

Monday Evening, Sept. 22. 1919

A special meeting of the Council was held at the residence of the Clerk this date for the purpose of informal conference with the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission regarding the contemplated use of the Town's water and sewer system.

There were present Mayor Platt, Councilmen Lewton, Lillie, Miller, Rogers and Taff, Mr. Morris Bien, of the Council's consulting Committee, and Messrs. Curtis, Duckett and Bogley of the Sanitary Commission with Mr. Robert B. Morse, their Chief Engineer.

The meeting was devoted almost entirely to discussion and comparison of the different valuations arrived at respectively by the Town and by the Commission with an interchange of views as to the merits of the methods adopted in each case, and an apparent desire to meet on common ground.

It was decided that Messrs Rogers and Davis, on the part of the Town and two of the Commission's employees, on the part of the Commission, should meet at an early date to check up the actual physical properties, from the data used by each and to report as early as practicable.

At the conclusion of the conference the Council, at 10:00 o'clock p.m., adjourned.

Approved:

*W. I. Platt*

Mayor

*Paul G. Davis*

Clerk.

Monday Evening, October 6. 1919.

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 considering further the proposition to be submitted to the Suburban Sanitary Commission in relation to their taking over the water and sewer system. There were present the Mayor and Councilmen Lewton, Miller and Lilly and Mr. Crabill of the Advisory Committee.

Mr. Davis, Town Clerk, in the unavoidable absence of Mr. Rogers, reported that, in compliance with the instructions of the Council he and Mr. Rogers had met with two representatives of the Suburban Sanitary Commission and that a careful checking up of the physical properties of the Town's water and sewer system had resulted in so small a differ-



ence as to amount to a virtual and complete agreement. The representatives of the two bodies agreed that their authority did not extend beyond the result reached by them and entered into no discussion concerning any other phase of the matter.

The Council, with Mr. Crabill discussed informally the figures submitted by the Commission and those submitted by the Council. It seemed to be agreed that, in the light of the actual contracts entered into by the Commission, the water and sewer main construction figures of the Council were possibly somewhat too high; altho it was believed that the Commission's contract figures would be too low for work undertaken in concrete or macadam streets or within streets open to constant traffic. It was also brought forth in the discussion that had the Town adopted the basis of depreciation used by the Commission that the Town's valuation would have been considerably in excess of that submitted. The Mayor and Council were also unconvinced of the justice of estimating the present day valuation of their plant upon the cost basis of the 5 pre-war years and especially so in view of the strong probability of no decrease in present day prices for a long time to come. It was admitted that abandonment of portions of the present plant within a few years might justify some reduction in the Council's figures.

In view of the evident desire of both the Commission and the Council to reach an early settlement of the pending matter and to meet the situation in a spirit of reasonable compromise, Mr. Miller moved that the Council reduce its figures by one-half the difference of \$50,440.05 between the valuations of the Commission and of the Council, making the figures of the latter \$135,889.02 and that the latter amount be submitted to the Suburban Sanitary Commission as the definite amount for which the Town will transfer to the Commission the Town's water and sewer system, it being understood that clear and definite understandings will be entered into respecting the use of water for municipal and fire purposes, the use of the public streets for laying and repairing water and sewer mains and all similar and pertinent matters. The motion was unanimously carried.

The Clerk was instructed to embody the above conclusions and proposition in an official letter for submission to the Suburban Sanitary Commission.

Upon call for further business the Clerk submitted the request of Mr. Huck, of Pine Avenue for permission to lay a 12-inch pipe in Pine Avenue gutter fronting his residence for an 8-foot driveway into his property. The request [was granted.]



Upon suggestion of the Mayor and with the approval of the Council the Superintendent of Public Work was instructed to spread cinders on Takoma Ave. to a width of 18 feet and to a depth of 6 inches.

Mr. Grabill called the Council's attention to the erection of a large business sign by the Takoma Park Bank on the parking adjacent to Takoma Avenue and in the vicinity of the Bliss School and suggested the inconsistency of permitting an eye-sore of this nature on a public park in view of the efforts being made to improve and beautify such parks.

Mr. Lewton, from the Civic Improvement Committee, stated that this sign had been erected without permission from any authority of the Town, and as its presence was contrary to every principle of civic improvement, moved that the Clerk call the matter immediately and officially to the attention of the President of the Takoma Bank with request that the sign be removed with least possible delay. The motion was carried.

