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The temporary 30-day terms of service of Messrs. L.A. Cotshaw and C. Huff as Building Inspector and Electrical Inspector, respectively, having expired, Mr. Kroll moved that the terms of service of the gentlemen named be extended 30 days additional. The motion was carried.

There being no further business the Council, at 9:50 o'clock, adjourned.

Approved:

Mayor.

Bruce Davis

Clerk

Monday Evening, January 22, 1923

A special meeting of the Council was held this date at the Office of the Clerk for the purpose of considering any urgent matters that in the judgment of the Mayor or any member of the Council should be given prompt attention. There were present the Mayor and Councilmen Fischer, Kroll and Taff.

Mr. Kroll, from the Committee on Civic Improvement submitted the following report:

January 20, 1923. Your Committee on Civic Improvement has carefully considered the application of John M. Faulconer for permission to erect a brick building to contain two stores with two apartments above on lot 22, block 6, fronting on Carroll Avenue and also a brick building to contain four apartments on the same lot and block, fronting on Tulip Avenue.

The location on Carroll Avenue is adjacent to and in the line of the logical expansion of the existing business section. The application has been the subject of public discussion at the last two regular meetings of the Council, and the residents in the immediate vicinity have also been called upon and made acquainted with the project by the applicant, and no objection has been made to the Council by them.

Your Committee recommends that the permits be granted, provided however that the building fronting on Carroll Avenue which is to be used for stores with dwellings above, shall not be erected or located nearer than fifteen (15) feet to the line of the street, nor shall the building approach nearer than 3 feet 6 inches the side lines of the lot on which it is located; and the building ^{fronting} on Tulip Avenue, which is to be used for dwellings, shall not be erected or located nearer than twenty-five (25) feet to the line of the street; nor shall the building approach nearer than five (5) feet the side lines of the lot on which it is located.

W. A. KROLL
H. F. TAFF
J. R. ADAMS } Committee.

After adequate consideration of the report and examination of the plans accompanying it and on motion of Mr. Kroll, the recommendations of the Committee were approved and the report adopted. The Clerk was directed to inform Mr. Faulconer accordingly.

In connection with the proposal that the Town authorities assist in financing the proposed new county school building until reimbursement can be made by the State Legislature which assembles in January 1924, the Town Treasurer reported that he has made a careful examination of the

Charter and is of the opinion that any bonds issued in furtherance of this enterprise will have to be issued under the provisions of sub-section 8-I of the Charter. This subsection requires the passage of an appropriate Ordinance by the Council and a special election in which only resident tax payers may participate and requires a two-thirds favorable vote for the bond issue. On motion of Mr. Fischer the Clerk was directed to prepare the required preliminary ordinance providing for a proposed bond issue of not to exceed \$50,000 for the purpose of completing the necessary financing of a new county school house in Takoma Park, it being understood that the county authorities and the county legislative members have pledged themselves to every effort for refund of the amount advanced upon meeting of the next Maryland General Assembly.

In order that all contemplated public work for the coming summer may be started promptly the Street Committee was directed to make an immediate survey and to report their recommendations for street improvements under the assessment plan, with estimated cost thereof, not later than the February regular meeting of the Council, for inclusion in an Ordinance to cover contemplated special assessment work. The Street Committee was also directed to secure grades of Cedar and Holly Avenues from their present termini to Philadelphia Avenue with an estimate of the cost of opening and grading in accordance therewith.

The Council considered briefly the appointment of Building, Plumbing and Electrical Inspectors but decided to defer permanent selections until all members of the Council were present.

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

Approved:

Mayor

Bruce Davis

Clerk

Monday Evening, January 15, 1923.

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

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

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

Balance on hand last report	\$ 2775.22	On acct. towns share paving Spruce Ave	\$ 1000.00
Receipts:		Services of health officer	6.00 2003.70
From general taxes	\$ 1649.81	Balance on hand	6828.86
sale of town lots	4000.00	Special Improvement Fund:	
road tax refund, Prince Georges County	326.41	Balance on hand last report	785.73
gas permits	14.00	Receipts during month	1631.61
interest on deposits in bank	38.12		2417.34
building permits	29.00	Disbursements during month	782.07
	6057.34	Balance on hand	1635.27
	8832.56	Special Deposits:	
Disbursements:		Balance on hand last report	600.00
Street work: labor	\$ 241.00	Receipts during month	40.00
material	224.19		640.00
Street lighting	292.50	Disbursements during month	10.00
General expenses; telephones	8.25	Balance on hand	630.00
sundries	6.76		
Salaries: clerk and treasurer	75.00		
superintendent of public work	150.00		

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

The Mayor stated that this evening had been designated to receive and open bids for the grading and cindering of Allegheny and Second Streets in the Pine Crest Subdivision; but that he had been informed by the Clerk that no bids for the proposed work had been received and that the matter would therefore be passed over and taken up for future consideration.

