo bridge, a distance of about 400 feet. There will therefore be required a six-inch main 600 feet long and a four-inch main 700 feet long which is estimated will cost all laid, not less than \$1000. ⁰⁰ . The attention of the Council is called to the fact that there is now used each 24 hours about 40,000 gallons of water, and to accommodate the proposed sanitarium and school at least 50,000 gallons more per day will be required. This in the judgment of the committee will necessitate the building of another tank. In order to fill the present tank it is necessary to pump practically all the water out of the well and as it requires about 20 hours for the well to fill up again, it will be necessary to either take the water into the well directly from the stream or make the necessary improvements to obtain at least twice the amount of water that is now used. This committee was also advised that a system of sewage was desired. This would necessitate the purchase or donation of additional land on the easterly side of Sligo as it is not practicable to cross the stream and the present fields are not large enough to accommodate sewage from such an institution. The committee has made no estimate of the cost of this system and field. While the committee appreciate the advantages of having such a sanitarium and school in Takama Park, it cannot on account of the financial condition of the Town recommend such a large expenditure of money as will be required to meet the request of the Seven-day Adventists.	
Takama Park, October 5, 1903.	
CHAS. W. SCUDDER, Acting Chairman.	

On motion of Mr. Morrison the report was laid upon the table for future consideration.

Mr. Blodgett, from the committee on Streets and Lights, submitted the following report:

To the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Md.

Takoma Park, Md., Oct. 5, 1903.

Gentlemen:- I have the honor to submit the following report relative to street work done during month of September, 1903: Sligo hill repaired where cave off occurred on side at cost of \$1.00. Hole in middle of street opposite Mr. Priest's, filled at cost of \$1.00. Sidewalk on Takoma Ave. from New York Ave to Mr. Platts residence relaid entire length, 182', with new stringers, also new boards put in where needed, at a cost of \$7.00. Gutter plowed and filled in on Elm Ave. hill above Spring where gutter had washed out from 4' to 5' deep, also relaid sidewalk at same place, total cost, \$8.50. Pipe put in on Hickory Ave. near Montgomery, where water stands in gutter, cost \$1.00. Gutter cleaned out and street repaired on Hickory Avenue between Montgomery and Columbia Aves, at a cost of 50¢. Pipes cleaned out on Sycamore Avenue, near Mr. Coan's place, at a cost of 25¢. Lamp repaired with old frame on Cedar Ave., cost 50¢. Crossing raised on Takoma Ave. and blocked up at a cost of 24¢. Total amount expended during September, chargeable to the appropriation of \$20.00 per month, \$19.99.

Respectfully, E. E. BLODGETT, Chairman, for the Committee.

On motion of Mr. Scudder the report was accepted.

Mr. Blodgett, from the Committee on Streets and Lights submitted the following report:

To the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Md.

Takoma Park, Md., Oct. 5, 1903.

Gentlemen:- The following report is submitted in regard to street lamps and street lighting. The lamps are in fairly good condition with a few exceptions which will be overcome at an early date. With a view to bringing the lamps to their proper condition and appearance, it is recommended that an expenditure of twenty dollars (\$20.00) or so much thereof as may be required, be authorized for scraping, cleaning and painting lamps and frames where same is needed. It will take some time to accomplish this work as the paint is peeling off in scales. The filling can, which was in only fair condition, had to be thrown out of wagon by the lamplighter on account of a fire started in the wagon while he was filling the lamps. This did not improve the joints of the can any, but they have been soldered and can is now serviceable. The can which holds the supply is in poor shape and the man who delivers the oil states we can have a new bottom put on it for about \$2.00. It is understood this is done by merchants instead of buying new cans, and if we can have the work done for \$2.00 or \$2.50 it would be cheaper than buying new cans.

Respectfully, E. E. BLODGETT, Chairman, for the Committee.

The report was received. Mr. Severance moved an appropriation of \$20.00 for painting and cleaning lamps and frames. The motion was lost.

The Street Committee, through its chairman, Mr. Blodgett, submitted a list of needed street improvements with probable cost thereof and recommended that appropriations be made and authority given to prosecute the work as recommended. The various items were considered separately and work authorized, with limit of cost thereof as follows:

Construction of pebble gutter at intersection of Sycamore and Elm Aves, \$6.00, upon motion of Mr. Derrick

Single board walk on Elm Ave, between Carroll and Pine, \$18.00, upon motion of Mr. Derrick

110 feet of new walk from end of brick walk on Maple Ave. to opposite residence of Miss Corse, \$11.00 on motion of Mr. Scudder.

