

Friday Evening, October 1, 1909.

A special meeting of the Council was held at the Clerk's office this date, convening at 8 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of receiving informal bids for the furnishing of 200 water meters.

The following members of the Council were present: Mayor Platt and Councilmen Blodgett, Grabill, Rush and Saunders.

Representatives of several meters companies were present and opportunity was given each to make such remarks and demonstrations of their particular meters as they might desire.

The bids of the respective companies were then opened and read to the Council.

On motion of Mr. Grabill these bids were referred to the water and sewer committee for consideration and report with recommendation, at the October meeting of the Council.

There being no further business, the Council, at 10:00 o'clock p.m., adjourned.

Approved:

W. G. Platt

Mayor.

Ben O. Davis, Clerk.

Monday Evening, October 11, 1909.

The Council met at 8 o'clock p.m. There were present Mayor Platt and Councilmen Grabill, Rogers, Rush and Saunders.

The minutes of the last regular meeting and of the special meeting of October 1st, were read by the Clerk and approved.

The monthly report of the Treasurer, examined and approved by the Finance Committee, was submitted as follows:

Balance on hand last report	\$ 4792.26	Disbursements:	
Receipts:		Pumping plant: miscellaneous	\$ 13.94
From general taxes	\$ 346.87	gasoline	80.05
" special " Carroll Ave water main	12.00	Waterworks	5.50
" water rent deposits	5.00	Street work: labor	31.50
" permits	15.00	material	21.80
" miscellaneous sources	8.50	Cement crossings	50.00
" builders deposits	10.00	Street lighting: oil	25.13
	397.37	miscellaneous	4.59
	\$ 5189.63	General expenses: printing	6.50
Of balance on hand of	\$ 4767.07	telephone rentals	4.55
there belongs to general improvement fund	\$ 248.91	miscellaneous	12.00
plumbers' deposits	100.00	Water tapping fees	7.50
builders' "	90.00	Salaries: clerk and treasurer	25.00
due cement walk contractor	12.54	engineer	60.00
balance Sligo bridge fund	380.33	lanplighter	40.00
water rent deposits	95.00	laborer	34.50
Available balance	3840.29		422.56
		Balance on hand	4767.07
			5189.63

On motion of Mr. Rush the report was approved and ordered filed.

A communication was presented from the Bliss Electrical School asking what steps are essential to secure a sidewalk crossing for their lot, corner of Takoma and Albany Avenues. The clerk was directed to inform them that permission is granted for a crossing over the cement walk at such point as they deem convenient, the edges of the walk to be properly protected by timber set on edge on each side thereof and the leads thereto to be so constructed as not to interfere with street gutter.

A written request from the Potomac Electric Power Co., to string two wires on three poles on Willow Ave., to furnish service to Mr. Barbeau, was granted upon motion of Mr. Rogers.

Mr. J.F. Shadle, representing the Keystone Realty Company, appeared before the Council with his plans for construction of a sewer through the land of the company, permission for which has already been granted by the Council. Mr. Shadle stated that the company was experiencing some difficulty in obtaining rights of way through the properties of the Brashears and Hodges tracts, which lie without the corporation, but which have to be crossed in order to connect with the town sewer and suggested that the Mayor and Council cooperate with the Keystone company in obtaining these rights of way. Mr. Shadle suggested further that in view of the fact that the sewer to be constructed will be a trunk sewer, furnishing sewer connections to other town property outside of that owned by the Keystone company, that it would seem just for the town to assume a portion of the expense involved in constructing the sewer across the Brashears and Hodges land.

After an informal discussion of the matter in connection with the plans submitted, Mr. Grabill moved that the Mayor and Council render such assistance as possible in aiding the Keystone Realty Company to obtain the necessary rights of way through the Brashears and Hodges land for their proposed sewer, said rights of way to be in the name of the town, and that, when secured, the Keystone Realty Company shall construct said portion of sewer under provisions of the permit granted by the Council and shall assume \$100.00 of the cost thereof, and the Town of Takoma Park will assume the cost of the balance of such construction, not to exceed the sum of \$200.00.

The motion was carried.