Communications were presented as follows and action taken as indicated:

From Henry M. Petty and Margaret Petty Dodge for the grading and extension of Cedar Avenue from the end of the present concrete street to Philadelphia Avenue. Referred to the Street Committee for consideration and report with estimate of the cost of the proposed work.

From Charles J. Weeks complaining of the condition of Eastern Avenue in the Pine Crest Subdivision; to the Street Committee for report.

From Fred E. Snell requesting the laying of a cement sidewalk on the Carroll Avenue frontage of his lot, No. 1, Block 45, in connection with the work now being done on Carroll Manor Circle. Referred to the Street Committee which reported subsequently that the Manor Circle walk had been completed prior to receipt of Mr. Snell's letter and that the contractor was then no longer available.

From the Community League, by Mrs. Margaret G.B. Blachly, expressing its appreciation of the recent action of the Council in the adoption and enforcement of Regulations relating to building, plumbing and electric wiring. To the Clerk to acknowledge with the Councils appreciation.

A communication from Mr. Fred L. Harries, applying for the position of Building Inspector, was referred to the Council in Committee of the Whole, for consideration in executive session.

Mr. C. Huff, Electrical Inspector, submitted a report of the operations of his office covering the first month of his service. The report showed a total of 14 permits issued and inspections made. A gratifying improvement was noted in the character of work being installed and the inspector reported a spirit of hearty cooperation on the part of builders and electricians. The report was ordered filed.

Mr. R.F. Baker, Pine Ave., called attention to a broken electric light bulb on that street and the Street Committee was directed to have it replaced.

Mr. H.L. Thornton called attention to needed repairs to the street gutter on Elm Avenue. Referred to the Street Committee.

Mrs. Margaret G. B. Blachly inquired of the Council relative to the trash collection ordered in November. In the absence of Dr. Miller of the Health Committee, arrangements for the collection were apparently overlooked. The matter was referred to the Street Committee to take charge of the collection and to make all required arrangements including notification to householders, and to fix the date therefor.

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

Columbia Brick and Coal Co. Cement - - - \$ 13.20	Hendrick Motor Co. Gasoline, etc. - - - - \$ 2.65	U.S. Fidelity Co. Treasurers bond - - - - \$ 10.00
Geoffrey Williams, M.D. Services Health Officer - 11.00	Washington Sanitarium, formaldehyde, etc - - 5.50	Lewis M. Thayer, printing - - - - - 39.00
Taylor and Balderson, hauling cinders - - - - 280.00	Smooth Sand and Gravel Corp ^{rs} gravel - - - - 13.68	
So. Bldg. Supply Co. Street broom - - - - - .85	Columbia Granite and Dredging Co. Binder stone 18.76	

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

Mr. Fischer, from the Street Committee submitted a verbal report respecting general street conditions throughout the Town, the amount of cindering accomplished during the past month and recommendations for additional cindering, which recommendations, on motion of Mr. Rogers, were approved.

Mr. Kroll, from the Committee on Civic Improvement, with reference to the application of John M. Faulconer to erect stores and apartments on Carroll Ave., reported that owing to illness he had been unable to obtain certain desired information until only a day or two ago and that the Committee had been unable to give the matter the required consideration to justify a definite report. Mr. Kroll stated that the Committee would take the matter up at once and would report at the next special meeting of the Council which will doubtless be held within a few days.

Monday Evening, February 5, 1923.

Upon call of the Mayor a special meeting of the Council was held this date, at the Office of the Clerk, convening at 8 o'clock. There were present Councilmen Adams, Fischer, Kroll, Rogers and Taff. In the unavoidable absence of the Mayor, Mr. Taff was elected Mayor pro tem.

The Mayor pro tem stated that it was his understanding that the meeting was called at the request of the Street Committee for the purpose of considering street improvement in the Pine Crest Subdivision and called upon Major Fischer to submit such matters as the Committee deemed urgent.