Opening gutter and repairing street in front Swarmstedt house, Maple Ave, \$2.00, on motion of Mr. Scudder.

New crossing, Tulip and Maple Aves, \$7.00, on motion of Mr. Scudder.

100 feet new walk Tulip Ave., between Maple and Oak, \$4.00, on motion of Mr. Derrick

Two new crossings, intersection of Tulip and Oak Avenues, \$14⁰⁰, on motion of Mr. Derrick

Repairs on walk, Tulip Ave., between Oak and Holly, \$1⁵⁰, on motion of Mr. Scudder.

Repairing crossing, Holly and Tulip Aves., \$4⁰⁰, on motion of Mr. Derrick

Relaying 20' brick walk on Oak Ave., near Magnolia, \$3⁰⁰ on motion of Mr. Scudder.

Repairing brick walk, Oak Ave., bet Magnolia and Tulip, \$1⁰⁰; new crossing at Magnolia and Oak, \$7⁰⁰; repairing gutter near Mr. Goulds house on Oak Ave, \$1⁵⁰, on motion of Mr. Scudder

New crossing at Chestnut and Takoma Aves., \$8⁰⁰ and repairs to walk on Takoma Ave., Chestnut Ave. to hotel, \$32⁰⁰, on motion of Mr. Scudder.

2 new crossings at Takoma and New York Aves., \$16⁰⁰, on motion of Mr. Scudder.

New crossing on Baltimore Ave., near Mr. Davidson's house and repair of walk, \$9⁰⁰, on motion of Mr. Scudder.

Repairs to walk on Buffalo Ave., between Takoma and New York Aves., \$20⁰⁰, on motion of Mr. Scudder.

Relay walk on Albany Ave., \$3⁰⁰, on motion of Mr. Derrick

Repairs to walk on New York Ave., west of Takoma Ave., \$7⁰⁰ on motion of Mr. Scudder; also cleaning manhole east of Takoma Ave. \$5⁰⁰

On motion of Mr. Morrison an appropriation of \$10⁰⁰ was authorized for hauling in connection with above repairs.

Mr. Scudder moved that the former action of the Council in authorizing the expenditure of not to exceed \$20⁰⁰ per month on general street repair work, in view of the large amount of specific repair work just provided for, be rescinded. The motion was carried.

A communication was presented from Mr. E. E. Blodgett, protesting against the further maintenance of a cess pool on the premises of Mr. Danforth and asking that orders be issued for immediate abatement of the nuisance thereby created.

The communication was ordered referred to the Health Officer with instructions to take such steps as he may deem necessary to secure abatement of any nuisance that may exist by reason of said cess pool.

On motion of Mr. Severance an appropriation of \$6⁰⁰ was authorized for payment of Geo. W. Jackson & Son for surveying on Carroll Avenue.

The Acting Chairman of the Committee on Water and Sewers presented the following report:

Takoma Park, Md., October 5, 1903.

The Committee on Water and Sewers respectfully report that the hose and extra fittings authorized at the last meeting of the Council have been ordered; that the filter at the pumping station has been repaired and the lower field of the sewer farm cleaned. It is with regret that we report the friction clutch on engine No. 2 out of order and it is deemed necessary to ask for an appropriation of Ten Dollars for the services of a machinist to fix it if possible. Authority is also asked to expend not to exceed Seventy-five Dollars to paint the water tank and tower; and not to exceed Thirty Dollars to clean the cesspool. It is believed by the Committee that there are many leaks in water taps and it is thought that some water systems may have been extended since last inspection and it is recommended that the Inspector of Plumbing be directed to make a house to house inspection to determine if any additional taps have been made and if any leaks are found the Inspector of Plumbing be directed to see that Ordinance No. 95 is enforced.

CHAS. W. SCUDDER, Acting Chairman.

Mr. Morrison moved that an expenditure of \$10⁰⁰ be authorized for repair of friction clutch. Carried and so ordered.