The Finance Committee submitted the following bill approved and recommended for payment:

E.M. Jackson, Surveying, etc. _____	\$ 10.00	Evening Star Newspaper Co. Advertising _____	\$ 17.55	B.F. Shrider, Blacksmithing _____	45
Standard Oil Co. illuminating oil _____	20.76	C. and P. Telephone Co. Rentals _____	3.20		152.16
" " " gasoline _____	81.40	H. R. Warthington, water meter 18" ft. ⁵⁰ _____	18.80		

On motion of Mr. Rush the bills were approved and payment directed.

The Finance Committee, to whom had been referred the letter of August 12, 1909 from the Washington Sanitarium Association, in relation to their contract for the construction of the bridge across Slijo branch, returned said letter indorsed as follows:

"2nd Indorsement. Oct. 7, 1909. Respectfully returned to the Mayor and Council. The contract price for the construction of the bridge, grading and macadamizing all complete, was \$11,943.84. There has been paid to the contractor to date by the Town \$6,500.00. Under the terms of the contract the contractor assumes as cash payment subscriptions made to him amounting to \$4,465.00, making a total payment of \$10,965.00. This leaves a balance due from the town of \$978.84 in complete payment for the work. The contract however provides for the retention for one year from date of acceptance of the work of 10% of the cost thereof, or \$1,194.38. It thus appears that the contractor has been overpaid \$215.54.

The Committee would recommend that this overpayment be waived and the \$978.84 balance due by the town, be reserved for one year in lieu of the 10% designated in the contract.

Inasmuch as the Council has expended practically \$600⁰⁰ in excess of its original appropriation of \$2500⁰⁰ toward the construction of the bridge, and in view of large extra expenditures for the current year, the committee, while appreciating the mutual advantages resulting from the extras furnished by the contractor upon his own responsibility, does not feel at liberty to recommend reimbursement for work voluntarily performed in excess of the plans and specifications.

R. D. RUSH
H. E. ROGERS } Committee.

On motion of Mr. Grabill the report was adopted.

The communication of Mrs. E. B. Beale in which complaint was made of the noise occasioned by coasting on the cement sidewalks, which had been referred to the committee on streets and lights for consideration, was returned by that committee indorsed as follows:

"October 1, 1909. To the Mayor and Council. The street committee has considered the within communication and in view of many similar complaints voiced to the Mayor and individual members of the Council, and to the fact that the pastime of coasting is increasing to such an extent as to become dangerous to pedestrians and a decided nuisance as a noise producer, the committee would recommend that an ordinance be passed as follows:

Ordinance No. 174

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

That Ordinance No. 169, passed and approved May 10, 1909, be and the same is hereby repealed, and that Sections 2 and 3 of Ordinance No. 35, passed and approved June 12, 1893, be and are hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 2. That no person or persons shall ride or propel any hand-cart, wagon, sleigh, carriage or other vehicle, in the manner commonly known as 'coasting,' nor ride any bicycle, on, over or upon any walk, sidewalk or pavement in the town of Takoma Park.

"Section 3. Any person or persons violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine not exceeding ten dollars, or imprisonment not exceeding ten days."

Respectfully

E. E. BLODGETT, Chr R. D. RUSH
L. R. GRABILL J. H. SAUNDERS } Committee

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

Mr. Rush moved that the Ordinance presented by the committee be passed and approved and upon an aye and nay vote the ordinance was passed and approved, as follows: Voting aye, Mayor Platt and Councilmen Grabill, Rogers, Rush and Saunders. Voting nay, none.

The Mayor suggested that in order to secure proper enforcement of the ordinance just passed, which result could most likely be obtained by cautionary warning rather than by actual arrest of guilty parties, probably mostly children, that the members of the Council be appointed bailiffs.

In line with the Mayor's suggestion Mr. Rush moved that Messrs. H. E. Rogers, J. H. Saunders and H. F. Taff be appointed deputy bailiffs. The motion was carried.

On motion of Mr. Rogers, Mr. L. R. Grabill and Mr. R. D. Rush were likewise appointed deputy bailiffs.

