

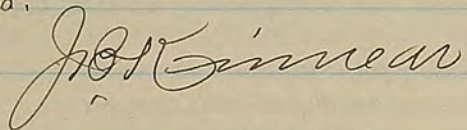
The following communication was presented by the clerk:

To the Mayor and Council, Takoma Park, Md., May 12, 1906
 Gentlemen:— I have the honor to report that, in accordance with the provisions of the amended charter, proper notice was served upon all parties whose assessment was increased or diminished in the new assessment submitted for the fiscal year 1906. Also that public notice was duly given by the posting in more than five conspicuous places in the town, of notices of the sitting of the Council as a Board of Review on May 14th, 1906, to hear and determine appeals or complaints in regard to said assessment, such notices having been posted more than two weeks prior to date of said meeting. Copies of the notices served on individuals, duly attested, together with a copy of the public notice aforesaid, are herewith inclosed.

Very Respectfully, BEN G. DAVIS, Clerk

On motion of Mr. Grabill the report was accepted and ordered filed.

There being no further business, the Council, at 9:55 o'clock p.m., adjourned.

Approved: Ben G. Davis, Clerk.
 Mayor.

Takoma Park, Md., Friday evening, June 1, 1906.

A special meeting of the Council was held at the office of the clerk at 8 o'clock p.m., this date for the purpose of transacting necessary business previous to the final adjournment of the council on June 4. There were present Mayor Kinnear and Councilmen Blodgett, Derrick, Douglas, Grabill and Morrison.

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

The Finance committee submitted the following report:

To the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Md. May 31, 1906
 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:

Wilkins and Jordan, cement ----- \$ 2.40 E. T. Kauffman, supplies and work ----- 1.65 Walter W. Waters, supplies ----- 1.25 Rudolph and West Co., Shovels ----- 6.00		A. W. Skinner, printing ----- \$ Standard Oil Co., Oil and gasoline ----- 55.65 Springfield Gas Engine Co., Supplies ----- 2.50
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LISLE MORRISON } Committee.
 J. H. VAN HOUTEN }

Mr. Grabill moved that the report be approved and payment of the bills ordered. The motion was carried.

The following communication was presented from the Treasurer:

To the Mayor and Council.

Takoma Park, Md., June 1, 1906

Gentlemen:—In compliance with your instructions I submit herewith a statement showing the condition of the town's finances on the 2nd day of June, 1902, the date of your assumption of authority, together with a general statement showing financial condition to date;

On June 2, 1902, there was an outstanding floating indebtedness of \$ 1060.03

With a cash balance on hand amounting to ————— 32.96

Leaving a deficit of ————— 1027.07

At the same time the bonded indebtedness of the Town was as follows:

Water and sewer 4% 30 year bonds ————— 57000.00

General bonds ————— 2000.00

Certificates of indebtedness ————— 500.00

Total ————— 59,500.00

No amount had been deposited to the credit of the sinking fund.

Since June 2, 1902, the above deficit of \$1027.07 has been paid and all current bills promptly met. At the present date there is no floating indebtedness and there is turned over to the incoming Mayor and Council a total balance of ————— \$ 2048.87

Against this balance are obligations amounting to ————— 698.46

Leaving an available balance on hand of ————— 1350.41

During the past 4 years there has been deposited in sinking fund \$ 2101.27

And paid therefrom in cancellation of water and sewer bonds 2029.55

Leaving a balance in sinking fund of ————— \$ 71.72

Of the above stated bonded indebtedness of \$ 59,500.00

There has been paid: water and sewer bonds — \$ 2,000.00

general bonds ————— 2,000.00

certificate of indebtedness 500.00 4,500.00

Leaving outstanding 4% water and sewer bonds amounting to — \$ 55,000.00

In order to construct necessary public improvements, cement sidewalks and new sewer extensions and disposal fields, there was issued public improvement bonds running for the short term of five years, bearing 5 1/2% interest, and payable 1/5 annually, to the amount of \$ 22,000.00

A large proportion of this amount has been assessed against the property benefitted by the improvements made. Of the total issue there has been repaid to date and the bonds cancelled to amt of 12,700.00

Leaving an outstanding balance of \$ 9,300.00

Very respectfully,

BEN G. DAVIS, Treasurer

Mr. Douglas moved that the statement be approved and that the Clerk be instructed to have 300 copies thereof printed for distribution to the taxpayers of the Town. Carried and so ordered.