Mr. Severance moved that, in accordance with the recommendation of the Committee appropriations of \$75⁰⁰ and \$30⁰⁰ for painting of water tower and cleaning of pit at sewer farm, respectively, be authorized. The motion was carried.

On motion of Mr. Morrison the Inspector of Plumbing was directed to make the inspection recommended by the Committee.

Mr. Scudder moved that Ordinance No. 95 be referred to the Ordinance Committee for revision. Carried and so ordered.

Mr. Blodgett, from the Committee on Streets and Lights, submitted the following communication:

To the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Md.

Takoma Park, Md., October 5, 1903.

Gentlemen:- In the matter of use of water for sprinkling purposes, the attention of the Mayor and Council is called to the fact that lawns are being sprinkled without reference to the specified hours. As this is in direct violation of the regulations now in force, it is suggested that the matter be taken up with a view to the enforcement or annulment of the regulations.

Respectfully,

E. E. BLODGETT,

For the Committee.

Without objection the communication was referred by the Mayor to the Judiciary Committee with instructions to advise the bailiffs that the provisions of Section 2, of Ordinance No. 95, are to be rigidly enforced.

There being no further business the Council at 11:50 o'clock p.m. adjourned.

Approved:

J. J. Finney Mayor.

Ben Davis

Clerk

Takoma Park, Md., Monday Evening, November 2, 1903.

The Council met at 8:30 o'clock P.M., there being present Mayor Kinnear and Councilmen Blodgett, Derrick, Douglas, Morrison and Scudder.

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

The Treasurer submitted the following report:

To the Mayor and Council.		Takoma Park, Md. October 31st, 1903.	
Gentlemen: - I have the honor to submit herewith report of receipts and disbursements for the month of October, 1903:			
Balance on hand last report -----		\$ 2010.00	
RECEIPTS:			
From general taxes -----	550.15		
" water rents -----	11.83		
" permits -----	11.00		
" road tax rebate, Prince George County, for years 1899, 1900 and 1901 -----	232.56		
" sale of 5 cords of wood @ \$1 ⁰⁰ per cord -----	5.00		
" payment for one destroyed street lamp -----	4.00	814.54	
		\$ 2825.16	
DISBURSEMENTS:			
Pumping plant maintenance; miscellaneous -----	3.35		
gasoline -----	37.50	40.85	
Street work: labor -----		74.00	
Waterworks -----		12.50	
Street lighting: oil -----	16.00		
lamp repairs -----	.35	16.35	
General expenses: telephone rental and messages -----	4.90		
miscellaneous -----	7.63		
legal expenses -----	102.50	115.03	
Salaries: clerk and treasurer -----	20.00		
lamplighter -----	30.00		
engineer -----	60.00	110.00	
Semiannual interest on \$57000 4% bonds -----		1140.00	
		1508.73	
		1316.43	
		2825.16	
Respectfully submitted:		Balance on hand -----	
<i>Sam Davis</i> , Treasurer.			

The report was received and without objection referred to the Finance Committee.

The Clerk presented and read a petition from Messrs. D. B. Gosorn and J. W. Austin asking for certain improvements on Beach Ave. It was explained by the Chairman of the committee on streets and lights that the improvements requested were provided for in report to be submitted later to the council.

A petition from Mr. George H. Harris relative to further improvement of Harris Avenue was referred to the street committee for report.

The complaint against cess-pool on the premises of Mr. J. H. Danforth, which complaint had been referred to the Health Officer, was returned by that official with indorsement stating that Mr. Danforth had been informed of the complaint; that in reply thereto he had stated it as his intention to connect with the water and sewer system next spring but that if the Mayor and Council persisted in forcing the matter he would make such connection only when he got ready to do so. In this connection the Mayor presented a letter from Mr. Danforth in which that gentleman stated, that he was d-

about to go to the city for the winter and requesting, in view of the fact that the cess pool will not be used, that action be deferred until spring when he expects to connect with the water and sewer system before returning to Takoma.

Mr. Derrick moved that the Mayor be authorized to inform Mr. Danforth that further action in the matter will be deferred for the present, provided that the cess-pool be immediately cleaned out by the authorized scavenger and use thereof permanently abandoned; and provided further, that his premises be connected with the town water and sewer system before such premises are reoccupied in the spring or previous thereto. The motion was carried.

The Finance Committee presented the following report:

To the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Md.