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

Approved:

*W. E. Platt*

Mayor

*Paul Davis*

Clerk.

Monday Evening, October 13, 1919.

The Council met at 8 o'clock. There were present Mayor Platt and Councilmen Hendrick, Lewton, Lilly and Taft.

The minutes of the last regular meeting and of the special meetings of September 22 and October 6 were read and approved.

Communications and petitions were presented as follows and action taken as indicated:

From Mr. Morris Bien again urging reorganization of the Town's street and construction work in order that the public funds may be so spent as to produce the proper results for the community; referred to the Street Committee.

From the Misses Mary and Katharine Noyes, 224 Spruce Ave, calling attention to damage done and the menace to health resulting from overflow of street drainage water; referred to Street and Health Committees for investigation and report.

From Miss Lucretia Jackson, 203 Carroll Avenue, requesting enforcement of the Ordinance against washing on sidewalks.



Miss Jackson cited the very narrow escape of her mother, who is 74 years of age, from serious injury by a small wagon coasting on the walk in front of her residence. On motion of Mr. Taff the bailiffs were instructed to rigidly enforce the Ordinances in regard to coasting on sidewalks and signs directing attention to the existing coasting ordinances were ordered erected.

From certain residents of Chestnut Ave, extended, without the limits of the Town, expressing their desire to be taken into the Corporation of Takoma Park and requesting extension of the Chestnut Ave. water main; referred to the Water and Sewer Committee, with respect to request for water service and to the Judiciary Committee concerning admission to the Corporation.

Petition from residents of Grant Ave. for connecting street to Denwood Avenue - to the Street Committee.

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

Balance on hand last report-----	\$ 9217.19	salary of engineer-----	\$ 110.00	
Receipts:		assistance to engineer-----	5.60	224.33
From general taxes-----	\$ 573.38	Water System: miscellaneous-----		11.60
special "-----	651.79	Sewer System "-----		9.60
water rents-----	60.18	Garbage collections-----		48.00
water meter advances-----	88.00	Street work: labor-----		242.40
water and sewer permits-----	33.00	Street lighting-----		172.50
gas permits-----	4.00	Telephone service-----		11.10
building permits-----	20.00	Interest on improvement bonds-----		75.00
plumbers' deposits-----	10.00	Miscellaneous-----		3.78
builders' deposits-----	10.00	Salaries: clerk and treasurer-----	50.00	
	1450.35	Superintendent of public work-----	125.00	175.00
	10667.54	Refund of permits, deposits, etc.-----		27.50
Disbursements:		Balance on hand-----		9666.73
Pumping plant; miscellaneous \$	90.73			
fuel oil-----	18.00			

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

A communication was presented from Mr. John W. Kloss, General Manager of the Nashville Health Food Co., making inquiry relative to the construction of a 2-story building, corner Carroll and Elm Aves., for a health food factory, health food store and a hygienic cafeteria and treatment room. On motion of Mr. Hendrick the communication was referred to the Committee on Civic Improvement with instructions to consult with Mr. Kloss and examine his plans for the proposed building and to report to the Mayor who will call the Council in special session to consider the matter if deemed desirable. The Committee was instructed to consider and report to the Council on the advisability of declaring Carroll and Laurel Avenues, from Elm Ave. to Eastern Avenue, a business street.



Several citizens of the Town, who were present at the meeting, called the Council's attention to the condition of various streets, especially Cedar, Elm and Boyd Avenues and urged their early improvement, by the use of cinders if possible. The Mayor and Council discussed the matter at length upon the conclusion of which, upon motion of Mr. Hendrick, an appropriation of \$500 was authorized for the purchase of additional cinders upon those streets where most needed.

Upon the verbal request of Mr. F.R. Calder and on motion of Mr. Taff, permission was granted Mr. Calder, to extend, at his own expense, and under the supervision of the Superintendent of Public Work, the sewer in Sycamore Ave. for a distance of about 50 feet in order to afford him sewerage facilities for a residence under erection.

On motion of Mr. Lewton the Superintendent of Public Work was directed to repair the cement sidewalk on Cedar Avenue where crushed by heavy trucks and to charge the expense thereof to the parties responsible if possible.

