

Tuesday evening, September 5, 1916.

In accordance with public notice duly given as required by law, a special meeting of the Council was held this date, in the basement of the Presbyterian church, convening at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of hearing all persons interested in the proposed public work designated in Ordinance No. 295, passed and approved August 14, 1916.

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

After reading the notice for the meeting the Clerk announced that all parties in interest had been properly notified of the meeting in accordance with the requirements of the ~~charter~~ charter.

The Mayor thereupon announced that the Council was ready to hear anyone interested in any of the proposed work.

Mr. John J. Snodgrass, for himself and Mrs. Belle Will, expressed opposition to the concrete roadway on Maple Ave. for the reason that they were unable to meet the large additional assessment of taxes which would result therefrom.

Mr. James O. Macallister spoke in hearty favor of the proposed concreting on Maple Avenue.

Mr. H. L. Thornton, as representative of the owners of lots 17 and 18, block 16, Elm Ave, called attention to the fact that said lots were already provided with sewer and that they would not be benefitted by new sewer construction on that street.

Mrs. Annie Seaman, for herself and Mrs. James Phillips urged early construction of the proposed sewer on Elm Avenue.

Mr. John Welsh refers to lots owned by him fronting on both Carroll and Park Aves. and requested exemption of any assessment on one front.

Mr. W. B. Walters urged that the Park Ave. work be extended far enough to embrace his lots,

Professor O. M. John expressed his approval of concreting the roadway on Carroll avenue, between Flower Ave. and the bridge, but suggested that part of the expense thereof should be borne by the state or county.

Mr. Daniel Miller urged the Council to include Takoma Ave, between Chestnut and Baltimore Aves, in its schedule of work for this year.

Written protests regarding the proposed work from Messrs. Sears, Frazier and Brainerd were referred to the appropriate committees.

There being no further objections or suggestions the Mayor declared the hearing closed and referred the matters to the Street and to the Water and Sewer Committees for report thereon at the regular meeting September 11th.

The Mayor announced that he had received a proposal for the sale of a lot adjoining the pumping station, from the owner,

Mrs Pamela Favorite, for the sum of \$400 and that he would refer the matter to the Water and Sewer Committee for consideration.

A petition for improvement of Sherman Ave. was referred to the Street Committee for consideration and report, as was also a request from Messrs. Lockwood and Walters for extension of the cement sidewalk on Park Avenue.

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

Approved:

J. Williams

Mayor

Paul Davis

Clerk.

Monday Evening, September 11, 1916.

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

The minutes of the last regular meeting and of the special meeting of September 5, were read by the Clerk and were approved.

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

Balance on hand last report	\$ 6042.37	Water System: miscellaneous	\$	
Receipts:		pipe line extensions		
From general taxes	\$ 647.07	Sewer system: miscellaneous	24.85	
" special "	514.69	pipe line extensions	50.33	
" water rents	25.58	Street work: labor	123.67	
" water meter advances	39.00	material	29.85	153.52
" gas permits	2.00	Street lighting		152.91
" road tax refund, P.C. Co.	119.07	Concrete streets		447.64
" building permits	2.00	Cement walks		95.11
	1349.41	General expenses: telephones	8.95	
	7391.78	printing	9.50	18.45
Disbursements:		Miscellaneous expenses		3.65
Pumping and Filter Plant: miscel	\$ 116.16	Salaries: clerk and treasurer	50.00	
gasoline	279.71	superintendent of public work	100.00	150.00
salary of engineer	90.00			2132.71
assistance to engineer	44.00	Balance on hand		\$ 5259.07
	529.87			

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

The Mayor announced the appointment of Messrs. LaFetra, Taff and Jenkins as the special committee authorized at the August meeting to report on proposed Regulations for electric wiring.

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

Cand P. Telephone Co. Rentals --- \$ 9.15	Evening Star, Advertising --- \$ 9.60	Presbyterian Church, Rentals ----- \$ 32.00
Thos. Somerville Co. 200' h.c. pipe - 25.30	Natl. Elec. Supply Co. 1 doz dry cells 3.60	John H. Thomas, 6 poles ----- 12.00
Col. B. and Coal Co., Stone, cement etc 34.79	Standard Oil Co. 1130 gals. gasoline - 236.05	<u>\$ 362.49</u>

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

On motion of Mr. Rogers the Treasurer was authorized to refund to the Trustees of the Presbyterian Church the sum of \$3.78 erroneously charged to their property for construction of driveways.

Mr. Rogers, from the Health Committee, reported a case of infantile paralysis as having developed since the last meeting—that the patient had been taken to a hospital in Washington and was rapidly recovering.

Mr. Grabill, from the Street Committee, laid before the Council petitions for an additional street light on Flower Ave, north of Carroll Ave, for an additional light on Denwood Ave. and for two additional lights on Park Avenue. Mr. Rogers moved that the requested lights be granted on Park and Denwood Aves, and Mr. Dyar moved that an additional light be placed on Flower Ave. Both motions were carried.

Mr. Grabill laid before the Council a petition signed by the owners of lots 9 to 14, inclusive, block 1, "Hill Crest" on Park Ave, and of lots 22 to 26, inclusive, of block 2, "Hill Crest" on Crescent Place, requesting the laying of a cement sidewalk abutting their properties, and, in view of the fact that the walks petitioned for are continuous and that the petition doubtless constitutes a waiver of the necessity of advertisement and public hearing, moved that the prayer of the petitioners be granted and the work ordered. The motion was carried.