November 2, 1903

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:

W. S. Jenks, Galvanized tank for oil -----	\$ 4.00	Thos. R. Riley, lumber -----	\$ 65.07
William Watkins, hauling -----	3.00	" " " " -----	25.05
Standard Oil Co., Oil -----	5.95	Town Treasurer, Contingencies -----	1.55
" " " " -----	6.80	E. E. Blodgett, Tapping mains -----	8.00
" " " Gasoline -----	37.50	" " Repairing lamps, etc -----	2.00
			<u>158.92</u>

L. MORRISON
CHAS. W. SCUDDER. } Committee.
E. M. DOUGLAS

On motion of Mr. Douglas the report was accepted and payment of the bills directed.

The following report was submitted by the Committee on Streets and Lights:

To the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Md.

Takoma Park, Md., October 31, 1903

Gentlemen:- In making the inspection of the sidewalks with a view to ascertaining repairs necessary, your committee discovered a peculiar condition of affairs on Magnolia Avenue east of Laurel Avenue. The town owns no land on which to lay a walk and the walk now there is on private property and on land belonging to the District of Columbia. It is believed that the owners of the private property will, with perhaps one exception, donate to the town a strip of land four feet wide on which to lay a walk.

Your committee would recommend that necessary action be taken to have a strip of land, as above referred to, on the street in question, donated to the town and if owners do not donate that necessary condemnation proceedings be instituted with a view to obtaining same. Respectfully Submitted.

E. E. BLODGETT, For the Committee.

On motion of Mr. Douglas the report was received and the recommendations of the committee adopted, the Mayor being authorized to confer with the property owners and proceed with the necessary arrangements to secure the land.

Mr. Blodgett, from the street committee submitted an estimate of \$65.⁷⁵ for the purpose of putting in pipe to prevent overflow of street drainage on property of Mr. Gould on Oak Ave., with the recommendation of the committee that this would probably afford the best and cheapest solution of the difficulty.

Mr. Scudder moved that the work be done as recommended by the committee and at the estimated cost provided that one-half the expense thereof be paid by Mr. Gould. The motion was carried.

The Street Committee submitted the following report:

To the Mayor and Council, Takoma Park, Md.	Takoma Park, Md., October 29, 1903.
Gentlemen:- Following up the report submitted at the last meeting of the Council in regard to repairs required to put sidewalks in passable condition for the winter, I inclose herewith statement showing similar work for the remainder of the Park, from which it will be seen that the aggregate cost is \$181.52. It is respectfully recommended that the work as outlined be authorized. Respectfully Submitted.	
(Inclosure of proposed work:)	E. E. BLODGETT,
	For the Committee.
Magnolia Ave., from Laurel east; 15 boards. Estimated cost: labor \$2.10; material, \$4.90; Total \$7.00	
Carroll Ave., District line to log cabin, 18 boards; log cabin to Allen's corner, 60 boards; new crossing at log cabin; new crossing at Ethan Allen and Carroll Aves. Estimated cost, labor, \$18.00; material, \$25.00; Total, \$43.00.	
Grant Ave., 9 boards. Estimated cost, labor \$1.26; material, \$3.78; Total, \$5.04	
Sycamore Ave., 35 boards. Estimated cost: labor \$4.90; material \$13.20; Total, \$18.10	
Poplar Ave., 45 boards. Estimated cost: labor, \$6.30; material \$18.90; Total \$25.20.	
Hickory Ave., 15 boards, new crossing. Estimated cost, labor, \$5.10; material, \$10.30; Total, \$15.40.	
Montgomery Ave., 10 boards and crossing at Pine Ave. Estimated cost, labor \$5.40; material, \$8.80; Total, \$14.20.	
Pine Ave., 16 boards and new crossing. Estimated cost, labor, \$6.24; material, \$10.12; Total, \$16.36.	
Columbia Ave., 21 boards and crossing at Pine. Estimated cost, labor, \$5.94; material, \$8.72; Total, \$14.66.	
Tulip Ave., 26 boards. Estimated cost, labor, \$6.64; material, \$10.92. Total, \$17.56.	
Plowing out gutter on Beach Ave., opposite houses of Messrs. Austin and Gasorn. \$5.00.	Total, \$181.52.