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Mr. Grabill, from the water and sewer committee returned the communication of Mr. E. V. Crittenden for a refund of cost of water meter indorsed as follows:

"Respectfully returned to the Mayor and Council recommending that a rebate of \$6⁵⁰ the amount now being paid by the town for 1/8 meters be granted to Mr. Crittenden and credited on his next water bill, on condition that the meter installed by him is to become the property of the town."

The committee also recommended similar action on a like request by Mrs. Edith B. Culley.

On motion of Mr. Rogers the recommendation of the committee was approved in both instances.

The protest of Mr. Angus Lamond against the excessive water rent for 6 months on one of his apartment houses on Maple Avenue, was returned from the Water and Sewer committee with following indorsement:

"October 7, 1909. Respectfully returned to the Mayor and Council. The Water and Sewer committee recommends that no reduction be made, there being no doubt that the amount of water passing the meter was correctly indicated, and the purpose of the meter being to check excessive consumption and waste."

On motion of Mr. Grabill the report was approved.

For the Water and Sewer committee Mr. Grabill reported progress in the consideration of the proposed filtration plant and requested further time for a definite report thereon which was granted by the Council. He reported further that the committee would shortly be ready to submit recommendations in regard to purchase and installation of water meters. In connection with the filtration of the water supply Mr. Grabill submitted correspondence with Mr. Franklin Noble, a sanitary engineer of New York City, in reference to a simplified method of water purification and moved that the Water and Sewer Committee be authorized to experiment with the process in an inexpensive manner. The motion was carried.

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

Approved:

W. G. Platt

Mayor.

Ben Davis

Clerk

Monday Evening, November 1, 1909

Upon call of the Mayor a special meeting of the Council was held at the Clerks office this date, convening at 8 o'clock. There were present Mayor Platt and Councilmen Blodgett, Grabill, Rogers, Rush and Saunders, Mr. Taff being absent from the city.

The Mayor stated that the meeting had been called for the purpose of hearing reports from the Water and Sewer committee and such other business as might be urgent.

Mr. Grabill, Chairman, for the water and sewer committee, thereupon submitted the following report:

To the Mayor and Council.

Takoma Park, Md., November 1, 1909.

The Water and Sewer Committee has considered the bids received for meters which were opened October 1, and return them herewith. It also transmits an additional bid received from the Thomson Meter Company at the request of the Committee. Having carefully examined the merits of each of the meters for which bids were received, we recommend that the bid of the Thomson Meter Company herewith for furnishing the meters required be accepted, and the order forwarded in accordance with their proposal. We find that the two disc meters having the most satisfactory record in the endurance trial at Washington, D.C., are the Lambert (the meter recommended herein) and the Trident, which has a record of about equal value. A table showing the results of these tests, is submitted herewith.

*L. R. GRABILL, Chr.
R. D. RUSH
H. E. ROGERS*

Mr. Grabill moved that the report of the Committee be adopted and the meters ordered of the Thompson Meter Company provided said Company agree to accept the bonds of the town in payment thereof; and that in case of their refusal to accept such payment that a similar proposition be made to the Neptune Meter Company for the purchase of the Trident meters. The motion was carried.

In connection with the work of installing meters, Mr. Grabill submitted the proposition of Mr. Geo. Coursen to do the work in connection therewith for the sum of \$5⁵⁰ per day, said amount to include the services of himself and helper, indorsed as follows:

Respectfully transmitted to the Mayor and Council.

Takoma Park, Md., Nov. 1, 1909

The Water and Sewer Committee has reached the conclusion that under the circumstances existing here the inside installation of meters where practicable should be adopted on account of the lower cost and possibly better protection. It also believes that on account of the many different situations in which the installations will have to be made, it is not practicable to make a satisfactory contract for the work. It therefore recommends the engagement of Mr. Coursen and helper for this work at the terms named by him. It is understood that a days work will be 8 hours. It is recommended that the engagement be made so as to terminate at the pleasure of the Water and Sewer committee, or of Mr. Coursen.

*L. R. GRABILL, Chr.
R. D. RUSH
H. E. ROGERS.*

On motion of Mr. Rush the report and recommendations of the committee were approved.

