

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.

Mr. Harry H. Spencer verbally petitioned the Council to so improve Carroll Avenue as to permit him to run a roadway therefrom into his property in block 49. After consideration and on motion of Mr. Shadle, an appropriation of \$100 was authorized to provide the necessary drainage to protect the roadway abutting Mr. Spencer's property providing he assumes the expense of the necessary grading.

Mr. Henry George addressed the Council requesting elimination of the assessment recently made against his lot on Flower Ave. for street grading, in view of the fact that no grading was done adjacent to his property. The Mayor informed Mr. George that the grading of Flower Avenue was deemed by the Council to have benefitted all the property on that portion of Flower Avenue lying within the Fletcher Subdivision and that in consideration of that benefit all the property was specially assessed to pay the expense of the work and that his assessment could not be eliminated in justice to others similarly affected. [given consideration

Mr. Adolph Van Reuth requested the Council to improve Baltimore Ave. in the vicinity of his residence and was informed the request would be

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

Hendrick Motor Co. Gas, repairs and storage	\$ 41.75	Col. Brick and Coal Co. Cement	\$ 4.75	H. B. Hendrick, Distributing circulars	\$ 3.00
Thos. Somerville Co, terra cotta pipe	73.80	Pioneer Press, Printing	4.85	Total	229.00
Taylor and Balderson, cinders	89.60	Takoma Record "	11.25		

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

Mr. Bliss, from the Health Committee, submitted to the Council a communication from the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission concerning the relative quality of the water furnished to the Town during operation by the town authorities and by the Commission, from which it is claimed that the quality of the water has constantly improved under operation by the Commission and that the quality now furnished is much superior to that supplied by the Town under its operation of the plant. This is shown by comparative ^{bacterial} analyses by the State Board of Health which accompanied the Commission's letter.

Mr. Bliss reported further that arrangements had been completed for "Clean-up Week" and for inauguration of a garbage collection service.

Mr. Hendrick, from the Civic Improvement Committee stated that at a recent meeting of the Committee some plans had been formulated looking to definite improvement of Spring Park; that grading had been done for a tennis court and a wading pool provided in the North Takoma Park, and that additional plans were in contemplation.

Mr. Shadle, from the Street Committee reported in reference to the petition of Mr. Ruby for remission of assessment for sidewalk construction

abutting his lot at the end of Denwood Avenue, that said assessment appeared regular and recommended denial of the request. Recommendation approved.

The Street Committee, through Mr. Shadle, submitted proposed street grades as established by the engineer for Manor Circle, lower portion of Willow Avenue and connection between Willow and Spruce Avenues and of Elm Avenue south from Carrall Avenue, the latter a 12.4% grade and the grades as submitted and proposed were approved. [Avenues was accepted.]

On motion of Mr. Hendrick a proposed dedication of ground by Mr. Van Deventer for use in connection with the grade between Willow and Spruce

On motion of Mr. Taff authority was granted to Mr. Adolph Van Reuth to lay a drain pipe, under supervision of the Street Committee and at his own expense on Baltimore Avenue in proximity to Mr. Van Reuth's residence.

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

Ordinance No. 352

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

Sec. 1. That in accordance with Sections 4 and 5 of the town Charter, a general election is hereby called for Monday, May 2, 1921, to be held in the basement of the Presbyterian Church on Maple Avenue, at which time and place the qualified voters of said Town shall cast their votes for three members of the Town Council to serve for a term of two years from the first Monday in June, 1921.

Sec. 2. The polls for said election shall open at 6 o'clock a.m. and shall close at 6 o'clock p.m.

Mr. Hendricks 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, Hendrick, Shadle and Taff. Voting nay, none.

On motion of Mr. Hendrick Messrs. S. R. Kyle, L. M. Mooers and E. N. Jackson were appointed Judges of Election and authority was granted the Mayor to fill any vacancy occasioned by the inability of any of the gentlemen named to serve.

