

Monday Evening, April 10, 1916

The Council met at 8 o'clock. There were present the Mayor and Councilmen Dyar, Grubill, Jenkins, LaFetra, Rogers and Taff. The minutes of the last regular meeting and of the special meeting of March 17th were read by the Clerk and approved. The monthly report of the Treasurer, duly examined and approved by the Finance Committee, was submitted as follows:

Balance on hand last report	\$ 7252.97	Sewer system: pipe line extensions	\$ 91.20		
Receipts:		sewer fields	3.20	94.40	
From general taxes	\$ 1246.94	Street Work: labor	226.90		
" special "	1971.02	material	23.78	250.68	
" water rents	331.61	General expenses: printing	8.50		
" meter advances	72.00	telephones	10.80		
" water, sewer and gas permits	15.00	contingent	2.03		
" building permits	2.00	postage	21.00	42.33	
	<u>3638.57</u>	Interest on \$15000 street bonds		375.00	
	\$ 10891.54	Miscellaneous expenses		2.34	
Disbursements:		Street improvement bonds paid		5000.00	
Pumping and filter plants: miscel	132.09	Salaries: Clerk and treasurer	35.00		
Gasoline	223.89	Supt. of Public Work	100.00	135.00	6495.07
Salary of engineer	83.34				
Additional pumping	6.00	Balance on hand			\$ 4396.47
Street lighting	150.00				

On motion of Mr. Taff the report was received and directed to be filed.

The Mayor laid before the Council the following report of the Judges of the special election held, Monday, April 3, 1916:

To the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Md. Takoma Park, Md., April 3, 1916

Gentlemen: - The undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as Judges of Election, beg leave to submit the following report in regard to a special election, held this date, regarding a proposed bond issue of \$25000 for the purpose of building a water-storage reservoir and otherwise improving the water system: The Board of Judges duly qualified before the Mayor and organized by the appointment of S.R. Kyle as Chairman and S.E. McNeill as Clerk. The polls were opened promptly at the legal hour of six o'clock a.m., and closed at six o'clock p.m. The following questions were balloted on and received the number of votes as stated: Shall the Mayor and Council borrow, on the credit of the Town, not to exceed \$25,000 for the purpose of building a water-storage reservoir and otherwise improving the water system: For the debt, 32. Against the debt, 6. If the above debt is favorable for the debt, shall the Mayor and Council, in their discretion, contract to supply the village of Silver Spring, Maryland, with water for a period of five years, provided fair and mutually advantageous terms can be agreed upon: For supplying Silver Spring, 31. Against supplying Silver Spring, 6. The total number of votes cast was 38.

It appears from the official canvass of the ballots that the majority favor the bond issue and the supplying of water to Silver Spring, Md.

Very respectfully,
 J.R. KYLE
 F.W. LONGLEY
 L.M. MOOERS
 Judges of Election

Attest: S.E. McNEILL, Clerk

On motion of Mr. Taff the report was received and the result duly declared in accordance with the announcement of the Judges.

The Clerk laid before the Council a communication from Mr. R.J. Speir making application for construction of a sewer in Flower Ave,

north from Carroll Avenue, a distance of approximately 625 feet, in order to provide sewerage facilities for a residence now under construction and of which he is the owner. Without objection the communication was referred to the water and sewer committee for report.

Mr. John A. Ridgeway appeared before the Council to urge favorable action upon the matter of a cement sidewalk at the lower end of Maple Avenue, which matter had been postponed from the December, 1915, meeting, to the April, 1916, meeting.

Mr. S.R. Kyle, a resident of Maple Ave, opposed the construction of the walk, about one-half of the cost of which would be assessed against his property and which he could not very well meet at this time. Mr. Kyle contended that a concrete street was most needed on Maple Ave. and that its construction would solve the sidewalk difficulty as well.

In view of a large proportion of the expense of the desired walk falling upon Mr. Kyle, who did not desire it, Mr. Grabill moved that the matter be laid upon the table. Carried and so ordered.

