

Monday Evening, January 17, 1921

The Council met at 8 o'clock. There were present Mayor Wilmeth and Councilmen Hendrick, Miller, Rogers, Shadle and Taff. The Mayor stated that the absence of Councilman Bliss was due to illness.

The minutes of the special meeting of December 14 and 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	\$ 43316.03	DISBURSEMENTS:	
RECEIPTS:		Street work: labor	\$ 532.63
From general taxes	\$ 345.46	material	510.73 1043.36
special "	342.75	Street lighting: Sept. Oct. Nov.	522.75
gas permits	10.00	Telephone service	9.35
building permits	2.00	Purchase of lot for extension Willow Ave.	650.00
miscellaneous sources	69.80	Salaries: Superintendent of public work	150.00
interest on deposits in bank	741.44	clerk and treasurer	75.00 225.00
redemption of property sold for taxes	9.50 1520.95	Rental of church for council meetings, 2 yrs	66.00
	44836.98	Redemption of property sold for taxes	9.50 2525.96
		Balance on hand	\$ 42311.02

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

Mr. Metz, residing on Crescent Place, appeared before the Council and urged that appropriate street signs be placed so as to properly identify Holt Place and Crescent Place, explaining the difficulties in locating these thoroughfares on the part of delivery wagons, mail men and visitors. Mr. Whitney, residing on Holt Place, seconded Mr. Metz's request. On motion of Mr. Hendrick the Street Committee was directed to have appropriate street signs located at the intersection of Park Ave. and Crescent Place, of Crescent Place and Holt Place and Holt Place and Denwood Avenue.

Mr. Adolph Van Reuth requested that ashes or like material be provided for filling holes and ruts in Baltimore Avenue.

Lieutenant Robert Caughlin invited attention to the convenience that would result to visitors and strangers if framed maps of the Town could be located at several central points, from which maps streets could be ascertained and located. The Mayor requested the Street Committee to make note of the suggestion and to investigate its feasibility.

Mr. Shadle, from the Special Committee to inquire into the purchase of a site for town purposes reported verbally that, upon examination of the title to the lots on Maple Ave. which had been negotiated, it was found to be defective and the Committee feared it would take an extended period before the defects could be corrected. The Committee was disappointed therefore in its inability to submit a definite report at this time. On motion of Mr. Taff the Special Committee was continued.

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

E. D. Jones, Blacksmithing ----- \$ 1.60	Taylor & Balderson, 322 c.y. cinders ----- \$ 257.60	E. N. Jackson, Surveying ----- \$ 89.50
Malingly Bros. Disinfectors ----- 2.80	L. E. Smoot, Sand and gravel ----- 14.56	564.05
The Barrett Co. 1013 gals. Tania at 18¢ -- 182.34	Hendrick Motor Co. Gasoline, etc. ----- 15.65	

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

Mr. Shadle from the Committee on Streets and Lights submitted reports as follows:

With reference to a proposed walk on the Sliqo Bridge, Mr. Shadle stated that he had been unable to get in touch with Mr. Douglas, formerly Engineer of Bridges in the District of Columbia, but that he had interviewed an engineer connected with Barber and Ross who advised against any additional weight upon the superstructure of the bridge. No estimate had been secured for widening the bridge upon new supports but that this would be done and report made at a later date.

It had been noted that the cars on Carroll Avenue were now stopping on the far side of the street, but the Committee is unadvised whether this is the result of orders given the employees or done upon their own volition. Upon suggestion of the Mayor the Clerk was instructed to write the Capitol Traction Company and request that appropriate orders be given to prevent the Carroll Avenue cars stopping at such points as to block the street.

The Committee returned to the Council the proposed "Carroll Manor" Subdivision with recommendation that it be approved provided a new plat be submitted and filed with the Town Clerk containing the following changes in the plat now before the Council: That the streets designated thereon as Lee Avenue, Winchester Avenue, Jackson Avenue and Ashby Avenue be changed to Manor Circle, said designation to include all the streets above mentioned; that Davis Avenue be changed to Winchester Avenue and that the entire subdivision be designated as Block 45. On motion of Mr. Rogers the report of the Committee was approved.