Mr. Grabill returned the petition of certain residents in the Carroll subdivision requesting that the cross-over from Carroll to Sherman Ave be repaired and Sherman Ave. graded, with recommendation "that 30 lin. ft. of 8" terra cotta pipe covered with about 5" of concrete be laid at intersection of Sherman and Carroll Aves, at an estimated cost of \$20; and that Sherman Ave. be regulated with a road machine at a further cost of \$25." On motion of Mr. Grabill the recommendation of the committee was approved and the work ordered.

The Water and Sewer Committee, through Mr. Grabill, submitted the following reports:

On an application of Mr. J. N. Ryland for refund of water rent because tenant has left the house that "Mr. Ryland be informed that the Council does not find it possible to make refund of water rent" which report was approved on motion of Mr. Grabill.

On an application of Mr. J. N. Ryland to extend the service water pipe from his house on Cedar Ave, to a house owned by him on

Ethan Allen Ave, with recommendation "that permit be granted for an independent connection provided owner sign agreement to connect with water main when constructed on Ethan Allen Ave, and locate meter for said house in ground adjacent in front of house on Cedar Ave. so meters will be independent of each other." The recommendation was approved on motion of Mr. Dyar.

On a communication from the Chicago Bridge and Iron Works asking for early definite action on their proposal for steel tank and tower because of advancing steel prices, that same had been "answered stating that Council would meet Sept. 11, after which date we would write regarding the water tower." After brief discussion the Mayor stated that he would write the company regarding the matter.

The Street Committee, through Mr. Grabill presented the following Ordinance:

Ordinance No. 296

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, it is hereby ordered that concrete roadways be constructed upon those streets and abutting the lots mentioned in Section 1, of Ordinance No. 295, passed and approved August 14, 1916. h 215

Sec. 2. - That two-thirds of the cost of said roadways shall be assessed against the property enumerated in said Ordinance No. 295, 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 Dyar, Grabill, Jenkins, Rogers and Taff; voting nay, none.

On motion of Mr. Grabill the Clerk was directed to insert the necessary advertisement in the Washington Star for proposals for the concrete streets and cement sidewalks to be constructed and that bids therefor be received at the office of the clerk up to 8 o'clock p. m., Wednesday, September 27th. and there and then opened. The motion was carried.

The Water and Sewer Committee submitted the following Ordinance and recommended its adoption:

Ordinance No. 297

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, it is hereby ordered that a public sewer be constructed through block 19 to furnish sewerage facilities to lots 27, 28, 29, 30 and 31 in said block 19 of Gilbert's subdivision.

Sec. 2. That the total cost of said sewer shall be assessed against the lots above enumerated which lots are 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, Rogers and Taff; voting nay, none.

Mr. Grabill moved that the sewer just authorized be constructed by day labor and that the Superintendent of Public Work be instructed to take it up immediately upon completion of the Flower Ave. sewer. The motion was carried.

Messrs. Kelliher, Smith and Miller of Takoma and Chestnut Aves., addressed the Council, all urging the necessity of a concrete roadway on Takoma Ave., from Chestnut Ave. to Baltimore Ave.

Mr. Dyar, from the Ordinance Committee, submitted the following proposed Ordinance:

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Ordinance No. 298.

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

That any person who shall engage in the pastime of coasting in any street of the Town of Takoma Park in or upon any wheeled vehicle with metal tires shall pay a fine of not less than one dollar nor more than five dollars for the first offense and not less than five dollars or more than ten dollars for the second or any subsequent offense.

Mr. Dyar moved that the ordinance be adopted and the ordinance was adopted upon an aye and nay vote as follows: voting aye, Councilmen Dyar, Grabill, Jenkins and Rogers; voting nay; Mayor Williams and Councilman Taff.

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Upon motion of Mr. Grabill the Superintendent of Public Work was authorized to purchase from time to time such meter repair parts as may be re-

Mr. Harry Stevens, consulting engineer in improving of the water system consulted with the Council and submitted recommendations for the purchase of new pump gearings and repairs of pumps at an expense of about \$200; and for the purchase of a 6000-gallon fuel oil storage tank at a cost of \$350. The recommendations were approved and the expenditures authorized on motion of Mr. Grabill.

The Water and Sewer Committee, to which had been referred communications of Jas. S. Fraser, lot 19, block 16, and C.L. Shear, lot 20, block 16, protesting against sewer assessment for proposed new sewer on Elm Avenue, returned said communications with recommendation that the lots mentioned, not being benefited by the proposed sewer, be not assessed therefor. The recommendations were approved.

The following communication was presented by the Town Treasurer:

The Mayor and Council, Takoma Park, Md.

Takoma Park, Md., Sept. 1, 1916

Gentlemen: I submit herewith the cost of special public improvements recently completed, together with proposed assessments covering said cost, for your consideration:

Water Main, Pine Crest Subdivision, through Block 17.

Sewer on Flower Ave, from Davis Ave. to Jackson Ave.