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

Cand P. Telephone Co. Rentals - - - \$	9.00	Thomson Meter Co. 12 water meters \$	105.00	G.W. Forsberg Repairs to engines - \$	68.08
Col. Brick and Coal Co. Stone, cement -	25.57	Thos. Somerville Co. T.C. pipe - - -	28.80	Natl. Elec. Supply Co. 12 dry cells - - -	3.85
Standard Oil Co. 1350 gals. gasoline -	314.86	Evening Star N.C. Advertising -	8.70	Total - - - -	578.27
B. F. Shricder, blacksmithing - - -	5.65	Rudolph and West Co. Picks, shovels	8.60		

Mr. Taff moved that the bills as approved be paid except that of G.W. Forsberg for repairs to engine which shall be withheld until approved by the Water and Sewer committee. The motion was carried.

Mr. Rogers, from the Health Committee recommended and moved that the week of May 1-7 be set apart as the annual clean-up week and that \$25.00 be appropriated, to be expended under direction of the Health Committee, for expenses incident thereto. The motion was carried.

Mr. Grabill, from the Street Committee, submitted communications from Mr. F.G. Stevens, 230 Spruce Ave, complaining that the opening of a street from Spruce Ave. to Park Ave. reduced the frontage of his lot (No. 27, Blk 8, L and E) with recommendation that Mr. Stevens be advised that investigation shows his lot to be unaffected by the proposed street opening. Recommendation approved,

On motion of Mr. Grabill, ^{action on} the request for electric lights on Lincoln Avenue Avenue was postponed for the present

Mr. Grabill, from the Street Committee submitted the following proposed amendment to the Plumbing Regulations:

Ordinance No. 287.

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

That Section 25 of the Plumbing Regulations be revised and amended to read as follows: Section 25. Any opening or cut made in a roadway or sidewalk must be placed in as nearly as possible the condition existing prior to making the cut at the cost of the person, firm or corporation making the excavation. The work shall be done by the Town Superintendent of Public Work who shall render a signed statement of the cost incurred for each opening, to which shall be added by the Town Clerk ten (10) per centum as the cost of supervision and office expenses and the total amount covered into the general fund.

Each plumber, person, firm or corporation making application for a permit for an excavation for a lateral connection for any house or building shall deposit with the Town Treasurer at the time of his application ten dollars (\$10.00) for each cut to be made in a concrete roadway twenty (20) feet wide; fifteen dollars (\$15.00) for each cut to be made in a concrete roadway thirty (30) feet wide; seven dollars and fifty cents (\$7.50) for each cut in a macadam roadway and \$5.00 for each cut to be made in an earth roadway, brick or cement sidewalk, where in any case the length of such cut is not to exceed the width of the street.

Each person, corporation, or firm making application for a longitudinal cut in any roadway or sidewalk shall deposit with the Treasurer at the time of his application the estimated cost of repairs to such cut, which shall be based upon the following prices: 10 cents per square foot for gravel roadway; 20 cents per square foot for macadam roadway or brick walk; 25 cents per square foot for cement roadway or cement walk. No cut shall be estimated at less than two (2) feet wide.

After any cut has been certified as repaired by the Town Superintendent any balance due the depositor upon that cut may be returned to the depositor.

No permits shall be issued unless the required deposit shall have been made, in addition to other fees required by these Regulations.

All deposits named in this section shall be kept and accounted for separately from other funds of the Town.

Mr. Grabill moved that the Ordinance be passed and approved and the Ordinance was passed and approved upon an aye and nay vote as follows: Voting aye, Mayor Williams and Councilmen Dyar, Grabill, Jenkins, LaFetra, Rogers and Taff. Voting nay, none.

Mr. Blodgett called attention to cuttings in the concrete roadway on Holly Ave. by the Gas Company in locating leaks in their main and on motion of Mr. Grabill repairs thereto were directed and charged to the Gas Company's deposit.

On motion of Mr. LaFetra the Water and Sewer Committee was authorized to employ an assistant for duty at the filter and pumping station at a compensation for the present of \$1.50 per day.

Mr. LaFetra moved that the salary of George Day, Engineer, be increased to \$90.00 per month and that he be granted a vacation, with pay, for 30 days, at such time as his services can best be spared. The motion was carried.