Mr. Hendrick moved that upon submission of a new plat of the "Carroll Manor" Subdivision in accordance with the changes directed by the Council that the Street Committee be authorized and directed to have permanent grades established for the streets therein. Carried and so ordered.

The Committee submitted a tentative proposal for the extension of Maple Avenue with the suggestion that it be 50 feet in width instead of 40 as proposed. In view however of the width of the existing Maple Avenue of 40 feet the Council deemed it desirable that the proposed extension conform thereto.

The Committee informed the Council of the desire of the W.F. Brenizer Company to substitute a bond to cover the one year guarantee of street and sidewalk work in lieu of the 10% cash retent as provided in the contract. The committee submitted no recommendation but stated such bonds were being accepted in District of Columbia contracts in preference to cash retents. No definite action was taken upon the matter altho the concensus of opinion expressed in the discussion was to abide by the terms of the contract.

Messrs. M. Whitney, Metz and Coughlin, residents of Holt and Crescent Places appeared before the Council in reference to the un-completed work on those streets. After extension discussion the Mayor suggested that the matter go over for a month, at the end of which time, weather permitting, improved results will doubtless have been attained.

The Clerk laid before the Council a communication from the Corporation Counsel returning the claim of Mr. Adolph Van Reuth for \$306 covering expenses due to injuries received on Baltimore Avenue, with a review of the circumstances in connection therewith and an opinion drawn therefrom that there is no legal liability on the part of the Town to reimburse Mr. Van Reuth.

Mr. Hendrick moved that in view of the opinion of the Corporation Counsel, the claim of Mr. Van Reuth be disallowed. The motion was unanimously adopted.

On motion of Mr. Shadle, Mr. E.E. Blodgett, Superintendent of Public Work, was appointed Building Inspector and directed to inspect all buildings erected within the Town and to take up and preserve all Building permits.

Mr. Hendrick called attention to the conditions at the end of Oak Avenue, a dead-end street and a menace to automobilists unfamiliar therewith and the matter was referred to the Street Committee to investigate and report as to possible remedy.

The Mayor informed the Council that his attention had been called to the existence of one or possibly two disorderly houses within the Town and that he had been unable to discover any Ordinance applicable to such cases. He stated that he was taking the matter up with the Corporation Counsel and would probably call a special meeting for its consideration.

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

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

Takoma Park, Md., January 10, 1921.

Gentlemen: - I am submitting herewith the following itemized statements of the cost of cement sidewalks and concrete streets recently completed and special assessments against abutting property based upon said cost and the lineal frontage of the benefitted property;

Cost of Cement Sidewalks Constructed on Park Avenue, Crescent Place, Holt Place, Denwood Avenue, Willow Avenue, Allegheny Avenue,

Flower Avenue, Carroll Avenue and Garland Avenue, amounting in all to 4343 lineal feet:

Cement work-----	\$ 5888.58	Surveying and engineering-----	\$ 100.00
Excavating-----	862.67	Advertising and miscellaneous-----	14.70
Extra cost of cement-----	300.00	Total-----	7165.95

The per foot cost of construction and the per foot assessment therefore amounts to \$1.65

Cost of Concrete Roadway and Curbing on Denwood Avenue:

Concrete roadway-----	\$ 4896.82	Extra cost of cement-----	\$ 246.00
Concrete curbing-----	1264.30	Advertising and miscellaneous-----	6.93
Excavation-----	595.95	Total-----	7050.00
Surveying and engineering-----	40.00		

The lineal feet of construction amounted to 705 feet and the per foot cost of construction to \$10, the assessment thus amounting to \$3.33 1/3

Cost of Concrete Roadway and Curbing on Carroll Avenue:

Concrete roadway-----	\$ 4536.87	Extra cost of cement-----	\$ 229.20
Concrete curbing-----	495.80	Advertising and miscellaneous-----	10.70
Excavation-----	799.20	Total-----	6146.77
Surveying and Engineering-----	75.00		

The lineal feet of construction amounted to 482.1 feet and the per foot cost of construction to \$12.75, the assessment against abutting and benefited property thus amounting to \$4.25 per lineal foot.

