

Monday evening, October 3, 1904.

A special meeting of the Council was held at the residence of the Town Clerk this date, convening at 7:30 o'clock p.m.

There were present Mayor Kinnear and Messrs. Blodgett, Derrick and Morrison.

The Mayor stated that he had called the meeting to take the necessary preliminary action for the extension of water main on Carroll Avenue and extension of sewer pipe line to the new disposal fields, and laid before the Council proposed forms of advertisements calling for bids for the work in question.

After discussion of the matter Mr. Morrison moved that the advertisement for extension of the Carroll Avenue water main be inserted in the Washington Star of Tuesday and Saturday, October 4 and 8 respectively. The motion was carried.

Mr. Derrick moved that the advertisement for extension of sewer line and construction of septic tank be also inserted in the Washington Star of Tuesday and Saturday, October 4 and 8 respectively. The motion was carried.

The following ordinance was submitted from the special committee in charge of the construction of cement walks:

Ordinance No. 112

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

Section 1. That in pursuance of and in accordance with the authority conferred by the act of the general assembly of Maryland, approved March 3, 1904, authorizing the mayor and council of the town of Takoma Park, Md., to improve the streets of said town, a sidewalk four (4) feet in width be constructed on and along that portion of Elm Avenue in said town which is contiguous to and abuts on the following described lots in said town: Elm Avenue on the northern and western sides from Carroll Avenue to Pine Ave, on that portion abutting on lots Nos. 1, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11, block F, and lot No. 15, block 16.

Section 2. That said sidewalk be composed of cement, gravel and sand, mixed with water, in the proper proportions to construct a cement pavement similar to those on Vermillion street, between Piney Branch Road and Blair road, in Takoma Park, D.C.

Section 3. That the real property deemed to be specially benefited by the said improvements, and which will be assessed to pay the entire cost of such improvements, and the approximate cost thereof which each of said parcels of real property may be assessed therefor are as follows: In block F, lots No. 1, \$118; No. 7, \$51; No. 8, \$51; No. 9, \$51; No. 10, \$107; No. 11, \$154; in block No. 16, lot No. 15, \$210. That the total cost of the improvements herein provided is estimated at \$742.

Section 4. That the mayor and council of the town of Takoma Park, Md., meet in the basement of the Presbyterian church, in said town, on the 19th day of October, 1904, at 8 o'clock p.m., when and where the owners of the property hereinbefore described, may be heard in regard to the improvements hereinbefore proposed.

Mr. Morrison moved that the ordinance be adopted and the same was adopted by the following vote: Voting aye, Messrs. Blodgett, Derrick and Morrison. Voting nay, none.

Mr. Derrick moved that the ordinance be published three times in the Washington Evening Star. Carried and so ordered.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following communication:

The Mayor and Council, Takoma Park, Md.

Takoma Park, October 1, 1904.

Gentlemen: I again tender my resignation as a member of the Council of Takoma Park, Md., and request that it take effect at once.

Respectfully, CHAS. W. SCUDDER.

Mr. Morrison moved that, in the judgment of the Mayor and Council, the services of Mr. Scudder are indispensable at the present time and that final action upon the resignation be postponed for the present. The motion was carried.

On motion of Mr. Morrison an appropriation of \$10.00 was authorized for repair of Carroll Avenue near Mr. Priest's residence.

There being no further business the Council, at 8:50 p. m., adjourned.

Approved:

J. Kimmear

Mayor.

Ben D. Davis Clerk

Monday evening, October 10th, 1904.

The Council convened at 8:15 o'clock p.m., there being present Mayor Kinnear and Messrs. Blodgett, Derrick, Morrison and Van Houten.

The minutes of the previous regular and special meetings were read and approved.

The resignation of Mr. C.W. Scudder as a member of the Council was presented as unfinished business but consideration and final action upon the same was postponed until Mr. Scudder was present.

The following report of the Treasurer was submitted:

To the Mayor and Council (through the Finance Committee)

Takoma Park, Md, October 1, 1904.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to submit herewith a statement of receipts and expenditures for the month of September, 1904:

Balance on hand last report -----	\$5891.63
Receipts:	
From general taxes -----	\$ 184.58
" water rents -----	4.37
" permits -----	12.00
Paid into redemption fund -----	51.66
	<u>252.61</u>
	6144.24

Expended from special fund of \$17,000 to date:	
Cement walks -----	\$ 8749.84
Sewer field -----	195.20
Water main -----	4.10
	<u>\$ 8949.14</u>

Examined and found correct.

LISLE MORRISON
J. H. VAN HOUTEN.

Disbursements:	
Pumping plant: gasoline -----	\$ 27.50
Sewerage system -----	132.00
Street work: material -----	\$ 22.00
labor -----	31.60
	<u>53.60</u>
Street lighting: oil -----	28.10
burners and wicks -----	8.60
	<u>36.70</u>
General expenses: printing -----	2.75
telephone -----	2.00
miscellaneous -----	32.85
rent -----	96.00
	<u>133.60</u>
Salaries: clerk and treasurer -----	20.00
engineer -----	48.00
lanplighter -----	35.00
	<u>103.00</u>
Paid from redemption fund -----	51.66
Special fund: cement walks -----	5084.75
sewage field -----	195.20
water main extension -----	4.10
	<u>5284.05</u>
	5822.11
Balance on hand -----	<u>322.13</u>
	6144.24

Ben Davis, Treasurer.

On motion of Mr. Derrick the report was received and approved

The Finance Committee submitted the following report, which, upon motion of Mr. Derrick was duly approved and payment of the bills directed as recommended by the committee:

To the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Maryland:

October 5, 1904.

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:

Macey-Wernicke Co., File case for Town Clerk	\$ 32.25
Standard Oil Co., Gasoline	30.00
" " " Oil	8.10
" " " Lubricating oil	1.80
Jahn B. Espy, oil can	.45

Clifton G. Clarridge, services repairing machinery	\$ 41.00
C. and P. Telephone Co., Rental and messages	2.50
J. B. Kinnear, Mayor, Telephone calls, etc.	1.25
	\$ 117.35

LISLE MORRISON } Committee
J. H. VAN HOUTEN }

Mr. Van Houten, from the Committee on Health and Sanitation reported verbally that matters of minor importance had been attended to.

Mr. Blodgett, from the Committee on Streets and Street Lighting reported verbally that Mr. Ray, lamplighter, had resigned on the first of October, but expressed a willingness to continue the work until a successor had been secured. Mr. Blodgett stated further that he had employed Mr. Jerry Kindell temporarily from the 1st of October and that if his services proved satisfactory and Council did not instruct otherwise, he would make contract with him.

Mr. Derrick moved that the action of the Chairman of the Committee on Streets and Lights relative to employment of Mr. Kindell be approved and that he be authorized to employ him permanently, if satisfactory, at a salary not exceeding \$35⁰⁰ per month. Carried.

Mr. Blodgett moved that the Treasurer be authorized to return to Mr. Ray the \$10⁰⁰ deposit withheld from his salary. Carried.

Mr. Blodgett requested an appropriation of \$4⁰⁰ for a new street lamp to replace the experimental one in front of residence of Mr. Davis, on Oak Avenue, and on motion of Mr. Van Houten said appropriation was directed.