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

Standard Oil Co, fuel oil _ _ _ _ \$ 60.00	Hunter Bros, plow shares _ _ _ _ \$ 3.20	A.W. Skinner, printing _ _ _ _ \$ 4.25
L.A. Cutshaw, blacksmithing _ _ _ 5.25	Aug. Mietz Corp, engine repairs _ _ 19.00	W.F. Brenizer Co, Grading _ _ _ _ 738.75

On motion of Mr. Taff payment of the bills was authorized, that of W.F. Brenizer Co. to be first properly verified.

Mr. Hendrick, from the Health Committee, recommended that the Council authorize a "Clean-up Week" to be undertaken as soon as possible, for the accumulation of cans and like rubbish and proper disposition thereof, and upon his motion to that effect, authority was granted the Health Committee to proceed with the matter at once.

Mr. Lewton, from the Committee on Civic Improvement, reported relative to the purchase of surplus army food for sale to citizens of the community. The report showed the amount of food purchased to be \$3335.63 and for which amount the check of the Takoma Buying Club was submitted in reimbursement of the amount stated.

The Council discussed at length the pending negotiations with the Suburban Sanitary Commission concerning the water and sewer systems. On motion of Mr. Taff the matter was referred to the Mayor and Water and Sewer Committee for further negotiations.

There being no further business the Council, at 10:30 o'clock p.m. adjourned.

Approved:

*Paul Davis*

Mayor

Paul Davis, Clerk



Thursday evening, October 30, 1919.

A special meeting was held at the office of the Clerk, this date, upon call of the Mayor and convening at 8 o'clock.

There were present the Mayor and Councilmen Lewton, Lillie and Miller.

The Mayor stated that he had called the meeting in connection with the negotiations pending for disposal of the water and sewer system and reported that, in accordance with the instructions of the Council and in conjunction with the water and sewer committee and the Corporation Counsel, a conference had been held with the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission, during which conference he had submitted, on behalf of the Town, and subject to the approval of the Mayor and Council, a proposition for the transfer of the Town's water and sewer system to the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission upon the payment to the Town of the sum of \$125,000, and that, after due deliberation, the proposition had been accepted by the Sanitary Commission. The Mayor stated that upon acceptance of the proposition the general terms of the contract of sale had been discussed and that, in the judgment of himself and conferees the rights of the Town would be fully set forth and protected therein. The Mayor stated further that the agreement of sale in detail would be drawn up at an early date, in the preparation of which the Town will be represented by the Corporation Counsel and suggested that the necessary authority be granted for completion of the agreement upon the part of the Town.

Dr. Miller moved that the Mayor be authorized and directed to enter into an agreement by and on behalf of the Town of Takoma Park, with the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission and to sign said agreement on behalf of and as representative of the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, whereby, in accordance with the terms of said agreement, the said Town of Takoma Park will transfer its water and sewer system and the appurtenances thereto belonging, as set forth in the said articles of agreement, to the said Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission, at the price and upon the terms stipulated in the said articles of agreement.

The motion was unanimously adopted.

The Mayor called the Council's attention to the condition of the streets throughout the Town and urged, not only greater speed in having them put in proper condition for winter, but suggested purchase of a larger supply of cinders for continued improvement of the dirt streets. Dr. Miller thereupon moved that the Mayor and the Street Committee be authorized to proceed with repairs and improvements to the public streets to the extent they deemed advantageous to the Town, and within



such reasonable expenditures as the finances of the Town will at this time permit. The motion was carried.

On motion of Mr. Lillie the Clerk was directed to address a communication to the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Montgomery County inviting the attention of that official to the Town Ordinance requiring approval by the Mayor and Council of all plats of land subdivisions within the Town and requesting him, if within his power, to refuse to record any such plats unless they bear the approval of the Mayor and Council.

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

Approved:

*W. H. Platt*

Mayor.

*Bruce Davis*

Clerk

Monday Evening, November 10, 1919

The Council met at 8 o'clock. There were present the Mayor and Councilmen Hendrick, Lewton, Lillie, Miller, Rogers and Taff.

The minutes of the last regular meeting and of the special meeting of October 30 were read and approved.

