

Monday, July 14, 1913

The Council met at 8 o'clock p.m. There were present Mayor Williams and Councilmen Blodgett, Grabill, Lewton, Rogers, Rush and Taff. The minutes of the last regular meeting and of the special meeting of June 11th were read by the Clerk and were approved. The Mayor administered the oath of office to Mr. Rogers, Councilman-elect who thereupon entered upon the discharge of his duties. The usual monthly report of the Town Treasurer, duly examined and approved by the Finance Committee, was submitted as follows:

Balance on hand last report	\$ 1616.32	Sewer system: extensions	3.20
RECEIPTS:		Street lighting	138.75
From general taxes	20.48	Street work: labor	251.60
" special	344.02	material	165.22
" water and meter rents	18.38		416.82
" permits	6.00	Cement walks	500.00
" miscellaneous	30.15	General expenses: printing	4.00
" redemption of property sold for taxes	279.33	telephones	11.20
	698.36	contingent	1.52
	2314.68	postage	6.35
DISBURSEMENTS:			23.07
Pumping plant: miscellaneous	14.84	Water tapping fees	5.00
gasoline	176.00	Miscellaneous	21.00
salary of engineer	75.00	Salary, clerk and Treasurer	35.00
assistance of engineer	8.00	Disbursement from redemption fund	289.33
	273.84	Balance on hand	578.17
Waterworks: labor	24.80		
pipe line extensions	5.70		
	30.50		

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

The Treasurer submitted his annual report for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1912 and ending June 30, 1913, as follows: This report was submitted through the Finance Committee, by which it had been thoroughly audited and approved. The report was approved on motion of Mr. Taff and ordered to be printed for distribution among the tax payers.

Balance on hand last annual report	\$ 2739.48	From interest on deposits in bank	\$ 63.92
Receipts.		" fines	35.00
From general taxes	\$ 9624.97	" special deposit for water main	80.00
" special	2206.68	" " " by gas company	50.00
" water and meter rents	4396.78	" miscellaneous sources	20.15
" permits	131.00	" redemption of property sold for taxes	340.89
" road tax refund, Montgomery Co.	1064.14	" proceeds of bond issue	1000.00
" " " " Prince Georges Co	120.34		19133.87
			21873.35

Disbursements:			
Pumping and Filtration Plants: Maintenance:		Electric lighting	1082.56
Repairs to engines	17.88	Miscellaneous	35.58 1276.54
Batteries and renewals	28.91	Street Work:	
Lubricating oil	51.08	Labor	1571.10
Chemicals	96.41	Material	342.23
Coal	14.50	Macadam Streets and Gobble gutters	3255.46
Waste	14.57	Cement Sidewalks	1018.66 6187.45
Miscellaneous	19.95	General and Miscellaneous labor	73.20
Gasoline	1624.83	General expenses:	
Salary of engineer	900.00	Printing	44.00
Relief to engineer	79.00 2847.13	Telephone rentals	138.92
Waterworks; miscellaneous		Contingent expenses	12.11
Reading water meters	38.00	Postage	29.22 224.25
Repairs due to washout	434.18	Water tapping fees	50.00
Repairs to water meters	30.55	Miscellaneous expenses	144.21
New water meters purchased	210.00	Interest:	
Miscellaneous	75.31	On \$52000 4% w. and s. bonds	2080.00
Labor	71.33	" 4000 5% filtration "	200.00
Pipe line extensions	1048.04 1907.41	" 1000 5% genl. imput "	25.00 2305.00
Sewer System:		Garbage collections	99.00 99.00
Care of Sewer farms	130.15	Salary, clerk and treasurer	420.00 420.00
Pipe line extensions	4739.95 4870.10	Plumbers deposits returned	20.00 20.00
Street Lighting		Builders deposits returned	30.00 30.00
Oil	68.40	Disbursements from redemption fund	340.89 340.89
Salary of lamplighter	90.00	Deposit to credit of sinking fund	500.00 21295.18
		Balance on hand	\$ 578.17
BONDED INDEBTEDNESS:		SINKING FUND:	
Water and Sewer 4% bonds, 1st issue	35000.00	Balance on hand July 1, 1912	\$ 128.95
2d "	10000.00	Deposit during current fiscal year	500.00
3d "	7000.00 52000.00	Balance on hand	\$ 628.95
Filtration bonds 5%	4000.00		
General Improvement bonds, 5%	1000.00		
Total bonded indebtedness	\$ 57000.00		
		Note. \$5000 of water and sewer 4% bonds have been purchased and cancelled from the sinking fund to date.	

A communication was presented from Messrs. J. A. Ridgeway and H. H. Spencer requesting that water and sewer privileges be granted them for three houses they desire to build on an acre of land at the foot of Maple Avenue just outside the town limits.

On motion of Mr. Grabill the request was denied.

Mr. Lewton submitted a memorandum stating that he had been requested by several persons interested in the establishment of a local municipal ice plant to lay the matter before the Council and moved that the Mayor be authorized to appoint a committee to

carefully look into the question of the cost of producing ice and the feasibility of establishing a municipal ice plant for the Town of Takoma Park. The motion was carried and the Mayor referred the matter to the Ordinance Committee for consideration.