The Clerk reported that he had received from the Board of Assessors the revised assessment of property within the Town for the ensuing fiscal year and that notice will be duly given of the Council sitting as a Board of Review at its meeting on May 16.

On motion of Mr. Taff the Clerk was authorized to call a meeting of citizens in the Presbyterian church basement on Wednesday evening April 27, for the purpose of nominating candidates for three members of the Town Council to be voted for Monday, May 2, 1921

There being no further business the Council, at 9:20 o'clock, p.m., adjourned.

Approved:

James L. Wilmett Mayor

Ben D. Davis

Clerk

Monday Evening, May 2, 1921

The Council met at 8 o'clock for the purpose of receiving the report of the Judges of Election of the annual town election held this date.

There were present the Mayor and Councilmen Hendrick, Miller, Rogers, Shadle and Taff.

Mr. S.R. Kyle, Chairman of the Judges of Election, delivered to the Mayor the ballot box and ballots cast and the following report:

The Mayor and Council,

Town of Takoma Park, Maryland.

Takoma Park, Md., May 2, 1921.

Gentlemen: The undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as Judges of Election, have the honor to submit the following report with reference to the annual town election, held in the basement of the Presbyterian Church, in the said Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, this date:

The Board of Judges organized by the selection of Mr. S.R. Kyle as Chairman and Mr. S.E. McNeill as Clerk, after having taken the usual oath of office before the Mayor.

The polls were opened at the legal hour of 6 o'clock a.m. and remained open continuously until the legal hour of 6 o'clock p.m., at which hour they were closed.

The following persons were balloted for and received the number of votes respectively as indicated:

For the Council: John R. Adams, 499; Mrs. Vinnie G. Barrows, 273; William F. Fischer, 299; Harry W. Miller, 301; Frederick L. Pearce, 97; H. Edson Rogers, 334; Milton Whitney, 193. The total number of votes cast was 688.

It therefore appears from the ballots cast that the following named candidates received the highest number of votes cast and are hereby declared duly elected as Members of the Council for a term of two years beginning on the first Monday in June, 1921: John R. Adams; H. Edson Rogers; Dr. Harry W. Miller.

Certificates of election of the above named are inclosed herewith.

Respectively submitted:

S.R. KYLE, Chairman

E.N. JACKSON,

L.M. MOOERS,

Judges of Election,

Mr. Taff moved that the report be accepted and filed and that the result of the election be hereby declared pursuant to the report of the Judges as submitted. The motion was carried.

On motion of Mr. Taff the Treasurer was authorized to pay the usual compensation to the Judges and Clerk of Election.

There being no further business the Council, at 8:15 o'clock adjourned.

Approved:

James L. Wilmett Mayor.

Ben Davis

Thursday Evening, May 5, 1921

A special meeting of the Council was held this date at the office of the Clerk, convening at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of considering a proposal for the purchase of lots as a site for a Town Hall. There were present; the Mayor and Councilmen Hendrick, Miller, Rogers, Shadle and Taff.

The Mayor laid before the Council a communication from Mr. H.L. Thornton, bearing date of May 3, 1921, in which he confirmed a verbal offer to the Mayor to sell to the Town of Takoma Park, Md., for \$3000 cash, parts of lots 2 and 5, in block 7, Town of Takoma Park, Md; said parts of said lots being the full width thereof as shown on the Town plat by a depth of 200 feet; Lot 2 is 59.59 feet wide and lot 5 is 50 feet wide, the total frontage of the site thus approximating 110 feet; the communication stated that all state, county and town taxes were paid to June 30, 1921 and that the Town would be expected to assume the assessments of the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission for water and sewer mains.

After discussion and general opinion that the proposed site was centrally located, sufficient in size and reasonable in price, Mr. Shadle moved that the lots be purchased at the price offered. The motion was unanimously adopted.