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

Balance on hand last report		\$ 9666.73	salary of engineer	110.00	
Receipts:			assistance to engineer	77.40	267.83
From general taxes	1328.28		Water System: miscellaneous		21.70
Special "	699.42		Garbage collections		50.00
water rents	887.28		Street work: labor	230.88	
water meter advances	57.50		material	8.45	
water and sewer permits	48.00		special work	738.75	978.08
gas permits	29.00		General expenses: printing	4.25	
building permits	28.00		telephones	10.30	
builders' deposits	35.00		postage	16.08	30.63
plumbers' deposits	30.00		Street lighting		172.50
purchase of army food	3335.63		Interest: water and sewer bonds	960.00	
donations for park improvements	295.00	6773.11	general improvement bonds	75.00	1035.00
		16439.84	Purchase of army food		3335.63
Disbursements:	20.43		Miscellaneous		36.91
Pumping plant: miscellaneous	20.43		Salaries: clerk and Treasurer	50.00	
fuel oil	60.00		Supt. of public work	125.00	175.00
			Balance on hand		6103.28
					10336.56



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

A communication from Mrs. Margaret Petty Dodge requesting that application be made to the legislature for inclusion of her property in the corporate limits of the Town of Takoma Park, was referred to the Judiciary Committee for consideration and report.

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

Washington Rubber Co. 2 prs hip boots	\$ 13.50	Gal. Brick and Coal Co., Coal	\$ 3.62	Rudolph and West Co. Tools	\$ 8.25
Hunter Bros, Sundries	2.85	G. W. Forsberg, Boring pulley	1.50	A. W. Skinner, printing	8.80
Thos. Somerville Co. Check valve	1.40	Standard Oil Co. lubricating oil	67.90	Wallace & Tiernan Co. Shut-off valve	10.00
E. E. Blodgett, Sundries	5.30	" " " fuel oil	46.50		1369.52
H. Mueller Mfg. Co. 24 carp. cocks	32.40	T. Morris White, cinders	1167.50		

On motion of Mr. Taff bills were approved and payment directed, that of J. Morris White to be first O.K'd by Street Committee.

Mr. Rogers, from the Street Committee, submitted report of street work done during past month and detailed cost thereof.

With reference to the requested improvement of the north end of Maple Ave., beyond the corporation line and the installation of an electric street light thereon, Mrs. Margaret Petty Dodge, submitted a deed to the Town conveying to it for street purposes the land to be included in such proposed street. On suggestion of the Mayor the deed was referred to the Corporation Counsel for his opinion as to the authority of the Mayor and Council to accept and improve property for street purposes outside the corporate limits of the Town.

Mr. Rogers, from the Street Committee, returned the petition of residents on Davis Avenue for street lights with report that in view of the present situation, the Committee does not recommend favorable action at present. Report approved by the Council.

A petition for further construction of cement walks on Flower Ave., was returned by the Street Committee with report that petition was received too late to be included in the Brenizer contract.

The communication of Mr. Morris Bien relative to method of doing street work and necessity of improvement thereof, was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

A communication was presented from Mr. J. A. Griffith requesting replacement and remarking of the street sign post at corner of Carroll and Sherman Avenue. After consideration Mr. Hendrick moved that \$75 or so much thereof as may be required, be appropriated for painting, re-lettering and setting up street sign posts throughout the Town. The motion was approved.

The petition of residents in the vicinity of Grant Ave. for extension of Hancock Ave to Denwood Ave. was returned by,



the Street Committee with suggestion that opening of a street from Willow to Grant Ave. would be more advantageous. on motion of Mr. Hendrick the Street Committee was granted additional time to investigate the matter, to ascertain expense involved, etc.

A petition from certain residents in the Pine Crest subdivision for street lights on Eastern Ave, was referred to the Street Committee.

On motion of Mr. Hendrick the Water and Sewer Committee was authorized to secure the services of a plumber to examine, test, flush and place in thorough repair and working condition all fire hydrants throughout the Town.

On motion of Mr. Taff, Mr. F. H. Harris was appointed Deputy Health Officer to succeed Mr. Carr.

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

Approved:

*W. H. Plant* Mayor.

*Bruce Davis*

Clerk.

Monday Evening, December 8, 1919

The Council met at 8 o'clock. There were present the Mayor and Councilmen Lewton, Lillie, Miller and Rogers.