The Mayor informed the Council that Mr. John Beall had called upon him and offered to dedicate to the Town the streets in the Carroll subdivision and the portion of Carroll Avenue upon which the sidewalk is located in consideration of the dropping of the suit now in progress and the cancellation of the special assessment against the Beale properties.

Mr. Taff moved that the proposition of Mr. Beale be not accepted. Carried and so ordered.

Mrs. Mary M. Falconer appeared before the Council and urged that water and sewerage facilities be provided so that her new residence on Eastern Avenue may be connected therewith. On motion of Mr. Grabill the matter was referred to the Water and Sewer Committee with directions to report as early as practicable relative thereto.

Mr. Stine, residing on Sherman Avenue, personally appeared before the Council and asked if permission would be granted him to connect his premises with the water main soon to be laid on Hancock Avenue. Mr. Stine was assured that the desired permission would be granted, service pipe to be laid at his expense.

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

Standard Oil Co. Gasoline-----	\$154.65	Lamond Bros. Tile-----	\$ 1.85	Cand P. Telephone Co. Rentals-----	\$ 10.85
E.E. Blodgett, Lumber-----	2.40	Thos. Somerville, Sundries-----	1.26	Thomson Meter Co. Repairs-----	12.07
J.W. Brandenburg, blacksmithing---	3.00	Col. Brick and Coal Co. cement---	.45	Eddy Valve Co. Hydrants & valves---	152.00
Geo. Coursen, Plumbing-----	4.67	Lynchburg Foundry Co. Water pipe--	506.51	Standard Oil Co. 2400 gals road oil--	126.00
					975.71

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

Mr. J.W. Shadle presented a bill for \$345.00 as balance due on 1200 feet of cement sidewalk on Willow Ave. and for 600 feet of grading on same street. On motion of Mr. Grabill the Treasurer was authorized to pay Mr. Shadle \$300 on account and the balance when grading of street has been reported complete by the street committee.

Mr. Rogers, from the Health Committee, stated that he had seen Mr. Queen in relation to the complaints made by Mr. Pierce and that Mr. Queen had promised to clean up his premises and abate the nuisances complained of.

Mr. Blodgett, from the Street Committee reported that work had been done as follows: Carroll Avenue swept and oiled

with the new oiling apparatus, at a less cost, including the purchase of the oiling apparatus, than had been bid for the mere oiling of the street; that the spring near Baltimore Avenue had been placed in excellent condition and a number of crossings repaired. He also reported an excess expenditure of \$5³⁰ on the North Takoma Park which expenditure, on motion of Mr. Grabill, was approved.

Mr. Grabill, from the water and sewer committee, moved that an appropriation of \$35⁰⁰ be made for the purpose of cleaning out the reservoir at the pumping station. The motion was carried. Mr. Grabill also moved an appropriation of \$25⁰⁰ for cleaning out the pits at the sewer farm, which motion was carried, said appropriations to be expended under direction of the water and sewer committee.

Mr. Grabill invited the attention of the Council to the necessity of securing increased storage capacity for water and moved that the water and sewer committee be authorized to investigate the feasibility and cost of building a new dam above the present dam for obtaining increased water-storage capacity, or such other plan or plans with the same results in view. The motion was carried.

The following communication of the Town Treasurer, addressed to the Mayor and Council, was presented for consideration:

Gentlemen:-

Takoma Park, Md., July 14, 1913.

The sidewalk upon Willow Avenue, north of Tulip Avenue, has been completed at a cost of \$750.00. This cost is to be assessed against 1000 feet of frontage, making a per foot assessment of 75 cents. The accompanying assessment based thereon is submitted for your action. A form of Ordinance adopting the assessment is herewith for your consideration. Very respectfully,

BEN G. DAVIS, Clerk and Treasurer.

Subdiv.	Blk	Lot	Assessed Owner	Front ft	Side ft less 100	Total ft	Amount due	Subdiv.	Blk	Lot	Assessed Owner	Front feet	Side ft less 100	Total feet	Amount due	
Land E	8	6	Frederick D. B. Austin		50	50	37.50	Land E	9	1	Irving I. and Myrta M. Ford		50	50	37.50	
		7	Carl L. Davis	50		50	37.50			4	Lewis B. Smith	50		50	37.50	
		8	"	50		50	37.50			5	Carl L. Davis	50		50	37.50	
		9	"	50		50	37.50			6	"	50		50	37.50	
		10	"	50		50	37.50			7	"	50		50	37.50	
		11	"	50		50	37.50			8	"	50		50	37.50	
		12	"	50		50	37.50			9	"	50		50	37.50	
		13	"	50		50	37.50			10	"	50		50	37.50	
		14	"	50		50	37.50			11	"	50		50	37.50	
		15	"	50		50	37.50			12	"	50		50	37.50	
												Total	900	100	1000	750.00

Ordinance No. 227

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

Sec. 1. That the special assessment submitted by the Town Treasurer under date of July 14, 1913, for the payment of cement sidewalks constructed on Willow Avenue, abutting lots 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15, in block 8, and lots 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12, in block 9, of the Lipscomb and Earnest, Trustees, subdivision, under the provisions of the Act of the General Assembly of Maryland, approved March 3, 1904, be and the said assessment is hereby approved and adopted, the Mayor and Council hereby declaring the said lots to be specially benefited by said work.