<i>Cost: 295' cast iron water pipe @ 30¢</i>	<i>\$ 88.50</i>
<i>154' lead @ 10¢, 15.40; 10' hemp @ 10¢, 2 plugs, 22' @ 5¢ 1/10</i>	<i>17.50</i>
<i>1 fire hydrant</i>	<i>25.00</i>
<i>Advertising 4.20; labor, 78.00; miscel 5.20</i>	<i>87.40</i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>\$ 218.40</i>

<i>Cost: 275' sewer pipe @ 14¢</i>	<i>\$ 38.50</i>
<i>Brick, sand, cement 8.50; labor 111.20</i>	<i>119.70</i>
<i>Surveying, 10.00 advertising 4.50</i>	<i>14.50</i>
<i>Manhole top 7.00 miscellaneous 4.50</i>	<i>11.50</i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>\$ 184.20</i>

This amount is assessable against 546 linear feet of abutting property, a per foot assessment of 40¢

This amount is assessable against 615 linear feet of abutting property, a per foot assessment of 30¢.

Subdiv.	Blk	Lot	Assessed Owner	Front Ft	Amt. due	Subdiv.	Blk	Lot	Assessed Owner	Front Ft	Amt. due	
Pine Crest	17	1	West Penn Land Co	42	\$ 16.80	Cung	G	1	Ellis Workman	50	\$ 15.00	
		2	George W. Collison	42	16.80			2	" "	50	15.00	
		3	" " "	42	16.80			3	Huldah E. Olsen	50	15.00	
		4	Mattie C. Wallace	42	16.80			4	John L. and Bessie Shaw	50	15.00	
		5	Lillian M. Stewart	42	16.80			5	Francis M. Wilcox	50	15.00	
		6	" " "	42	16.80			6	" " "	50	15.00	
		31	Stephen L. Lush	42	16.80	Gilb.	49	4	Edward M. Douglas	160	48.00	
		32	West Penn Land Co	42	16.80			6	" " "	155	46.50	
		33	" " " "	42	16.80			Total		615	184.50	
		34	" " " "	42	16.80							
		35	" " " "	42	16.80							
		36	J. Frank Winter	42	16.80							
		37	" " " "	42	16.80							
Total				546	218.40							

Very respectfully,
BEN G. DAVIS, Treasr.

The following Ordinance was thereupon presented:

Ordinance No. 299

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

Sec. 1. That the assessment, presented in the report of the Town Treasurer, dated September 1, 1916, for the laying of a water main through a portion of block 17, in the Pine Crest Subdivision and for the construction of a sewer along a portion of Flower Avenue, be, and the same is hereby approved and adopted, the lots therein mentioned being hereby declared specially benefited by said improvements.

Sec. 2. The assessments herein approved and adopted shall be due and payable on or before October 15, 1916; provided, that if so desired, payments thereof may be made in five equal annual installments, the first due and payable October 15, 1916, and the remaining payments due and payable on the first day of each July following, until paid; provided further, that payments of one-fifth, 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 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 Councilmen Dyar, Grabill, Jenkins, Rogers and Taff. Voting nay, none.

There being no further business the Council, at 10:55 o'clock, p.m., adjourned.

Approved: *J. M. Williams* Mayor.

Ben G. Davis
Clerk.

On motion of Mr. Jenkins, the Mayor and Treasurer were authorized to negotiate with the Washington Loan and Trust Co., or other financial institution, if deemed necessary, for the required funds for such permanent street improvement as may be decided upon for the current fiscal year.

Wednesday Evening, September 27, 1916

A special meeting of the Council was held at the office of the Clerk this date, convening at 8 o'clock for the purpose of opening bids for the construction of concrete streets and cement sidewalks, as per advertisement made in accordance with law.

There were present Mayor Williams and Councilmen Dyar, Grabill, Rogers and Taff.

The hour of 8 o'clock having arrived and no bids having been received for the proposed work Mr. Dyar moved that the time for reception of bids be postponed until Monday evening, October 2, 1916, at 8 o'clock, at the Clerk's office. The motion was carried.

With reference to the proposed sewer on Elm Ave, Mr. Grabill presented the following Ordinance.

Ordinance No. 300.

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 5, 1904, and in furtherance of the general public safety and convenience it is hereby ordered that a public sewer be constructed within Elm Ave, between Pine Avenue and Hickory Avenue, abutting the lots mentioned in Section 1, of Ordinance No. 295, passed and approved August 14, 1916.

Sec. 2. - That the total cost of said sewer shall be assessed against such of the abutting property as shall be declared by the Mayor and Council to be specially benefitted thereby.

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

The Mayor laid before the Council communications from the Takoma Park Citizens' Association with reference to the Ordinance recently passed by the Council prohibiting certain coasting upon the streets and with reference to the improvement of the park in North Takoma; the Mayor referred the first to the Ordinance Committee and the second to the Street Committee for consideration and report.

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

Approved:

J. Williams

Mayor.

Paul Davis, Clerk.

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Monday Evening October 2, 1916.

Pursuant to resolution adopted at their last meeting the Mayor and Council met at the Office of the Clerk, convening at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of receiving and opening bids for the construction of concrete streets and cement walks. Present, the Mayor and Councilmen Grabill, [Jenkins, Rogers and Taff.]

The Clerk laid before the Council bids for the proposed work from the Cranford Paving Co. and the Warren F. Brenizer Co., of Washington, D.C., and from J.W. Shadle, of Takoma Park, Md. The bids were opened, read by the Clerk and referred to the Street Committee for consideration and report, the Council recessing to permit the Committee time for consideration.