Mr. LaFetra, from the Water and Sewer committee moved that Mr. Fox residing on Section 5, of the Carroll subdivision be notified by the Clerk that, by direction of the Council, he must connect his property, within thirty days, with the sewer on Carroll Ave. The motion was carried.

On recommendation of the Water and Sewer Committee the Health Committee was directed to investigate and eliminate the

presence of a hog pen on the water shed and the presence of saw dust in the stream.

The Council considered informally and at length the matter of preliminary work in connection with waterworks improvements and at its conclusion, upon motion of Mr. Grabill, unanimously authorized the Mayor to select a competent engineer and to enter into contract with him for detailed plans of the proposed work.

The following Ordinance was submitted and approved by the Council upon an aye and nay vote as follows: Voting aye the Mayor and Councilmen Dyar, Grabill, Jenkins, LaFetra, Rogers and Taff. Voting nay, none.

Ordinance No. 288.

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

Sec. 1. That in accordance with the provisions of Sections 4 and 5 of the town charter, a general election is hereby called for Monday, May 1, 1916, in the basement of the Presbyterian Church, on Maple Avenue, at which time and place the qualified voters of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, will cast their ballots for one person for Mayor and for three persons as Councilmen, to serve for a term of two years from the first Monday in June, 1916.

Sec. 2. The polls will open at 6 o'clock a.m. and will close at 6 o'clock p.m.

On motion of Mr. Dyar, Messrs. L. M. Mooers, J. R. Kyle and F. W. Longley were appointed Judges of Election for May 1, 1916 and the Mayor was authorized to fill any vacancies occurring in the Board.

On motion of Mr. Jenkins the Clerk was authorized to call a public meeting of citizens and voters for Tuesday evening, April 18, 1916, in the basement of the Presbyterian Church, for the purpose of nominating candidates for Mayor and Councilmen.

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

Approved:

S. Williams Mayor.

Bruce Davis, Clerk

Monday Evening, May 1, 1916

A special meeting of the Council was held this date, convening at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of hearing the report of the Judges of the annual Town election, held this date. There were present the Mayor and Councilmen Dyar, Jenkins and Taff.

The Judges of Election submitted the following report:

To the Mayor and Council, Town of Takoma Park, Md.	Takoma Park, Md., May 1, 1916
Gentlemen: - The undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as Judges of Election, beg leave to submit the following report in regard to the Annual Town Election, held in the basement of the Presbyterian Church, this date.	
The Board of Judges organized by the selection of S.R. Kyle as Chairman, and C.E. Schofield as Clerk, after having taken the customary oath before the Mayor. The polls were opened at the legal hour of 6 o'clock a.m., and closed at the legal hour of 6 o'clock p.m.	
The following persons were ballotted for and received the number of votes indicated: For Mayor: S.W. Williams, 68. For Councilmen: L.R. Grabill, 50; E.S. LaFetra, 66; H.F. Taff, 67; George F. Randall, 19; E.M. Douglas, 2. The total number of votes cast was 68.	
It therefore appears from the ballots cast that the following received the highest number of votes cast and are hereby declared duly elected: Mayor: S.W. Williams. Councilmen: L.R. Grabill; E.S. LaFetra; H.F. Taff.	
Attest: C.E. Schofield, Clerk.	Very respectfully, S.R. KYLE L.M. MOGERS S.E. MCNEILL Judges of Election

On motion of Mr. Jenkins the report was received and the election duly declared as certified by the Judges of Election.

On motion of Mr. Taff an appropriation of \$12.00 was authorized for payment of Judges and Clerk of election.

The Mayor stated that in accordance with the authority granted by the Council he had appointed Mr. S.E. McNeill as Judge of Election, vice Mr. F.W. Longley who was unable to serve.

There being no further business the Council thereupon, at 8:11 o'clock p.m., adjourned.

Approved:

S.W. Williams Mayor.

B.W. Davis, Clerk.

Monday Evening, May 8, 1916.

The Council met at 8 o'clock. There were present Mayor Williams and Councilmen Dyar, Grabill, Jenkins, LaFetra, Rogers and Taff.