The Mayor called attention of the Council to a letter received from Miss Corse in regard to the cement walk on west side of Maple Avenue. In connection therewith Mr. Blodgett explained his vote upon this matter at the previous meeting of the Council, stating that he voted for construction of the walk with the idea that it would be constructed only to the property of Miss Corse and not in front of it and that he was desirous of having the matter reconsidered.

The Mayor ruled that the matter could be reconsidered only upon motion of the maker of the original motion, whereupon Mr. Derrick moved that the action of the Council at its previous meeting directing the Engineer to have cement walk laid on Maple Ave. north from Tulip, as mentioned in the ordinance, be reconsidered. The motion was carried.

Mr. Blodgett moved that the cement walk on Maple Avenue north of Tulip be laid only to the north side of the lot upon which the Hamlin house is located. The motion was carried.

Mr. Blodgett moved an appropriation of \$75⁰⁰, or so much thereof as may be required, be made to put down board crossings for which lumber has been purchased and is now on hand, being one each at New York and Takoma Avenues, Takoma and Albany Aves, Takoma and Buffalo Avenues, Albany and Buffalo Avenues, two each at Holly and Tulip Avenues, and Tulip and Maple Avenues, one on Tulip at the school house, one at Elm and Carroll, Beach and Sycamore, Poplar and Elm, two at Columbia and Hickory, Poplar and Columbia, and two at Pine and Elm. Carried and so ordered.

The Mayor was requested to have the Engineer stake out the street in front of the hotel in North Takoma.

Mr. Morrison moved that \$10⁰⁰ or so much thereof as may be necessary be appropriated to grade and put in order the crossing at New York and Takoma Avenues, before putting down new crossing. The motion was carried.

The Mayor reported that he had taken up with Mr. Heaton the rental of the log cabin, showed him the records and gave him check for the amount claimed. Mr. Heaton did not question the records of the Town but reiterated that he had no recollection of entering into such an agreement and accepted the check as given for the full amount. Upon further discussion of the matter an agreement was entered into to pay \$3⁰⁰ per month for the "log cabin" for the current fiscal year instead of \$4⁰⁰ as heretofore.

Mr. Morrison moved that the action of the Mayor be approved. The motion was carried.

Mr. Derrick, from committee on Water and Sewer, reported that the tanks at the two sewer farms had been cleaned out at a cost of \$48⁶⁰, the amount authorized therefor having been but \$45⁰⁰.

Mr. Morrison moved that the expenditure in excess of the appropriation be approved. Carried and so ordered.

Mr. Derrick moved that the Water and Sewer committee be authorized to purchase one barrel of lubricating oil and one bale of waste for pumping plant. The motion was carried.

On motion of Mr. Derrick, from committee on Ordinance and Judiciary, an appropriation of \$1⁰⁰ was authorized to be paid the Bailiff for meals furnished prisoner confined in log cabin.

From the same committee was presented proposed form of bond for the Brennan Construction Company in relation to five-year guarantee of cement walks. Mr. Van Houten moved that the bond be approved and the Mayor directed to proceed to have same properly executed. The motion was carried.

Mayor Kinnear, asking the indulgence of the Council, explained fully the necessity for his removing to the city for the winter months and requested, that, regardless of personal consideration for himself, the Council express itself as to the proper action for him to take in regard to retainment or relinquishment of the Mayoralty.

The Council was unanimous in requesting Mr. Kinnear to retain the office, believing that, although in the city, he could and would give efficient attention to the affairs of the Town. Many complimentary things were said of the Mayor and of his able management of Town affairs, it being the opinion of each member of the Council that his separation from the Town government at this time would be unfortunate in view of the decided progress during his term of office.

The Mayor thanked the Council for their kind words and assured them of his desire at all times and under all circumstances to do his best for the Town and that, in compliance with their wishes, he would continue to act as Mayor during his stay in the city.

There being no further business, the Council, upon motion of Mr. Morrison, adjourned.

Approved:

J. Kinnear

Mayor.

Ben Davis

Clerk

Wednesday Evening, October 19, 1904.

In compliance with notice duly given as required by law a special meeting of the Council was held at 8 o'clock p.m., this date for the purpose of opening bids for the construction of a septic tank and extension of the sewer system, for an extension of the water main on Carroll Avenue, and for the further purpose of hearing from parties interested regarding a proposed cement sidewalk on Elm Avenue from Pine to Carroll.

There were present Mayor Kinnear and Messrs Blodgett, Derrick, Morrison and Van Houten.

At the hour of 8 the Mayor declared the expiration of the time for the receipt of bids and directed the Clerk to open the same. For the extension of the sewer line and construction of the septic tank two bids were submitted in proper form, one from Martin McNamard, of Washington, D.C., and one from The Wilkesbarre Construction Co., of Wilkesbarre, Pa.

On motion of Mr. Morrison the bids were referred to the special committee in charge of the proposed improvements with instructions to give some careful consideration and to report to the Council as soon as possible.

For the proposed extension of the Carroll Avenue watermain but one bid was submitted, that of the Wilkesbarre Construction Company, at 66¢ per foot, with the proviso that the work was not desired unless the sewer contract was also awarded them.

On motion of Mr. Morrison this bid was also referred to the special committee for consideration and report.

The matter of the ~~proposed~~ cement sidewalk on Elm Avenue was then taken up.

Letters of protest were presented from Mrs. Mary Banes Miller and from Messrs. J. Harrison Johnson & Son (representing owner). Mr. Morris Bien and Miss Grace Bruce Holmes, representing the ownership of over half the land fronting the proposed walk were present and addressed the Council, urging that the walk be constructed.

There being no further arguments or protests the Council proceeded to consideration of the matter upon conclusion of which Mr. Derrick moved that objections to the construction of the walk be waived and that construction be directed. The motion was unanimously carried.

Mr. Derrick, from the Ordinance and Judiciary Committee thereupon submitted the following ordinance:

Ordinance No. 113.

Ordering the Construction of a Cement Walk on a Certain Portion of Elm Avenue.

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

Section 1. - That in pursuance of and in accordance with the authority conferred by the Act of the General Assembly of Maryland, approved March 3, 1904, authorizing the Mayor and Council of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, to improve the streets of said Town, a cement sidewalk be and the same is hereby adjudged to be necessary, and it is therefore ordered to be constructed on and along that portion of Elm Avenue in said Town which is contiguous to and abuts on the following described lots in said Town: Elm Avenue on the northern and western sides from Carroll Avenue to Pine Avenue, on that portion abutting on lots Nos. 1, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11, block F, and lot No. 15, block 16.

Section 2. - That the whole cost of construction, including interest on deferred payments at the rate of 6% per annum, shall be assessed against the property above enumerated, except as provided in the said Act exempting 100 feet on corner lots.

Section 3. - That the taxes or payments on the special assessment herein provided for shall become due and payable on the first day of July of each year, the same time and in the same manner as the other taxes due the said Town, excepting that there shall be no discount allowed; and provided further, that the date on which said taxes for the year 1904 shall be due is hereby fixed as January 1, 1905, instead of July 1, 1904, as hereinbefore provided.

Section 4. - That the total cost of the special assessment herein provided may be divided into and made payable in five equal installments, due and payable in one, two, three, four and five years, with interest at 6% per annum, or, if desired, the whole cost or any annual payment may be made on or after January 1, 1905, when the first installment shall have become due.