The Mayor appointed a special Committee, consisting of Councilmen Shadle, Taff, Bliss and Rogers and the Town Clerk and Treasurer to investigate the subject of a building for town purposes on the site authorized to be purchased and to report with conclusions and recommendations at the earliest practicable date.

Mr. Hendrick moved that the Mayor be requested to take up with the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission the serious situation resulting from lack of public sewers in Grant Avenue and other streets of the Carroll subdivision and in Garland Avenue east of the Sanitarium and to urge the construction of public sewers in these localities. Carried and so ordered.

On motion of Dr. Miller the Hendrick Motor Co. was authorized to keep the fire engine in ^{perfect} running condition, with the necessary attention, including battery tests, etc, and to submit monthly bills for service thus rendered.

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

Approved:

James L. Wilmoth Mayor.

Bruce Davis

Clerk.

Monday Evening, May 16, 1921

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

The minutes of the last regular meeting and of the special meetings of May 2 and May 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	39272.72	General expenses: printing	\$ 16.10
Receipts:		telephones	9.05
From general taxes	\$ 82.71	postage	11.12
" special "	80.03	Street lighting	181.25
gas permits	6.00	Miscellaneous	173.50
building permits	14.00	Salaries: Clerk and Treasurer	75.00
building deposits	10.00	supt. of public work	150.00
	197.74	Parks: North Takoma	25.00
	39470.46	Balance on hand	38139.94
Disbursements:		Special improvement fund	23440.73
Street work: labor	\$ 267.75	Available balance	14699.21
material	401.75		
Fire apparatus-storage	20.00		

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

The Mayor announced that this evening had been set aside for the Council to sit as a Board of Review to hear and determine any objections or complaints. On motion of Mr. Taff the Council resolved itself into a Board of Review for the purposes indicated. The Mayor thereupon announced that any complaints or objections to the assessment would now be heard. No objections of any nature having been submitted the Council thereupon adjourned as a Board of Review and resumed its regular session.

The Clerk laid before the Council a communication from the Corporation Counsel setting forth the action taken by him in behalf of the Town before the Maryland Public Utilities Commission in reference to a reduction in the charges for gas by the Washington Gaslight Company of Montgomery County. The Corporation Counsel stated that notwithstanding the two reductions secured in the gas rate he felt sure that a further reduction could be secured corresponding with the present gas rates in the District of Columbia and that, after consulting with the Mayor he had filed the necessary papers asking for a rehearing which he felt sure would be granted. The Corporation Counsel submitted also a bill of expenses incurred and services rendered in the case to date for the Council's approval.

On motion of Mr. Taff the action of the Mayor and Corporation Counsel in their effort to secure a rehearing in the case referred to was unanimously approved and payment of the bill rendered by the Corporation Counsel was approved for payment.

The Clerk laid before the Council communications and petitions as follows:

From James S. and Eva H. Fraser for cement walk on East side of Pine Ave, between Montgomery and Elm. Referred to Street Committee.

From W.R. Smith and Clarence Lowry for cement sidewalk abutting 254 and 256 Park Ave. and for street light at corner of Park and Denwood Aves.

Referred to the Street Committee for consideration and report.

From Frank E. Skinner and E. J. Hulse for cement walk on Sycamore Avenue. To the Street Committee for report.

From Clarence D. Blachly and others for street-bed and sidewalks on north end of Willow Ave. To the Street Committee for report.

From Robert D. Burbank and others for surfacing of Sycamore Ave, between Beech and Ethan Allen, with tarvia. To the Street Committee.

From Morris Bien and others for widening, grading and improving of Elm Ave. from Carroll Ave. to corporation line. To the Street Committee.

From R. D. Wright and others for grading of portions of Cedar and Elm Avenues. To the Street Committee.

From W. G. Slappey for street sign at intersection of Boyd and Carroll Avenues. To the Street Committee.

From Wm. Shaw relative to water washing over his lot from Denwood and Park Avenues. To the Street Committee for investigation.