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

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

Balance on hand last report	\$ 4396.47	Water System; miscellaneous	\$ 105.00
RECEIPTS:		pipe line extensions	29.40 134.40
From general taxes	\$ 230.57	Sewer System; sewer fields	3.20
" special "	223.14	pipe line extensions	45.65 48.85
water rents	414.63	Street work; labor	75.10
meter advances	54.00	material	25.57 100.67
water and sewer permits	42.00	Street lighting	151.80
building permits	22.00	General expenses; telephones	9.00
redemption fund	1.75	Semi-annual interest on water and sewer bonds	980.00
	988.09	Miscellaneous expenses	40.34
	\$ 5384.56	Salary, Supt. of Public Work	100.00
DISBURSEMENTS:		Salary, Clerk and Treasurer	35.00
Pumping plant; miscellaneous	\$ 3.85	Paid from redemption fund	1.75
gasoline	314.86	Builders' deposits returned	10.00 2053.52
salary of engineer	90.00	Balance on hand	\$ 3331.04
assistance to engineer	33.00 441.71		

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

The Mayor announced that in accordance with the terms of the Charter and notices duly issued by the Clerk, the Council would now proceed, as a Board of Review, to hear any objections that may be presented to the assessment as submitted by the Board of Assessors.

The Clerk stated that in accordance with law all persons whose assessment had been increased or diminished had been duly notified thereof and that all notices of said assessment had been properly given.

Miss Elizabeth E. Reiss, owner of lots 9 and 10, block 11, objected to the increase of \$425 to the valuation of her lots. Discussion elicited the information that the increase was to correct an inadvertent undervaluation of the last Board of Assessors and to equalize the valuation of Miss Reiss property with that adjoining. On motion of Mr. Grabill the assessment on Miss Reiss' lots was approved as submitted by the Assessors.

Mr. S. R. Kyle called attention to the assessment of \$100 for the first time levied on lot B, block 5 and requested that it be eliminated in view of the fact that he intended to deed it to the town as a part of Maple Avenue. In view of Mr. Kyle's statement, on motion of Mr. Jenkins the assessment was cancelled.

There being no further protests or objections the Mayor announced the close of the hearing and the Council resumed its regular order.

Requests of Mr. J.W. Shadle for street lights on Park and Denwood Aves., and J.W. Hite for street light on Albany Ave. were referred to the Street Committee for report and recommendation.

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

Cand P. Telephone Co. Rentals	\$ 8.90	Lamond Bros. 72' 15" f.c. pipe	\$ 11.80	A.W. Skinner, Printing	\$ 26.50
Fred J. White, Manhole frame and cover	7.00	Mattingly Bros. disinfectants	3.40	Columbia Brick and Coal Co. Stone etc	17.76
Standard Oil Co. 1180 gals. gasoline	277.31	Thos. Somerville Co. Lead and hemp	99.83		452.50

On motion of Mr. Taff the report was approved and payment of the bills directed except that of Lamond Bros. which the Treasurer was authorized to withhold until satisfied of its correctness.

Mr. Taff, from the Finance Committee, submitted the following recommendation:

To the Mayor and Council:

The Finance Committee recommends that the compensation of the Town Clerk and Treasurer be made fifty dollars (\$50.00) per month, effective May 1, 1916, on account of the duties and responsibilities of the position.

Takoma Park, Md, May 8, 1916.

H. F. TAFF E. S. LA FETRA

H. E. ROGERS B. B. JENKINS Finance Committee.

On motion of Mr. Taff the report and recommendation were unanimously approved.

Mr. Rogers, from the Health Committee, submitted a communication from certain residents of Sycamore Avenue complaining of an outhouse or privy on the rear of lot No. Carroll Ave., and moved that the occupant of the premises concerned be notified by the Clerk to abandon the use of said outhouse or privy and connect the premises with the public sewer within 30 days from date of notification; and that if renter of the premises, said occupant be directed to advise the owner of the requirement of this order. Motion carried.