Mr. Fischer called attention to the Council's efforts to have Allegheny, Westmoreland and Second Sts., in the Pine Crest Subdivision graded and cindered but that no bids for the work were secured in response to advertisement for proposals. The Committee thereupon impertuned several contractors to submit propositions to do the required work but were unsuccessful except that Mr. J.W. Shadle was finally persuaded to submit a definite proposal. For the Street Committee, Mr. Fischer thereupon presented a proposal from Mr. Shadle in writing for grading and cindering certain portions of Allegheny, Westmoreland and Second Streets, with the unanimous recommendation of the Committee that the proposal be accepted. The following proposed Ordinance was thereupon submitted:

Ordinance No. 390.

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

That the proposal submitted under date of January 22, 1923, by J.W. Shadle, of Takoma Park, Md., for the grading and cindering of certain streets, namely, Westmoreland Ave, from end of the present sidewalk to Second Street, a distance of 575 feet; Allegheny Ave., from end of the present sidewalk to Second Street, a distance of 801 feet; Second Street, from Cockville Avenue to Westmoreland Ave, a distance of 650 feet, by the full width of said streets; to excavate subgrade 5 inches deep and 12 feet wide, etc., to cover these streets the entire length, 2026 feet, with cinders, 7 inches (loose) thick by 12 feet wide; to put in certain drain pipe as set forth in the said proposal, all work to be completed within 60 days if weather and labor conditions permit, for the lump sum of Three Thousand, Nine Hundred and Ninety-one Dollars (\$ 3991.00), be and the same is hereby accepted.

That the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to enter into a contract with the said J.W. Shadle, for and in behalf of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, for the work set forth in said proposal and at the prices designated therein.

Mr. Fischer 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, Fischer, Kroll and Rogers; voting nay, none.

The Council considered informally the matter of compensation for the Electrical Inspector and for the Building and Plumbing Inspector, it being the consensus of opinion that a definitely fixed nominal monthly salary would probably be preferable to a payment by fees. Mr. Adams thereupon moved that until further notice the Electrical Inspector's compensation be fixed at \$25⁰⁰ per month and that of the Building and Plumbing Inspector at \$40⁰⁰ per month. The motion was carried.

On motion of Mr. Rogers the temporary appointments of Messrs. C. Huff and L. A. Cutshaw as Electrical and Building and Plumbing Inspector respectively, were extended until their successors were appointed and qualified.

On motion of Mr. Krall the Clerk was authorized to secure estimates for the printing of the Plumbing, Building and Electrical Regulations and to have 500 copies thereof printed.

The attention of the Council was called to the condition of the Town fire engine and on motion of Mr. Krall the Clerk was instructed to write to the Howe Fire Engine Company with request that the engine be thoroughly inspected by one of their men in this vicinity and to ascertain when this inspection might possibly be accomplished.

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

Approved:

Ben Davis

Mayor.

Clerk

Takoma Park, Md., February 19, 1923

The Council met at 8 o'clock. There were present the Mayor and Councilmen Adams, Krall, Miller, Rogers and Taff, Mr. Fischer being absent from the city.

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

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

Balance on hand last report.		\$ 6828.86	Street lighting	293.48	
Receipts;			General expenses: telephones	8.70	
From general taxes	717.80		printing	39.00	
road tax refund, Montgomery Co.,	1609.52		miscellaneous	16.35	64.05
bank " " " "	59.87		Salaries: Supt. Public Work	150.00	
securities " " "	45.51		clerk and treasurer	75.00	
building permits.	77.00		building and plumbing inspector	20.00	245.00
electrical "	27.00		Services of Health Officer	11.00	1078.62
plumbing "	30.00		Balance on hand		8323.94
gas permits	7.00	2573.70	Special Improvement Fund		
		9402.56	Balance on hand last report	\$ 1635.27	
Disbursements;			Receipts for January	319.22	
Street work: labor	136.80			1954.49	
material	325.64		Disbursements for January	662.40	
machinery and tools	2.65	465.09	Balance on hand	1292.09	

Special Deposits:		Forward	\$ 720.00
Balance on hand last report	\$ 630.00	Disbursements during January	10.00
Receipts during January	90.00	Balance on hand	710.00
	<u>720.00</u>		

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

Mr. John Monaghan of Spruce Ave, addressed the Council, asking to be advised if the 25-foot building line regulation could be modified in order that a lot owned by him on Spruce Ave. could be utilized for construction of a dwelling. Mr. Monaghan explained that the lot in question is of short depth but has a considerable frontage which has entailed a large special assessment for concrete construction and that the lot will be unsalable unless a concession in the building line be permitted. Mr. Monaghan was advised to have the prospective purchasers of the lot submit his request to the Council with a sketch plan of the proposed building and its location with reference to the lines of the lot, upon receipt of which the Council would be pleased to give the matter prompt consideration and decision.