Upon reconvening, Mr. Grabill, for the Street Committee, reported verbally that the bid of Mr. J.W. Shadle was not in the form required by the specifications and therefore could not be considered; that the bid of the Warren F. Brenizer Company was lower in all items than the bid of the Cranford Paving Company, and that the Committee recommended the passage of a suitable Ordinance accepting the bid of the Warren F. Brenizer Company for both streets and walks. The motion was carried and the following Ordinance presented:

Ordinance No. 301.

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

Sec. 1. That the proposals of the Warren F. Brenizer Company, of Washington D.C., bearing date of October 2, 1916, for the construction of concrete roadways and curbs at the following prices: 1. Grading and rolling roadway and grading parking space, 48¢ per cubic yard excavated; 2 and 3, constructing straight and curved cement curbing combined with roadway pavement, including trench excavation and cinder base, 24¢ per linear foot; 4. Constructing cement roadway, 5 inches in thickness, width estimated to include the width of curbs, \$1.02 per sq. yd; 5. Constructing catch basins and covers, \$20.00 each; 6. For extra work, not included above, when ordered in writing, at actual cost of labor and material furnished, plus 15 per cent. For cement sidewalks: 1. For grading as specified, in excess of 1 foot in depth, 55¢ per cubic yard; 2. For constructing and laying cement walks, \$1.40 per sq. yd; 3. Extra work, not included above, when ordered in writing, at actual cost of labor and material furnished, plus 15 per cent; be and the same are hereby accepted.

Sec. 2. The Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to enter into the necessary contract on behalf of the Town of Takoma Park with the said Warren F. Brenizer Company for the work as stipulated in their proposals.

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, Jenkins, Rogers and Taff; voting nay, none.

The Clerk laid before the Council a bill from Harry Stevens, Civil Engineer, of \$350 for "services making additional surveys, test borings, etc, and preparing plans and specifications for proposed dam and storage reservoir."

Mr. Grabill moved that, in lieu of the bill presented, the Treasurer be authorized to pay Mr. Stevens \$300 "on account" in connection with professional services rendered the Town. The motion was carried.

On motion of Mr. Grabill the Treasurer was authorized to pay \$ 25, "on account" to Mr. E. N. Jackson, in connection with surveying, and other similar work for the Town.

There being no further business the Council, at 10:15 o'clock adjourned.

Approved:

J. William

Mayor

B. W. Davis

Clerk.

Monday Evening, October 9, 1916.

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

In the unavoidable absence of the Mayor the Council was called to order by the Clerk and, upon motion of Mr. Taff, Councilman Dyar was unanimously elected as Mayor pro tem.

The minutes of the last regular meeting and of the special meetings of September 27 and October 2, were read by the Clerk and approved.

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

Balance on hand-----	\$ 5259.07	Pumping plant: miscellaneous-----	91.81	
Receipts:		gasoline-----	236.05	
From general taxes-----	\$ 492.79	salary of engineer-----	90.00	
" special "-----	527.01	assistance to engineer-----	43.75	461.61
" water rents-----	619.60	Street work: material-----		34.79
" meter advances-----	40.00	Street lighting-----		153.75
" water and sewer permits-----	1.00	General expenses: telephones-----		9.15
" gas permits-----	1.00	Interest on street improvement bonds-----		250.00
" miscellaneous-----	.80	Miscellaneous expenses-----		65.53
	1682.20	Salary, clerk and treasurer-----		50.00
	6941.27	" superintendent of public work-----	100.00	1524.35
Disbursements:		Balance on hand-----		\$ 5416.92
Sewer system: pipe line extensions-----	399.52			

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

Upon written application therefor and on motion of Mr. Grabill, permission was granted the C and P. Telephone Company to attach certain telephone wires to electric light poles on Willow and Oak Avenues, to furnish telephone service to subscribers on said streets,

provided said wires be attached and protected in accordance with the regulations governing in the District of Columbia.

On motion of Mr. LaFetra the Clerk was authorized to grant permits for the stringing of telephone wires on existing electric light poles or of electric light wires on existing telephone poles, subject to mutual arrangement of the respective Companies and to the regulations of the District of Columbia governing in like cases.

Mrs. H. J. Gore, of Holly Avenue, presented to the Council, in person, a numerously signed petition of protest against the recently adopted ordinance preventing the coasting upon the concrete streets by means of iron-wheeled wagons and requesting the repeal thereof. A number of citizens were present and among them, Mesdames Gore and Skeels and Messrs. Wight, Gore, Skeels, Aushin and others spoke in advocacy of the repeal of the Ordinance. The matter was taken under advisement by the Council.

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

<i>C. and P. Telephone Co. Rentals</i> _ _ _ \$ 8.90	<i>A. W. Skinner, Printing</i> _ _ _ _ \$ 7.85	<i>W. A. Pierce Co. Lumber</i> _ _ _ _ \$ 25.92
<i>Williams and Allen, Blue prints</i> _ _ _ 1.00	<i>Mattingly Bros., fumigators</i> _ _ _ _ 2.00	<i>Thos. Somerville Co. T. C. pipe</i> _ _ _ 131.74
<i>Standard Oil Co. 1425 gals gasoline</i> _ 285.00	<i>Crane and Co. Machine parts</i> _ _ _ 23.73	
<i>Standard Oil Co. 1 bbl lubr. oil</i> _ _ _ 13.85	<i>Evening Star, Advertising</i> _ _ _ 3.30	632.50
<i>Col. Brick & Coal Co. Stone, cement, etc</i> _ 105.26	<i>Rudolph and West Co. Tools</i> _ _ _ 23.95	

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

Mr. Grabill, from the Street Committee, announced that the contractors for cement walks and concrete roadways would be ready to start the work within a few days and moved that Mr. Blodgett, Superintendent of Public Work, be appointed Inspector of the work stated and directed to take charge thereof until its completion. The motion was carried.