Mr. Rogers, from the Health Committee, reported further that "Clean-up Week" had been unusually successful and that double as many requests had been handled this year than last; that in consequence the appropriation of \$25.00 was insufficient and recommended that an additional appropriation of \$25.00 be authorized. [mittee in "Clean-up Week."

On motion of Mr. Dyar the sum of \$25.00 or so much thereof as is necessary, was appropriated for further use of the Health Com-

Mr. LaFetra, from the Water and Sewer Committee, laid before the Council communications from Messrs R. J. Speir and J. E. Cross requesting that a sewer be constructed along Flower Avenue, northward from Carroll Ave., a distance of 623 feet to afford sewer ac-

commodations to new residences which they are erecting. Mr. Cross requested the further permission of putting in a supply pipe from the water hydrant near the college dining hall to supply his residence with water. The committee recommended construction of the desired sewer and the preparation of the necessary preliminary ordinance; they recommended that Mr. Cross be granted permission for the necessary water connection provided he sign an agreement to abandon said service and to connect with water main when laid in Flower Avenue and to pay any assessment levied against his property therefor. On motion of Mr. Grabill the Committee's recommendations were approved.

A request from Mr. A. H. Deike to construct a septic tank at the house being erected by Mr. Collison on Eastern Ave, according to plans already approved by the Council, was granted upon motion of Mr. Grabill provided plans of the septic tank be filed with the Clerk and that said plans receive the approval of the State Board of Health.

Mr. Grabill, from the Street Committee, submitted a petition of property owners requesting a cement sidewalk on Baltimore and Albany Aves., from the end of the present walk on Baltimore Ave. to the dividing line between lots 22 and 23, block 76, on Albany Ave., and moved that the preliminary ordinance therefor be prepared. Carried and so ordered.

Upon his request therefor permission was granted Mr. Fred L. Glaize to construct cement sidewalks on the south side of Carroll Ave, abutting blocks 39 and 40, of Glaize's subdivision, at his own expense, under general supervision of the Superintendent of Public Work who shall furnish Mr. Glaize with the required grades for said walk.

A petition from certain residents in vicinity of Ash and Eastern Aves. for two additional street lights, one on northwest corner of Ash and Eastern Ave. and one at the foot of the hill near Mr. Douglas' residence, was returned by the Street Committee with statement that there is already one light at the corner of Ash and Eastern Aves., and that there appears no necessity for the other light at this time. The report was approved.

On recommendation of the street committee an appropriation of \$250 was authorized for the oiling of Carroll Ave. and all work incident ^{[thereto,}

On motion of Mr. Dyar an appropriation of \$25.00 was authorized for tarring expansion joints in the concrete roadways.

The Mayor informed the Council that in accordance with the authority granted him he had accepted the proposition of Mr. Harry Stevens, of Washington, D.C., to perform the necessary engineering and supervision work in connection with the proposed waterworks improvements for a compensation equal to 5% of the total cost of the work. On motion of Mr. Grabill the action of the Mayor was approved.

The Mayor informed the Council further that in accordance with the expressed desire of members of the Council and of many citizens he had written to the Board of County Commissioners recommending the appointment of Mr. Homer Guerry as one of the Commissioners to investigate the matter of water and sewer systems within the drainage district embracing Takoma Park. On motion of Mr. Grabill the action of the Mayor was approved. [Proved.]

On motion of Mr. Grabill the Clerk was directed to inform Mr. Fred L. Glaze that the estimated cost of laying a water main in Boyd Avenue is \$500 and that upon deposit of that amount with the Town Treasurer, the work would be done.

On motion of Mr. Dyar, the Superintendent of Public Work was authorized to make certain changes in the water mains on the grounds of the Washington Sanitarium, the expenses thereof to be paid by the Sanitarium authorities.

The following Ordinance, concerning certain proposed public work, was submitted:

Ordinance No. 289.