Mrs. Morris Bien addressed the Council with reference to the condition of Elm and Ash Avenues and needed repairs thereto and renewed her former suggestions concerning a permanent city plan, which matters were referred respectively to the Street and Civic Improvement Committees.

Mr. Homer Skeels addressed the Council concerning certain plans providing for street and park purposes in the vicinity of the site for the new public school building. Sketch plans presented by Mr. Skeels in connection with the matter were referred to the Street and Civic Improvement Committees.

A communication from the Community League of Takoma Park, Md., regarding the appointment of a Town Forester and recommending Mr. W.R. Mattoon therefor, was referred to the Committee on Civic Improvement.

A communication was presented from Mr. Chester C. Waters, Secretary of the Takoma Park Citizens Association submitting certain recommendations of the Association with respect to the laying out of a street from Chestnut to Maple Ave. along the grade of the stream the establishment of a street cleaning and refuse collecting service and the removal of parking and installation of a street light at Crescent Place and Park Avenues. These matters were referred to the appropriate committees.

A communication from Dr. William A. Hooker, President, Takoma Horticultural Club, announced the appointment of a Committee of five

of its members, Messrs. C.C. Galloway, H.C. Steels, D.V. Lumsden, H.W. Hochbaum and J.W. Coffman, to aid the Council in the landscape work connected with the new school and municipal grounds. Referred to the Committee on Civic Improvement,

A petition from certain residents on Eastern Avenue for cement sidewalks 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:

Hendrick Motor Co., Material and repairs for tractor	\$ 6.05	E. N. Jackson, Surveying, plats, grades, etc.	\$ 534.00
Takoma Record, Printing clean-up week circulars	3.00	Geoffrey Williams, M.D. Services for Health Officer	11.00
Evening Star, Advertising	4.40	Taylor & Balderson, 308 cu. yds cinders	246.40

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

The Clerk laid before the Council a proposed Ordinance providing for a temporary bond issue to finance a new public school building for the Town of Takoma Park. The Ordinance was considered at length upon conclusion of which, on motion of Mr. Rogers, the Ordinance was laid upon the table.

A petition was presented from certain residents in the Pine Crest Subdivision requesting that the pending grading of Allegheny and Westmoreland Avenues be extended beyond the original plans so as to include the property of the petitioners. On motion of Mr. Taff the petition was granted subject to a waiver of all legal requirements as to advertising and notice by each and every property holder affected.

On motion of Mr. Kroll Messrs J. H. Van Houten, John D. Miller and F. D. B. Austin were appointed as members of a Board of Assessors for the purpose of such revision and adjustment of real property within the corporate limits as may be required for Town taxation purposes for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1923; and the Mayor was authorized to fill any vacancies in the Board due to declination or for any other reason.

The following communication was submitted by the Town Treasurer.

To the Mayor and Council: Takoma Park, Md., February 15, 1923.

Gentlemen: - The following is a statement of the cost of cement sidewalks recently constructed under the contract of the G. B. Mullin Co., Inc:

Contractor - Regular work	\$ 8554.26	Surveying, Grades, supervision, etc.	\$ 400.00
Special work	163.76	Miscellaneous	728.35
" "	28.63	Total	9375.00

This cost is assessable against approximately 7500 linear feet of benefited property, the per foot assessment thus amounting to \$1.25
An assessment based thereon and a proposed Ordinance adopting said assessment is submitted herewith.

Very respectfully,
BEN G. DAVIS, Treasurer.

Ordinance No. 391.

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 15, providing for the payment of cement sidewalks duly constructed in accordance with law, be and the same is hereby approved and confirmed; and the property therein assessed is hereby declared to be specially

There being no further business the Council, at 9:55 o'clock adjourned.

Approved:

Mayor

Ben D. Davis

Clerk.

Monday Evening, March 19, 1923

The Council met at 8:00 o'clock. There were present the Mayor and Councilmen Adams, Fischer, Krall, Rogers and Taff.