Sec. 2. The special assessments hereby approved shall be due and payable within 30 days from the approval of this ordinance; provided, that if so desired payment may be made in five equal annual installments, the first due thirty days from the approval hereof and the remaining installments due on the first day of each July following, until paid; provided, that payments of one-fifth or excess thereof may be made at any time within the payment period; all deferred payments to draw interest at the rate of six per cent per annum.

Mr Taff moved that the ordinance be adopted and the ordinance was adopted upon an aye and nay vote as follows: voting aye, the Mayor and Messrs. Blodgett, Grabill, Lewton, Rogers and Taff.

The Town Treasurer submitted the following communication:

To the Mayor and Council -

Takoma Park, Md., July 12, 1915

Gentlemen:- The following is a statement of the cost of the sewer recently completed in the Hill Crest subdivision:

Cost of construction --- \$2301.21 Right of way --- \$ 75.00 Inspection --- \$ 68.00
Advertising --- 3.30 Surveying --- 30.00 Labor --- 40.80 Total \$2518.31

This cost is to be assessed against 5891.1 linear feet or a per foot assessment of 43 cents. I submit herewith an assessment based upon this figure and recommend the adoption of the following Ordinance:

Ordinance No. 228

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

Sec. 1. That the special assessment submitted by the Town Treasurer under date of July 12, for the payment of sewers constructed in the Hill Crest subdivision as provided in Ordinance No. 212, passed and approved December 9, 1912, under the provisions of the Act of the General Assembly of Maryland approved March 3, 1904, be, and the said assessment is hereby approved and adopted, the Mayor and Council hereby declaring said lots to be specially benefitted by said work.

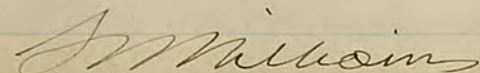
Sec. 2. The special assessments hereby approved shall be due and payable within 30 days from the approval of this Ordinance; provided, that if so desired payment may be made in five equal installments, the first due thirty days from the approval hereof and the remaining installments due on the first day of each July following until paid; provided, that payments of one-fifth or excess thereof, may be made at any time within the payment period; all deferred payments to draw interest at the rate of 6% per annum.

Very respectfully,
BEN G. DAVIS, Treasurer.

Subdiv.	Blk	Lot	Assessed Owner	Front ft	Side ft less 100	Total feet	Amt. due	Subdiv.	Blk	Lot	Assessed Owner	Front ft	Side ft less 100	Total feet	Amt due
Hill Crest	1	3	C. S. Langacre	50		50	21.50	Hill Crest	1	16	Charles Selden, Jr.	50		50	21.50
		4	"	50		50	21.50			17	"	50		50	21.50
		5	J. E. Cross	50		50	21.50			18	"	50		50	21.50
		6	"	50		50	21.50			19	"	50		50	21.50
		7	"	50		50	21.50			20	"	50		50	21.50
		8	Charles Selden, Jr.	50		50	21.50			21	"	50		50	21.50
		9	"	50		50	21.50			22	"	50		50	21.50
		10	"	50		50	21.50			23	"	50		50	21.50
		11	"	50		50	21.50			24	"	50		50	21.50
		12	"	50		50	21.50			25	"	50		50	21.50
		13	"	50		50	21.50			26	"	50		50	21.50
		14	"	50		50	21.50			27	"	50		50	21.50
		15	"	50		50	21.50			28	"	50		50	21.50