Mr. Derrick moved that the Ordinance be adopted and upon an aye and nay vote the Ordinance was adopted as follows: voting aye Messrs. Blodgett, Derrick, Morrison and Van Houten; voting nay, none.

There being no further business the Council, at 9:10 o'clock p.m., adjourned.

Approved:

J. K. Jimmear

Mayor.

Ben B. Davis

Clerk.

Monday evening, October 24, 1904.

A special meeting of the Council was held at the residence of the Clerk at 8 o'clock p.m. this date. There were present the Mayor and Messrs. Blodgett, Derrick, Scudder and Van Houten.

The Mayor stated that he had called the meeting for the purpose of hearing the report of the special committee relative to bids received for extension of the water main on Carroll Avenue and for extension of the sewer system, and for such other business as may be deemed necessary.

Mr. Scudder, from the special committee in charge of sidewalk, water and sewer improvements submitted the following report:

Mayor and Council, Takoma Park, Md.

Takoma Park, Md., October 24, 1904.

The special committee on construction of sidewalks and sewers respectfully return herewith the bids for the construction of sewer and water main opened on October 19th last and referred to this committee. The bids for sewer are as follows:

Contractor.	Lumber	10' pipe laid	12' pipe laid	Rock excavation 150 yds est.	Grading road	Manholes	Syphon	Bridge	Concrete Work	Sepic tank	Total
Mc Namara.	30.00	5175.00	750.00	525.00	350.00	855.00	500.00	550.00	64.00	2000.00	10,799.00
Wilkesbarre Con ^g Co	30.00	5037.00	732.00	450.00	218.75	855.00	300.00	900.00	50.00	2003.00	10,575.75

It is respectfully recommended by the Committee that as these bids are greatly in excess of the money available for this purpose, that they be rejected. The only bid received and opened on the 19th inst. for the construction of a watermain on Carroll Avenue is that of the Wilkesbarre Construction Co. as follows:

Earth Excavation 65 d. pr yard	Rock Excavation 2.50 pr yd-100yds est.	4' main laid	3 hydrants \$50 each	2 stop valves \$50 each	1 blow off	Air cock set \$4 ⁰⁰ each	Total
481.65	250.00	820.00	150.00	60.00	20.00	4.00	1785.65

As this bidder states that he will not undertake the work of construction of the water main unless the contract for constructing the sewer is awarded him it is not to be considered if the recommendation of the committee is approved.

Another bid for this work was received on the 20th inst. from Martin McNamara as follows:

Earth Excavation 48 d. cu. yd	Rock Excavation 2.50 pr. cu. yd-100yds est.	4' main laid-57 ² pr ft	3 hydrants \$50 each	2 stop valves \$15 each	1 blow off	1 Aircock set	Total
355.68	250.00	1140.00	90.00	30.00	10.00	.50	1876.18

As this bid was received after the date specified in the advertisement it is believed that it cannot be considered.

All papers in connection with these bids that have been received by the committee are returned herewith.

Respectfully,
CHAS. W. SCUDDER, Chairman.

After thorough consideration of the report Mr. Van Houten moved that recommendations of the committee be adopted and that the Engineer be directed to prepare modified plans and specifications so as to bring the cost of the work nearer the funds available, with a view to new advertisement for bids for the work. The motion was carried and it was so ordered.

The following communication was laid before the Council for its consideration:

Hon. J. B. Kinnear, Mayor, Takoma Park, Maryland.

Washington, D.C., October 20, 1904

Dear Sir:- We hereby propose to construct cinder frost base 6 inches thick under sidewalk to be laid on Poplar Ave. between the points indicated to Mr. Blodgett (about 450 lin. ft) for the sum of Seventy dollars (\$70⁰⁰)

We also think that this walk should be re-inforced by an additional strip of concrete 6" x 6" along either side, this work to be done at the contract rate of \$5⁵⁰ per cubic yard.

Very respectfully

THE BRENNAN CONSTRUCTION Co.
By R. E. BORSIEV, Secy and Supt.

Mr. Scudder moved that the offer submitted for the construction of a 6 in cinder frost-base for \$70⁰⁰ be accepted, provided that the walk be guaranteed for five years, without the extra concrete. The motion was carried.

The Mayor stated to the Council that since the last meeting, owing to an emergent condition, he had, after consultation with such members of the Council as he could readily reach, granted permission to the C. and P. Telephone Co. to string wires along their through line to Baltimore, and on motion of Mr. Scudder the action of the Mayor was approved.

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

Approved:

J. B. Kinnear

Mayor

Ben D. Davis Clerk.

Friday evening, November 4, 1904.

Upon call of the Mayor a special meeting of the Council was held at the residence of the Town Clerk this date at 8 o'clock p.m. for the purpose of considering new plans and specifications for the extension of the sewerage system. There were present the Mayor and Messrs. Blodgett, Derrick, Douglas and Scudder.

Mr. George G. Burns, Engineer, was present with the plans for the work as prepared by him and explained the details thereof for the benefit of the Council. Proposed specifications were also submitted and considered in connection with the plans.

Mr. Douglas moved that the Engineer in charge of the proposed work be authorized to have five typewritten copies of the specifications prepared. The motion was carried.

Mr. Scudder moved that the clerk be directed to insert the necessary advertisements in the Times and Star of Washington, D.C. calling for proposals for laying of water pipes and sewer and construction of sand filter beds, as called for by the plans submitted, and that said bids be opened at the Presbyterian chapel at 8 o'clock p.m., Monday, November 21, 1904. The motion was carried.

Mr. Blodgett called attention to the injury being done the new cement walks by careless driving of wood and coal wagons there-over. The Mayor invited attention to the ordinance governing injury to walks by driving and stated that the bailiff would be instructed to enforce its provisions.

There being no further business the Council at 10:05 o'clock p.m. adjourned.

J. B. Kimball

Monday Evening, November 14, 1904

[because of illness.]

The Council met at 8:20 o'clock p.m., There were present Mayor Kinnear and Messrs. Blodgett, Douglas, Scudder and Van Houten, Mr. Derrick absent.

The minutes of the last regular meeting and of the several subsequent special meetings were read by the Clerk and duly approved.

The monthly report of the Treasurer was submitted as follows:

To the Mayor and Council, through the Finance Committee,		Takoma Park, Md, November 1, 1904.	
Gentlemen: I submit herewith a statement of receipts and expenditures for the month of October, 1904;			
Balance on hand last report	\$ 322.13	Disbursements:	
Receipts:		Pumping plant: miscellaneous	\$ 42.80
From general taxes	\$ 601.03	gasoline	33.00
From water rents	8.85	Sewer system: cleaning tanks	48.60
From permits	15.00	Street work: labor	37.12
Proceeds of Series C. and D, improvement bonds	6800.00	Street lighting: oil	8.10
Accrued interest on bonds	62.33	Miscellaneous	7.48
	<u>7487.21</u>	Note due Nov. 2, for fire hose	350.00
	\$ 7809.34	Salaries: clerk and treasurer	20.00
		engineer	72.00
		lamplighter	45.00
		Interest on water and sewer bonds	1140.00
		Paid from special fund of \$17,000.00	230.76
			<u>2034.86</u>
		Balance on hand	5774.48
			<u>7809.34</u>

Examined and approved;
E. M. DOUGLAS
J. H. VAN HOUTEN.