Mr. R. S. Cyphers made verbal inquiry of the Council concerning access to the town Ordinances and was informed that these were now in process of codification by the Corporation Counsel, pending the completion and publication of which, the original Ordinances could be consulted at the Clerk's Office.

Mrs. Morris Bien addressed the Council relative to the petition presented for the permanent improvement of Elm Ave, south of Carroll.

Mr. Griffith, of Sherman Ave, called attention to the neglect of the trash collector to collect the tin cans at his residence.

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

Columbia B. and C. Co, Lumber and cement	\$ 11.96	Hendrick Motor Co. Storage fire engine	\$ 8.00	L. A. Cutshaw, bailiff fees	----- \$ 5.00
Washington Sanitarium, 5 gals. gasoline	1.50	Hunter Bros. building paper and nails	4.53	Total	----- 46.59
The Pioneer Press, printing	3.00	L. E. Smoot, gravel	12.60		

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

Mr. Bliss, from the Health Committee, reported that the work incident to "Clean-up" week had been completed and that arrangements had been made for the commencement of a garbage collection service during the coming week to continue throughout the summer.

On motion of Mr. Rogers Dr. Jeffrey Williams, connected with the Sanitarium, was appointed an assistant health officer in charge of contagious diseases.

Mr. Hendrick, from the Civic Improvement Committee, reported completion of grading for tennis courts in the North Takoma Park and that improvement of Spring Park was still awaiting removal of the building therefrom.

On motion of Mr. Rogers the Corporation Counsel was requested to draft and submit to the Council a proposed bill providing for the division of the Town into not less than 3 wards of approximately equal population, for the purpose of choosing therefrom representatives on the Town Council, such draft to be submitted for the Council's consideration and study at the earliest convenient time.

On motion of Mr. Rogers the Mayor was requested to bring to the attention of the County Commissioners the necessity and importance of improving Flower Avenue from Blair Road to its intersection with the corporation line of Takoma Park.

The following Ordinances were presented for the consideration of the Council:

Ordinance No. 353.

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

Section 1. That the Revised Assessment of Real Property submitted by the duly authorized and appointed Board of Assessors, namely: J. H. Van Houten, E. N. Jackson and John D. Miller, and revised for the purposes of municipal taxation for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1921, be and the same is hereby adopted as the official assessment for the purposes and time herein set forth:

Section 2. The Mayor and Council, in accordance with law, having convened this date as a Board of Review to hear and determine any objections or complaints, of which due and lawful notice was given, and at which meeting no objections or complaints were presented.

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, Miller, Hendrick, Rogers, Shadle and Taff; voting nay, none.

Ordinance No. 354

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

Section 1. That a general tax of Seventy-five Cents on each One Hundred Dollars of assessed valuation of real property within the corporate limits of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, as shown by the assessment adopted by the Mayor and Council this date, for the forthcoming fiscal year, be, and the same is hereby levied for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1921.

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, Hendrick, Miller, Rogers, Shadle and Taff; voting nay, none.

Mr. Shadle from the Street Committee, reported that the grade for Cedar Avenue had been established and that the profile sheets would be ready this week.

On recommendation of the Street Committee an appropriation of \$200 was authorized, on motion of Mr. Shadle, for grading of Cedar and Elm Ave, the latter from Sycamore to residence of Mr. Schenck.

With reference to the several petitions presented for cement walks Mr. Shadle stated that these would be carefully tabulated and the necessary data and notices prepared for submission to a special meeting of the Council in time to hold the public hearing at the next regular meeting of the Council.

On recommendation of the Street Committee a street light was directed to be installed at the intersection of Park and Denwood Avenues.

The Mayor announced to the Council and to those in attendance upon the meeting that the Council would meet in special session Monday evening, June 6, 1920, in the basement of the Presbyterian church, for the purpose of inducting the Council^{men}-elect whose terms of service begin on that date and to elect the necessary town officials for the ensuing year.