Subdiv	Blk	Lot	Assessed Owner	Front ft	Side ft less 100	Total feet	Amt due	Subdiv.	Blk	Lot	Assessed Owner	Front ft	Side ft less 100	Total feet	Amt due	
Hill Crest	1	29	Charles Selden, Jr	50		50	21.50	Hill Crest	3	4	Wm. H. Seachrist	50		50	21.50	
		30	"	50		50	21.50			5	"	50		50	21.50	
		31	"	50		50	21.50			6	"	50		50	21.50	
		32	Martin L. Emerick	52.2		52.2	22.45			7	"	50		50	21.50	
		33	"	53.3		53.3	22.92			8	"	50		50	21.50	
		34	"	53.3		53.3	22.92			9	"	50		50	21.50	
		35	"	43.7		43.7	18.79			10	"	50		50	21.50	
		2	1	Ross A. Diehl	163.1		163.1			70.13	11	"	50		50	21.50
			2	Wm. H. Seachrist	59.8		59.8			25.71	12	"	50		50	21.50
			3	"	59.8		59.8			25.71	13	"	50		50	21.50
			4	Louis A. and Annie Hansen	50		50			21.50	14	"	50		50	21.50
			pt 5	" " (s. half)	25		25			10.75	15	"	50		50	21.50
			" 5	H. Edson Rogers (n. half)	25		25			10.75	16	"	50		50	21.50
			6	"	50		50			21.50	17	Harry C. Deibler	50		50	21.50
			7	Jaol C. Rogers	50		50			21.50	18	Martin L. Emerick	51.2		51.2	22.02
8	Nelson Z. Town		50		50	21.50	19	"	52		52	22.36				
9	Charles M. Snow		50		50	21.50	20	"	52		52	22.36				
10	"		50		50	21.50	21	"	69.6		69.6	29.93				
11	John A. Dennis		50		50	21.50	4	1	Wm. H. Seachrist	50	25	75	32.25			
12	Wm. H. Seachrist		50.9		50.9	21.89	2	"	50		50	21.50				
13	"		45		45	19.35	3	"	50		50	21.50				
14	Mary V. Nowlin		45		45	19.35	4	"	50		50	21.50				
15	Mary J. Scroggins	41.1	17.1	58.2	25.03	5	"	50		50	21.50					
16	Carrie B. Bailey	50		50	21.50	6	"	50		50	21.50					
17	Wm. H. Seachrist	50	25	75	32.25	7	"	50		50	21.50					
18	"	50		50	21.50	8	"	50	61.44	111.44	47.92					
19	"	50		50	21.50	9	"	50	61.44	111.44	47.92					
20	"	48.6		48.6	20.90	10	"	137.6	12	149.6	64.33					
21	Charles Selden, Jr.	50		50	21.50	11	"	50	30	80	34.40					
22	Wm. H. Seachrist	50		50	21.50	12	"	50		50	21.50					
23	"	50		50	21.50	13	"	50		50	21.50					
24	"	50		50	21.50	14	"	48		48	20.64					
25	"	52.2		52.2	22.45	15	Wm. H. Seachrist and Irvin J. Hinman	61.44		61.44	26.42					
26	H. Edson Rogers	59.8		59.8	25.71	16	" "	122.88		122.88	52.84					
27	Charles Selden, Jr.	119.6		119.6	51.43	5	1	Charles Selden, Jr.	165.3	38	203.3	87.42				
3	1	Leonard M. Spear	70		70	30.10	2	"	156.1	27.6	183.7	78.99				
	2	Richard J. King	60		60	25.80										
	3	Wm. H. Seachrist	50		50	21.50										
Total												55	93.52	297.58	5891.1	2533.17

The ordinance was adopted on motion of Mr. Taff by the following vote: aye, the Mayor and Councilmen Blodgett, Grabill, Lewton, Rogers and Taff; nay, none
 There being no further business the Council, at 9:55 o'clock, p.m., adjourned.

Approved:  Mayor.

Ben D. Davis, Clerk.

Monday Evening, August 11, 1913

The Council met at 8 o'clock. There were present Mayor Williams and Councilmen Blodgett, Grabill, Lewton, Rogers, Rush and Taff.

The minutes of the last regular meeting were read by the Clerk and, there being no objection, they were approved.

The monthly report of the Treasurer, duly examined and approved, was submitted as follows:

Balance on hand last report	\$ 578.17	Water system: miscel	\$ 61.22	
RECEIPTS:		Pipe line extensions	931.05	992.27
From general taxes	\$ 5081.15	Sewer system: sewer fields		6.40
" special "	191.44	Street work: labor	58.80	
" water and meter rents	36.22	material	135.25	194.05
" permits	39.00	Cement walks		250.00
" interest on deposits in bank	25.59	Street lighting		139.90
	5951.57	General expenses: postage	29.79	
DISBURSEMENTS:		telephones	10.85	
Pumping and Filter Plants: miscel	3.26	miscellaneous	18.00	58.64
Gasoline	154.65	Salary, clerk and treasurer		35.00
salary of engineer	75.00	Balance on hand		4036.40
relief " "	6.00			
	238.91			

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

Mr. John R. Ridgeway submitted to the Council a request for water privileges for two new houses he is erecting on Maple Ave, just beyond the limits of the corporation. In connection with this request Mr. Grabill submitted the following resolution:

Whereas: Frequent and persistent applications have been made to the Council for the extension of the water and sewer facilities of the Town beyond the town limits, and **Whereas,** it is the firm belief of the Council that to make such extensions is to build up adjacent territory at the expense of the tax payers of the town; while on the contrary the benefits and advantages derived from these facilities should remain with those who own property within the limits of the town, who are taxed to pay the interest on the bonds issued and whose property is security for the payment of these bonds, and **Whereas,** the large unbuilth area within the town limits, as well as the improved property within the town will be depreciated in value if the practice of supplying these facilities to outside property should be adopted; and **Whereas,** such depreciation would far exceed in total amount any sum which could be charged to such outside users for such facilities; therefore be it

Resolved: by this Council that no extensions of the water mains or sewer connections of the Town, not now provided for or agreed upon, or of any connections from said mains, beyond the limits of said town, should be made now or at any future time; except in case of such extensions of the mains as may be found to be required for the benefit of the whole town.

On motion of Mr. Grabill the resolution was adopted by an unanimous vote of the Council.

The Clerk laid before the Council communications from Messrs H. E. Smith and Carl L. Davis waiving notice of advertising and agreeing to pay all assessments for the construction of cement sidewalks abutting their properties on Tulip and Spruce Avenues.

On motion of Mr. Rush the communications were accepted and ordered filed with papers in the case.