Mr. Scudder moved that the report be accepted and that the sum of \$181.52, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be appropriated for repairs, etc, as recommended by the committee. The motion was carried.

The Finance Committee submitted the following report:

To the Mayor and Council, Takoma Park, Md.	Takoma Park, Md., October 31, 1903.
Gentlemen:- Referring to a previous report made by your Committee in regard to cement sidewalks, we would ask the earnest consideration of this question. It is the opinion of your Committee that the present law in regard to sidewalks should be changed so as to admit of the entire cost of same being charged against the abutting property; also that the law in regard to extension of water and sewer mains should be similar.	
It is respectfully recommended that the Mayor be authorized to take such action as in his judgment may seem best with a view to having the law in regard to walks and water and sewer mains amended as above, such changes to be made at the coming meeting of the Maryland Legislature.	
If the above recommendation is favorably acted upon, your Committee would recommend that their previous report on this matter be modified accordingly.	
Respectfully,	LISLE MORRISON, CHAS. W. SCUDDER, E. M. DOUGLAS
	Finance Committee.

Mr. Derrick moved that the report be accepted and that the recommendations of the Committee be adopted in full. The motion was carried.

Mr. Douglas, from the committee on Water and Sewers submitted the following report:

The pump was in operation for 67 hours, being about 7 hours less than in September and 10 hours less than in August.

In order to inquire into the truth of the report that an excessive amount of gasoline was being used, an examination of the reports has been made and the following table prepared:

Date of delivery:	Gallons:	Interval, days:	Hours pumping:	Average per hour, gallons:
Feb. 19, 1903	250			
" " " Apr. 7, "	" 300	" " 47	" "	" " " "
" " " May 22, "	" 380	" " 45	" " 86	" " " " 3.49
" " " July 10 "	" 300	" " 49	" " 103	" " " " 2.91
" " " Aug. 5 "	" 300	" " 26	" " 57½	" " " " 4.51
" " " " 27 "	" 300	" " 22	" " 56½	" " " " 5.31
" " " Sep. 15 "	" 300	" " 19	" " 46	" " " " 6.52
" " " Oct. 9 "	" 300	" " 24	" " 58½	" " " " 5.18

The hourly averages are based on the assumption that the gasoline tanks were empty when each new lot was delivered which is probably not true. More accurate data can be secured for a future report if an estimate is made of gasoline in tanks when the new lot is delivered.

Your committee urges that action be taken without further delay, to secure titles to lands owned by the town for sewer or water purposes if any are still lacking; and also to secure and to record rights of way over private property now in use, if any such have not been formally granted.

E. M. DOUGLAS, Chairman.

Mr. Morrison moved that the report be accepted, and the motion was carried.

[Given.]

The Street Committee, through its chairman, Mr. Blodgett, requested authority for the purchase of three barrels of lamp globes and on motion of Mr. Douglas such authority was

On motion of Mr. Morrison the committee on Water and Sewer was authorized to expend \$6⁰⁰ for packing for pumps and engines.

The chairman of the Committee on Streets and Lights called attention to complaints about the street lighting and the clerk was instructed to notify the lamp lighter of such complaints and to request him to give a more efficient service.

There being no further business the Council, at 11:20 o'clock P.M. adjourned,

Approved:

J. H. Finney Mayor.

Ben O. Davis Clerk.

Monday Evening, December 7, 1903,

The Council met at 8 o'clock p.m., with the following present; Mayor Kinnear and Councilmen Blodgett, Derriek and Seudder.

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

A communication from Mr. William A. Mellen, Manager, Baltimore and Washington Traction Co., was read by the clerk, wherein the said Company requested permission to suspend the operation of their line until April 1, 1904.

Mr. Mellen was present and stated that it is the intention of the Company to improve and extend their line at an early date and that a grant of the desired permission would be of great assistance in the contemplated improvements.

Without objection the communication of Mr. Mellen was referred to the Street Committee for consideration and recommendation.

At the suggestion of the Mayor and by unanimous consent of the Council, the regular order of business was suspended and the Council took up for consideration certain proposed amendments to the Town Charter relating to the construction of cement sidewalks, the laying of water mains and sewers and the granting of certain licenses. The subject was considered at some length in conjunction with Judge Ashley M. Gould who suggested certain changes which met with the approval of the Council. The clerk was instructed to prepare copies of the proposed amendments with the suggested changes and to submit the same for further consideration.