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

Approved:

James L. Wilmett Mayor.

Ben G. Davis, Clerk

Monday Evening, June 6, 1921

A special meeting of the Council was held this date, convening at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of organization of the new Council and the election of town officials for the ensuing fiscal year. There were present the Mayor, Councilmen Rogers, Shadle and Taff and Councilmen-elect Adams and Rogers. The oath of office was administered by the Mayor to Messrs. Adams and Rogers who thereupon entered upon the discharge of their duties.

The Mayor informed the Council that the following named officials were to be elected: a clerk and treasurer, a superintendent of public work, a corporation council and such deputy bailiffs as the Council may deem necessary, and called for nominations therefor.

On motion of Mr. Taff, Mr. Ben G. Davis was nominated for clerk and treasurer; no other nominations being presented Mr. Taff moved that nominations be closed; the motion was carried whereupon Mr. Davis was unanimously elected.

Mr. Adams moved that the office of Town Engineer be established the occupant to serve without compensation except when definitely employed upon engineering work and that Mr. E. Norman Jackson be selected as Town Engineer. The motion was carried and Mr. Jackson so,

Mr. Rogers nominated Mr. J. Bond Smith for reelection as Corporation Attorney; there being no further nominations Mr. Smith was thereupon unanimously elected.

Mr. Shadle nominated Mr. E. E. Blodgett for reelection as Superintendent of Public Work and the nomination was seconded by Mr. Rogers.

No further nominations being presented Mr. Blodgett was thereupon unanimously reelected.

The following nominations were offered upon motion of Mr. Taff and seconded by Mr. Rogers: Chief Bailiff, Mr. Charles E. Ferrar, Deputy Bailiffs, Messrs. E. E. Blodgett and L. A. Cutshaw and they were unanimously elected.

The Mayor presented to the Council a communication from County Commissioner Rabey requesting that the Council submit recommendations for a deputy sheriff and for a constable charged with the collection of dog tax. On motion of Mr. Taff the Mayor was requested to recommend Mr. C. E. Ferrar for the former position and Mr. L. A. Cutshaw for the latter.

The Mayor announced the appointment of the following Standing Committees for the current fiscal year:

FINANCE: Messrs. Taff, Rogers and Shadle.

STREETS AND LIGHTS: Messrs. Shadle, Rogers and Bliss.

JUDICIARY: Messrs. Rogers, Miller and Bliss.

WATER AND SEWERS: Messrs. Adams, Miller and Taff.

CIVIC IMPROVEMENT: Messrs. Bliss, Adams and Taff.

HEALTH: Messrs. Miller, Shadle and Adams.

A communication was presented from Mr. Walter C. Irey, Secretary of the Fourth of July Celebration Committee requesting the participation of the Mayor and Council in the community celebration on that date, and on motion of Mr. Taff the invitation was accepted.

Mrs. Reed addressed the Council relative to lack of facilities for the colored children of school age in this vicinity and presented to the Council the following Resolutions the adoption of which she earnestly urged:

Whereas, there are now 45 colored children, more or less, residing in Takoma Park, Montgomery County, Maryland, or in the immediate vicinity, for whom no school facilities are provided nearer than Brightwood, District of Columbia, which school is fully two miles from the center of the colored population in Takoma Park, Maryland, and

Whereas, the Maryland school law provides that where there are twenty children of school age without public school facilities that such school facilities may be provided by the county authorities, therefore be it

Resolved, that the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Maryland, hereby urge upon the County Commissioners of Montgomery County the immediate establishment of a public school for the colored children of school age, in a suitable locality of Takoma Park, Maryland.

On motion of Mr. Taff the Resolutions were unanimously adopted.

On motion of Mr. Rogers Dr. Williams, Deputy Health Officer, was authorized to attend the meeting in Baltimore of the State Boards of Health and to submit his bill of expenses in connection therewith to the Town for payment.