The Finance Committee, through Mr. Taff, presented the following bills duly examined and approved for payment:

Standard Oil Co., 835 gals gasoline	125.25	M. Frank Ruppert 1-6" block	.75	Thos. Somerville Co. lead and hemp	92.01
" " " 1 bbl. lubr. oil	12.55	Col. B. and Coal Co. Crushed stone	87	Harrison Bros. & Co. Chemicals	30.38
C. and P. Telephone Co. Rentals	11.50	Geo. L. Tarbell, Hardware	.65	J. W. Brandenburg, Blacksmithing	3.00

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

Mr. Blodgett, from the Street Committee, submitted the following memorandum of Street Work Estimate, 1913-14:

STREETS GRADED AND MACADAMIZED:	GUTTERS:
Tulip Ave. from Carroll to Willow. 700 ft road @ 1 ⁰⁰ and grading	Poplar Ave., 240 sq. yds. @ 80¢
Holly Ave. 300 yds grading, 100; 710 ft macadam 710 ⁰⁰	Pine " 100 " " " " "
Ash Avenue	Carroll " 100 " " " " (near bridge)
Repairing Carroll Avenue	Culvert, Tulip Ave. between Holly and Oak
	Tulip Avenue, 250 sq. yds. gutter @ 80¢
1960.00	802.00

Upon motion of Mr. Taff the memorandum was referred to the Finance Committee for consideration in connection with available funds.

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

THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL: In the case of the application of Mrs. Faulkener for water and sewer service to lot no. 13, block 17, Pine Crest subdivision, this committee has the honor to recommend the laying of about 350 linear feet of 3-inch cast iron water pipe along the south side of the dividing line between lots 19 and 20 and extending across the rear of lots 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16, provided right of way be secured for the Town by the interested parties and placed on file; the cost of said pipe to be assessed against the benefited lots, viz: lots 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16, and lots 23, 24, 25, 26 and 27, block 17, Pine Crest. The total cost is estimated at about \$200 or \$20.00 per lot assessed.

Also that about 350 linear feet of 6-inch terra cotta pipe sewer be laid along practically the same line at an estimated cost of about \$175⁰⁰ to be assessed against lots 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16, block 17, only (about \$35⁰⁰ per lot assessed) the property below this not being benefited; provided also that right of way be dedicated to the town as provided above.

On motion of Mr. Taff the recommendations of the committee were approved and to be embodied in ordinance for subsequent consideration.

Mr. Grabill, from the Water and Sewer Committee, called attention to the urgent advisability of taking up the matter of providing for a greater water-storage capacity and preliminary thereto moved that the water and sewer committee be authorized to secure the services of an engineer and to have tentative plans prepared, together with an estimate of the cost, of constructing the necessary dam and reservoir, the cost of such preliminary plans not to exceed \$100.00. The motion was carried.

On motion of Mr. Taff the Water and Sewer Committee was authorized to expend not to exceed \$39⁰⁰ in removing another accumulation of

sand deposited in the reservoir at the pumping plant during the recent heavy rains.

Mr. George T. Randall, residing on **Maple Avenue**, personally requested of the Council that he be permitted to do the necessary plumbing work in connection with installing sewer at his residence. Mr. Randall stated that while not a registered plumber, he was a mechanical engineer and steam-fitter and would do the work in accordance with the regulations and to the satisfaction of the plumbing inspector.

On motion of Mr. Grabill the necessary permission was granted.

Mr. Lewton, from the Ordinance Committee, reported that in compliance with instructions of the Council, the Committee was reviewing the Ordinances of the Town and would submit a report in regard to them, as early as possible.

The following Ordinance was submitted in regard to proposed public work:

Ordinance No. 229.

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

Sec. 1. That in accordance with the authority granted by the Act of the General Assembly of Maryland approved March 3, 1904, and in furtherance of the general public safety and convenience, consideration will be given to the construction of the following described public work: about 350 feet of 3-inch cast iron water pipe abutting lots 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 23, 24, 25, 26 and 27, in block 17, Pine Crest subdivision, at an estimated cost of 50 cents per linear foot; about 350 feet of 6-inch terra cotta sewer, abutting lots 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16, in block 17, Pine Crest subdivision, at an estimated cost of \$1.00 per linear foot. Cement sidewalks on Tulip and Spruce Aves, abutting lots 1, 2, 3, and 27 to 38, inclusive, in block 8, of Lipscomb and Earnest, Trustees, subdivision, at an estimated cost of 75 cents per linear foot.

Sec. 2. The Mayor and Council will meet at the office of the town clerk on Monday evening, September 1, 1913, at 8 o'clock, at which time and place all parties interested will be heard in regard to the proposed work.

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

Mr. Taff moved that the Treasurer be directed to deposit \$500.00 to the credit of the sinking fund and that he be authorized to purchase from the sinking fund, whenever the amount therein so warrants, upon the best available terms, water and sewer bonds to the extent of \$1000.00 and to cancel the same. The motion was carried.

Mr. Grabill moved that the Mayor be authorized and directed to enter into contract upon such terms as he may consider favorable, for the construction of about 150 feet of cement sidewalk on Tulip Ave, abutting lots 1, 2 and 3 in block 8, and for about 500 feet of cement walk on Spruce Avenue abutting lots 27 to 38 in block 8, Lipscomb and Earnest subdivision, provided that the owners of said property file with the Town Clerk a written waiver of the requirements of law relative to legal notice^{etc.} of said work. The motion was carried.