Mr. Blodgett, from the street committee reported that his committee had investigated the matter of securing right of way for a walkway in extension of Tulip Avenue between Holly and Chestnut, and that, inasmuch as one lot owner refused to sell less than the entire lot for the purpose, the committee is of opinion that nothing can be done at the present time.

Mr. Derrick moved that the report be received and filed. Carried and so ordered.

Mr. Grabill moved that the attention of Dr. A. V. Parsons be called to his failure to promptly report to the clerk a case of scarlet fever and to request of him prompt compliance with the Health regulations hereafter. The motion was carried.

A communication from Mr. H. J. Webber relative to use of water for plant-growing purposes, was, on motion of Mr. Morrison, laid upon the table for action of the incoming Council.

Mr. Derrick, from the committee on Ordinance and Judiciary, submitted revised ordinances as follows and recommended that they be re-enacted previous to the reprinting of the charter and ordinances:

Ordinance No. 131

An Ordinance Relating to Disorderly Conduct.

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

Section 1. That any person or persons guilty of disorderly conduct or of using boisterous or obscene language within the limits of Takoma Park, may be arrested, and, on conviction, may be fined not less than one dollar nor more than ten dollars for each offense, and in default of payment such person may be committed to the county jail or town lock-up for a period not exceeding thirty days, provided such fine be not paid before the expiration of that time.

Section 2. Ordinance No. 6, passed and approved September 2, 1890, is hereby repealed.

On motion of Mr. Grabill the ordinance was passed and approved upon an aye and nay vote as follows: Voting aye, the Mayor and Messrs.

Blodgett, Derrick, Douglas, Grabill and Morrison. Voting nay, none.

Ordinance No. 132.

An Ordinance Relating to Depositing Offensive Matter in the Streets, Etc.

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

Section 1. That if any person shall cast, place, or lay, or cause to be cast, placed or laid, any rubbish, oyster shells, shavings, offal or refuse substance of any kind whatsoever of his, her, or their trade, occupation or business, or any ashes (except as used for sidewalks), barrels, hogsheads, or casks of any kind, boxes, foul water, filth, stable manure, dead dogs, cats, rats, or other dead animals, or any offensive substance, or obstruction on any street, avenue, open space or alley, or so that the same may be run into any improved street, avenue, open space or alley, and shall not remove the same on the day on which the same shall have been placed as aforesaid, every person so offending, or directing, or ordering, or permitting the same to be done, shall forfeit and pay not less than one dollar nor more than five dollars for each and every day the same shall be suffered to remain, and, in default of such payment, may be committed to the county jail or town lockup for a period not exceeding thirty days provided such fine be not paid before the expiration of that time.

Section 2. Ordinance No. 8, passed and approved September 2, 1890, is hereby repealed.

On motion of Mr. Douglas the ordinance was passed and approved upon an aye and nay vote as follows: voting aye, the Mayor and Messrs. Blodgett, Derrick, Douglas, Grabill and Morrison. Voting nay, none.

Ordinance No. 133.

An Ordinance Relating to the Discharge of Fire Arms.

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

repealed by No. 100 (2/1/17)

No. 100 (2/1/17)

Section 1. That no person shall, except in the performance of some legal duty, discharge any firearm upon or across any public park, playground, street or way within the limits of Takoma Park, except by permission of the Mayor and Council, nor upon or across any private property without the consent of the owner or agent thereof. Any person violating the provisions of this ordinance may, upon conviction thereof, be fined five dollars, and in default of the payment of such fine, may be committed to the county jail or town lockup for a period not exceeding thirty days, provided such fine be not paid before the expiration of such time.

Section 2. Ordinance No. 9, passed and approved September 2, 1890, is hereby repealed.

On motion of Mr. Morrison the ordinance was passed and approved upon an aye and nay vote as follows: voting aye, the Mayor and Messrs. Blodgett, Derrick, Douglas, Grabill and Morrison. Voting nay, none.

Ordinance No. 134

An Ordinance Relating to Malicious Mischief.

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

Section 1. That any person found guilty of maliciously destroying or injuring any lamp or other lighting fixture upon any of the public streets or buildings or parks in the Town of Takoma Park, or upon any private property therein, or of maliciously injuring or destroying any public or private property in said town, may, upon conviction thereof, be fined not less than five nor more than twenty-five dollars, and in default of payment of such fine may be committed to the county jail or town lock-up for a period not exceeding thirty days, provided such fine be not paid before the expiration of such time.