The following Ordinance providing for certain proposed public work was laid before the Council and was adopted upon an aye and nay vote as follows: voting aye the Mayor and Councilmen Adams, Rogers, Shadle and Taff. Voting nay, none.

Ordinance No. 355.

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

Sec. 1. That in accordance with the provisions of the Act of the General Assembly of Maryland, approved March 3, 1904 (Chapter 22, 1904) the Mayor and Council, in furtherance of the public safety and comfort, have in contemplation the construction of cement sidewalks, four feet in width, at an estimated cost of \$1.50 per lineal foot, the total cost whereof is to be assessed to the abutting property which will be specially benefitted thereby, as follows: On Flower Avenue, abutting lots 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 and 22, block 46, and lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11, block 47, Fletcher's Subdivision. On Chestnut Avenue, abutting lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15, and the unsubdivided land of Adolph Van Reuth, in the Dodge-Petty or Barclay subdivision; and lots 17 and 18, block 11, and lots 29, 30 and 31, block 12, Gilbert's subdivision. On Pine Avenue, abutting lots 1 and 14, block 17, Gilbert's subdivision. On Park Avenue, abutting lots 30, 31, 32, 33, 34 and 35, block 1 and lots 18, 19, 20 and 21, block 3, Hill Crest subdivision. On Sycamore Avenue, abutting lots 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26 and 27, block 21, and lots 1 and 9, block 23, Gilbert's subdivision. On Willow Avenue, abutting lots 24, 25 and 26, block 8, and lots 20, 21, 22, 23, and 24, block 9, Lipscomb and Earnest, Trustees, subdivision. On Elm Avenue, abutting lots 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, and 46, block 16, Gilbert's subdivision. On Eastern Avenue, abutting lots 30, 31 and 32, block A, Fifield Tract. On Ash Avenue, abutting lots 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 and 22, block 17, Pine Crest Subdivision.

Sec. 2. The Mayor and Council, at their regular meeting on Monday evening, June 20, at 8 o'clock p.m., in the basement of the Presbyterian Church, will hear all parties interested in the proposed public work herein designated.

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

Approved:

James L. McNeill

Mayor.

Paul Davis

Clerk.

Monday Evening, June 20, 1921.

The Council met at 8 o'clock p.m., with the following members present: Councilmen Adams, Rogers, Shadle and Taff.

Owing to the absence of the Mayor from the city the Council was called to order by the Clerk and on motion of Mr. Rogers Councilman Taff was elected Mayor pro tem, effective during the period of the Mayor's absence.

The minutes of the last regular meeting and of the special meeting of June 6 were read by the Clerk and were approved.

The Mayor pro tem announced that in accordance with Section 2 of Ordinance No. 355, passed and approved June 6, 1921 and with notice legally given in respect thereto, this night had been designated for a public hearing of parties interested in the construction of the proposed public work therein designated and called for remarks from any concerned.

Mr. Adolph Van Reuth addressed the Council in opposition to sidewalk construction abutting his property on Chestnut Avenue. No other objections having been presented the Mayor pro tem thereupon declared the hearing closed.

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

Balance on hand last report	\$ 38139.94	Fire apparatus	8.00
Receipts:		Street lighting	181.25
From general taxes	\$ 442	General expenses: printing	3.00
special taxes	947.89	telephones	9.55 12.55
gas permits	14.00	Miscellaneous	3253.93
building permits	26.00	Salaries: clerk and treasurer	75.00
building deposits	10.00	superintendent of public work	150.00 225.00
redemption of property sold at tax sale	19.04 1021.55	Collection of garbage	45.00
	39161.29	Redemption from tax sale	19.09 5425.33
Disbursements:		Balance on hand	\$ 33735.96
Street work: labor	\$ 137.50	Special improvement fund	22904.37
material	1.50 139.00	Available balance	\$ 10831.59
Concrete streets and walks	1541.56		