Very respectfully,

BEN G. DAVIS, Town Treasurer.

Assessment

Subdivision	BLK	Lot	Assessed Owner	Feet	Amt. due	Subdivision	BLK	Lot	Assessed Owner	Feet	Amt. Due
Concrete Street - Denwood Avenue - \$3.33 1/3											
Hill Crest	2	15	N. E. and A. J. Disbrow	17.1	\$ 57.00	Hill Crest	4	6	Joseph W. Shadle	50	166.67
		16	Charles Thompson	50	166.67			7	Elizabeth H. Bukely	50	166.67
		17	Lavinia Quinn	50	166.67			8	Roy A. and Mabel C. Simons	50	166.67
	3	3	L. Marlin, Jr. and Marie A. Simpson	50	166.67			9	Fred K. C. and Florence K. Ruby	50	166.67
		4	Walter Wyatt	50	166.67	Total					
		5	" "	50	166.67	Concrete Street - Carroll Avenue - \$4.25					
		6	G. Albert and Mary R. Scott	50	166.67	L. and E.	6	1	Guy and Edna K. Clinton	50.34	213.95
		7	" " " " " "	50	166.67			2	" " " " "	20.40	85.00
		8	M. A. Matheson	50	166.67			2	General Conference Corporation S.D.A.	20	85.00
		9	Joseph W. Shadle	50	166.67			3	" " " " "	40	170.00
		10	" " " "	50	166.67			4	" " " " "	40	170.00
		11	" " " "	50	166.67			5	" " " " "	59.94	254.75
		12	W. C. Magathan	50	166.67		5	2	Review and Herald Pub. Assn	40	170.00
		13	Hurley	50	166.67			3	Lucretia Jackson	62.65	266.26
		14	R. W. Berry	50	166.67	Gilberts	3	2	" " " " "	37.35	158.74
	4	1	L. H. Weis	50	166.67	L. and E.	3	33	Review and Herald Pub. Assn.	79.57	338.17
		2	C. A. Brenneman	50	166.67			34	" " " " "	50	212.50
		3	Charles J. Spencer	50	166.67			35	General Conference Corporation, S.D.A.	50	212.50
		4	Ralph C. and Edith L. Miller	50	166.67			36	" " " " "	50	212.50
		5	H. C. Maddux	50	166.67			37	" " " " "	50	212.50

Assessment for Cement Walks on Park Ave. Crescent Place, Holt Place, Denwood, Allegheny, Carroll, Willow, Flower and Garland Aves.