Section 2. Ordinance No. 10, passed and approved September 2, 1890, is hereby repealed.

On motion of Mr. Grabill the ordinance was passed and approved upon an aye and nay vote as follows: voting aye, the Mayor and Messrs. Blodgett, Derrick, Douglas, Grabill and Morrison. Voting nay, none.

Ordinance No. 135

An Ordinance Relating to the Protection of Shade Trees and Lamp Posts.

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

Section 1. That no person shall hitch any horse to a shade tree, lamp or electric-light post upon any public street, ground or square, or suffer any horse, over which for the time being he has charge, to stand or remain near to or within reach of any such tree, lamp or electric light post, unless the same is sufficiently protected to secure it against possible injury from such horse.

Section 2. Whoever violates any provision of this ordinance may, upon conviction thereof, be fined not exceeding ten dollars, and in default of the payment of such fine, may be committed to the county jail or town lock-up for a period of ten days, provided such fine be not paid before the expiration of such time.

Section 3. Ordinance No. 16, passed and approved September 30, 1890, is hereby repealed.

On motion of Mr. Douglas the ordinance was passed and approved upon an aye and nay vote as follows: voting aye, the Mayor and Messrs. Blodgett, Derrick, Douglas, Grabill and Morrison.

Repealed by
No. 107 (21:26)

Repealed by No. 1067 (21:17)
No. 5-280

Ordinance No. 136

An Ordinance to Prevent Dogs From Running at Large.

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

Section 1. All dogs, which by barking, howling, biting or in any other manner whatsoever, disturb the comfort or quiet of any person or persons, are hereby declared to be a public nuisance; and upon proof to the satisfaction of the Mayor, established by at least two affidavits duly subscribed and sworn to, that any dog has so disturbed the comfort or quiet of any person or persons, the Mayor shall make an order requiring the owner or harbinger of the dog to abate the nuisance within forty-eight hours, and in default thereof shall issue an order to the bailiff directing him to kill and dispose of such dog. This order shall be sufficient warrant to the bailiff for going upon the premises where the dog is kept and executing the Mayor's mandate.

Section 2. If any owner or harbinger of a fierce or dangerous dog, permit the same to go at large in the town, he shall, upon conviction thereof, pay a fine of fifteen dollars, and in default of payment thereof, shall be imprisoned not exceeding twenty days. If after such conviction the dog on account of which the conviction takes place, be found running at large, it shall be the duty of the bailiff or deputy-bailiffs to at once kill the same.

Section 3. Whenever it shall be made to appear to the Mayor that there are good reasons for believing that any dog or dogs in the town or its vicinity are mad, it shall be his duty to issue a proclamation requiring that, during a period named, all dogs shall be fitted with good and substantial muzzles, securely put on; and any dog found running at large during the period described without such a muzzle shall be immediately killed by the bailiff or deputy bailiffs.

Section 4. For all dogs killed by the bailiff or deputy-bailiffs pursuant to the provisions of this ordinance, there shall be paid a bounty of one dollar per head from the treasury of the town.

Section 5. The word "dog" wherever used in this ordinance shall include both male and female dogs.

Section 6. Ordinance No. 65, passed and approved May 8, 1899, is hereby repealed.

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On motion of Mr. Douglas the ordinance was passed and approved upon an aye and nay vote as follows: voting aye, the Mayor and Messrs. Blodgett, Derrick, Douglas, Grabill and Morrison. Voting nay, none.

J. H. Connor

Monday Evening, June 4, 1906

and Van Houten.

The Council met at 8:45 o'clock p.m. with the following members present: Mayor Kinnear and Councilmen Blodgett, Derrick, Douglas, Grabill, Morrison,

The minutes of the special meeting of June 1st were read by the clerk and duly approved.

The Treasurer submitted his monthly report as follows:

To the Mayor and Council.		Takoma Park, Md., June 1, 1906.	
Gentlemen: - I have the honor to submit herewith report of receipts and disbursements for the month of May, 1906:			
Balance on hand last report	-----	\$ 3032.30	
<i>Receipts:</i>			
From special taxes, cement walks	-----	\$ 36.45	
" permits	-----	7.00	43.45
			<u>3075.75</u>
Of balance on hand of	-----	\$ 2048.87	
There belongs to Willow Ave fund	-----	\$ 78.46	
Balance due on sewer contract	-----	100.00	
Plumbers deposits	-----	20.00	
B. and W. Transit Co's deposit	-----	500.00	698.46
Available balance	-----	\$ 1350.41	
<i>Disbursements:</i>			
Pumping plant	-----	\$ 40.50	
Sewer system	-----	248.75	
Street work	-----	31.00	
Street lighting	-----	22.53	
General expenses	-----	61.93	
Salaries	-----	113.00	
Improvement bond paid	-----	500.00	
Interest on improvement bond	-----	9.17	
			<u>\$ 1026.88</u>
Balance on hand	-----	2048.87	
			<u>3075.75</u>
Respectfully submitted:			
BEN G. DAVIS, Treasurer.			