A communication signed by C.C. Lewis, T.R. Davis and Sadie A. Palmer, property owners, petitioning for an extension of water and sewer mains on Flower Ave. from Carroll Ave. to Davis Ave., was, on motion of Mr. Crabill, referred to the water and sewer committee for report.

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

Approved:

J. Williams Mayor.

Ben W. Davis, Clerk.

Munday evening, September 1, 1913.

The Council met in special session at the Clerk's office this date, convening at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of a public hearing on certain proposed public work. There were present Mayor Williams and Councilmen Blodgett, Lewton, Rogers and Taft.

The Mayor laid before the Council Ordinance No. 229 providing for certain water and sewer mains and cement sidewalks and in accordance with public notice lawfully given, called for remarks from interested parties. No one responding the following ordinance was presented:

Ordinance No. 230

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

Sec. 1. That, in accordance with the authority granted by the General Assembly of Maryland by Act approved March 3, 1904, it is hereby ordered that cement sidewalks and water and sewer mains be constructed as proposed in Ordinance No. 229, passed and approved August 11, 1913.

Sec. 2. The entire cost of the public work herein directed shall be assessed against the abutting property enumerated in said Ordinance No. 229, which property is hereby adjudged specially benefited thereby.

Sec. 3. The special assessments resulting from the work herein specified shall be due and payable within thirty days from the completion of said work; provided, that said special assessments, where desired, may be divided into and made payable in five equal installments, the first payable within 30 days from completion of the work and the remaining installments payable on the first day of each July following; all deferred payments to bear 6% interest per annum. Provided, that payments of one-fifth, or excess thereof, with accrued interest, may be made within the payment period if so desired.

Mr. Rogers moved that the Ordinance be adopted and upon an aye and nay vote the ordinance was adopted as follows: voting aye, the Mayor and Councilmen Blodgett, Lewton, Rogers and Taft; voting nay, none.

Mr. Rogers moved that the water and sewer mains provided in above-cited Ordinance No. 230 be laid by day labor under direction of the Chairman of the street committee, said work to be begun upon filing with the Town Clerk of the necessary rights of way. Carried and so ordered.

Mr. Rogers moved that the Chairman of the Street Committee be directed to proceed, by day labor, with the laying of the water main on Hancock Avenue. The motion was carried.

Mr. J.W. Shadle presented his bill for construction of 655 linear feet of 4-foot cement sidewalk on Tulip and Spruce Aves, amounting to \$405.00 and on motion of Mr. Taff the Treasurer was directed to pay the same upon examination and approval of the work by Mr. Blodgett.

The Mayor called attention of the Council to the bill against Mr. W.W. Lamond for excess water and stated that Mr. Lamond claimed that this excess use was due to the necessity of sprinkling Carroll Ave. prior to oiling of that street and that he should be relieved of payment thereof. Without objection the matter was referred to the Water and Sewer Committee for recommendation.

A communication from Mr. J. P. Davis requesting street repairs on Ash and Elm Aves, was referred to the Street Committee for consideration and report.

On motion of Mr. Taff the appropriation of \$150 for improvement of Cedar Ave, which lapsed on July 1st, was reappropriated. Upon request and motion of Mr. Blodgett an appropriation of \$50.00 was authorized for necessary work on Ethan Allen, Elm and Ash Avenues.

There being no further business the Council, at 9:05 o'clock p.m., adjourned.

Approved:

J. Williams Mayor.

Ben Davis, clerk

Takoma Park, Md., September 8, 1913

The Council met at 8:00 o'clock p.m. There were present Mayor Williams and Councilmen Blodgett, Grabill, Lewton, Rogers, Rush and Taff. The minutes of the last regular meeting and of the special meeting of September 1 were read by the Clerk and the former approved as read. Mr. Taff called attention to that portion of the minutes of the special meeting of Sept. 1 wherein it is stated that on motion of Mr. Rogers the Street Committee was directed to proceed with the laying of the water main on Hancock Ave. Mr. Taff stated that it was his impression that final disposition of this matter was by common consent deferred until the September meeting. This impression, being shared by the Mayor and other members of the Council present at the special meeting, it was ordered, on motion of Mr. Taff that the minutes of the meeting of September 1 be corrected to show that the matter of ordering the laying of water mains on Hancock Avenue was deferred until the regular September meeting of the Council.

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

Balance on hand last report	\$ 4036.40	Salary of engineer	75.00	
Receipts:		Relief of "	6.00	253.27
General taxes	\$ 382.48	Water System: miscellaneous	46.49	
Special "	211.55	Pipe line extensions	126.44	172.93
Water and meter rents	727.58	Sewer System: disposal fields		13.60
Permits	10.00	Street work: labor	283.20	
Road tax refund, P. G. Co.	100.00	material	2.72	285.92
	1431.61	Street lighting		140.00
	5468.01	General expenses: telephones		11.50
Disbursements:		Water tapping fees		17.50
Pump and filter plants: miscellaneous	\$ 47.02	Salary, Clerk and Treasurer	35.00	929.72
Gasoline	125.25	Balance on hand		4538.29

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

A petition, signed by E.M. Douglas and others, requesting that a bill be prepared and introduced at the next meeting of the Maryland legislature and its passage urged providing that all state, county and corporation taxes for property in the Town of Takoma Park, Md., be payable to the Town Treasurer only, was, without objection, referred to the Judiciary Committee for consideration and report.