Subdivision	Blk	Lot	Assessed Owner	Feet	Amt. Due	Subdivision	Blk	Lot	Assessed Owner	Feet	Amt. Due
L. and E	8	24	William M. Terrell - 23 Austh	50	\$ 82.50	Hill Crest	4	9	F. C. and F. K. Ruby	50	\$ 82.50
		25	Henry S. Van Deventer 24 C. B. Kelly	50	82.50			10	" " " "	84	134.40
Hill Crest	1	23	E. C. and Pearl H. Wood	50	82.50	Gilberts	49	10	Harry W. Miller	76	125.40
		24	A. M. Terrill	50	82.50			10	E. L. Workman	40	66.00
		25	C. L. Ashley	50	82.50	Fletchers	48	1	I. A. Hewitt	89.4	147.51
		26	A. C. Paulson	50	82.50			2	" "	50	82.50
		27	George T. Smallwood	50	82.50			3	Don Duffie	50	82.50
		28	Town of Takoma Park	50	82.50			4	M. E. Cady	50	82.50
	4	15	W. B. Walters	61.44	101.38			5	Louis A. Barrett	50	82.50
	2	17	Lavinia Quinn	25	41.25			6	Pauline Schielberg	50	82.50
		18	A. P. and M. E. Mattingly	56	92.40	Gilbert	51		Washington Missionary College	362.9	598.79
		19	" " " "	6	9.90	Palmer			Margaret R. Stewart	281.5	464.48
		19	Milton Whitney	38	62.70				Taylor	138.3	228.20
		20	" "	48.5	80.03				Benjamin L. Palmer	66.6	109.89
		21	John R. Ridgeway	50	82.50		101	1	O. J. Ozier	55	90.75
Gilbert's	16	78	J. Maurice and Virgie E. Phillips	40	66.00			2	" "	55	90.75
		79	W. C. Holland	40	66.00			3	Henry C. Spohn	60	99.00
		80	Delphine Irwin	40	66.00			4	Samuel A. Fairchild	72	118.80
		81	George N. Schmitt	40.15	66.25			19	George W. Shilson	59.8	98.67
Hill Crest	3	9	Joseph W. Shadle	50	82.50			20	" " "	59.8	98.67
		10	" " "	50	82.50			21	" " "	59.8	98.67
		11	" " "	50	82.50			22	" " "	59.8	98.67
		12	W. C. Magathan	50	82.50			13	H. W. Miller and E. G. Fulton	53.4	88.11
		13		50	82.50			14	T. O. McMullen	53.4	88.11
		14	Ralph W. Berry	50	82.50			15	Uzel D. Pickard	53.4	88.11
		15	Joseph W. Shadle	50	82.50			16	Amanda Miller	53.4	88.11
		16	" " "	50	82.50			17	W. H. Zeidler	53.4	88.11
		17	" " "	50	82.50			18	H. W. Miller and E. G. Fulton	60	99.00
	4	4	Ralph C. and E. L. Miller	50	82.50			19	Geo. W. Shilson	35	57.75
		5	H. C. Maddux	50	82.50		49	8	S. M. Butler	50	82.50
		6	Joseph W. Shadle	50	82.50			8	C. C. Lewis	60	99.00
		7	Elizabeth H. Bukely	50	82.50						
		8	R. A. and M. C. Simons	50	82.50						

The following Ordinance was thereupon submitted to the Council for its consideration:

Ordinance No. 349.

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

Section 1. That the special assessment submitted by the Town Treasurer under date of January 10, 1921, for the payment of cement sidewalks constructed on Park Avenue, Crescent Place, Holt Place, Denwood Avenue, Willow Avenue, Allegheny Avenue, Flower Avenue, Carroll Avenue, and Garland Avenue, and for concrete roadbed and curbing on Denwood Avenue and Carroll Avenue, abutting the lots specifically

set forth in said assessment, said sidewalks, roadbed and curbing having been constructed in accordance with the provisions of the Act of the General Assembly of Maryland approved March 3, 1904, be and the said assessment is hereby approved and adopted; the Mayor and Council hereby declaring the said lots set forth in said special assessment to be specially benefitted by said work.

Section 2. The special assessments hereby approved shall be due and payable February 1, 1921. Provided that, if so desired, payment may be made in five equal annual installments, the first due on the first day of February, 1921, and the remaining installments due on the first day of each February following, until paid. Provided, that payments of one-fifth, or excess thereof, may be paid at any time within the payment period. All deferred payments shall bear interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum.

Mr. Taff moved that the Ordinance be adopted and the Ordinance was adopted upon an aye and nay vote as follows: voting aye, the Mayor and Councilmen Hendrick, Miller, Rogers, Shadle and Taff. Voting nay, none.

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

Approved:

James L. Wilmett Mayor.

Burd Davis

Clerk.

Monday Evening, January 31, 1921

A special meeting of the Council was held this date at the Office of the Clerk, convening at 8 o'clock. There were present the Mayor and Councilmen Miller, Rogers, Shadle and Taff.

The Mayor stated that he had called the meeting in accordance with the understanding reached at the last regular meeting of the Council for the purpose primarily of considering a proposed Ordinance drawn by the Corporation Counsel to prevent the establishment or maintenance of disorderly houses within the town limits and for the consideration of such other business that may appear urgent.