A communication from Mr. Bardeau, of Willow Avenue, protesting against an alleged exorbitant water bill for the quarter ending October 1, 1909, was referred to the Water and Sewer committee for investigation and report.

The Clerk laid before the Council a memorandum from Dr. D.H. Kress who states therein that he is informed that the Town expects to shut off the water supply to all outside the town; that he has begun the erection of a residence just outside the corporate limits and has made all his plans for connecting with the town water and sewer systems and asks if the Council will not make an exception in his case and grant him the privilege of using water and sewer, especially since he was informed recently that there would be no difficulty about so doing.

After consideration of the matter at some length Mr. Rogers moved that Dr. Kress be granted the privilege of connecting his residence with the town water and sewer system under the usual restrictions and regulations, now or hereafter in force; and that in granting this permission it be recorded as the policy of the Council that no further permits be granted for water or sewer privileges outside the town limits.

The motion was carried.

Mr. Grabill submitted to the Council the draft of a proposed ordinance to regulate charges for water and for other purposes. The provisions thereof were considered at length and a number of changes suggested and tentatively adopted, the final action thereon being postponed until the regular monthly meeting of the Council for November.

Upon suggestion of the Mayor and on motion of Mr. Grabill the Mayor was authorized to contract with the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone company for an unlimited service phone to be installed at the expense of the town in the office of the clerk and treasurer, at an expenditure of \$4⁰⁰ per month.

There being no further business the Council at 10:35 o'clock p.m., adjourned.

Approved:

W. G. Platt

Mayor.

B. B. Davis Clerk

Monday Evening, November 8, 1909

The Council met at 8 o'clock p.m., with the following members present: Mayor Platt and Councilmen Blodgett, Grabill, Rogers, Rush and Saunders.

The minutes of the last regular meeting and of the special meeting of November 1 were read by the Clerk and approved.

The Treasurer submitted his monthly report, examined and approved by the Finance Committee, as follows:

Balance on hand last report		\$ 4767.07	Disbursements:		
Receipts:			Pumping plant: gasoline	\$	81.40
From general taxes	\$	378.36	Waterworks: miscellaneous		19.49
" special " Carroll Ave. cement walk		229.75	Filtration plant		27.90
" water rents		103.44	Street work: labor		15.00
" water rent deposits		20.00	Street lighting: oil		20.76
" permits		6.00	General expenses: printing	\$	1.75
" builders' deposits		10.00	telephone		3.20
" miscellaneous		1.75			4.95
		749.30	Semi-annual interest on W. and S. bonds		1060.00
		5516.37	Miscellaneous		2.00
Of balance of	\$	4099.45	Salaries: clerk and treasurer		25.00
There belongs to improvement fund	\$	248.91	engineer		60.00
Plumbers' deposits		100.00	lanplighter		40.00
Builders "		80.00	laborer		40.42
Due cement walk contractor		12.54			165.42
Sligo Bridge fund		380.33	Builders deposits returned		20.00
Water rent deposits		115.00			1416.92
		936.78	Balance on hand		4099.45
Available balance		3162.67		\$	5516.37

On motion of Mr. Rush the report was received and ordered filed.

Upon their written application therefor, and on motion of Mr. Rush, permission was granted the Potomac Electric Power Co. to erect three poles on Laurel Ave. and three poles on Eastern Ave., and to string wires thereon, to furnish service to Mr. E.M. Douglas, such permission being granted under the usual condition that the poles be placed as directed by the chairman of the street committee.

Mr. Rush, from the Finance Committee, submitted the following bills duly examined and approved for payment:

Standard Oil Co. 300 gals. illum. oil @ 7¢	\$ 21.00	Cand. P. Tel. Co. Rental and messages	\$ 4.25	Geo. F. Muth & Co. waste 5 ⁰⁰ burners 3.75	\$ 8.75
" " 745 " gasoline " 11¢	81.95	Fred K. W. Albert, Tracing	3.00		142.93
Rudolph + West Co. 100 th waste 11 ⁰⁰ fgt. 25	11.25	Thos. Somerville Co. iron pipe + fgt.	12.75		

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

Mr. Bladgett, from the street committee, reported that the Brennan Construction Co. had made complete and final repairs to the cement sidewalks under their five year contract and that such repairs covered practically all damaged walks constructed by them.