Of the balance on hand there belongs to the general fund \$1354.38 and to the special fund \$4420.10

Disbursed from the special fund of \$17000 to date, \$9179.90

Respectfully submitted:

BEN G. DAVIS, Treasurer.

On motion of Mr. Blodgett the report was accepted.

Mr. Douglas moved that the Treasurer be authorized to purchase from the sinking fund one \$1000⁰⁰ water and sewer bond, if the same can be obtained at not more than par value. The motion was carried.

Mr. Scudder, from the special committee in charge of the construction of cement walks, submitted bill from The Evening Star Newspaper Co. for \$39⁰⁰ for advertising and the bill of Julian O. Hargrove, Chemist, for tests of cement, amounting to \$52⁵⁰ and requested payment thereof. The bills were approved by the Finance Committee and on motion of Mr. Blodgett payment was directed.

The Finance Committee submitted the following report:

To the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Md.

November 9, 1904.

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. Gasoline tank ----- \$ 6.00	Lamond Bros. Terra cotta pipe ----- \$ 62.12	Margaret C. Claggett, writing sewer specifications \$ 11.20
" " " Oil and gasoline ----- 71.82	Rudolph West & Co. Nails ----- 2.20	Natl. Electric Supply Co. Repairs to pumps ----- 16.18
E. E. Blodgett, Labor during October ----- 5.50	Edwin F. Garry, Hauling ----- .35	Thos. Somerville & Sons Pipe ----- 7.14
Thos. R. Riley, Lumber ----- 140.34	Bert S. Nelligan, Engr. services ----- 12.00	Town Treasurer, Emergencies ----- 2.99
B. & O. Ry. Freight bills ----- .75	C. & P. Telephone Co. Rental, etc. ----- 2.10	Geo. F. Muth & Co. Lamps, etc. ----- 8.09
Bailey and Burns, Services as Engineers ----- 130.00	Fred. A. Schmidt, Blue prints of sewage plans ----- 1.56	Walter W. Waters, Goods ----- 10.86
		LISLE MORRISON \$ 491.20
		E. M. DOUGLAS Committee

Mr. Scudder moved that the report be adopted and payment of the bills directed. Carried and so ordered.

Mr. Scudder, from the special Committee in charge of the construction of cement walks, submitted the following:

Recapitulation of Work done by the Brennan Construction Co. for the Town of Takoma Park, Md., from September 24th to November 5th, 1904.

Location			Cement Sidewalks.		Extra Grading		Extra Concrete		Total Cost.
Avenue	From	To	Sq. Yards.	Cost	Cu. Yards	Cost	Cu. Yards	Cost	
Takoma	Albany	Buffalo	5.33	\$ 6.24					\$ 6.24
Takoma	Corner of	Buffalo	121.53	142.19					142.19
Tulip	Oak	Holly	110.71	129.53			* 0.55	\$ 3.03	132.56
Maple	Tulip	Northward	275.16	321.94					321.94
Tulip N.S.	Maple	Carroll	115.40	135.02					135.02
Pine	Columbia	Elm	335.33	392.34					392.34
Pine	Columbia	Montgomery	178.15	208.41					208.41
Montgomery	Pine	Hickory	583.87	683.13					683.13
Elm S.S.	Pine	Hickory	88.89	104.00	10.00	\$ 3.50			107.50
Elm N.S.	Pine	Hickory	289.67	338.91	14.00	4.90			343.81
Elm	Carroll	Pine	501.96	587.29					587.29
Hickory	Montgomery	Elm	135.56	158.61	35.00	12.25			170.86
Hickory	Columbia	Montgomery	238.50	279.04					279.04
Sycamore	Allen	Beech	589.07	689.21	110.00	38.50			727.71
Beech	Sycamore	Eastward	136.31	159.48					159.48
Carroll	Elm	Columbia	6.89	8.06					8.06
Laurel and Carroll	Magnolia	Elm	109.78	128.44	19.00	6.65			135.09
Magnolia	Laurel	Eastward	199.24	233.11					233.11
Poplar W.S.	Columbia	Elm	260.09	304.31	Frost base	70.00	+ 0.55	3.02	377.33
			4281.42	5009.26	188.00	65.80 70.00	1.10	6.05	5151.11

I hereby certify that I have inspected this work during its progress, and that it conforms to the specifications of the contract; and that the quantities given are correct.

Nov. 7, 1904.

GEO. C. BURNS.

* around catch basin
+ " corner Columbia
- inspected partly by Mr. Blodgett.

In connection with the statement submitted Mr. Scudder reported verbally a recommendation that the ten per cent withheld from the contractors for work previously done, be paid and that a payment of \$3000⁰⁰ be made on account for work as represented in the report of the engineer.

Mr. Douglas moved that the recommendation be adopted. Carried and so ordered.

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

To the Mayor and Council:

Gentlemen: I have the honor to submit the following: List of new crossings— 1 at Albany; 1 at Buffalo (double); 2 at Maple and Tulip; 1 at Carroll and Elm; 1 at Columbia and Poplar; 1 at Poplar and Columbia; 1 at Hickory and Columbia; 1 at Pine and Elm; 1 at Tulip at schoolhouse. Material on hand for 3 crossings. Material needed for extra crossings: 1 at Elm and Pine; 1 at Poplar and Elm; 1 at Beech; 1 at Hickory and Montgomery; 2 at Holly and Tulip; 1 at Sycamore and Ethan Allen; 1 at New York Ave. 1 board crossing put in on Carroll Avenue; 1 on Tulip; 1 crossing lowered at Pine and Columbia and 1 at Pine and Montgomery. Labor for this work, \$40.37. The Street Committee recommends that \$35⁰⁰ be appropriated to buy lumber for five extra crossings and for work putting down \$20⁰⁰. They would also recommend that \$300⁰⁰ be appropriated to clean out gutters and protect cement walks by banking up at sides.

Respectfully E.E. BLODGETT.

Mr. Scudder moved that an appropriation of \$400⁰⁰, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be made for the purpose of constructing necessary additional street crossings, including the purchase of lumber therefor, and for grading streets, cleaning gutters, etc., including necessary repairs to Sligo Ave.

The motion was carried.

Mr. Douglas moved that the street committee be directed to raise the brick walk on Maple Ave. so as to coincide with the grade of the cement walk on Tulip and that one-half the cost thereof be charged to the Brennan Construction Co. The motion was carried.

Mr. Scudder, from the Water and Sewer Committee returned to the Council a communication from Mrs. Marcia C. Danforth, in which permission was requested to permit the use of the present plumbing system in her residence on Sycamore Ave., with the verbal recommendation that, inasmuch as the plumbing does not conform to the regulations and is unsanitary, that the request be denied. The recommendation was approved.

The Council considered at some length the general subject of the plumbing regulations and the necessity of strict compliance therewith. Mr. Douglas moved that hereafter no plumbing permits be issued unless first approved by the Inspector of Plumbing and that it is the sense of the Council that the plumbing regulations shall be strictly enforced. The motion was carried.

Mr. Douglas moved that the Council deems it advisable, because of the public health, and in view of the fact that the terms of the permission have not been complied with, that the permission given over a year ago for the use of sewer without the water, at the Holmes property on Elm Ave.,

be and is hereby revoked. The motion was carried.