The Mayor thereupon presented the following Ordinance for the Council's consideration and action:

Ordinance No. 350.

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

Section 1. That whoever shall establish, maintain, use or occupy any house or other place within the corporate limits of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, for the purpose of lewdness, assignation, or prostitution, is hereby declared to be guilty of a nuisance, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished as hereinafter provided.

Section 2. That in prosecutions under Section 1 of this Ordinance it shall be competent for the prosecution to offer in evidence the general reputation of the house or other place in question.

Section 3. That it shall be unlawful for any prostitute or lewd woman to invite, entice, persuade, or address for the purpose of inviting, enticing, or persuading, any person or persons in or upon any avenue, street, road, highway, open space, alley, public square, or park, within the corporate limits of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, to accompany or to follow her to her residence or to any other place within or without the corporate limits of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, for the purpose of prostitution, under the penalties hereinafter provided.

Section 4. That it shall be unlawful for any prostitute or woman of lewd character to invite, entice, persuade or address for the purpose of inviting, enticing, or persuading any person or persons from any door, window, porch, or portico of any house or building within the corporate limits of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, to enter any such house or building or to accompany her or to follow her to any place whatsoever, within or without the corporate limits of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, for the purpose of prostitution, under the penalties hereinafter provided.

Section 5. That it shall be unlawful for any person to accompany or to follow any prostitute or woman of lewd character, in or upon any avenue, street, road, highway, open space, alley, public square, or park, within the corporate limits of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, for the purpose of engaging in illicit intercourse, under the penalties hereinafter provided.

Section 6. That each violation of this Ordinance shall be deemed a separate offense.

Section 7. That any person violating this Ordinance shall upon conviction be fined not less than ten dollars (\$10.00) nor more than fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each offense, and in default of payment of such fine shall be imprisoned in the county jail of the County in which the offense was committed for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days, or until such fine be paid.

Section 8. That any ordinance or part of ordinance inconsistent with the terms hereof be and the same is hereby repealed.

Section 9. That this ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

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 Miller, Rogers, Shadle and Taff. Voting nay, none.

Dr. Miller, from the Water and Sewer Committee, reported that the Howe Fire Engine, ordered in October last had been delivered by the Howe Fire Apparatus Co. and that a representative of the Company had conducted a very successful demonstration and test on this date at which the Mayor, Councilmen Hendrick, Miller, Rogers and Shadle and Superintendent of Public Work Blodgett were present; Mr. Milley stated that an additional test in pumping from the creek or from wells, would be made tomorrow. In connection therewith the Water and Sewer Committee recommended that if tomorrow's test proved satisfactory the Treasurer be authorized to settle in full for the engine in accordance with the terms of the contract, upon written authority of the Committee; he also recommended that for the present the engine be located at the Takoma Garage, 21 Carroll Avenue, and that an appropriation of \$10.00 per month for storage and cleaning be authorized. The recommendations were approved.

On motion of Mr. Taff the Clerk was authorized and directed to prepare a suitable card for convenient household reference setting forth the location of the fire engine at the Takoma Garage and the telephone numbers, day and night, over which fire calls should be made and that one of said cards be furnished to every house within the town limits.

Dr. Miller moved that authority be granted the Water and Sewer Committee to purchase 500 feet of single-jacketed fire hose at a cost not to exceed \$1.00 per lineal foot, including couplings. Carried and so ordered. The purchase of 50 feet of suction hose was also authorized

There being no further business the Council, at 8:40 o'clock, adjourned.