The Clerk laid before the Council a communication from the Board of County Commissioners notifying the Mayor and Council that the said County Commissioners desired to accept the proposal of the Council for the furnishing of sewerage outlet, connection

and disposal for the Silver Spring tax district and requesting a conference with their Attorney, Mr. John A. Garrett, in reference to the matter of contracting and furnishing proper bond to comply with the terms of the contract.

Mr. Grabill moved that the communication and the matter to which it refers be referred to a special committee consisting of the Mayor and two members of the Council to be appointed by the Mayor, which committee is authorized to take the necessary action in preparation of the contract, etc., such action to be submitted to the Council for final approval and ratification. The motion was carried.

A communication was presented from Mrs. Mary M. Faulconer stating that she had been unable to secure the necessary rights of way for water and sewer mains over private property to furnish these facilities for her new residence on Eastern Ave and urged the Council to take some action to assist her in securing these necessary privileges. Without objection the matter was referred to the Water and Sewer committee for consideration and report.

The Clerk laid before the Council the following communication:

<p>To the Mayor and Council, the Town of Takoma Park, Md.</p> <p>Gentlemen: - The Baltimore and Ocean City Railway Co., incorporated under the laws of the State of Maryland has purchased all the property, real, personal and mixed, rights of way, franchises of the Baltimore and Washington Transit Co., which said sale has been ratified by the courts both of the State of Maryland and the District of Columbia and by the Public Utilities Commission of the State of Maryland, which has authorized the said corporation, the Baltimore and Ocean City Railway Co., to issue its securities to the par value of \$175,000. A portion of this sum is to be expended in new construction. The Baltimore and Ocean City Railway Company hereby makes application for a franchise within the limits of the town of Takoma in Maryland to extend its line from the present terminus near Carroll Avenue along said Avenue to the junction of said Avenue and the lane leading to the Sanitarium just beyond Sligo Creek, and crossing said creek over the present bridge on said Avenue. Permission is also asked for the operation of said line by such motive power as is designated in the charter of the Baltimore and Washington Transit Company in the District of Columbia. A meeting of the Council is hereby requested by the Baltimore and Ocean City Railway Company in which this matter may be discussed and all the facts laid before the Council.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Yours very truly</p>	<p>Washington, D.C., Sept. 3, 1913</p> <p>CHARLES SELDEN, Jr. President.</p>
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On motion of Mr. Grabill the communication was referred to the Street Committee for early consideration and report.

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

C and P. Telephone Co. Rentals	10.80	M. Frank Ruppert, Tools	8.10	E. N. Jackson, Surveying	\$ 8.00
Standard Oil Co. 985 gals gasoline @ 15¢	147.75	Evening Star Newspaper Co. Adv.	6.60	J. W. Brandenburg, Blacksmithing	3.00
George S. Coyne, 2 bbl. soda ash	8.19	Lamond Bros. Sewer pipe	16.99	Total	230.51
A. W. Skinner, Printing	4.50	Col. B. & C. Co. Cement and Stone	16.58		

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

Mr. Grabill, from the water and sewer committee reported that in accordance with the authority granted by the Council the committee had employed Mr. Harry Stevens to make the necessary surveys and tentative plans for enlargement of the water supply, at a compensation of \$100. Mr. Grabill stated that the appropriation was insufficient for detailed plans but would probably be sufficient to indicate what may be done.

Mr. Grabill also reported that the work of cleaning out the sand washed into the creek at the pumping station by the recent heavy rains had been completed within the appropriation and matters in this regard were in very good shape.

Relative to the petition for extension of water and sewer mains on Flower Ave. Mr. Grabill reported that the committee had reached no definite conclusion and would report progress thereon.

Mr. Taff moved that the water and sewer committee be authorized and directed to proceed with the laying of a 4-inch water main on Grant and Hancock Aves., and that the work be done by day labor under direction of that committee. Carried and so ordered.

The Clerk laid before the Council a petition signed by Jay E. Cross, R. A. Diehl and Mrs. C. S. Longacre requesting extension of water main on Park Ave. a distance of about 250 feet from junction of Carroll Ave. On motion of Mr. Taff the petition was referred to the Water and Sewer Committee for consideration and report.

Mr. Blodgett, from the Street Committee, reported the completion of the grading of Cedar Ave. - also that Elm Ave. had been repaired to some extent at its junction with Ash Ave., but that the situation at this point due to natural water courses was difficult of solution and asked for delay in the matter until the entire street committee could go over the ground. Without objection this request was granted. Mr. Blodgett reported further the completion of repairs on Ethan Allen Avenue.

Mr. Blodgett called attention to the serious conditions at the sewer fields due to depredations in the banks of the fields caused by musk rats, house rats, gophers and other opprobrious creatures. Mr. Grabill moved that an appropriation of \$250⁰⁰ be authorized to reconstruct and place the sewer fields in proper condition. The motion was carried.