The Clerk submitted a letter from Mr. Morris Bien relative to a board walk on Elm Ave. across the filled portion of that street, upon which cement walk has not yet been constructed and the letter was ordered referred to the street committee.

Upon motion of Mr. Douglas permission was granted, under the usual restrictions, to the C. and P. Telephone Co. to string wires from pole No. 16 on Holly Avenue, to residence of Mr. J.H. Clark, on that street.

There being no further business, the Council, upon motion of Mr. VanHouten, at 10:10 o'clock p.m., adjourned.

Approved: *J.B. Kinnear*

Mayor.

Ben S. Davis Clerk.

Mondy Evening, Nov. 21. 1904.

Pursuant to public notice, a special meeting of the Council was held in the basement of the Presbyterian Church at 8 o'clock p.m., this date, for the purpose of opening bids for the laying of water mains and sewers and construction of sewage filter beds.

There were present Mayor Kinnear and Councilmen Blodgett, Douglas, Morrison, Scudder and Van Houten, Mr. Derrick being out of the city.

Bids for the work as advertised were submitted in due form by Mr. Martin McNamard and Mr. Joseph J. Maebis, both of Washington, D.C.

On motion of Mr. Douglas the bids were referred to the special committee of the Council having this work in charge with instructions to consider the same and report with recommendations at the earliest practicable date.

Mr. Scudder, from the Committee in charge of cement walks submitted the following report:

The Mayor and Council, Takoma Park, Md.

Takoma Park, November 21. 1904.

Gentlemen:- I have the honor to submit herewith the third statement of work done by the Brennan Construction Co. under contract for construction of cement sidewalks. The following statement will show the comparative amount of walk estimated and actually laid:

Location	Estimated.	Measured.
North Takoma-----	2789 sq. yds	2799 sq. yds.
Old Takoma-----	2321 " "	2298 " "
New Park-----	5632 " "	6227.53 " "
Added by order of the Council-----702 sq. yds.		
Deducted by order of the Council-----227 " "		
Difference added-----	475 " "	
Amount on corners and accounted for by----- vertical and perpendicular curves-----	107.53 " "	
Total-----	11324.53 sq. yds.	11,324.53 sq. yds.

The total amount due the Brennan Construction Co. under the various statements rendered is----- \$ 13,776.83
 Amount paid----- 11,625.72
 Amount unpaid----- 2,151.11

In filling certain places in North Takoma dirt from the parking adjacent to the B. and O. Ry. in North Takoma was removed by the contractor and it is recommended that \$100⁰⁰ be withheld in order to assure that it will be replaced.

The balance of \$2051.11 is now due the contractor and it is recommended that he be paid that amount.

CHAS. W. SCUDDER, Engineer.

Mr. Douglas moved that the report be accepted and recommendations as to payment approved. The motion was carried.

The Mayor laid before the Council a communication from Messrs. Leckie and Fulton, Attys., of Washington, D.C., wherein they present for payment

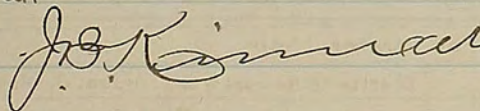
claim of Mr. A. W. Brinck for \$168.05 for services as inspector of cement walks, Mr. Brinck claiming that he had been employed for three months,

Mr. Morrison moved that the attorneys mentioned be furnished with a copy of the indorsement of the engineer in charge of construction of cement walks, under date of Sept. 12. 1904, upon a similar claim of Mr. Brinck, and be informed that the Council has no reason at this time for a reversal of its approval of the Engineer's recommendations as submitted. The motion was carried.

Mr. Scudder moved that an appropriation of \$12.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be made for the purchase of a revolver for the use of the bailiff. Carried and so ordered.

Upon motion of Mr. Douglas the Council, at 10:05 p.m., adjourned.

Approved:

 Mayor.

 Clerk.

Friday evening, November 25th, 1904.

A special meeting of the Council was held at the residence of the Clerk at 8 o'clock p.m. for the purpose of hearing the report of the special committee in charge of water and sewer improvements relative to the bids received for laying of water main on Carroll Ave. and for construction of sewer and filter beds.

There were present Mayor Kinnear and Councilmen Blodgett, Derrick, Douglas, Morrison and Van Houten.

The special committee submitted its report as follows:

The Mayor and Council, Takoma Park, Md.					Washington, D.C. November 22, 1904.				
Gentlemen:- The special committee on sidewalks, sewers and other improvements, to which was referred the bids for the construction of outlet sewer and disposal field, and extension of water main along Carroll Avenue, respectfully reports that the two (2) bids received for each class of work are as follows:									
For Sewer and Disposal Field.					For Water Main				
	Martin McNamara & Co		Jos. J. Moebis.			Martin McNamara & Co.		Jos. J. Moebis.	
10" Terra Cotta Pipe @	\$.75	\$5250.00	\$.99	\$6930.00	4" pipe line, complete	\$ 1400.00*	\$ 2100.00		
10" Iron pipe "	2.25	450.00	2.00	400.00	3 hydrants @ \$40 ⁰⁰	120.00	125.00		
19 Manholes "	40.00	760.00	32.00	608.00	2 stop valves @ \$18 ⁰⁰	36.00	16.00		
Cement invert "		200.00		291.00	1 blow off.	5.00	7.00		
Land Drains "	.25	200.00	.35	280.00	Air cocks	5.00	5.00		
Filter beds		500.00		1000.00		\$ 1560.00	\$ 2255.00		
		7360.00		9509.00					
Rock excavation pr. cu. yd	2.50		2.50						
For entire work		7464.75							

* This bid is for 70¢ per foot. The total length being estimated at 2000 feet the total will be as given.

The bid of Martin McNamara & Co. for Sewer and Disposal Field, being the lowest, it is recommended that it be accepted, and as the bid by items, without rock excavation amounts to but \$104.75 less than his bid to do the entire work; and as it is the opinion of the Committee that it will cost more than \$104.75 for rock excavation, it is recommended that the bid of \$7,464.75 for the entire work be accepted.

The bid of Martin McNamara & Co. for the water main being the lowest, it is recommended that it be accepted as follows: For pipe line complete or laid @ 70¢ per linear foot. For 3 hydrants @ \$40⁰⁰ each. For 2 stop valves @ \$18⁰⁰ each. For 1 blow off @ \$5⁰⁰ each. It is the opinion of the Committee that no air cocks will be needed.

Respectfully,
 CHAS. W. SCUDDER, Chairman of Committee.
 E. M. DOUGLAS,
 J. B. DERRICK.

Mr. Van Houten moved that the report of the Special Committee be accepted as to the recommendations for construction of sewer and filter beds and that the recommendations as to construction of water main be also accepted provided the contractor will agree to complete the work within 45 days.

The ordinance Committee, through its chairman, Mr. Derrick, thereupon presented the following ordinances:

Ordinance No. 114.

An Ordinance Directing the Construction of a Watermain on a Portion of Carroll Avenue.