In connection with the proposed concrete street work on Park Ave., Mr. Grabill called attention to the advisability of extending the water main to the distance of the new roadway and moved that the Superintendent of Public Work be directed to lay 60 feet of 4-inch water pipe on Park Avenue, in extension of the existing water main and that the abutting lot owners be requested to waive the required legal notices in order not to delay the work or to invalidate the assessment therefor. The motion was carried.

A communication from Jessie Sanders requesting that Jefferson Avenue be graded from Carroll Ave. to lot 9, block 50, which she has recently purchased, was returned from the Street Committee with recommendation that writer be advised that the cost of the proposed work is estimated at \$50 and as she is the only one to be benefited the work will be undertaken if that amount be deposited with the Town

Treasurer, any unexpended balance to be returned. The motion was carried.

An application from the Baltimore and Washington Transit Co. for an extension of their tracks along Carroll Avenue, from Laurel Avenue to Sliquo Avenue, was referred to the Street Committee for consideration and report.

There being no further business the Council, at 10:20 o'clock, p.m., adjourned.

Approved:

J. Williams

Mayor.

Ben S. Davis

Clerk.

Monday Evening, November 13, 1916

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

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

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

Balance on hand last report	\$ 5416.92	assistance to engineer	\$ 45.50	612.29
Receipts:		Water System: miscellaneous	302.57	
From general taxes	\$ 426.67	water main extensions	13.90	316.47
" special "	169.06	Sewer System: miscellaneous	8.75	
" water rents	184.37	pipe line extensions	317.72	326.47
" meter advances	10.00	Street work: labor		13.90
" water and sewer permits	31.00	Street lighting		153.75
" gas permits	1.00	Concrete streets		29.30
" building permits	6.00	General expenses: printing	7.85	
" plumbers' deposits	30.00	telephones	8.90	16.75
	6275.02	Miscellaneous expenses		34.00
Disbursements:		Semi-annual interest on w. + s. 4% bonds		980.00
Pumping plant: miscellaneous	\$ 191.79	Salaries: clerk and treasurer	50.00	
gasoline	285.00	superintendent of public work	100.00	150.00
salary of engineer	90.00			2632.93
		Balance on hand		\$ 3642.09

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

The Mayor laid before the Council a communication from Mrs. Margaret E. Petty Dodge in which she expressed her desire to deed to the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, sufficient land through the "Petty Tract" to provide for the continuation and extension of Maple Avenue.

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On motion of Mr. Taff the offer of Mrs. Dodge was accepted, with thanks, and the Mayor was authorized to have the necessary deed prepared and Mr. Taff, from the Finance Committee, submitted the following bills, duly examined and approved for payment:

Card P. Telephone Co. Rentals	\$ 9.00	Lamond Bros. T.C. pipe	\$ 13.24	Isaac M. Bigelow, sundries	\$ 1.40
Standard Oil Co. 1240 gals. gasoline @ 20¢	248.00	Columbia B. & C. Co., Brick, cement, etc.	39.39	Harry Stevens, engineering	75.00
Natl. Elec. Supply Co. 12 dry cells	3.60	A. H. Deike, Plumbing	2.00	E. N. Jackson, Surveying	133.50
Fred J. White, 2 Manhole frames	14.00	Thos. Somerville Co. T.C. pipe	35.00	Canoll Electric Co. belting	21.84
Mattingly Bros., Fumigators	1.25	B. F. Schrider, blacksmithing	7.65	Rumsey Pump Co. Gearing	156.50

On motion of Mr. Taff the bills were approved and payment directed except that of Crane & Co. and a bill of the Rumsey Pump Co. for \$156.50, which bills shall be paid only after being checked and approved by Mr. Stevens, consulting engineer.

Mr. Rogers, from the Health Committee, reported that the appropriation for garbage and trash collection was insufficient to cover the cost thereof and upon his motion an appropriation of \$28.00 was authorized to complete the service.

Mr. Grabill, from the Street Committee, submitted a communication from Messrs. Terrell and Little, of Washington, D.C., requesting construction of a sidewalk on Spruce Ave., fronting lots 30 and 31; and suggesting that, if satisfactory to the Town, they will put in the work themselves according to the Town specifications. Mr. Grabill stated that he had consulted Mr. Brenizer, but he was unable to do the work, in view of which he had telephoned the Messrs. Terrell and Little that they would be given a permit to do the work under supervision of the Town and that they would be furnished the proper grade therefor. Mr. Grabill also submitted a letter from Mr. Frank A. Porterfield, owner of lot 28, on Spruce Ave, requesting sidewalk in front thereof, and waiving all rights of advertising, and stated that the Messrs. Terrell and Little would be willing to include this walk in their construction and collect the cost thereof. On motion of Mr. Grabill permission was granted Messrs. Terrell and Little to construct a cement sidewalk on Spruce Ave, abutting lots 28, 29, 30 and 31, block 8, L and E. subdivision, at their own expense and under the Town's specifications and supervision.