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

Under the order of communications and petitions Mrs. Vinnie G. Barraws addressed the Council relative to the noise and disturbance throughout the Town due to the promiscuous sale of fireworks being permitted and at the conclusion of her remarks submitted a numerously signed petition requesting the passage of an Ordinance to prohibit the sale and discharge of fireworks within the boundaries of the Town. Remarks upon the subject were submitted by Mr. Lewton, Mr. Hendrick, Mr. Barraws, Mrs. Ferner, Mr. Bien, Mr. Bryan, Mr. Gosorn, and others.

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

Columbia Brick and Coal Co. Cement	\$ 55.80	L. E. Smedot, 7.1 tons gravel	\$ 17.04	Gallagher and Huquely, lumber	\$ 56.00
Hendrick Motor Co. Repairs and Storage	24.14	Hunter Bros, lanterns and globes	11.25	E. D. Jones, blacksmithing	3.39
					167.53

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

The Street Committee returned the communication of Mr. Roy R. Simons relative to special assessments against both the Park Ave frontage and the Denwood Ave. frontage of lot & block 4, Hill Crest Subdivision, with recommendation that assessments for water and sewer mains against the Park Ave. frontage be cancelled, and on motion of Mr. Shadle the recommendation was approved.

The Street Committee laid before the Council a proposed subdivision within the General S.S. Carroll Subdivision with recommendation of its approval upon addition of a definite block number and a specific dedication of the streets included therein. On motion of Mr. Shadle the recommendation of the Committee was approved.

The Corporation Counsel called attention to a pending bill before Congress for the closing of 14th and certain intersecting streets at the boundaries of the Walter Reed Hospital grounds and suggested it might be well for the Town to be represented at the hearing to be held in respect to said bill in view of the general interest of this community in the extension of 14th Street through the hospital grounds.

After some discussion and on motion of Mr. Rogers the Corporation Counsel was requested to attend the proposed hearing and on behalf of the Town of Takoma Park, Md., to oppose the closing of the streets as proposed in the bill under discussion.

The following Ordinance was submitted by the Corporation Counsel regulating the sale of fireworks, etc.,

Ordinance No. 356.

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

Sec. 1. No firecracker, squib, or other fireworks or noise making explosives of any kind shall be discharged or set off within the corporate limits of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland; provided, however, that on occasions of public celebration and exhibition, fireworks may be discharged or set off on special permits issued by the Mayor, defining the time, place, storage, and such other conditions to be observed in reference thereto, as he may deem necessary to the public safety.

Sec. 2. Any person violating this ordinance shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not less than five dollars (\$5.00) nor more than fifty dollars (\$50.00); and in default of payment of any fine imposed hereunder shall be imprisoned in the municipal jail or in the county jail at Rockville for a period not exceeding thirty days or until such fine is paid.

Sec. 3. On and after July 5, 1921, it shall be unlawful for any person within the corporate limits of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, to sell or deliver any firecracker, squib or other fireworks or noise-making explosives of any kind.

Sec. 4. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its enactment.

*referred by
no. 1067(21:17)*

Mr. Rogers moved that the Ordinance be adopted and the Ordinance was adopted upon an aye and nay vote as follows: voting aye the Mayor pro tem and Councilmen Adams, Rogers and Shadle; voting nay, none.

On motion of Mr. Rogers the Clerk was instructed to have notices printed and distributed setting forth the purport of the above Ordinance.

The following Ordinance was presented for the Council's consideration:

Ordinance No. 357.

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

Sec. 1 - That in accordance with the authority conferred by the Act of the General Assembly of Maryland approved March 3, 1904 (Chapter 22, 1904) the Mayor and Council, after full and complete hearing, as provided by law, are of the opinion that the public safety, comfort and convenience require the construction of the cement sidewalks as provided in Section 1 of Ordinance No. 355 passed and approved June 6, 1921.