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

Section 1 - That in pursuance of, and in accordance with, the authority conferred by the Act of the General Assembly of Maryland, approved March 3, 1904, authorizing the Mayor and Council of the Town of Takoma Park, Md., to improve the streets of said Town, and to lay watermains and sewers, a watermain be and the same is hereby adjudged to be necessary, and it is thereby ordered to be constructed on the street or part of street prescribed in Section 1 of Ordinance No. 110, passed and approved September 6, 1904.

Section 2 - That the whole cost of construction, including interest on deferred payments at the rate of 6% per annum, shall be assessed against the property adjudged by the said Mayor and Council to be specially benefitted, except as provided in the said Act exempting 100 feet on corner lots.

Section 3 - That the taxes or payments on the special assessment herein provided for shall become due and payable on the first day of July of each year - the same time and in the same manner as the other taxes due the said town - excepting that there shall be no discount allowed; and provided further, that the date on which said taxes for the year 1904 shall be due is hereby fixed as January 1, 1905, instead of July 1, 1904, as hereinbefore provided.

Section 4 - That the total cost of the special assessment herein provided may be divided into and made payable in five equal installments, due and payable in one, two, three, four and five years, with interest at 6% per annum, or if desired, the whole cost or any annual payment may be made on or after January 1, 1905, when the first installment shall have become due.

Mr. Morrison moved the adoption of the Ordinance and the same was adopted upon a ye and nay vote as follows: Voting ye, Mr. Blodgett, Mr. Derrick, Mr. Douglas and Mr. Morrison. Voting nay, Mr. Van Houten.

Ordinance No. 115

An Ordinance Directing the Construction of an Outfall Sewer.

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

Section 1 - That in pursuance of and in accordance with, the authority conferred by the Act of the General Assembly of Maryland, approved March 3, 1904, authorizing the Mayor and Council of the Town of Takoma Park, Md., to improve the streets of said Town, and to lay watermains and sewers, an outfall sewer be and the same is hereby adjudged to be necessary, and it is therefore ordered to be constructed on the streets or parts of streets prescribed in Section 1 of Ordinance No. 111, passed and approved September 6, 1904.

Section 2 - That one-half the cost of construction of said outfall sewer, including interest on deferred payments at the rate of 6% per annum shall be assessed against the property adjudged by the said Mayor and Council to be specially benefitted, except as provided in the said Act exempting 100 feet on corner lots.

Section 3 - That the taxes or payments on the special assessment herein provided for shall become due and payable on the first day of July of each year - the same time and in the same manner as the other taxes due the said town - excepting that there shall be no discount allowed.

Section 4 - That the total cost of the special assessments herein provided may be divided into and made payable in 5 equal installments, due and payable in one, two, three, four and five years, with interest at 6% per annum, or if desired, the whole cost or any annual payment may be made on or after July 1, 1905, when the first installment shall have become due.

Mr. Douglas moved the adoption of the Ordinance and the same was adopted upon an ye and nay vote as follows: Voting ye, Mr. Blodgett, Mr. Derrick, Mr. Douglas and Mr. Morrison. Voting nay, Mr. Van Houten.

Mr. Derrick, from the Ordinance and Judiciary Committee also presented the following ordinances:

Ordinance No. 116

An ordinance awarding contract for the laying of a four-inch water main on a portion of Carroll Avenue,
Be it ordained by the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Maryland:

Section 1 - That in accordance with the authority granted by Act of the General Assembly of Maryland, approved March 3, 1904, and pursuant to the specifications prepared in compliance with Ordinance No. 110, the contract for the work therein provided be and the same is hereby awarded to Martin McNamara & Co., of Washington, D. C., at the following prices:

Four inch pipe line complete at 70¢ per foot.....	\$1400.00
Three hydrants at \$40 ⁰⁰ each.....	120.00
Two stop valves at \$18 ⁰⁰ each.....	36.00
One blow-off at \$5 ⁰⁰ each.....	5.00

Section 2. - That the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to sign a properly executed contract for and in the name of the Town of Takoma Park, Md., with the said Martin McNamara & Co. for the work therein designated.

Mr. Morrison moved the adoption of the ordinance and the same was adopted upon an aye and nay vote as follows: Voting aye, Mr. Blodgett, Mr. Derrick, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Morrison and Mr. Van Houten. Voting nay, none.

Ordinance No. 117.

An ordinance awarding contract for laying of a ten-inch sewer and the construction of sand filter beds.
Be it ordained by the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Maryland:

Section 1 - That in accordance with the authority granted by Act of the General Assembly of Maryland, approved March 3, 1904, and pursuant to the specifications prepared in compliance with Ordinance No. 111, the contract for the work therein provided be and the same is hereby awarded to Martin McNamara & Co., of Washington, D. C., at the following prices:

For constructing outfall sewer and disposal field complete in all particulars, as prescribed in the specifications, Seven thousand four hundred and sixty-four dollars and seventy-five cents. (\$7,464.75).

Section 2 - That the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to sign said contract for and in the name of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, with the said Martin McNamara & Co., for the work designated therein.

Mr. Morrison moved the adoption of the ordinance and the same was adopted upon an aye and nay vote as follows: Voting aye, Mr. Blodgett, Mr. Derrick, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Morrison and Mr. Van Houten. Voting nay, none.

Mr. Morrison moved that Mr. Douglas, Mr. Derrick and Mr. Van Houten be appointed a special committee to act in conjunction with the engineer in charge of the construction of cement walks, for the purpose of assessing the cost of said walks against the abutting property. The motion was carried.

The Mayor laid before the Council a communication from the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Co. requesting that a quarterly permit be granted them for the stringing of wires along poles already erected, said permission being for telephone wires only.

Mr. Morrison moved that the permission be not granted. The motion was carried.

Upon motion of Mr. Morrison & further request of the C. and P. Telephone Co. for the erection of poles was granted upon the usual conditions, the location of the poles to be subject to the orders of the chairman of the street committee, and the company to be responsible for any poles erected upon private property.

Mr. Bladgett reported that he had consulted with Mr. Louis Lee, of Pine Ave., relative to allowing a service water pipe to be laid across his property to supply water to the residence of Miss Grace Parvee Holmes, and that Mr. Lee had readily consented thereto, provided his yard be placed in its usual condition after laying of the pipe.

The Clerk was instructed to thank Mr. Lee for the permission given and to inform Miss Holmes that water service could thus be secured to her property from the main on Pine Avenue.

There being no further business the Council thereupon, at 9:15 p.m., adjourned.

Approved:

J. B. Kirkwood Mayor.

Ben Davis

Clerk.

Monday Evening, December 12, 1904.

The Council met at 8:10 o'clock p.m. There were present Mayor Kinnear and Messrs. Blodgett, Derrick, Douglas, Morrison and Van Houten.

The minutes of the last regular meeting and of the several subsequent special meetings were read and approved.