Mr. Rogers, from the Health Committee, referred to complaint made about the ⁱⁿsanitary conditions at the place occupied by the Rowe family on Carroll Ave., and also at the Beale house, corner of Sycamore and Ethan Allen Aves. On motion of Mr. Taff the Health Committee was directed to thoroughly investigate these properties and require the occupants and owners to abate any nuisances and provide such conveniences as the public health and sanitary conditions may require.

Mr. Blodgett, from the committee on Streets and Lights, in reference to the request of Messrs. Terrell and Little for electric street lights on Willow and Spruce Aves., recommended, in view of the new houses being constructed on these streets that one new electric light be installed on each street for the present. On motion of Mr. Taff the recommendation was approved.

Referring to the recommendations of the Street Committee for permanent street work as reported at the last regular meeting of the Council, and in view of the present financial condition of the town Mr. Grabill moved that the items for macadamizing Holly and Tulip Aves. and guttering Tulip Ave, be disapproved but that the remaining items, namely, gutters on Poplar, Pine and Carroll Aves., culvert on Tulip Ave., and repairing of Carroll and Elm Aves. be approved and expenditures authorized as estimated by the committee for these items and that the Street committee be authorized to contract with responsible parties, within the amounts specified, for the gutters and culvert hereby authorized. The motion was carried. The Street committee was authorized to proceed, by day labor, with the Ash and Carroll Aves. repairs just approved.

The Town Treasurer submitted the following report:

To THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL.										Takoma Park, Md., Sept. 6, 1913					
Gentlemen;- The following is a statement of the cost of the cement sidewalk just completed on Spruce and Tulip Avenues: Contract price for walk, \$405.00; incidental expenses, \$7.50; total, \$412.50. This cost is to be assessed against 550 lineal feet of abutting property, making a per foot assessment of 75 cents. Based thereon the following assessment is submitted:															
Sub-div	BLK	Lot	OWNER	Front Feet	Side ft less 100	Total feet	Amt. due	Sub-div	BLK	Lot	OWNER	Front Feet	Side ft less 100	Total feet	Amt due
Land E.	8	1	Carl L. Davis	50	50	100	\$75.00	Land E.	8	35	Harry E. Smith	50	---	50	\$37.50
		2	"	50	---	50	37.50			36	"	50	---	50	37.50
		3	"	50	---	50	37.50			37	"	50	---	50	37.50
		32	"	50	---	50	37.50			38	"	50	---	50	37.50
		33	"	50	---	50	37.50								
		34	"	50	---	50	37.50								
											Total	500	50	550	412.50

The adoption of the following Ordinance is recommended:

Ordinance No. 231.

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

Sec. 1. That the special assessment submitted by the Town Treasurer under date of September 6, 1913, for the payment of cement sidewalk constructed on Tulip and Spruce Aves, abutting lots 1, 2, 3, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37 and 38, in block 8, Lipscomb and Earnest, Trustees, subdivision, under the provisions of the Act of the General Assembly of Maryland approved March 3, 1904, be, and the said assessment is hereby approved and adopted, the Mayor and Council hereby declaring the said lots to be specially benefitted by said work.

Sec. 2. That the special assessments hereby approved shall be due and payable within thirty days from the approval of this Ordinance; provided that, if so desired, payment may be made in five equal annual installments, the first due thirty days from the approval hereof and the remaining installments due on the first day of each July following, until paid; provided, that payments of one-fifth or excess thereof may be made at any

time within the payment period; all deferred payments to draw interest at the rate of six per cent per annum.
Very Respectfully
BEN G. DAVIS, Treasurer.

Mr. Taff moved that the report be approved and the Ordinance adopted as submitted and the motion was approved upon an aye and nay vote as follows: voting aye the Mayor and Councilmen Blodgett, Grabill, Lewton, Rogers, Rush and Taff; voting nay, none.

There being no further business the Council, at 10:40 o'clock p.m., adjourned.

Approved.

S. Williams Mayor.

Ben G. Davis clerk

Monday Evening, October 13, 1913.

The Council met at 8 o'clock p.m. There were present Mayor Williams and Councilmen Blodgett, Grabill, Lewton, Rogers and Taff. The minutes of the last regular meeting were read by the Clerk and there being no objection they were approved.

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

Balance on hand last report	\$ 4538.29	Sewer fields	\$ 152.20
Receipts:		Street work: labor	\$ 135.10
From general taxes	\$ 503.57	material	44.67 179.77
" special "	170.07	Cement walks	419.60
" water and meter rents	30.03	Street lighting	140.00
" permits	17.00	General expenses: printing	4.50
	720.67	telephones	10.80
	5258.96	postage	1.25 16.55
Disbursements:		Salary, clerk and treasurer	35.00
Pumping plant: miscellaneous	\$ 9.47	Deposit to credit of sinking fund	500.00 1679.34
gasoline	147.75	Balance on hand	\$ 3579.62
salary of engineer	75.00		
extra pumping	4.00 236.22		

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

A communication from Mr. Taylor Grimes asking for the macadamizing of Carroll Avenue from the Shigo bridge to Flower Avenue upon motion of Mr. Taff, was referred to the Street Committee for consideration and report.