The Treasurer submitted the following report.

To the Mayor and Council,		Takoma Park, Md., November 30, 1903.	
Gentlemen; - I have the honor to submit the following report of receipts and disbursements for the month of November, 1903.			
Balance on hand last report	\$ 1316.43		
RECEIPTS:		DISBURSEMENTS:	
From general taxes	\$ 230.56	Pumping plant - Gasoline	37.50
" water rents	.75	Waterworks - Miscellaneous	10.60
" permits	6.00	Sewerage System - Miscellaneous	30.20
" sale of kindling wood	2.75	Street work: - Material	93.12
	240.06	Labor	79.38
	1556.49	Street Lighting: Oil	12.75
		Miscellaneous	6.00
		General Expenses	8.81
		Salaries: Clerk and Treasurer	20.00
		Lamp lighter	30.00
		Engineer	48.00
		Semi-annual interest on general bonds	17.50
			393.86
		Balance on hand	1162.63
			1556.49
Respectfully submitted:		Ben G. Davis, Treas.	

The report was ordered referred to the Finance Committee.

Mr. Blodgett, from the Street Committee returned the communication of Mr. George H. Harris requesting improvement of Harris Avenue, with the recommendation that three lamps be placed on said street, at a cost of \$150⁰⁰ and that \$10⁰⁰ be appropriated for work on putting the street in passable condition.

On motion of Mr. Derrick an appropriation of \$25⁰⁰ for the work recommended, was authorized.

The Street Committee also returned the bill of the Standard Oil Co. for \$9.98 for oil furnished last May, said bill having been overlooked, with recommendation that same be paid. On motion of Mr. Scudder the recommendation was approved.

A communication was presented from the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company requesting permission to erect three poles on Montgomery Ave., and string one pair of wires thereon to furnish telephone service to Mrs. Grace Thomas.

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

In this connection a communication was read from Mr. L.M. Mooers requesting that before permission be granted for the erection of telephone poles on Montgomery Ave., the company be required to use sightly poles and to place same as inconspicuously as possible.

The Finance Committee presented the following report.

To the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Md.

December 7, 1905.

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:

Standard Oil Co. 35 gals. Aladdin oil @ 11 1/2 ¢ -----	4.05	Geo. Day, Bailiff - 5 meals to prisoner -----	\$ 1.25
" " " 60 " " " " 11 ¢ -----	6.60	Misses A.M. and E.H. Parkins, Typewriting -----	3.40
" " " 75 " " " " 11 ¢ -----	8.25	E.M. Douglas, 1 quart paint -----	.75
" " " 385 " D.S. Gasoline " 12 1/2 ¢ -----	48.13	Thos. Somerville & Sons, 12 5/8 corp. stops B122 -----	10.20
" " " 52 " Atlantic Red Eng. @ 19 1/4 (10.01) Fgt. 25¢ -----	10.26	E.E. Blodgett, Fgt. bills, matches and pint cup -----	.95
" " " 10 " Ruby. Capt. Cylinder " 44 1/2 (4 45) 1-log can -----	5.20	" " Emergency work, November -----	6.00
Thos. R. Riley, Lumber -----	79.65	" " Tapping fees -----	4.00
Rudolph, West & Co. 2 Kegs wire nails -----	5.05	John B. Espey, 107# Cotton waste @ 9¢ -----	9.63
C. & P. Telephone Co. Rental and messages -----	4.10	Ben G. Davis, Treas. Contingent expenses Nov. -----	.79
W.H. Fawcett, 7 doz. matches @ 18 ¢ -----	1.26		209.30

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

The Committee on Streets and Lights, through its chairman, Mr. Blodgett, reported relative to securing another lamplighter in place of Mr. W. H. Fawcett, who has given up the work, and recommended the employment of Mr. Ray.

On motion of Mr. Scudder the Committee on Streets and Lights was authorized to enter into contract with such person as the Committee may deem desirable, for the lighting of street lamps, at a compensation not to exceed \$50⁰⁰ per month.

On motion of Mr. Scudder the Street Committee was authorized to expend not to exceed \$15⁰⁰ for the construction of a crossing on Takoma Ave. in the vicinity of the North Takoma Hotel.