With reference to the application of the Washington and Maryland Railway for permission to extend its tracks on Carrall Ave., from Laurel Ave. to the Sigo bridge, on motion of Mr. LaFetra, the Clerk was directed to call a meeting of citizens for Tuesday evening, November 21st, in the basement of the Presbyterian Church, in order that the matter might be fully explained and publicly considered.

Mr. LaFetra, from the Water and Sewer committee, reported that the committee had arranged with the August Mietz oil engine company for the return of the 25 h.p. oil engine and the substitution therefor of a 32-h.p. engine, the cost of the latter to be \$2246.00, and that the Company would recast the base of the larger engine to fit the foundations prepared for the smaller engine. The action of the Committee was approved.

On motion of Mr. Taff the Clerk was directed to express the appreciation and thanks of the Council to the Commissioners of the District of Columbia for aid rendered by the District Fire Department during the recent fire at the residence of Mrs. Knowlton.

Mr. Taff moved that an additional street light be placed on Maple Ave, about 200 feet north of the last light thereon, notwithstanding that portion of the street is without the corporation limits. Mr. Grabill moved to amend by providing that such light shall not be installed until the land comprising the extension of Maple Ave, is deeded to the Town. The amendment was agreed to and the motion as amended was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Grabill an appropriation of \$200 was authorized for repairs to Carroll Avenue.

With reference to a request submitted by M. McNamara for payment of \$200, on account, in connection with construction of a concrete oil storage tank at the pumping house, on motion of Mr. Grabill, the request was denied, it being deemed proper that the job should be completed prior to payment of any amount.

On motion of Mr. Grabill, the Treasurer was authorized to pay the bill of G. W. Forsberg for repairs of engine, said bill, amounting to \$70.08 having been held over for some months for investigation because considered exorbitant.

The Treasurer laid before the Council statements showing the cost of the sewer constructions on Flower Ave, north of Carroll Ave and through Block 19 as \$, and \$, respectively. This represents a per foot cost, for the Flower Ave sewer of cents and an assessment of cents per foot of benefitted abutting property was recommended, as follows:

Subdiv.	Blk	Lot	Owner	Front Ft	Side Ft	Amt due.	Subdiv.	Blk	Lot	Owner	Front Ft	Side Ft	Amt. due
Palmers	--	--	Margaret R. Stewart		153.05	61.22	Palmers	--	--	Robert J. Spier	297		118.80
"	--	--	Ellis L. Workman	72.7		29.08	Gilberts	51	--	Washington Foreign Mission Seminary			
"	--	--	Jay E. Cross	149.		59.60				Total			

With reference to the sewer through Block 19, inasmuch as there were no abutting frontages, the Treasurer recommended that the five lots benefitted by this sewer be assessed equally for the cost thereof as follows:

Subdiv	Blk	Lot	Owner	Amt. due	Subdiv	Blk	Lot	Owner	Amt. due
Gilberts	19	27	W. J. Adams	\$ 90.00	Gilberts	19	30	Margaret J. Carson	\$ 90.00
"		28	Benjamin H. Welch	90.00			31	Anne E. Kearney	90.00
"		29	Margaret J. Carson	90.00				Total	450.00

The following Ordinance was thereupon submitted:

Ordinance No. 302.

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

Sec. 1 - That the assessments presented by the Town Treasurer, this date, for the payment of sewers constructed in Flower Avenue, north of Carroll Avenue and through certain lots in Block 19, Gilbert's Subdivision, be, and the same are hereby adopted, the lots and parcels therein designated being hereby declared specially benefitted by said improvements.

Sec. 2 - The special assessments hereby approved and adopted shall be due and payable on Dec. 1, 1916; provided, that, if so desired, payments thereof may be made in five equal annual installments, the first due and payable Dec. 1, 1916, and the remaining payments due and payable on the 1st day of each July following until paid; provided further, that payments of one-fifth, or excess thereof, may be made at any time prior to becoming due; all deferred payments to draw interest at the rate of 6% per annum.

Mr. LaFetra 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, Jenkins, LaFetra, Rogers and Taff. Voting nay, none.

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

Approved:

S. Williams Mayor.

Burr Davis

Clerk.

Tuesday Evening, November 21, 1916

In accordance with public notice the Council met in special session this date, convening at 8 o'clock, in the basement of the Presbyterian Church for the purpose of hearing from all citizens interested or concerned in the application of the Washington and Maryland Railway Company for an extension of its tracks from Laurel Ave., on and along Carroll Ave, to the Sliquo bridge. There were present Mayor Williams and Councilmen Dyar, Grabill, Jenkins, LaFetra, Rogers and Taff. A large number of citizens were present.

The Mayor stated that the Council had before it an application from the Washington and Maryland Railway Co., for an extension of its tracks on Carroll Ave., and that before taking any definite action on the application deemed it desirable to secure an expression of the wishes of the people regarding the matter and especially of those residing on Carroll Avenue or in its immediate vicinity. To this end he invited a free and full discussion of the proposition.

Dr. H. W. Miller, of the Washington Sanitarium, addressed the Council briefly in support of the Company's request. During the course

of his remarks Dr. Miller took occasion to present to the Council a petition signed by upward of 800 citizens and residents in favor of granting the desired permit. Dr. Miller laid particular stress to the advantages which would accrue to the Washington Sanitarium and to the Mission College, which are now deprived of adequate transportation facilities into the city.