Sec. 2. The total cost of the work herein provided shall be assessed, in accordance with law, against the property set forth in said Ordinance No. 355, or so much thereof, as the Mayor and Council shall deem specially benefitted by the work herein provided.

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Mr. Shadle moved that the Ordinance be adopted and the Ordinance was adopted upon an aye and nay vote as follows: voting aye, the Mayor pro tem and Councilmen Adams, Rogers and Shadle; voting nay, none.

On motion of Mr. Shadle the Clerk was directed to advertise for proposals for the cement sidewalks provided in the Ordinance just passed, said proposals to be opened at the next regular Council meeting, July 18th.

On motion of Mr. Shadle the resubdivision of lots 14 and 15, block 17, into lots 27, 28, 29 and 30, and the plat provided in connection therewith, were approved by the Council.

In connection with the budget covering the expenditures of the ensuing fiscal year the clerk laid before the Council an estimate of receipts for the period noted and a schedule of suggested allotments thereof. No definite action was taken thereon.

Concerning the prior action of the Council with reference to the closing of certain streets at the Walter Reed General Hospital the Corporation Counsel suggested that the action be more definitely embodied in the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, there have been introduced, and are now pending in Congress, measures authorizing and directing the closing of Fourteenth Street, Extended, through the area known as the Walter Reed General Hospital; and WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, are convinced that the interests of this municipality and adjacent territory in the District of Columbia, and in the State of Maryland, will be detrimentally affected by such proposed closing of Fourteenth Street, extended, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Takoma Park that the Corporation Counsel of this municipality be, and he is hereby directed to appear before the Highway Commission of the District of Columbia at the hearing to be held at 11:00 A.M., on June 23, next, in the Board Room of the District Building, for the purpose of presenting these Resolutions to the Highway Commission, and protesting in the name of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, against the proposed legislation to close Fourteenth Street, extended.

On motion of Mr. Rogers the Resolution, as presented, was unanimously adopted.

There being no further business the Council, at 11:05 o'clock p.m., adjourned.

Approved:

Mayor, pro tem.

Ben D. Davis,

Clerk.

Thursday Evening, June 30, 1921

Upon request of a quorum of the Council, a special meeting was called by the Acting Mayor, convening at 8 o'clock at the Clerk's office, for the purpose of taking action relative to the use of firecrackers and fireworks on the fourth of July. There were present, Mr. Taff, Acting Mayor and Councilmen Adams, Rogers and Shadle.

After due consideration of many verbal requests made through the Clerk, the Acting Mayor, and members of the Council for special permits for use of firecrackers and fireworks on the forthcoming Independence Day, the following Ordinance was presented for consideration:

Ordinance No. 358.

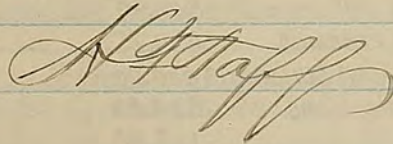
Be it Ordained by the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Maryland:

Section 1. That in accordance with the provisions of Ordinance No. 356, passed and approved June 20, 1921, special permission is hereby granted to residents of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, for the discharge of firecrackers, squibs or other fireworks, within the corporate limits of said Town, between the hours of 6 o'clock a.m., and 11 o'clock, p.m., on the occasion of the public celebration of Independence Day, July 4, 1921.

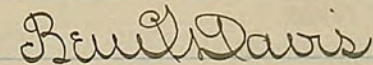
Mr. Rogers moved that the Ordinance be adopted and the Ordinance was adopted upon an aye and nay vote as follows: Voting aye the Mayor pro tem and Councilmen Adams, Rogers and Shadle. Councilman Miller, unavoidably detained from the meeting called up by telephone and asked to be recorded in favor of the Ordinance. Voting nay, none.

There being no further business the Council thereupon adjourned.

Approved:



Mayor pro tem.



Clerk.