Mr. Derrick moved that an appropriation of \$100⁰⁰ be authorized for repair of roads in that part of the town lying in Prince George County, said work to be done under the supervision of the chairman of the street committee. Carried.

On motion of Mr. Scudder an appropriation of \$5⁰⁰ was authorized for repair of road scraper.

Mr. Derrick from the Ordinance Committee, submitted the following Ordinance:

Ordinance No. 102

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

That Sections 5, 6 and 7 of Ordinance No. 95, passed and approved August 4, 1902, be and are hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 5. - Every person who maliciously breaks, injures, defaces or destroys any sewer pipe, manhole, lantern hole, or any portion of the sewer system or sewage disposal, cesspool or field, or breaks, injures, defaces, or destroys any main, or pipe, pipe-fitting or hydrant, or injures or destroys any machinery, building or structure which are used for the distribution of water throughout the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$10⁰⁰ nor more than \$50⁰⁰, or imprisonment in the county jail for not more than 30 days.

Section 6. - Every person who maliciously commits any act by reason of which the supply of water, or any part thereof, to the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, becomes impure, filthy or unfit for use, shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$10⁰⁰ nor more than \$50⁰⁰ or imprisonment in the county jail for not more than thirty (30) days.

Section 7. - If any person, or persons, not duly authorized by the Council, shall remove the cover from any stop cock box, or turn on or off the supply of water by means of said stop cock on the service pipe or otherwise, or turn on the supply of water from any fire hydrant, such person or persons shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$10⁰⁰ nor more than \$50⁰⁰, or imprisonment in the county jail for not more than 30 days.

Mr. Scudder moved that the Ordinance be passed and upon an aye and nay vote the ordinance was passed as follows: Voting aye, Messrs. Blodgett, Derrick and Scudder. Voting nay, none.

Mr. Scudder, from the Committee on Water and Sewer submitted the following report:

The Committee on Water and Sewer regret to report that the friction clutch on engine No. 2 is so badly damaged that it is deemed inadvisable to repair it, informal bids have been received for a new clutch and the Committee recommend that an appropriation of \$75⁰⁰ or so much thereof as may be necessary be made for the purchase and placing of this clutch and other necessary repairs.

Respectfully

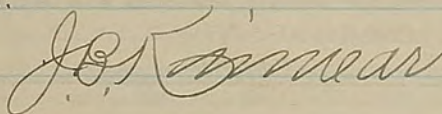
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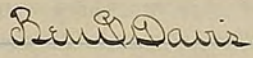
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Mr. Derrick moved, in accordance with the recommendation of the Committee, that an appropriation of \$75⁰⁰ or so much thereof as may be necessary, be authorized for the purchase and placing of new clutch and necessary repairs. The motion was carried.

There being no further business, the Council thereupon, at 11:20 o'clock P.M., adjourned.

Approved:
 Mayor.

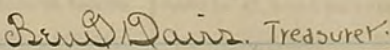

 Clerk

Monday Night, January 4, 1904.

The Council met at 8 o'clock P.M. There were present Mayor Kinnear and Councilmen Blodgett, Derrick, Douglas and Scudder.

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

The Treasurer submitted his monthly report as follows:

To the Mayor and Council,		Takoma Park, Md, Jan. 1, 1904.	
Gentlemen: I have the honor to submit herewith report of receipts and disbursements for the month ending December 31, 1903:			
RECEIPTS:		DISBURSEMENTS:	
Balance on hand last report	\$ 1162.65	Pumping plant: miscellaneous	\$ 25.09
Received from general taxes	61.42	gasoline	48.13 73.22
" " permits	13.00	Waterworks: miscellaneous	14.20
" " water rents	7.58	Street work: material	84.95
" for redemption of property sold for taxes	20.24 102.24	labor	35.25 120.20
	<u>\$ 1264.87</u>	Street Lights: Oil	28.86
		Matches	1.26 30.12
		General expenses: telephone rental and messages	4.10
		Contingent	1.74
		Miscellaneous	10.65 16.49
		Salaries: engineer	48.00
		lamplighter	28.00
		clerk and treasurer	20.00 98.00
		Redemption of property sold for taxes	21.59
			<u>371.82</u>
		Balance on hand	893.05
			<u>\$ 1264.87</u>
Respectfully submitted:			
		 Treasurer.	