Mr. Charles Selden, Jr., President of the railway company, addressed the Council and stated that were the permit granted, a contract would be signed with the Capital Traction Co., whereby the cars of the Washington and Maryland Railway would be operated by the former and would be run without change from the Siquo bridge into the heart of the city. Mr. Selden advocated the placing of the car track on the southerly side of Carroll Ave., as presenting the safest and most feasible construction methods. The placing of the track on the side of the street was vigorously protested by practically all the speakers and upon request for an expression of views thereon put by the Mayor, the vote was almost unanimously in favor of placing the track in the centre of the street.

During the course of the meeting the following citizens gave expression to their views: Messrs. Miller, Snodgrass, Selden, Seeley, Stewart, Muroe, McKenney, Smith, Colburn, Paap, Olsep, Ford, Rush, Wilcox, Platt, and Kinnear.

No one further desiring to be heard the Mayor stated that the Council would take the whole matter under advisement and give to it the most thoughtful consideration, holding in mind the interests of the citizens and of the Town.

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

Approved:

S. W. McKinnon

Mayor

Ben D. Davis

Clerk.

Tuesday evening, November 28, 1916

A special meeting of the Council was held this date at the office of the Clerk, convening at 8 o'clock, with the following members present: The Mayor and Councilmen Dyar, Grabill, Jenkins, LaFetra, Rogers and Taff.

The Mayor stated that he had called the meeting for the purpose of considering a report prepared by himself and Councilman Dyar, as authorized at a meeting of the Street Committee held on the 22nd instant.

Mr. Grabill thereupon submitted the report as follows:

To the Mayor and Council of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland:

The Street Committee, reporting on the application of the Washington and Maryland Railway Company for a permit to lay its tracks along Carroll Avenue to the bridge over the Sligo Creek and to operate a line of electric cars thereon, recommend that the permit requested be granted as follows:

1. That the Washington and Maryland Railway Company, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Maryland, its successors or assigns, be permitted to continue its line of railway from its present terminus near the junction of Laurel and Carroll Avenues through the corporate limits of the Town, and to lay its tracks in the streets along the following route and under the conditions hereinafter set forth, and not otherwise, namely: beginning on Carroll Avenue at its junction with Laurel Avenue, thence along the former to the southern end of the bridge across the Sligo Creek; provided that only a single track may be laid in Carroll Avenue and no turnouts or switches shall be constructed thereon except that a switch may be constructed at the terminus of the line and just before it reaches the bridge across the Sligo Creek.

2. That the said railway tracks shall be laid, as nearly as practicable, along the center of the street and shall be constructed of standard material in a neat, substantial and durable manner, the plans and specifications to be submitted to the Council for approval prior to the commencement of any work; that the actual work of construction shall be commenced on or before 1917; that the Company, before commencing any work affecting the surface of that portion of Carroll Avenue now used as a driveway, shall deposit with the Treasurer of the Town the sum of nine thousand dollars (\$9000) to enable the Town to suitably pave that portion of the street occupied by the track and two feet on each side thereof, and to make the necessary changes in pipes, conduits or other underground construction rendered necessary by the construction of the railway, and the Company shall also be liable for any damage resulting to any individual or corporation by reason of the construction of said railway. The Company shall, whenever called upon to do so by the Council of the Town deposit any money necessary to cover with approved surfacing material that portion of the street occupied by its track at a distance of two feet on each side thereof, and shall maintain the portions of the street occupied by its track and for a distance of two feet on each side thereof in the same condition as the Town shall maintain the remainder of the Street.

3. That unless the railway shall be constructed along the entire route herein described and cars regularly operated thereon by the day of 1917, this permit shall be null and void and the deposit of nine thousand dollars (\$9000) hereinabove provided for, or any unexpended portion thereof, shall be forfeited to the Town; and if after completing the construction of the railway the Company shall fail to operate cars, propelled by electric power or other method approved by the Council, thereon regularly and continuously, said Company shall, upon demand of the Council, remove its tracks and replace all portions of the street affected in good condition, subject to approval of the Council, and in the event of its failure to do so, the work may be performed by the Town and the Company held liable for the cost thereof. This permit is to become effective only upon the further expressed condition that the said Washington and Maryland Railway Company shall enter into a contract with the Capital Traction Company of the District of Columbia under which the latter Company will agree to operate for a period of at least ten years a through car service from some point near the center of the City of Washington to the terminus of the line herein authorized.

4. That the permission hereby given to operate the railway and use the streets of the Town shall expire thirty years from July 1, 1917, at which time such further arrangements may be made as the authorities of the Town may deem right and proper. None of the provisions of this permit is to become effective until it shall have been accepted by the Washington and Maryland Railway Company in all its terms and conditions.

Mr. Grabill moved that action upon the report be deferred until the matter of the possible widening of Carroll Ave. can be thoroughly investigated and considered and that the Mayor be authorized to appoint a special committee to report upon such steps as may be found practicable to widen Carroll Ave. The motion was carried and the Mayor appointed Messrs Rogers, Grabill and LaFetra as such special committee.

There being no further business the Council thereupon, at 10:50 o'clock p.m., adjourned.

Approved:

J. Williams Mayor

B. Davis

Clerk.