The minutes of the last regular meeting were read and approved. The monthly report of the Treasurer was submitted as follows:

Balance on hand last report	\$ 10336.56	salary of engineer	\$ 110.00	
Receipts:		assistance to engineer	78.40	326.12
From general taxes	\$ 334.73	Water System; miscellaneous		41.81
special "	208.04	Sewer System; "		38.00
water rents	65.45	Street work: labor	379.73	
meter advances	11.50	material	768.12	1147.85
water and sewer permits	33.00	Cement sidewalks		3000.00
gas permits	9.00	General expenses: printing	8.80	
plumbers' deposits	20.00	telephones	11.15	19.95
building permits	8.00	Street lighting		172.50
interest on deposits in bank	.64	Miscellaneous		67.80
	690.36	Salaries: clerk and treasurer	50.00	
	11026.92	superintendent of public work	125.00	175.00
Disbursements:		Builders' deposits returned		20.00
Pumping plant: miscellaneous	\$ 85.22			5009.03
fuel oil	52.50	Balance on hand		\$ 6017.89



On motion of Dr. Miller the report was approved and ordered filed.

The Clerk laid before the Council a communication from George N. Day, tendering his resignation as Engineer at the pumping plant, effective January 1st, 1920, which communication was referred to the Water and Sewer Committee.

A communication was presented from Mr. Lisle Morrison complaining of the overhanging honeysuckle along the sidewalk on Tulip Avenue between Oak and Holly and of ice upon the walk caused by overflow of water in case of rain and freezing weather.

Mr. Lewton moved that the Clerk be instructed to inform the owner of the property at fault of the complaint submitted and to request that the vines be trimmed back to the fence. The motion was adopted.

Mr. Lewton moved that in case of no response to the request or of failure to trim the vines within two weeks that the Superintendent of Public Work be directed to have the honeysuckle cut back to the fence. The motion was carried.

Mr. Morris Bien addressed the Council with reference to the method of doing street work and urged that something be done in the interest of efficient expenditure of the public money to place the street work upon a scientific and systematic basis.

The Finance Committee submitted the following bills duly examined and approved for payment:

Columbia B. and C. Co. Cement and gravel \$20.99	Taylor and Balderson, hauling cinders \$396.90	Bradley Printing Co. Printing \$ 6.00
Standard Oil Co. 2 bbl. lubricating oil - 68.95	W. F. Brenizer Co. Cement walks - 4525.82	
Mug. Mielz Corp. Repair parts - - - 9.15	E. N. Jackson, Surveying - - - - 110.50	

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

Mr. Rogers, from the Street Committee, submitted a detailed report of street work done during the month.

On motion of Mr. Rogers authority was granted the Street Committee to repair Carroll Avenue between the concreted sides of the street by use of cinders and clay sand.

On motion of Mr. Rogers permission was granted Mr. W. C. Slappey, under supervision of the Street Committee, to set out 5 trees in the parking on Boyd Avenue.

On motion of Dr. Miller the Street Committee was authorized to investigate the needs for Street Lights on Eastern and Allegheny Avenues, in response to requests of residents therefor and to have installed such number of lights as will relieve the bad conditions said to exist.



The Superintendent of Public Work called attention to a cement step recently constructed which protrudes upon the sidewalk in front of the property of Mr. Hawes, corner of Montgomery and Hickory Avenue and which constitutes an obstruction thereon. On motion of Mr. Rogers the Clerk was instructed to request Mr. Hawes to remove the step so far as it interfered in any manner with the walk.

On motion of Dr. Miller authority was granted certain residents on Garland Avenue to lay, at their own expense an inch-and-a-quarter service pipe from the water main on Carroll Avenue to supply their property - such water service pipe to be removed upon extension of the main and this permission not to relieve the property owners from any future assessment for extension of water main.

The Mayor laid before the Council for its consideration the proposed contract with the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission for transfer of the water and sewer system of the Town. The terms of the contract were considered at length upon conclusion of which Mr. Rogers moved that the general terms of the contract be approved and that the Mayor be authorized to sign the same on behalf of the Town with such minor changes as he and the Corporation Counsel may deem desirable and which may be agreed to by the Sanitary Commission. The motion was unanimously carried.

On motion of Mr. Rogers the Superintendent of Public Work was authorized to purchase two adjustable steel snow plows.

On motion of Mr. Rogers the Mayor was authorized to purchase a stone or steel roller suitable for use on the Town streets.