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

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

Balance on hand last report		\$ 8523.94	Rubbish collections		109.38
Receipts:			Salaries: supt. public work	150.00	
From general taxes	789.49		clerk and treasurer	75.00	
building permits	21.00		building and plumbing inspector	100.00	
electric wiring permits	20.00		electrical inspector	75.00	400.00
plumbing permits	22.00		Services of Health Officer		11.00 1271.68
gas permits	4.00		Balance on hand		8104.83
street repairs, Capitol Traction Co.	64.63		Special Improvement Fund:		
" " C. and P. Telephone Co.	131.45	1052.57	Balance on hand last report		1292.09
		\$ 9376.51	Receipts during month		1074.53
Disbursements:					2366.62
Street work: labor	62.40		Disbursements during month		4.40
material	349.90		Balance on hand		2362.22
machinery and tools	6.05	418.35	Special Deposits:		
Street lighting		294.14	Balance on hand last report		710.00
General expenses: telephones	8.30		Receipts for month		10.00
printing	17.00		Balance on hand		720.00
postage	12.26				
miscellaneous	1.25	38.81			

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

The following named gentlemen appeared before the Council and presented the respective matters as indicated:

Mr. Fred L. Ruby relative to the paving of Park Avenue. Mr. Ruby was informed that this street was scheduled for paving in the early spring.

Mr. Shimmel called attention to the need of clearing Boston Avenue in order to afford access to a dwelling owned by him, now occupied by a tenant who threatens to leave unless conditions are improved immediately. Referred to the Street Committee.

Messrs. Carter, Rabbitt, Finley, and others addressed the Council relative to the deplorable condition of Grant Avenue. The matter was referred to the Street Committee with instructions to give the complaints special consideration and such practical attention as may be possible. Mr. Rabbitt called special attention to the need of a fire hydrant on Grant Ave. between Hancock and Maple and on motion of Mr. Kroll the Clerk was instructed to request the Suburban Sanitary Commission to install a fire hydrant at the locality mentioned.

Mr. Lloyd Biddle invited the Council's attention to the desire of the residents on Baltimore Ave for the improvement of that street by a concrete roadway and curbing and on motion of Mr. Fischer the street was ordered included in the Ordinance for street improvements to be presented later and which will provide for a public hearing on April 9. In connection with his address Mr. Biddle presented also a petition signed by the property owners affected.

Mr. Adams, from the Special Committee on Schools, submitted the following Ordinance, in connection with the proposed new school building:

Ordinance No. 392

WHEREAS: the appropriation of \$20,000 authorized at the last session of the General Assembly of Maryland for the purpose of constructing and equipping a public school building within the corporate limits of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, is found to be quite inadequate for the purposes thereof; and

WHEREAS: the next meeting of the General Assembly will not be held until January, 1924, and no additional funds can be authorized for said public school building prior to said meeting of the General Assembly and the County authorities are prohibited by law from incurring an indebtedness for which no provision has been made; and WHEREAS: the proper authorities of Montgomery County have indicated their willingness to proceed with the erection of an 8-room brick school house within the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, provided said Town can and will arrange to temporarily provide the necessary funds needed, additional to the \$20,000 heretofore authorized by the General Assembly, and estimated at \$45,000; and

WHEREAS: the said county authorities of Montgomery County have indicated their intention and purpose, in case of the advancement of the needed additional funds by the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, to have introduced in the next session of the General Assembly of Maryland a bill to provide for an additional county bond issue to the amount required, from the proceeds of which to reimburse the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, to the full extent of the funds advanced for the purpose indicated, and

WHEREAS, the said County authorities of Montgomery County, including the County Commissioners, the County Board of Education, the Superintendent of Schools and also the State Senator have pledged themselves to every effort to secure the necessary legislation for the reimbursement hereinbefore mentioned, therefore, Be it Ordained by the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Maryland:

Section 1. That the Mayor and Town Treasurer be, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to borrow, on the credit of the Town the sum of not to exceed forty-five thousand dollars (\$45,000) for the purpose of advancing said sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary to the proper county authorities and to be applied toward the cost of constructing and equipping an eight-room brick public school building in the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland. Provided that the indebtedness herein proposed is authorized and approved by a two-thirds vote of the resident taxpayers of said Town voting at a special election as hereinafter provided in accordance with Section 8-I of the Town charter.