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

Sec. 1. That in accordance with the provisions of the Act of the General Assembly of Maryland approved March 2, 1904, and in furtherance of the general public safety and convenience, construction of the following public work is in contemplation, namely: laying of an 8-inch terra cotta sewer on Flower Avenue, from Carroll Avenue northward about 650 feet, at an estimated cost of \$1.00 per linear foot, to be assessed against abutting property in Block 51 and the "Palmer Tract." Construction of a 4-foot cement sidewalk on Baltimore and Albany Avenues, at an estimated cost of 75 cents per linear foot, to be assessed against lots 15, 16, 23, 24, 25 and 26, block 76, of the Takoma Park Loan and Trust Company's Subdivision. Grading of Boyd Avenue, at an estimated cost of \$300, two-thirds of which will be assessed against lots 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15, Block 39 and lots 5, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21, Block 40, of Fred L. Glaze's Subdivision - all of said designated property being deemed specially benefitted by said work.

Sec. 2. The Mayor and Council will meet at the office of the Clerk on Monday evening, May 29, 1916, at 8 o'clock, at which time and place all parties interested will be heard in regard to the proposed work.

Mr. Rogers 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 Dyar, Grabill, Jenkins, Rogers and Taff; voting nay, none.

Mr. J. W. Shadle invited the attention of the Council to certain amendments in the plumbing regulations which might be desirable and which are in force in the District of Columbia, among them the abolishing of yard sewer traps and the permitting of smaller stacks. Mr. Shadle's suggestions were referred to the Water and Sewer Committee for consideration.

Mr. Blodgett, Superintendent of Public Work submitted to the Council a resume of general work done during the past month, including streets, progress on water and sewer main extensions, etc.

The following communication from the Town Treasurer was laid before the Council:

The Mayor and Council, Town of Takoma Park, Md.

Takoma Park, Md, May 5, 1916

Gentlemen:- The following is a statement of the cost of the sewer recently constructed in Carroll Avenue abutting the Glaize and Carroll Subdivisions;

Contractor	\$ 600.00	Inspection	\$ 20.00
Advertising	8.55	Surveying	5.00
Blue prints	.50	Miscellaneous	1.98
		Total	\$ 636.03

This cost is to be assessed against 1413.4 feet of abutting property, a per foot charge of 45 cents.
The following assessment on the basis indicated is submitted:

Subdiv.	Blk	Lot	Owner	Feet	Amt. due.	Subdiv.	Blk	Lot	Owner	Feet	Amt. due.
Gilberts	37	2	Susan A. Summy	57.5	\$ 25.88	Glaizes	40	4	Fred L. Glaize	45	\$ 20.25
		3	Cary I. Bush	108.2	48.69			5	" "	55	24.75
Glaizes	39	6	Fred L. Glaize	55	24.75	Gilberts	50	16	Angus Lamond	87.9	39.56
		7	" "	45	20.25			17	Augusta W. T. Lang	78.3	35.24
		8	" "	45	20.25	Carrolls	7		Fred L. Glaize	226	101.70
		9	" "	42.5	19.13		7		Katharine C. Beale	115.3	51.86
	40	1	" "	60	27.00		9		Fred L. Glaize	218.7	98.42
		2	" "	45	20.25	Unsub.			S. Maurice Appleby	84	37.80
		3	" "	45	20.25				Totals	1413.4	636.03

Very Respectfully,
BEN G. DAVIS, Treasurer.

The following Ordinance was thereupon presented and, upon motion of Mr. Dyar was approved upon an aye and nay vote as follows: voting aye, the Mayor and Councilmen Dyar, Grabill, Jenkins, Rogers and Taff. Voting nay, none.

Ordinance No. 290.

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

Sec. 1. That the special assessment submitted in the report of the Town Treasurer under date of May 5, 1916, for the cost of construction of an 8-inch terra cotta sewer on Carroll Avenue, be, and the said assessment is hereby adopted, the several properties therein designated being hereby declared specially benefitted thereby.

Sec. 2. The special assessments herein approved and adopted shall be due and payable thirty days from the date hereof; provided that, if so desired, payments may be made in five equal installments, the first due prior to or on the first day of July, 1916 and the remaining installments on the first day of each July following, until paid; provided further that payments of one-fifth of the total amount due, or excess thereof, may be made at any time prior to becoming due. All deferred payments to bear interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum.

