

Thursday Evening, May 3, 1925

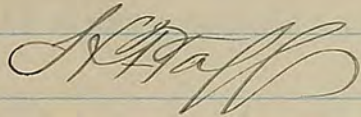
In accordance with the provisions of the Town Charter the Council met in special session at the office of the Clerk, convening at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of hearing and determining any complaint or appeal with reference to action taken or decision rendered by the Officers of Registration.

There were present Councilmen Adams, Fischer, Krall, Rogers and Taff.

In the unavoidable absence of the Mayor and on motion of Mr. Rogers, Mr. Taff was elected to serve as Mayor pro tem.

The Council remained in session during the period prescribed by law, namely 8:00 to 10:00 o'clock p.m. No appeals or complaints having been presented, the Council, at 10 o'clock p.m., adjourned.

Approved:



Mayor pro tem.



Clerk

Monday Evening, May 7, 1925

A special meeting of the Council was held this date, convening at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of receiving the report of the Judges of the annual municipal election held this date, of a public hearing on certain proposed public work in accordance with legal notice duly given, and such other business as may be presented. There were present the Mayor and Councilmen Adams, Fischer, Krall, Miller, Rogers and Taff.

Mr. E. Norman Jackson, Chairman of the Board of Election Judges presented to the Council the following report:

To the Mayor and Council:

Gentlemen:- The undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as Judges of Election, beg leave to submit the following report in regard to the Annual Town Election, held this date. The Board of Judges organized by the selection of Mr. E. Norman Jackson as Chairman and Mrs. M. C. Nelson as Clerk, after having taken the prescribed oath of office before the Mayor. The polls were opened at the legal hour of 6 o'clock a.m., and were closed at the legal hour of 7 o'clock p.m.

The following persons were balloted for for Councilmen and received the number of votes set opposite their respective names:

J. R. ADAMS ----- 428. W. A. HOOKER ----- 126. H. E. ROGERS ----- 427 E. G. SALISBURY --- 373

The total number of votes cast was 468. It therefore appears from the ballots cast that the following candidates received the highest number of votes cast and were duly elected to serve as members of the Town Council for a term of two years, beginning June 4:

JOHN R. ADAMS. H. E. ROGERS E. G. SALISBURY

Certificates of election in accordance with the results as above stated are herewith inclosed for delivery to the Councilmen elect.

Very Respectfully,

E. N. JACKSON, Chairman

S. R. KYLE

L. M. MOGERS Judges of Election.

Attest:

M. C. NELSON, Clerk.

Takoma Park, Md., May 7, 1925

Mr. Taff moved that the report be received and adopted and that in accordance therewith Messrs. Adams Rogers and Salisbury be formally declared elected as Members of the Council for a term of two years beginning June 4, 1923. The motion was unanimously adopted.

The Mayor announced that in accordance with notice legally given this night had been designated for a public hearing with respect to the construction of a concrete road way on Tulip Ave. from Willow Ave. to Holly Ave., and on Westmoreland Street from Ash Ave. to Second Street and thereupon called for statements from anybody interested in the contemplated improvements.

With respect to Tulip Ave. Mr. B. B. Jenkins stated that he had no objection to the proposed work provided it was not intended to widen the street; if it was so intended, he was opposed. Mr. Emil Kreutzer, for himself and Mr. McClellan Brown, opposed concreting the street. Mr. Franklin Sieqler spoke in opposition to the work. Mrs. Grace Lawrence favored a concrete street provided widening of the street was not contemplated. Mr. W. H. Martin favored the work, as did Mr. O. W. Youngblood.

Messrs. Harlan, Bollman, Lush and Morgan and Mrs. Crouse, residing on Westmoreland Street all spoke in favor of a concrete roadway for that street, no one registering any objection. [visement for final determination.

All persons desiring to be heard, having been heard, the Mayor declared the hearing at an end and stated that the matter would be taken under ad-

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

Approved:

Mayor

Benn Davis

Clerk

Monday Evening, May 21, 1923

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

The minutes of the last regular meeting and of the special meetings of April 18, April 30, May 3 and May 7 were read by the Clerk and approved.

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

Balance on hand last report	\$ 7957.49		Building and Plumbing Inspector	\$ 40.00	
RECEIPTS:			Electrical Inspector	25.00	290.00
From general taxes	\$ 398.51		Services of Health Officer		10.00 976.20
building permits	59.00		Balance on hand		\$ 7773.06
electrical permits	25.00		SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT FUND:		
plumbing permits	35.50		Balance on hand last report	\$ 5889.71	
excavation permits	36.00		Receipts during month	668.16	6557.87
Wash Gas Co. repairs to streets	237.76	791.77	Disbursements during month	157.28	6400.59
		8749.26	Balance on hand		
DISBURSEMENTS:			SPECIAL DEPOSITS:		
Street Work: labor	\$ 178.09		Balance on hand last report	\$ 770.00	
material	44.80	222.89	Receipts during month	20.00	790.00
Street lighting		316.66	Disbursements during month	20.00	Balance on hand
General expenses: telephones	8.30			\$ 770.00	
printing	4.00	12.30			
miscellaneous		124.35			
Salaries: Clerk and Treasurer	75.00				
Superintendent of Public Work	150.00				

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

The Mayor stated that in view of the report of the Election Judges showing the reelection of Councilmen Adams and Rogers and the selection of Mr. E. G. Salisbury to succeed Councilman Miller, and the necessity of Council-elect Salisbury being absent from the city for several weeks that he would therefore at this time administer the required oath of office to the gentlemen named. Councilmen-elect Adams, Rogers and Salisbury thereupon took the required oaths of Office and duly qualified as Members of the Council for a term of two years from June 4, 1923.