Approved:

James L. Wilmett Mayor

Bill Davis Clerk

Takoma Park, Md., February 21, 1921

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

The minutes of the last regular meeting and of the special meeting of January 31 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	\$ 42311.02	Street work: labor	\$ 380.60	
Receipts:		material	470.15	850.75
From general taxes	\$ 254.67	Fire apparatus		3387.50
special taxes	217.54	Street lighting		181.25
gas permits	5.00	General expenses: telephones	9.25	
refund on cement sacks	1118.33	miscellaneous	2.80	12.05
road tax refund Montgomery Co.	1717.25	Salaries: Supt. of Public Work	150.00	
building permits	4.00	Clerk and Treasurer	75.00	225.00
	3316.79			10656.55
	45627.81	Balance on hand		34971.26
Disbursements:		Belonging to special impvt. fund		17513.91
Contractor, streets and walks	6000.00	Available balance		17457.35

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

The Clerk laid before the Council a communication from the Takoma Park Bank requesting that, as an encouragement to a local institution, all the funds of the Town be deposited in that institution. After due consideration and on motion of Mr. Bliss, the Treasurer was directed to deposit all moneys of the Town in the Takoma Park Bank, provided that a proper indemnity bond be furnished by that institution.

Mr. Scott, of 225 Willow Ave., personally complained to the Council that the catch basin recently constructed on his lot by the Town, was still incomplete and no cover placed thereover. Mr. Scott requested that this be done and the drain pipes connected with the catch basin.

Mr. R. D. Lillie, as one of the Trustees of the local Maryland school inquired if the Council felt disposed to assist in bettering the heating apparatus of the school, in view of the lack of necessary funds from the county. Mr. Lillie was informed by the Mayor

that all possible effort should be made to secure the required funds from the County failing which the matter could be considered later.

Mr. Roby, of Denwood Avenue, requested that he be granted exemption from the assessment for cement sidewalk constructed on Denwood Avenue. The request was referred to the street committee for consideration and report.

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

Washington Sanitarium, Gasoline	\$ 1.50	Hendrick Motor Co. Gas and repairs	\$ 5.10	Hunter Bros, tools	\$ 8.10
E. D. Jones, Blacksmithing	2.15	Taylor & Balderson, Cinders	257.60	Washington Rubber Co. Fire hose	588.00
Gosorn & Davis, Printing	2.50	The Barrett Co, Tania	152.93	Louis Hartig, duck	2.80

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

Corporation Counsel J. Bond Smith informed the Council in detail of the steps being taken to bring before the Public Service Commission of Maryland the complaint against the Washington Gaslight Company of Montgomery County, Maryland, for the prices charged for gas. The action taken and proposed was approved by the Council and the Corporation Counsel authorized to arrange for the necessary hearing.

The Corporation Counsel also advised the Council with reference to the successful proceedings in the Circuit Court of Montgomery County wherein the Ordinance against disorderly houses was sustained by the court and the parties arrested, convicted and sentenced.

In executive session the Council approved the recommendation of the Corporation Counsel to withdraw the prosecution of one of the defendants, a soldier stationed at the Walter Reed General Hospital.

[Avenue,

The Treasurer laid before the Council the following proposed special assessment covering two-thirds the cost of grading Flower,

Subdiv.	Blk	Lot	Assessed Owner	Feet	Amt. due	Subdiv.	Blk	Lot	Assessed Owner	Feet	Amt. due
Fletchers	46	1	George L. Palmer	30	\$ 9.00	Fletcher's	46	15	John L. and Alice M. Fletcher	50	\$ 15.00
		2	Henry George	50	15.00			16	"	50	15.00
		3	Leonard Lincoln	50	15.00			17	"	50	15.00
		4	"	50	15.00			18	"	50	15.00
		5	"	50	15.00			19	"	50	15.00
		6	Joseph Konigsmacher	50	15.00			20	"	50	15.00
		7	"	50	15.00			21	"	50	15.00
		8	Harry S. Weaver	81	24.30			22	"	50	15.00
		9	Rollin T. Brooks	81	24.30		47	1	"	64.2	19.26
		10	"	50	15.00			2	"	50	15.00
		11	Harold L. Butter	50	15.00			3	"	50	15.00
		12	John L. and Alice M. Fletcher	50	15.00			4	"	50	15.00
		13	C. C. Lewis	50	15.00			5	"	50	15.00
		14	John L. and Alice M. Fletcher	50	15.00			6	"	50	15.00