Mr. Rogers, from the Health Committee called attention to the insanitary condition of the Maryland district school and moved that the clerk be instructed to call the attention of the County Commissioners thereto and to request that the building be equipped with a system of modern plumbing. The motion was carried.

It having come to the notice of the Council that the Baltimore and Washington Transit Co. had recently placed a quantity of construction material on Laurel Avenue, Mr. Grabill moved that the clerk be directed to notify the company that inasmuch as no permission has been asked by or granted to this company for the occupancy of this street, either for a street railway or for construction material, no construction work of any kind can be permitted upon this or any other street within the town except upon permission properly granted by the Council. The motion was carried.

Mr. Grabill, from the water and sewer committee, reported that the water meters and the necessary supplies had been ordered and that their installation would begin immediately upon arrival. He also reported progress in the committee consideration of the filtration plant.

In regard to payment for the water meters Mr. Grabill informed the Council that agreement had been made with the Thomson Meter Co., of Brooklyn, N. Y., for 200 Lambert meters, as follows: the company agrees to accept \$100⁰⁰ in cash and three bonds of \$500⁰⁰ each, running for one, two and three years, respectively, and to bear 5% interest. He therefor moved that \$1500⁰⁰ of the \$10000 bonds recently authorized, in denominations of \$500 each, due in one, two and three years from date of issue, and bearing 5% interest, be issued to the Thomson Meter Co., and the Treasurer be authorized to pay the cash sum of \$100⁰⁰ to the Thomson Meter Co. upon receipt of first shipment of the meters. The motion was carried.

The water and sewer committee submitted the following proposed ordinance:

Ordinance No. 175.

To Regulate the Use of Water and the Charges Therefor, to Prevent Pollution of the Water Supply and to Protect the Water and Sewer System.

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

Sec. 1. On and after January 1, 1910, the charge for all water supplied by the Town above a minimum of five thousand cubic feet per annum shall be based upon the amount supplied as determined by measurement.

Sec. 2. Suitable meters shall be installed upon the supply pipe of every premises in the Town where water is supplied by the Town, on or before December 31, 1909, and after that date any premises which are for any reason not so furnished with a meter upon the supply pipe thereof, shall not be further supplied with water unless the time for installation of a meter be extended by order of the Mayor and Council. Such meters shall be furnished and installed by and at the expense of the Town of Takoma Park and such meters and their connections shall be the property of the Town and shall be subject to inspection, repair, exchange or removal as may be directed by the Mayor and Council.

Sec. 3. An annual rental of three dollars (\$3⁰⁰) shall be charged for each five-eighths inch meter and such annual rental as may be determined by the Mayor and Council in each case shall be charged for each meter of larger size installed; such rentals to be due and payable with and as a part of the water dues; but such meter rents shall not continue longer than ten years from January 1, 1910.

Sec. 4. Meters shall be read quarterly on the first day of January, April, July and October, or as soon as practicable thereafter; and bills for the amount due shall be rendered semi-annually by the clerk.

Sec. 5. Water dues above the minimum rate shall be due and payable on the 31st days of January and July, respectively, for the six months preceding the first day of the month in which payment is made; but the full minimum rate and the meter rent for each year shall be payable in January of that year.

Sec. 6. The rates charged for the use of water shall be as follows: viz: For consumers residing in the town limits: for each consumer the meter rent at the rate previously stated herein, in addition to the rates stated hereafter—for each consumer using five thousand cubic feet per annum, or less, seven dollars and fifty cents (\$7⁵⁰) per annum, which shall be a minimum rate; for each one hundred cubic feet over the first five thousand cubic feet, fifteen cents per hundred cubic feet as indicated by the meter. For such consumers outside of the town limits as are supplied by the Town at the date of the passage of this ordinance, twenty-five cents per one hundred cubic feet, in addition to the meter rent at the rate named above; and hereafter no premises outside of the Town limits shall be connected with the water supply of the Town for any purpose.