The Town Treasurer submitted the following report and assessment of cost of cement sidewalks recently constructed:

*The Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Md. Takoma Park, Md. December 1, 1919.*  
*Gentlemen: The completion of the cement sidewalks on Carroll, Flower, Boyd, Laurel and Westmoreland Aves, and the receipt of all bills in connection therewith shows the total cost of said work to be \$1.30 per lineal foot. An assessment against the property benefited is submitted as follows:*

Subdiv.	Blk.	Lot	Assessed Owner	Front feet	Side feet	Total	Amt. due.	Subdiv.	Blk.	Lot	Assessed Owner	Front feet	Side feet	Total	Amt. due	
Cung	A		CARROLL AVENUE				\$ 78.00	Cung	A		FLOWER AVENUE.				\$	
		1	Amanda Miller	61		61	79.30			1	Christian M. and Hattie E. Sorenson	50		50	65.00	
		2	" "	15		15	19.40			15	Thomas R. and Mary V. Davis	50		50	65.00	
		2	Hattie L. Pickard	45		45	58.50			16	J. N. Kimble	50		50	65.00	
		3	Charles H. and Georgia A. Stouffer	60		60	78.00			17	Alma S. Knoblock	50		50	65.00	
		4	" " " " " "	30		30	39.00			C	1	Ellis L. Workman	50		50	65.00
		4	Floyd E. and Winnifred G. Hammond	30		30	39.00			2	" " "	50		50	65.00	
		5	Hattie L. Pickard	60		60	78.00			3	Francis M. Wilcox	50		50	65.00	
6	Robert E. and Lara E. Orange	60		60	78.00	4	John L. and Bessie Shaw	50		50	65.00					
7	Mary M. Campbell	60		60	78.00	5	Samuel C. Wolfe	50		50	65.00					
8	" " "	60		60	78.00	6	Elon G. and Mary L. Salisbury	50		50	65.00					



Subdiv	Blk	Lot	Assessed Owner	Front feet	Side feet	Total	Amt. due	Subdiv.	Blk	Lot	Assessed Owner.	Front feet	Side feet	Total	Amt. due
Fleth	46	1	George L. Palmer	30		30	\$ 39.00				LAUREL AVENUE				
		2	Henry George	50		50	65.00	Land E	3	37	General Conference J.D.A.	100		100	130.00
		3	Leonard Lincoln	50		50	65.00			38	" " "	50		50	65.00
		4	" "	50		50	65.00			39	" " "	50		50	65.00
			BOYD AVENUE							40	" " "	65.12		65.12	84.66
Glaize	39	6	Howard Greer		34.2	34.2	44.46				WESTMORELAND STREET				
		10	Fred L. Glaize	40		40	52.00	P.C.	17	22	Charles Leaman	126		126	163.80
		11	George Maddox	40		40	52.00			23	Floy L. MuncK	42		42	54.60
		12	Walter G. Slappey	40		40	52.00			24	James and Maud M. Allen	42		42	54.60
		13	Fred L. Glaize	40		40	52.00			25	" " " "	42		42	54.60
		14	Eliz. and Veshi C. Bowers	35		35	45.50			26	" " " "	42		42	54.60
		15	George E. Gude	33.3		33.3	43.29			27	Clara A. Nicholson	42		42	54.60
	40	5	Fred L. Glaize	40		40	52.00			28	George F. Sunday Estate	42		42	54.60
		16	"	36.5		36.5	47.45			29	William L. and Fannie Woodruff	42		42	54.60
		17	"	40		40	52.00			30	Stephen L. Lush	42		42	54.60
		18	"	40		40	52.00			31	" " "	42		42	54.60
		19	"	40		40	52.00			32	S.N. and H.S.A. Harlan	42		42	54.60
		20	"	40		40	52.00			33	" "	42		42	54.60
		21	"	40		40	52.00			34	James Arbuckle	42		42	54.60
										35	C. P. Ballman	26		26	33.80

**Ordinance No. 336**

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

Sec. 1. That the special assessment for the construction of cement sidewalks on Carroll, Boyd, Flower, Laurel and Westmoreland Avenues, as submitted by the Town Treasurer under date of December 1, 1919, be and the same is hereby approved and adopted, the property therein enumerated being hereby declared specially benefitted by the construction of said cement walks.