Section 2. The indebtedness herein authorized shall be represented by certificates of indebtedness of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, of appropriate denominations and shall be issued for a term of not to exceed two years and shall bear interest at a rate not to exceed 6% per annum. Said certificates of indebtedness shall be redeemed and canceled immediately upon receipt from the authorities of Montgomery County of funds in payment thereof.

Section 3. A special election is hereby called for Monday, the 9th day of April, 1925, in the basement of the Presbyterian church, at which election resident taxpayers only will be eligible to vote, and who shall register their judgment in favor of or against the creation of the indebtedness herein provided, and for the purposes herein stated. The polls for said election will be opened at 1:00 o'clock p.m. and will close at 7:30 o'clock p.m. A residence of three months in the Town of Takoma Park, Md., shall be necessary to qualify a taxpayer to vote at the election herein designated. The payment of dog tax does not constitute any person a taxpayer within the intent of the law.

Mr. Adams 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 Adams, Fischer, Krall, Rogers and Taff; voting nay, none.

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

Columbia Brick and Coal Co. Lumber --- \$ 2.16	Takoma Record, printing Regulations --- \$ 45.00	Taylor and Balderson, hauling cinders --- \$ 95.20
E. J. Brown, painting sign --- 2.50	Hendrick Motor Co. Repairs and gas --- 4.10	J. Bond Smith, Expenses --- 13.95
Geoffry Williams, M.D. Services health officer. 7.90	Alfred A. Ray, Blue prints --- 2.25	Washington Sanitarium, Disinfectants --- 3.50

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

Mr. Krall, from the Civic Improvement Committee, returned a communication from a committee representing the residents of Spruce Avenue who requested the Council's permission to plant double flowering Japanese cherry trees, at the residents' expense, within the Spruce Avenue parking space with recommendation that the desired permission be granted. On motion of Mr. Krall the committee's recommendation was approved.

Mr. Fischer, from the Street Committee reported that the fire hydrant on Maple and Tulip Avenue had been removed to the parking on Maple Avenue as requested by the Council, but that the hydrant on Tulip and Cedar Avenues had been moved so slightly that no improvement to street conditions had resulted therefrom. On motion of Mr. Krall the Clerk was directed to request the Sanitary Commission to locate this hydrant in the Cedar Avenue parking. In this connection Mr. Krall suggested that the mail post and box at Maple and Tulip Avenues be also removed to the Maple Avenue parking and the clerk was directed to submit a request therefor to the city postmaster.

With respect to proposed street work, Mr. Fischer, for the Street Committee, submitted the following preliminary Ordinance:

Ordinance No. 393.

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

Section 1. That in accordance with the provisions of Section 12 of the Act of the General Assembly of Maryland approved April 13, 1922 (Chapter 542) the Mayor and Council have in contemplation the following described public work in the interest of the public health, comfort and convenience:

Cement sidewalks, at an estimated cost of \$1.50 per linear foot, the total cost to be assessed against the benefited, abutting property, as follows:

On Cedar Avenue, abutting lots 19, 20, 23, 24, 27, 28, 31, 32, 35 and 36, block 4, lots 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16, block 5, lots 1, 2, 3, 6, 9, 19, 20 and 21, block 7; lots G, 1, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21, block 6, all of B. F. Gilbert's Subdivision. Lots 2, 3, 6, 7, 10 and 11, block 85, lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, block 86; and the unsubdivided land lying immediately southwest and adjacent thereto.

On Maple Avenue, abutting lots 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 36, 37 and 38, block 3; and lots 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15, block 5; all in B. F. Gilbert's Subdivision.

On Tulip Avenue, abutting lots 15, 16, 17, 18 and 21, block 7; lots 36 and 37, block 4; lot 13, block 3; all in B. F. Gilbert's subdivision.

On Eastern Avenue, abutting lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17, block 17; and lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10, block 14; Pine Crest Subdivision.

On Westmoreland Street, abutting lots 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20, block 14; lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10, block 15; lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12, block 18; lots 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, and 37, block 17, all in Pine Crest Subdivision; lot 22, block 16, B. F. Gilbert's Subdivision.