Sec. 7. In premises where meters are now installed and are owned by private parties, such meters, if in good order and otherwise suitable, may be accepted by the Town and shall become, by consent of the owner, the property of the Town; and the meter rent of such premises shall be remitted for a period of three years from Jan. 1, 1910, in lieu of other payment for the meter, after which the meter rent shall be charged as provided. But in all cases where such meters are not in good order, or the owner of the meter refuses to surrender ownership to the Town, a new meter shall be installed upon the premises as provided in section two of this ordinance.

For failure to pay water rents and meter rents on the date when due, the water shall be cut off from the premises and not again turned on until the amount due is paid, to which shall be added a fee of two dollars for shutting off and restoring the flow of water.

Hindrance to inspectors, workmen or others employed by the Town in inspecting, installing or repairing water meters, pipes, stop-cocks or other fixtures on meters, supply lines or service pipes, or injury of, or tampering with such meters and other fixtures, so that they fail to perform their work; or the turning of water into the service pipe of any premises except by the authorized agent of the Town, are hereby forbidden; and any person convicted of the same shall be fined not less than five dollars nor more than fifty dollars, or confined within the county jail or town lockup not to exceed thirty days, in lieu of payment of said fine.

Sec. 8. No person shall use a fountain, street washer, lawn sprinkler or other hose connection between the hours of 7:30 o'clock, p. m., and 7:00 o'clock, a. m. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be subject, upon conviction, to a fine of not less than two dollars nor more than ten dollars for each offense and the supply of water shall be cut off until such fine is paid.

Sec. 9. If any occupant of premises into which the water has been introduced allows any person or persons to habitually use said water without permission from the Mayor and Council, the person occupying the premises and so offending, upon conviction thereof, shall pay a fine of not less than five dollars nor more than fifteen dollars, and the supply of water shall be cut off from said premises and not again restored until said fine, a penalty of two dollars, and the actual expenses incurred by the Town in shutting off and restoring the water, are paid. The water

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shall not be introduced into any premises until the full proportionate annual meter rent and minimum water rent shall have been paid.

Sec. 10. Any 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, shall be punished by a fine of not less than ten dollars or more than fifty dollars, or imprisonment in the county jail for not more than thirty days.

Sec. 11. Any person who maliciously commits any act by reason of which the supply of water, or any part thereof, to the Town of Takoma Park, becomes impure, filthy, or unfit for use, shall be fined not less than ten dollars nor more than fifty dollars, or imprisoned in the county jail for not more than thirty days.

Sec. 12. If any person, or persons, not duly authorized, 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 liable to a fine of not less than ten dollars nor more than fifty dollars, or imprisonment in the county jail for not more than thirty days.

Sec. 13. This ordinance shall be in force on and after January 1, 1910, on which date Ordinance No. 95 and Ordinances Nos. 139, 157, ~~171~~¹⁷⁰ and 171 1/2 4:41 amendatory thereof, and all other ordinances or parts of ordinances conflicting herewith are hereby repealed.

Mr. Grabill moved that the ordinance be adopted and the ordinance was adopted upon an aye and nay vote as follows: voting aye, Mayor Platt and Councilmen Blodgett, Grabill, Rogers, Rush and Saunders. Voting nay, none.

Mr. Grabill presented two bills amounting to \$11.80 in connection with work and material for improving the public park at North Takoma and moved that the same be approved with the understanding that no further expenditures be made on this work except by previous authority of the Council. The motion was carried.

There being no further business the Council, at 9:40 p.m., adjourned.

Ben G. Davis, Clerk

Approved: *W. G. Platt*

Mayor.

Thursday Evening, November 18, 1909.

A special meeting of the Council was held at the Clerk's office this date, at 8 o'clock p.m. There were present Mayor Platt and Councilmen Blodgett, Grabill, Rogers, Rush, Saunders and Taff.

The Mayor stated that he had called the meeting at the request of Mr. Wm. A. Mellen, Vice-President of the Baltimore and Washington Transit company for the purpose of considering the extension of the tracks of said company along Laurel Ave., from the District of Columbia boundary line, to Carroll Avenue.