Mr. Morrison moved that the report be received and filed. The motion was carried.

The clerk submitted bills of C. and P. Telephone Co., of \$2.10 for telephone service and of Geo. F. Muth & Co., of \$2.17 for one barrel-lantern globes, said bills having been received subsequent to the last meeting of the council.

Mr. Morrison moved that the bills be approved and payment directed. The motion was carried.

Communications were presented from the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Co. as follows:

1. Requesting permission to string an aerial wire on poles on Carroll Ave. On motion of Mr. Douglas the desired permission was granted.
2. To replace pole corner Columbia and Pine Avenues. On motion of Mr. Morrison the desired permission was granted.
3. To erect a pole on New York avenue to obviate stringing of wires across lot of Mr. Grabill. Upon consideration of this request the Council was of opinion that two poles were necessary for properly carrying the desired wires, and on motion of Mr. Van Houten permission was granted therefor.

all these permits being subject to the usual condition of approval of the location of the poles by the chairman of the street committee.

There being no further business to be transacted, Mr. Morrison briefly addressed the Council in appreciation of the services rendered by Mayor Kinnear during his four years term of service, and took occasion to comment upon the harmonious action of the council throughout its term. In concluding he expressed the best wishes of the retiring council to its successors. Other members of the council spoke briefly in similar strain.

Replying to the expressions of his associates Mayor Kinnear spoke as follows;

This meeting closes a series of four years, in which we have all enlisted with the same good purpose in view. While there have been some questions that have been perplexing, in the whole it has been four of the most pleasant years of my life. I want to extend to each member of the council my hearty appreciation of the loyalty for the one common cause of our community. We have had some delicate questions to settle, and while the writer has had to stand his share of the burden, he has been loyally supported by those whom the people selected as his assistants, and he takes this opportunity to express his thanks and appreciation. Not only has he had the loyal support of the council, but he has had unstinted support from the clerk and treasurer, of which there is no better, and the balliff and engineer.

"In addition to this, when everything seemed to indicate that we were doomed to submit to the unlawful acts of certain persons who planted themselves in our midst without consultation or permission we had the loyal and unanimous support of the very best people of our town, which mater-

ially strengthened us and gave us hope and confidence in those whom we represented. The results are well known to you all, and I need not say anything further on that subject.

Compliments Incoming Officials.

"I wish to state now that, while our work is ended, we are laying down the burden to be lifted by men who are honorable in every respect, and I do not know of a mayor and council that could be selected from the entire town to whom I would rather have turned over the responsibility that is now being assumed. They are gentlemen of the highest character, whose actions and past lives are above reproach. I congratulate the town most sincerely in making this happy selection.

"The financial condition of the town was never better and its credit is the very best. You gentlemen have caused certain legislation to be enacted which enables the council to transact the business of the town without the petty annoyance of litigation, many of which are now behind you.

"While our system of waterworks and sewers is a monument to the council that preceded us, some of that system was left for you to complete, which you have done well. You have built about five miles of cement sidewalks which surpasses anything of the kind that I know of in any other suburban town, and you are to be congratulated for the spirit of improvements which you have inaugurated.

"In conclusion I do not feel that I could do this occasion justice unless I expressed my high appreciation of the loyal support this council has received from the public press, and most especially from The Evening Star. It has been untiring in its efforts to do what it could for the upbuilding of this community and I am quite sure it has met with abundant success.

"I regret to state that circumstances have made it necessary for me to remove from your midst, but I want to assure you, one and all, that I have a deep and abiding interest in the welfare of this town, which has been my home for so many years and where I raised my family." His remarks were greeted with loud applause.

There being no further business the Mayor thereupon, at 9:05 o'clock p.m., declared the council adjourned without date.

Approved:

W. G. Platt

Mayor

Ben W. Davis, Clerk.

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