On Allegheny Avenue, abutting lots 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20, block 12; lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10, block 13; lots 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20, block

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 On First and Second Streets, Pine Crest Subdivision, abutting lots 1 and 37, block 17; 1 and 21, block 18; 1 and 11, block 19; 10 and 11, block 14; 10 and 11, block 15; 10 and 11, block 16; 1 and 20, block 14; 1 and 20, block 15; 1 and 20, block 16; 10 and 11, block 12, and 10 and 11, block 13.
 On Grant Avenue, abutting Sections 1, 2, 3 and 4, Carroll Subdivision and the unsubdivided land northward to Maple Avenue.
 On Holly Avenue, abutting lots 3, 4, 7, 8, 11, 12 and 15, block 7, Gilbert's Subdivision.
 On Chestnut Avenue, abutting lots 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12, block 11; lots 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, and 23, block 12, Gilbert's subdivision.
 On Albany Avenue, abutting lots 11 and 22, block 76.
 On north side of Philadelphia Avenue abutting the unsubdivided land between Holly and Baltimore Avenues.
 Construction of concrete roadway and curbing on Baltimore Avenue, at an estimated cost of \$12.00 per linear foot, two-thirds of the cost to be charged to the abutting property, as follows: Lots 1, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 and 28, block 76; and lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, block 78; lots 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18, and 19, block 75; lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7, block 79; lots 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10, block 80, Takoma Park Loan and Trust Company's subdivision.
 The Mayor and Council, at a special meeting to be held in the basement of the Presbyterian Church, Monday evening, April 9, 1925, at 8 o'clock will hear all persons interested in construction of the work herein designated.

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 Adams, Fischer, Kroll, Rogers and Taff. Voting nay, none.

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

Approved:

Mayor.

Bruce Davis, Clerk

March 23
 Wednesday Evening, April 28, 1923.

Upon request of a number of interested citizens a special meeting of the Council was held this date, upon call of the Mayor, convening at 8 o'clock at the Office of the Clerk for the purpose of hearing protests against the erection of proposed store buildings on the northern side of Carroll Avenue between Grant and Lee Avenue. There were present the Mayor and Councilmen Adams, Fischer, Kroll, Rogers and Taff.

A delegation from the vicinity of the proposed store buildings were present, consisting of Messrs. McKenney, Hawley, Courtney, Spear, Price, Herald, Ostrey, Mason, Hutchinson, Pithiner, Crowell, Eastman, Smith, and others. The delegation's spokesman, Mr. McKenney, addressed the Council, setting forth for those present the objections which in their minds should receive the Mayor and Council's careful consideration. At the conclusion of Mr. McKenney's statement the Mayor called upon others of those present to state their views, most of whom complied, and whose remarks followed the general tenor of those submitted by Mr. McKenney. Upon request of the Mayor, Mr. Votaw, owner of the land upon which the proposed stores are to be erected, and who was also present, briefly submitted his views upon the matter. All persons present desiring to be heard, having been heard, the Council, upon motion of

Mr. Taff, declared the hearing closed and informed the gentlemen present that the matter would be taken under advisement for early consideration and determination.

The Clerk called attention to the advisability of selecting, at this time Judges for the special election to be held on Monday April 9, on the proposed \$45000 bond issue for the proposed new school. The names of Mrs. Catherine Austin and Mr. Joseph Konigsmacher were suggested and on motion of Mr. Adams their selection was approved the Mayor being granted authority to fill any vacancy that might occur.

There being no further business the Council, at 9:45 o'clock p.m. adjourned.

Approved:

Mayor

Bruce Davis

Clerk

Wednesday Evening, April 4, 1923.

Upon call of the Mayor a special meeting of the Council was held this date at the Office of the Clerk for the purpose of considering the application of _____ to construct five store buildings on Carroll Avenue between Grant and Lee Avenues and, in connection therewith the protest submitted on March 28 by residents in the vicinity of the location mentioned. There were present the Mayor and Councilmen Adams, Fischer, Kroll, Miller, Rogers and Taff.

Mr. Kroll, from the Civic Improvement Committee submitted the unanimous report of the Committee in favor of granting the desired permit which report had been prepared prior to the presentation of the protest of residents at the Council's special meeting on March 28. Mr. Kroll stated that he had personally given very careful consideration to the protests but that it was his individual judgment that the particular location on which it was desired to erect the store buildings, the site containing no dwellings upon its Carroll Avenue frontage, was a logical location for business extension. He stated further that the Clerk had received a telegram from Mr. Fred L. Glazie, owner of a large portion of contiguous property, withdrawing his objection and that Mr. John W. Beall, a large owner of adjacent property, was favorable to erection of the stores.

The Council for some time considered the matter informally and in detail, giving careful weight to the protests submitted. At the conclusion of the discussion all members having expressed themselves favorable to granting of the permit, Mr. Kroll moved that the Carroll Ave.