Mr. Mellen, who was present, explained to the Council that the railroad company had not yet determined its proposed route through the Town beyond Carroll Ave. and therefore had no request for a franchise beyond that point at this time; but that if the road was to be a benefit to Takoma Park it would seem desirable to make it more easy and convenient of access by the short extension proposed. The Council seemed to agree with Mr. Mellen's statement and after an informal consideration of the matter and discussion of a proposed ordinance submitted by the attorneys for the company the following modified ordinance was submitted:

Ordinance No. 176

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

Sec. 1. That the Baltimore and Washington Transit Company of Maryland, a street railway corporation, is hereby granted permission to construct and operate its railway from the present terminus of said road at the boundary line between the State of Maryland and the District of Columbia, over, along and upon Laurel Avenue, in the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, to the south line of Carroll Avenue in said Town, and to construct the necessary single or double tracks therefor, together with the required sidings, cross-overs, etc., for the operation of said street railway. Provided, that said extension shall be completed within ninety days from the passage of this ordinance; that prior to the beginning of said work plans therefor shall be submitted and approved by the street committee of the Council, and that a permit containing the usual restrictions and precautions be issued for said work.

Sec. 2. This ordinance shall be amenable to amendment or repeal in the discretion of the Mayor and Council.

Mr. Rush moved that the ordinance be adopted and the ordinance was adopted upon an aye and nay vote as follows: voting aye: Mayor Platt and Councilmen Blodgett, Grabill, Rogers, Rush, Saunders and Taff. Voting nay, none.

The Mayor stated that he had been requested by Mr. Benj. B. Jenkins to obtain the permission of the Council for the construction, at his expense, of a sewer across lots 19, 20 and 21 in block 7 and along Tulip Ave. to connect with the main sewer where it crosses Tulip Ave. for the purpose of sewerage two new houses now being built on Oak Avenue.

Mr. Grabill moved that permission be granted Mr. Jenkins to construct a 6-inch terra cotta sewer from the present main sewer where

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it crosses Tulip Ave., easterly along Tulip Avenue to the rear of lots 19, 20 and 21, in block 7, thence southerly across the rear of said lots so far as may be necessary to sewer the new houses in course of erection; provided that plans for such sewer be submitted and approved by the committee on Water and Sewers prior to the beginning of said work, and that rights of way to said sewer where it crosses private property be decided, without delay, to the Town of Takoma Park. The motion was carried.

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

Approved:

W. G. Platt

Mayor.

Ben D. Davis Clerk

Monday Evening, December 13, 1909.

The Council met at 8 o'clock p.m. There were present Mayor Platt and Councilmen Blodgett, Rogers, Rush, Saunders and Taff.

The minutes of the last regular meeting and of the special meeting of Nov. 18th were read by the Clerk and duly approved.

The monthly report of the Treasurer, examined and approved by the Finance Committee, was submitted as follows:

Balance on hand last report	\$ 4099.45	Disbursements:	
Receipts:		Pumping plant: miscellaneous	\$ 11.25
From general taxes	\$ 177.30	gasoline	81.95 93.20
" water rents	30.26	Waterworks: meter installation	103.00
" permits	8.00 215.56	Sewage system	14.25
	\$ 4315.01	Street work: labor	11.00
OF balance on hand of	\$ 3891.58	Street lighting: oil	21.00
There belongs to genl. improvement fund	\$ 248.91	miscellaneous	9.00 30.00
plumbers' deposits	100.00	General expenses: telephone rentals	4.25
builders' "	80.00	Parks	12.73
due cement walk contr.	12.54	Salaries: clerk and treasurer	25.00
water rent deposits	115.00 556.45	engineer	60.00
Available balance	3335.13	lamp lighter	40.00
		laborer	30.00 155.00
			423.43
		Balance on hand	3891.58
			4315.01

On motion of Mr. Taff the report was approved and ordered filed.