There being no further business the Council, at 11:40 o'clock p.m., adjourned.

Approved:

J. M. Williams Mayor.

Ben G. Davis, Clerk.

Monday Evening, May 29, 1916

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 hearing all parties interested in the construction of proposed public work designated in Ordinance No. 289, passed and approved May 8, 1916, and for the transaction of such other public business as may be presented.

There were present the Mayor and Councilmen Dyar, Grabill, Jenkins, LaFetra, Rogers and Taff.

The Clerk stated that the necessary legal notices had been served on all parties interested in the proposed work; that a communication had been received from Mr. Stewart stating that, although his residence was now connected with sewer on Carroll Ave. he would offer no objection to the one on Flower Ave. which was needed by people now building; and that an additional letter had been received from Mr. J.E. Cross delegating Mr. Ellis Workman to act as his representative at the meeting.

Mr. W.T. Knox, representing the Washington Sanitarium and the Washington Foreign Mission Seminary, protested against the assessment of any portion of the cost of the proposed sewer to these institutions, which, at large expense, had constructed all the sewers required for their purposes.

No further persons desiring to be heard the matter was taken under advisement for later determination.

A communication from the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Co., requesting permission to attach telephone wires to four poles of the Potomac Electric Power Co. to furnish service to Mrs. Frances Davis, on Eastern Ave, was laid before the Council and the desired permission granted, on motion of Mr. Taff, provided the pole installation was in accordance with D. of C. requirements.

On motion of Mr. Dyar a permit was granted the Baltimore and Washington Railway Company to tap the water main on Laurel Avenue and to install a yard hydrant at the terminus of their tracks; said permit to be revocable at the pleasure of the Council.

A delegation of gentlemen from Silver Spring Park, consisting of Messrs. William F. McNally, James H. Cissel, William Newman and Rudolph Bender, were present at the meeting and discussed informally with the Council the proposition to furnish Silver Spring with water from the Takoma Park plant. These gentlemen expressed their opinion that the proposed minimum annual charge of \$1800 with a maximum consumption of 1000000 cubic feet was entirely too high and requested a reconsideration of the Council's proposition and a reduction thereof. The Mayor and Council thereupon agreed to give the matter further consideration and to submit a further report.

The following Ordinance was submitted for the action of the Council:

Ordinance No 291.

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

Sec. 1. That in accordance with the provisions of the Act of the General Assembly of Maryland approved March 2, 1904, and in furtherance with the general public safety and convenience it is hereby ordered that a 4-foot cement sidewalk be constructed on Baltimore Avenue and on Albany Avenue; and that Boyd Avenue, in the Glaise subdivision, be graded, all as provided in Ordinance No. 289, passed and approved May 8, 1916, and in accordance with the terms and provisions thereof.

Sec. 2. That the cost of said work shall be assessed, as stated, against the property enumerated in said Ordinance, said property being hereby declared specially benefited by the said 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 Grabill, Dyar, Jenkins, LaFetra, Rogers and Taff. Voting nay, none.

On motion of Mr. Grabill the Mayor was authorized to proceed with the work directed in Ordinance No. 291, whenever, in his judgment the finances of the Town will permit.

There being no further business the Council, at 10:25 o'clock p.m., adjourned.

Approved:

J. Williams Mayor

Bill Davis
Clerk.

Monday Evening, June 5, 1916

A special meeting of the Council was held this date, at the office of the Clerk, convening at 8 o'clock. There were present Mayor Williams and Councilmen Dyar, Grabill, Jenkins, LaFetra and Taff.

The Mayor administered the oath of office for the new term, beginning this date, of Councilmen Grabill, LaFetra and Taff.

Mr. Taff moved that Mr. Ben G. Davis be reelected Clerk and Treasurer for the following year and the motion was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Grabill moved that Mr. E. E. Blodgett be elected Superintendent of Public Work for the ensuing year; unanimously carried.

On motion of Mr. Taff the members of the Council, the Clerk, and the Engineer were appointed deputy bailiffs and Mr. E. E. Blodgett, Chief Bailiff; Mr. J. W. Shadle was appointed deputy bailiff.