Monday Evening, December 11, 1916

The Council met at 8 o'clock; there were present Mayor Williams and Councilmen Dyar, Grabill, Jenkins LaFetra and Taff. The minutes of the last regular meeting and of the special meetings of November 21 and 28 were read by the Clerk and approved. The regular monthly report of the Treasurer, duly examined and approved by the Finance Committee was submitted as follows:

Balance on hand last report	\$ 3642.09	salary of engineer	\$ 90.00		
Receipts		assistance to "	13.20	561.62	
From general taxes	\$ 332.39	Water system: miscellaneous		75.00	
special "	534.88	Sewer system	133.50		
water rents	96.35	pipe line extensions	96.29	229.79	
meter advances	20.00	Street work: labor		56.07	
water and sewer permits	17.00	Street lighting		153.75	
gas permits	1.00	Concrete streets		60.74	
building permits	2.00	General expenses; telephones		9.00	
miscellaneous	41.00	Miscellaneous expenses		51.30	
	1044.62	Salaries: clerk and treasurer	50.00		
	4686.71	Supt. of Public Work	100.00	150.00	
Disbursements:		Builders' deposits returned		10.00	1357.27
Pumping and filter plant: miscel	\$ 210.42	Balance on hand			\$ 3329.44
gasoline	248.00				

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

Mr. LaFetra, for the special committee appointed to consider the matter of widening Carroll Avenue, reported progress.

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

C. and P. Telephone Co. Rentals	\$ 8.95	Columbia Brick and Coal Co. Supplies	\$ 45.03	M. McNamara Concrete tank	\$ 463.92
Standard Oil Co. 1160 gals gasoline 5g. oil	252.40	Rudolph and West Co. waste and tools	19.50	R. C. Miller, Plumbing	4.95
A. W. Skinner, Printing	8.25	Thos. Samerville Co. T. C. Pipe	21.67	J. M. Demick, Water tower repairs	9.00
Fred J. White, Manhole covers	30.00	Standard Oil Co. lubricating oil	14.36		858.03

On motion of Mr. Taff the report was approved and payment of the bills directed, except that of Mr. McNamara for concrete tank, 10% of which was directed to be withheld until tank has been tested and approved by the engineer.

A request was presented by the Mayor for Mr. Stewart, Flower and Carroll Aves., for permission to set out some additional evergreen trees along the line of those growing in Carroll Ave. fronting his property, which request was referred to the Street Committee for report.

On motion of Mr. Grabill, an appropriation of \$40 was authorized for the relaying of the tile walk on the west side of Oak Avenue.

near Eastern Avenue in front of the property of Dr. E. Clyde Shade.

Mr. Grabill, from the Street Committee, submitted the following reports:

Dec. 11, 1916. The Street Committee reports the work of paving on Maple Avenue, Park Avenue and Carroll Avenue, east of Sligo Avenue, was completed during the month, as previously authorized. The original estimate for this work was \$7089. This will be increased at least \$600 by the following items of work, viz: - 1. Increase of width of Carroll Avenue from 21.5 ft. to 24 ft. 2. Building retaining wall at East end of Sligo bridge. 3. Laying about 450 ft. of 15" drain pipe in Maple Avenue. Final measurements have not been completed. The Street Committee recommends a partial payment of \$6000 on this account.

Dec. 11, 1916. - The Street Committee reports that there is due the Warren F. Brenizer Company about \$630 for laying about 450 sq. yds. of cement walk on Park Avenue and on Baltimore Avenue, under recent Ordinance. Final measurement has not been made. The Street Committee recommends a partial payment of \$500 on this account.

On motion of Mr. Grabill the reports with recommendations of the Committee, were approved.

On motion of Mr. Grabill an appropriation of \$30 was authorized for repair of roads leading to the pumping station.

Mr. LaFetra, from the Water and Sewer Committee, submitted a bill of Harry Stevens for balance of \$165 due for engineering services and upon his motion same was approved and payment directed.

On motion of Mr. Grabill the Water and Sewer Committee was authorized to have the engine in the filter plant overhauled and repaired at a cost not to exceed \$100.

On motion of Mr. Dyar the Water and Sewer Committee was authorized to purchase a carload of fuel oil should the necessity arise therefor prior to the next meeting of the Council.

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

Approved:

J. W. Melhain

Mayor

Bruce Davis

Clerk

Wednesday Evening, December 20, 1916

Upon call of the Mayor 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 Grabill, LaFetra, Jenkins, Dyar and Rogers.

In the unavoidable absence of the Clerk, Councilman Rogers officiated in that capacity.

Mr. LaFetra reported concerning the condition of the small pump at the pumping plant, stating that owing to its worn condition it must be either repaired or replaced by a new engine at once. He reported regarding prices of various engines, etc. After due consideration, and upon motion of Mr. Dyar, the Water and Sewer Committee was authorized to either borrow or rent an engine to replace the small engine in the filter house while the latter is being repaired; or, in the discretion of the Committee, to purchase an oil-burning engine to permanently replace the present one, at a cost not to exceed \$350.

Upon the request of Mr. J.W. Shadle, and on motion of Mr. Grabill, the laying of 300 linear feet of 4-inch water main on Park Avenue, in extension of the line already laid to Crescent Place, abutting lots 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21, Block 1, and opposite Block 5, Hill Crest, was authorized, said work to be done by the Town by day labor and under the supervision of the Superintendent of Public Work; the said work having been authorized by Ordinance No. 246, passed and approved August 24, 1914.

There being no further business the Council thereupon adjourned.

Approved:

J. Williams

Mayor

Clerk, pro tem.