Mr. Taff, from the Finance Committee, submitted the following bills approved for payment:

C. and P. Telephone Co. Rentals ----- \$ 7.40	Thomson Meter Co. Couplings and express -- \$ 141.25	Eddy Valve Co. 12 valve rubbers ----- \$ 7.20
A. W. Skinner, Printing ----- 12.25	B. F. Schrider, blacksmithing ----- 1.30	Town Treasr. Contingent expenses ----- 4.10
Standard Oil Co. 385 gals illum. oil @ 7¢ ----- 26.95	Lynchburg Foundry Co. Meter box covers -- 50.65	
" " " 730 " gasoline oil @ 11¢ ----- 80.30	Lamond Bros. terra cotta pipe ----- 10.80	
John Bonifant, plowing park ----- 10.00	Mrs. John Hodges, 53 fence posts @ 16¢ -- 8.98	
J. H. Crissel, 2 bu. rye ----- 1.80	Geo. M. Day, tapping fees ----- 7.50	
		371.98

On motion of Mr. Taff the report was approved and payment of the bills directed.

A communication from Mrs. E. V. Wilcox, of 213 Maple Avenue, complaining of the unsanitary conditions at the property of J. J. Snodgrass adjoining her premises, which complaint had been referred to the Health Committee for investigation and report, was returned by said committee, with report as follows:

December 12, 1909. - Your committee on Health and Sanitation would respectfully report that we have investigated the conditions at the premises of Mr. J. J. Snodgrass, on Maple Avenue, of which complaint is made, and found an unsightly and unsanitary condition existing, caused by throwing ashes, tin cans, slaps and refuse on the adjacent lot. We recommend that Mr. Snodgrass be asked to improve the conditions. In order to accomplish this in an effective manner, however, he should have installed a connection with the sewer of the Town. This is the most necessary thing that he can do to improve the situation of his premises, and with the number of persons living on the place, it is no more than reasonable to request that this work be done at an early date.

On motion of Mr. Rush the report was approved and the Clerk directed to invite Mr. Snodgrass' attention to the existing conditions and to request that he take early action for their improvement.

An application was presented from the Potomac Electric Power Company for permission to erect four poles on Oak Avenue, fourteen poles on Flower Avenue, five poles on Carroll Avenue and two poles on Central Avenue, and to string wires thereon to furnish electric service to various premises.

On recommendation of the street committee and on motion of Mr. Blodgett, the desired permission was granted insofar as the poles were to occupy the streets within the corporation limits and under the usual restriction that the location of all poles erected shall be approved by the chairman of the street committee.

Mr. Blodgett called attention to the fact that the town snow plow was practically worn out. Mr. Taff thereupon moved that the

street committee be authorized to have a new snow plow constructed and that the removal of snow from the walks be placed under the personal supervision of Mr. Blodgett. The motion was carried.

In the absence of Mr. Grabill, Mr. Taff, for the water and sewer committee, reported that plans for the proposed filtration plant had been received from the Pittsburg Filtration Company, that such plans had been examined by both the Water and Sewer committee and at an informal meeting of the Council, in connection with the company's representative, but that the committee desired to submit no recommendation in the matter until the return of Mr. Grabill.

There being no further business the Council, at 9:00 o'clock, p.m., adjourned.

Approved:

W. G. Platt

Mayor.

Ben D. Davis Clerk

Monday Evening, January 10, 1910

The Council met at 8 o'clock, p.m., with the following members present: Mayor Platt and Councilmen Blodgett, Grabill, Rogers, Rush, Saunders and Taff.

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

The Finance Committee submitted the following bills approved for payment:

Standard Oil Co. 16bl. lubricating oil... \$ 11.99	C. F. Thomas & Son, 1 ton egg coal... \$ 7.25	John Mitchell, jr. Plumbing supplies... \$ 78.00
" " " 850 gals gasoline... 93.50	C. & P. Tel. Co. Rental + messages... 7.50	Hersey Mfg. Co. 1 1/2' water meter... 8.60
" " " 280 " illum. oil... 19.60	Rudolph & West Co. Sundries... 1.44	A. W. Skinner, Printing... 7.50
Lamond Bros. Terra cotta pipe... 14.58	Geo. F. Muth & Co. lamp globes... 4.34	\$ 254.30

On motion of Mr. Taff the report was approved and payment directed, with the understanding that the bill of John Mitchell, jr. for