Subdiv.	Blk	Lot	Assessed Owner	Feet	Amt. due	Subdiv.	Blk	Lot	Assessed Owner	Feet	Amt. due
Fletchers	47	7	John L. and Alice M. Fletcher	50	\$ 15.00	Fletchers	48	3	Joseph Konigsmacher	50	\$ 15.00
		8	"	50	15.00			4	M. E. Cady	50	15.00
		9	M. E. Cady	50	15.00			5	Lois A. Barrett	50	15.00
		10	"	50	15.00			6	Pauline Schielberg	50	15.00
		11	"	138.6	41.58			7	George Lawrence	50	15.00
	48	1	I. A. Hewitt	89.4	26.82			8	"	39	11.70
		2	"	50	15.00						

Ordinance No. 351

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

Section 1. That the special assessment submitted by the Town Treasurer under date of February 21, 1921, for the payment of grading of Flower Avenue, as provided in Ordinances Nos. 347 and 348, passed and approved July 12, 1920, and August 9, 1920, respectively, be and the same is hereby approved and adopted, the Mayor and Council hereby declaring the said property as set forth in said assessment to be specially benefitted by said work.

Section 2. The special assessments hereby approved shall be due and payable March 1, 1921: Provided that, if so desired, payment may be made in 5 equal annual installments, the first due on March 1, 1921, and the remaining installments due on the first day of each March following until paid. Provided, that payments of one-fifth or excess thereof may be made at any time within the payment period. All deferred payments shall bear interest at 6 per cent per annum.

Mr. Taff moved that the Ordinance be adopted and the Ordinance was adopted upon an aye and nay vote as follows: voting aye, the Mayor and Councilmen Bliss, Rogers and Taff. Voting nay, none.

On motion of Mr. Taff, Messrs. J. H. Van Houten, E. N. Jackson and John D. Miller were appointed a Board of Assessors for the purpose of revising the assessment list for the ensuing fiscal year.

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

Approved:

James L. Wilmett
Mayor

Paul D. Davis

Clerk

Monday Evening, March 21, 1921

The Council met at 8:00 o'clock. There were present the Mayor and Councilmen Bliss, Hendrick, Miller, Rogers, Shadle 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	\$ 34971.26	Street lighting	\$ 181.25
Receipts:		Telephone rentals	8.95
From general taxes	\$ 106.44	Miscellaneous	2.80
special " "	2370.51	Salaries: clerk and treasurer	75.00
building deposits	20.00	superintendent of public work	150.00 225.00 1004.50
building permits	10.00	Balance on hand	\$ 36499.71
miscellaneous (sale of dirt and wood)	26.00 2532.95	Special improvement fund	19884.42
	37504.21	Available balance	\$ 16615.29
Disbursements:			
Street work: labor	\$ 161.27		
material	425.25 586.50		

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

Miss Noyes, 224 Spruce Avenue, appeared before the Council and urged that some immediate action be taken to protect her property from damage by water draining down from Park and Spruce Avenues. Matter referred to the Street Committee for report.

Mr. George A. Phelps, of 5 Grant Avenue, entered complaint relative to water overflowing his property from Denwood Ave. Mr. William F. Carter, [Committee] also living on Grant Avenue, complained similarly regarding flow of water from Grant Avenue onto his property. Both complaints referred to Street Mr. Carter also requested that a street lamp be placed on lower Grant Avenue.

Mr. Bliss laid before the Council a communication addressed to the Health Committee by Mrs. A.L. Barrows of 224 Willow Ave, relative to the non-removal of an outhouse from the Snodgrass property. Mr. Bliss explained that the main property on this lot has been connected with the sewer system and one of the outhouses removed. Upon his motion the Clerk was instructed to advise the occupant or owner of the property that all buildings thereon used for residence purposes must be connected with the public sewer and that maintenance of an outhouse on the premises will not be permitted.