The monthly report of the Treasurer was submitted as follows:

To the Mayor and Council.		Takoma Park, Md. Nov. 30, 1904.	
Gentlemen: I have the honor to submit herewith a statement of the receipts and expenditures for the month of November, 1904:			
Balance on hand last report	-----	\$ 5774.48	
Receipts:	\$		
From general taxes	-----	\$ 100.62	
From water rents	-----	14.00	
From permits	-----	1.00	
Proceeds of bonds and accrued interest	-----	3451.30	3566.92
			9341.40
Disbursements:			
Pumping plant: miscellaneous	-----	\$ 25.50	
gasoline	-----	34.10	59.60
Street work: material	-----	102.49	
labor	-----	82.27	189.76
Street lighting: oil	-----	25.65	
lamps, oil tank, etc.	-----	14.59	40.24
General expenses: telephone	-----	2.10	
postage	-----	10.60	
contingent	-----	2.99	
miscellaneous	-----	10.86	26.55
Salaries: clerk and treasurer	-----	20.00	
lamplighter	-----	35.00	
engineer	-----	48.00	103.00
Cement walks	-----		6247.24
New sewer and disposal field	-----		35.26
Watermain - Carroll Avenue	-----		16.50
			6713.15
			2628.25
			9341.40
Balance on hand	-----	\$2628.25	
Belongs to special fund	-----	1521.19	
Balance in general fund	-----	1107.15	
Disbursed from special fund of \$17000.00 to date:	\$		
Cement sidewalks	-----	\$ 15227.84	
Sewer and disposal field	-----	230.46	
Water main, Carroll Ave	-----	20.60	
		15478.90	
Respectfully submitted through the Finance Committee:			
Examined and found correct: L. MORRISON			
E. M. DOUGLAS			
J. H. VAN HOUTEN.			
		BEN G. DAVIS, Treasurer.	

Mr. Derrick moved that the report be accepted, recorded and filed. Carried and so ordered.

The following communication was presented by the Mayor:

To the Council of Takoma Park, Md. Takoma Park, Dec. 12, 1904.
Gentlemen: In compliance with directions of the Council, together with the Town Clerk, I went to Upper Marlboro on the 28th ultimo, to present before the Board of Road Commissioners the matter of road tax refund due the Town from Prince George Co. for the years 1902, 1903 and 1904. Unfortun-

ately we had been misinformed as to the date of meeting of the Board and so were unable to present the matter personally. However, the Treasurers books were carefully examined and the following results obtained:

For 1902 the assessment amounted to \$72,990.00; the tax rate for the year was \$1¹⁵/₁₀₀ per \$100.00; the collectable tax \$839.39, of which we are entitled to a refund of 20%, a total due for 1902 of \$167.87.

For 1903 the assessment amounted to \$77,063.00; the tax rate for the year was \$1¹²/₁₀₀ per \$100.00; the collectable tax \$863.10, of which we are entitled to a refund of 20%, or \$172.62.

For the current year the assessment amounts to \$80,913.00, the tax rate is \$1¹⁹/₁₀₀ per \$100.00 and the collectable tax \$962.86. Under the new road law pertaining to Prince George County we are now entitled to a refund of but 15% making \$144.43 due us for the current year.

The total amount due us therefore, covering the three years 1902, 1903 and 1904, is \$484.91. The above facts have been communicated in full to the Board of County Road Commissioners and a claim presented for the amount stated. Such action as may have been taken upon the claim has not yet been communicated to myself or the clerk.

Very respectfully.

J. B. KINNEAR, Mayor.

On motion of Mr. Van Houten the report was accepted.

The Finance Committee submitted the following report:

To the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Md.

December 7, 1904

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. Gasoline -----	\$ 30.25
" " " Oil -----	25.60
Evening Star Newspaper Co. Advertising -----	29.67
John B. Espey, cotton waste -----	12.21
C. and P. Telephone Co. Rental of telephone, etc -----	2.20
Washington Times Co. Advertising -----	

Town Treasurer, Expenses of Mayor and self to Marlboro -----	3.00
Rudolph, West & Co. Nails for crossings -----	2.15
Thos. Riley, Lumber -----	40.95
Geo. F. Muth & Co. Wicks for street lamps -----	2.60
Town Treasurer, Contingent -----	1.35

L. MORRISON
J. H. VAN HOUTEN } Committee.
E. M. DOUGLAS

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

The Finance Committee presented the following communication:

To the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Md.

Takoma Park, Md., December 12, 1904.

Gentlemen: Your committee wish to call attention to the fact that we have steadily increased the work of the Clerk and Treasurer and that said work has been cheerfully performed. It is hardly necessary to recite facts further; we therefore desire to recommend that his salary be placed at \$25.00 per month from December 1, 1904, as a recognition of his services, and only regret that we cannot place the salary at a figure that will actually be adequate remuneration for the work done.

Yours truly, L. MORRISON,
E. M. DOUGLAS,
J. H. VAN HOUTEN.

Mr. Douglas moved that the recommendation of the committee be approved. Carried and so ordered.

The regular order of business was temporarily laid aside for the purpose of hearing a delegation of citizens interested in tax sale property. Through Mr. Thomas Waters of S., the delegation expressed its desire to have a test case made and carried to the Court of Appeals, in order to secure the opinion of the court upon the validity of tax sale deeds. The expense involved, as estimated by the attorneys consulted, would be about \$250⁰⁰ and the delegation offered to pay one-half thereof, if the Council would agree to furnish the other half. The delegation subsequently submitted the following.

To the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Md. - We, the undersigned, representing the owners of property bought from your town at recent tax sale, hereby propose that a friendly suit between Frank L. Hewitt and Estella Parsley be instituted and we hereby propose that if the Council will pay one-half of the suit amounting to about \$250⁰⁰, we will bear the other half of the expense of this suit, said suit to be carried to the Court of Appeals of Maryland and a final verdict given by said court.

J. A. VAN HORN
FRANK L. HEWITT
THOS. WATERS
FRED KING
J. R. PARSLEY

Dec. 12, 1904

Mr. Morrison moved that insomuch as it is desirable to secure the opinion of the highest state court upon the validity of tax titles and as the matter is of great importance to the Town, that authority be given the Mayor to expend not exceeding \$125⁰⁰ toward the legal expenses of the proposed suit. The motion was carried.

Upon report of Messrs. Blodgett and Van Houten that the Brennan Construction Co. had repaired satisfactorily the parking in North Takoma from which they had removed a quantity of dirt, Mr. Douglas moved that the balance of the money due said company, namely \$100, be paid. Carried.

Mr. Douglas, from the special committee to prepare assessment for cement walks, submitted the following report:

To the Mayor and Council, Takoma Park.

Takoma Park, Md., December 12, 1904

Gentlemen: - The special committee appointed to make the assessments for new sidewalks have the honor to submit herewith lists showing the number of feet of sidewalk chargeable to each lot, the name of the owner of the lot and the prorata cost of laying the walks, also a summary of the assessment sheets and statements regarding the total cost, etc. From this it appears that the rate which we recommend should be charged to the abutting property owners or the town for five-foot walks is 78½ cents; for Magnolia Avenue (not advertised) walks 55 cents; other four-foot walks 63 cents.

E. M. DOUGLAS

Mr. Morrison moved that the assessment as submitted by Mr. Douglas be reviewed by the other members of the Committee and that public notice be given that the Council will sit as a Board of Review on Tuesday evening, Dec. 20, to consider any objections or suggestions relative to the assessment as presented. The motion was carried.

Mr. Derrick from the Committee on Ordinance and Judiciary submitted the following:

Ordinance No. 118.

An Ordinance Providing for the issue of Certificates of Indebtedness in the sum of \$5000⁰⁰ for the Laying of Water Mains and Sewers in the Town of Takoma Park, Md, under authority vested in the Mayor and Council by an Act of the General Assembly of Maryland, approved March 3, 1904.