Sec. 2. The special assessments herein levied shall be due and payable December 8, 1919; provided that, if so desired the amount of said assessments may be paid in five equal annual installments, the first due and payable December 8, 1919 and each succeeding payment due and payable on or before each succeeding December 8th until paid; all deferred payments to bear 6 per cent interest per annum; provided that one-fifth or excess thereof of total amount due, with accrued interest, may be paid at any time within the 5-year payment period.

Respectfully, *BEN G. DAVIS, Treasurer*

Mr. Rogers moved that the Ordinance as submitted be adopted and the Ordinance was adopted upon an aye and nay vote as follows:

Voting aye, the Mayor and Councilmen Lewton, Lillie, Miller and Rogers; voting nay, none.

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

Approved:

*W. G. Pratt*

Mayor.

*Bruce Davis*

Clerk.



Monday Evening, December 29, 1919

A special meeting of the Council was held at the clerk's office this date, convening at 8 o'clock. There were present the Mayor and Councilmen Lewton, Lillie, Hendrick, Miller, Rogers and Taff.

The Mayor stated that he had called the meeting for the purpose of granting necessary authority to the Mayor and Council to execute the deed transferring the water and sewer system to the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission. The Clerk thereupon laid before the Council the following proposed Ordinance:

**Ordinance No. 337.**

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

*Sec. 1. The Mayor and Town Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to duly execute a Deed this day presented for execution from the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, to the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission, and Wilmer G. Platt, Mayor, is authorized and directed to acknowledge the same as and for the act and deed of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, the said deed conveying the water and sewer systems, etc., of said Town.*

*Sec. 2. The said Wilmer G. Platt, Mayor, and Ben G. Davis, Clerk, are hereby authorized to affix to said Deed the Corporate Seal of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, and to deliver said Deed to the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission, or its duly authorized representatives, upon the payment to them for and in the name of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, the consideration set forth in said Deed.*

Mr. Lewton 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 Hendrick, Lillie, Lewton, Miller, Rogers and Taff; voting nay, none.

The Clerk informed the Council that he had been advised by Mr. T. Howard Duckett, Secretary of the Suburban Sanitary Commission that the Commission would be pleased to meet the members of the Council at the Commission's Office, 611 F St., N.W., Washington, D.C., on December 31st for the purpose of receiving the deed for the water and sewer system and making payment therefor. After consideration and upon motion of Mr. Taff, the invitation of the Commission was accepted for Wednesday afternoon, December 31, at 2:00 o'clock and the Clerk directed to so advise Mr. Duckett.

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

Approved:

*W. G. Platt*

Mayor.

*Ben G. Davis*

Clerk



Wednesday, December 31, 1919

An informal joint meeting of the Mayor and Council and the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission, was held this date at the Offices of the Commission, 611 F Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., convening at 2:00 o'clock, for the purpose of completing the negotiations incident to the purchase of the Town's water and sewer system by the Commission, and to make payment therefor. There were present on behalf of the Town, Mayor Wilmer G. Platt, Councilmen F. L. Lewton, Scott Lillie, H. B. Hendrick, H. W. Miller, H. E. Rogers and H. F. Taff and Town Clerk and Treasurer Ben G. Davis. Representing the Commission were Chairman Wm. T. S. Curtis, Commissioner Emery H. Bagley, Chief Engineer Robert B. Morse and Treasurer Arthur Williams.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Curtis who reviewed briefly the negotiations leading up to the final contract for the transfer of the water and sewer properties. Mr. Curtis took occasion to commend the spirit in which the Town authorities had conducted the business and expressed the belief that this beginning of a great enterprise placed in the jurisdiction of the Commission was the forerunner of a well-developed water and sewer project which will ultimately prove of inestimable value to both the District of Columbia and the rapidly growing adjacent suburban district lying within the State of Maryland.

Mr. Curtis stated that the Commission was now prepared to fulfill its part of the contract with the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, as drawn up and mutually agreed to and upon his direction the Treasurer of the Commission, Mr. Arthur Williams, delivered to the Town Treasurer, Mr. Ben G. Davis, checks in full payment of the sums agreed to, less the amount of the outstanding bonded indebtedness which, under the terms of the agreement, was assumed by the Commission.

After exchange of felicitations the joint meeting was dissolved.

Ben G. Davis

Clerk.