A communication was presented by the Clerk from Mr. Louis Messinger, 6 Hickory Ave, complaining of damage to a hedge on his property occasioned by employees of the Town engaged in burning leaves. The Superintendent of Public Work explained how the fire spread to the hedge and stated that if permanently damaged he would see that the hedge was restored.

The Clerk presented a petition from residents of Chestnut Avenue, extended, recently included within the corporation bounds, requesting that street improvements, water and sewer mains, walks, etc., be provided for that section. The petition was referred to the Street Committee for consideration and report.

A petition from residents of Takoma Avenue, requesting resurfacing of that street from Chestnut Avenue to Buffalo Avenue was referred to the Street Committee for consideration and report.

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

J. B. Simpson, Sundries	\$ 27.90	Hunter Bros: 2 wrenches	\$ 5.00	J. Bond Smith, legal services	\$ 50.00
Wash. Rubber Co. Suction hose	65.50	Hendrick Motor Co. Oil, gas, etc.	10.15	S.S. Harris, Expenses health officer	2.50
Taylor and Balderson, cinders	240.80	J. Bond Smith, Expenses	54.50	Total	456.35

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

Mr. Bliss from the Health Committee recommended that the usual spring "clean-up week" be provided for and arrangements made to inaugurate and maintain a garbage collection service during the summer months. On motion of Mr. Hendrick the Health Committee was authorized to make the required arrangements for a "clean-up week" about the middle of April and to institute a weekly garbage collection service shortly thereafter to extend through the month of September.

Mr. Shadle, from the Street Committee reported relative to the request of residents on Spruce Avenue for the concreting of that street, that the petition be granted, provided the property owners are willing to pay the entire cost of the work. In view of the fact that the petition was submitted upon the understanding that the property owners would be assessed for but two-thirds the cost of the work and because of the excessive present cost of concrete work it was deemed inadvisable to take definite action until the petitioners could be consulted regarding their attitude on the proposed assessment of the entire cost against them. Suggestions were made that concrete or cobble stone gutters on this street might solve the problem at a much less cost and the Committee was instructed to take this into consideration.

Mr. Shadle invited attention to the street lines of Jefferson Avenue as recently located by the surveyor and the necessity of some grading in connection therewith, and upon his motion an appropriation of \$100 was authorized for the purpose indicated.

In an informal discussion concerning the oiling of cinder-surfaced streets it was stated as probable that residents of the streets referred to would be willing to pay the cost of such work. The Street Committee was authorized to have cinder streets oiled in any cases in which

the residents were willing to advance the cost thereof.

The attention of the Council having been called to several instances in which the contemplated construction of dwellings was held up because of inability to secure water and sewer facilities, thus retarding the natural development of the community, the Clerk, on motion of Mr. Hendricks, was instructed to write the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission, calling its attention to the facts submitted and urging that these necessary sanitary conveniences be supplied in accordance with the Town's requirements.

Dr. Miller advised the Council that Mr. Harris would be unable to serve longer as deputy health officer in charge of contagious diseases. On motion of Mr. Rogers the Mayor was authorized to appoint a successor to Mr. Harris as soon as a suitable man was available.

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

Approved:

James L. Wilmett Mayor.

Ben D. Davis

Clerk

Monday Evening April 18, 1921.

The Council met at 8 o'clock at the Clerk's office on account of lack of fire in the church basement and the inclement weather. There were present the Mayor and Councilmen Bliss, Hendrick, Shadle 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	\$ 36499.71	material	\$ 250.95	443.45
Receipts:		Fire apparatus		658.50
From general taxes	\$ 912.83	Street lighting		181.25
special "	3476.28	Telephone service		9.25
gas permits	8.00	Miscellaneous		144.65
building permits	18.00	Salaries: clerk and treasurer	75.00	
builders deposits	20.00	Superintendent of Public Work	150.00	225.00
	4435.11	Total balance on hand		39,272.72
	40934.82	Special improvement fund		23,360.70
Disbursements:		Available balance		15,912.02
Street work: labor	\$ 192.50			

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