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

Section 1.- That in pursuance of and in accordance with the provisions of an Act of the General Assembly of the State of Maryland, amendatory to the Charter of the Town of Takoma Park, Md, approved March 3, 1904, the issuance of Certificates of Indebtedness in the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5000⁰⁰) for the purpose of constructing additional water mains and sewers is hereby authorized and directed, the same being in the judgment of the Mayor and Council, for the health, benefit and comfort of the community.

Section 2- Said certificates shall be issued in five (5) series to be designated, respectively, Series F, G, H, I and J, and each series shall consist of two (2) certificates numbered consecutively one (1) and two (2) and shall be of the denomination of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500⁰⁰) each. Said certificates shall be dated February 1, 1905 and shall bear interest at the rate of five and one-half (5½) per cent per annum, said interest to be payable semi-annually at the office of the Washington Loan and Trust Company, Washington, D.C., on the first day of August and the 1st day of February of each year; and said certificates shall mature and become payable as follows: Series F, Feb. 1, 1906; Series G, Feb. 1, 1907; Series H, Feb. 1, 1908; Series I, Feb. 1, 1909; Series J, Feb. 1, 1910. Said certificates 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 certificates shall be in substantially the following form:

United States of America - Town of Takoma Park, Md.

Series No

Certificate of Indebtedness.

\$500⁰⁰

This certifies that the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Maryland, a municipal corporation created and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Maryland, is justly indebted to the Washington Loan and Trust Company, of Washington, D.C., as hereinafter provided, in the full sum of FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS, which said sum the said Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Maryland, promise to pay to the said Washington Loan and Trust Co., of Washington, D.C., on the first day of February 190-, together with interest thereon at the rate of five and one-half (5½) per cent per annum until paid, interest to be paid semi-annually on the first day of August and the first day of February of each year, respectively, in lawful money of the United States.

This certificate is one of a series of ten of like tenor and date, numbered consecutively one (1) and two (2) in five (5) series, known as Series F, G, H, I, and J, issued by the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Md, in pursuance of an Act of the General Assembly of Maryland, approved March 3, 1904, and ordinances passed in pursuance thereof by the Mayor and Council on the 25th day of November, 1904, for the purpose of laying water mains and sewers in the Town of Takoma Park, Md.

This certificate shall pass by delivery, unless registered on the transfer book of said Town by its Clerk, which registration shall be indorsed thereon. After registration no transfer shall be valid except in said book, said transfer to be made by registered holder or his lawful attorney.

In witness of the same the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Md, have caused the corporate name of the Town to be signed hereto by its Mayor and attested by its Clerk, and its corporate seal to be affixed hereto this day of A.D. 190-.

[Seal] Attest:

..... Clerk.

THE TOWN OF TAKOMA PARK

By

..... Mayor

Section 3.- The Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into negotiations for the sale of said certificates of indebtedness at not less than par value, and when said certificates shall have been duly engraved, lithographed or printed, signed by the Mayor, countersigned by the Clerk, and have the corporate seal attached thereto, they shall be delivered to the said Washington Loan and Trust Co., of Washington, D.C., upon payment of the purchase price therefor; and the receipt of the Treasurer of the Town of Takoma Park, Md, shall be to the said purchaser 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 purchaser of said certificates of indebtedness, and of each and every person and corporation who may become the holder of any of said certificates of indebtedness, it is hereby declared that said certificates of indebtedness, when executed and delivered, shall be the valid and legally binding obligation of said Town, and the said Town hereby covenants and agrees that it will assess, levy and collect the special assessments and taxes necessary for the payment of interest and principal of said indebtedness when the same shall become due.

Mr. Douglas moved that the Ordinance be adopted and the same was adopted upon an aye and nay vote as follows: Voting aye,

Messrs. Blodgett, Derrick, Douglas, Morrison and Van Houten. Voting nay, none.

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

Approved:

J. B. Kimear Mayor.

Ben B. Davis Clerk.

Tuesday Evening, December 20, 1904.

A special meeting of the Council, held this date, was called to order at 8:30 P.M., there being present the Mayor and Messrs. Blodgett, Derrick, Morrison, Scudder and Van Houten. The Clerk was unavoidably absent and the Mayor requested Councilman Morrison to act in that capacity.

The Mayor announced that the meeting had been called for the purpose of hearing any objections to the proposed assessment for cement walks.

In the absence of Mr. Douglas, Chairman of the special committee to prepare said assessment Mr. Derrick presented the committee's report showing figures covering cost per linear foot of the cement walks, the lots and blocks benefitted and the total cost thereof.

Mr. Scudder excepted to the report on the ground that there had been included therein at estimated figures the cost of work on Elm and Buffalo Aves not yet done and that in the event of a contest in collecting taxes under the assessment this fact might have serious consequences. After prolonged discussion in which the opinion of several of the citizens present was given, on motion of Mr. Morrison, seconded by Mr. Blodgett, the report was referred back to the committee with instructions to confer with Mr. Scudder, the engineer in charge of the work and bring in a revised report.

On motion of Mr. Morrison the Council thereupon adjourned.

Approved:

J. B. Kimear Mayor.

Lisle Morrison
Acting Clerk.

Tuesday Evening, December 27, 1904.

A special meeting of the Council was held at the residence of the Clerk at 7:30 p.m., this date to receive the revised report of the special committee to prepare the assessment for cement walks. There were present Mayor Kinnear and Councilmen Derrick, Douglas, Blodgett, Scudder and Van Houten.

Mr. Douglas, from the special committee, submitted the following report:

To the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Md.

December 27, 1904.

Gentlemen:- We have the honor to submit herewith the corrected assessment list for property deemed especially benefitted by sidewalks laid during 1904, and to recommend the adoption of the report and of the rates per front foot shown therein.

Very respectfully

I concur in the above.

E. M. DOUGLAS
J. B. DERRICK
J. H. VAN HOUTEN.

CHAS. W. SCUDDER, Engineer.

Mr. Derrick from the Ordinance and Judiciary Committee, thereupon submitted the following

Ordinance No. 119

An Ordinance to adopt a Special Assessment for the Payment of Cement Sidewalks:

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

Section 1. - That the special assessment made in pursuance of a resolution of the Council approved November 25, 1904, by E. M. Douglas, J. B. Derrick, and J. H. Van Houten, for the payment of cement sidewalks constructed under the provisions and by virtue of the Act of the General Assembly of Maryland approved March 3, 1904, be and the same is hereby approved and adopted, the Council having sat in special session December 20th, 1904, to consider objections or suggestions relative thereto, notice of said meeting having been given by posting notices thereof in five or more conspicuous places in said Town, all suggestions and objections thereto having been heard and determined.

Mr. Douglas moved that the ordinance be adopted and the same was unanimously adopted upon an aye and nay vote as follows: Voting aye Messrs. Blodgett, Douglas, Derrick, Scudder and Van Houten. Voting nay, none.

The Clerk reported that, in compliance with the instructions of the Council, he had prepared and had posted fifteen notices of the meeting of the Council held Dec. 20, for the purpose of a public hearing upon the assessment for cement sidewalks, and that said notices had been posted in conspicuous places throughout the Town.

There being no further business the Council at 8:50 p.m., adjourned.

Benedict Davis

Clerk.

Approved:

J. O. Kinnear
Mayor.