This night having been designated by public notice in accordance with law for the opening of bids for the construction of certain public work, the Mayor called upon the Clerk to proceed with the opening of any bids received. The Clerk thereupon opened all bids received which were found to be in accordance with the proposal and specification requirements, and were as follows;

Contractor	CONCRETE ROADWAYS				CEMENT SIDEWALKS	
	Excavation	Concrete	Straight Curb	Circular Curb	Cement Work	Excavation
Carson and Gruman Co., Inc.	\$.95 per cu. yd	\$ 2.65 per sq. yd	\$.58 per lin. ft	\$.68 per lin. ft	\$ 2.51 per sq. yd	\$ 1.00 per cu. yd
The Warren F. Brenizer Co	1.25 "	2.60 "	.60 "	.75 "	2.55 "	1.25 "
G. B. Mullin & Co., Inc.	1.30 "	2.54 "	.72 "	.82 "	2.42 "	1.30 "
William F. Cush, Inc.	1.23 "	2.80 "	.81 "	1.10 "	2.45 "	1.30 "

On motion of Mr. Taff the proposals were referred to the Street Committee for analysis and early report to the Council.

The Mayor announced that in accordance with law and public notice legally given the Council would now sit as a Board of Review and would hear any resident or taxpayer dissatisfied with his assessment as prepared and submitted by the Board of Assessors.

The following named thereupon addressed the Council with respect to their respective properties which, in their judgment, were assessed too high: Mrs. Phillips, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Lutes, Mr. Hawkes, Mr. Quade, Mr. Reese, Mr. Thornton, Mr. Chaney, Mr. Bullard, Mr. Town.

All persons desiring to be heard having been heard, the Mayor announced the hearing to be closed advising that each and all objections would be given the Councils very careful consideration.

Communications and petitions were presented to the Council by the Clerk and action taken as indicated:

A petition, numerously signed, ~~petition~~ from residents along Maple Ave. extended and beyond the Sliquo requesting the grading and cindering of that portion of Maple Ave. between Park and Grant Avenues to Flower Ave., under the usual assessment plan, and the construction of a concrete bridge over the Sliquo at an approximate cost of \$3000 to \$5000. To the Street Committee for consideration and report.

A communication from Mr. J. A. Davis, 327 Elm Ave. requesting that a cement sidewalk be constructed on Prince Georges Avenue between Elm and Ethan Allen Avenues. To the Street Committee for consideration and report.

A letter from Mr. C. S. Stouffer, 809 Carroll Avenue, protesting against the contemplated conversion of a residence next to his property now used as a private dwelling, into a store. Referred to the Committee on Civic Improvement.

A communication from the Takoma Park Volunteer Fire Department, by Walter L. Whitney, Secretary, setting forth certain conditions with respect to the disastrous fire at residence of Mr. Lehto on May 20, resulting from inability to operate or obtain water from one of the adjacent fire hydrants. Referred to the Water and Sewer Committee with instructions to take up the matter at once with the Sanitary Commission with a view to immediate test and repair of all hydrants throughout the Town.

A petition from certain residents on Sycamore Ave. complaining of the intolerable nuisance resulting from neighborhood and stray dogs

A communication from the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission advising the Council that the Commission has ordered the replacement of the existing temporary main on Westmoreland Street between Ash Ave. and Second Street with an 8-inch main which work it is hoped can be completed by the coming fall. Also stating, with respect to Sycamore Ave. that the contemplated 12-inch water main on that street can be diverted to one of the parallel streets and that any contemplated permanent pavement on Sycamore Avenue may therefore be proceeded with.

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

The Takoma News, Printing and Advertising	\$ 12.90	Taylor and Balderson, hauling 266 c.y. cinders	\$ 212.80
Columbia Brick and Coal Co. 2 sacks cement	1.65	Hendrick Motor Co, Gas and tractor repairs	27.65
Alfred A. Ray, blueprints	2.50	Washington Sanitarium, formaldehyde	1.75
The Takoma Record, printing 800 ballots	5.00	Washington Missionary College Press, Printing	6.00
Geoffry Williams, Services as Health Officer	12.00	J. Bond Smith, Legal expenses	250.00

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

Dr. Miller, from the Health Committee, reported that arrangements for garbage collection had been held up through inability to make proper provision for its disposal. The Committee is endeavoring to settle this and hopes to inaugurate the service within a few days.

Mr. Fischer, from the Street Committee, reported that the repairs of street cuts is progressing favorably and will be completed within a few days, as will also required repairs to sidewalks. Reported also the completion of drainage pipes from Spruce Avenue.

The Clerk laid before the Council a communication from the Corporation Counsel inclosing a draft of a proposed Ordinance relating to Dogs, prepared at the request of and along lines suggested by the Council. The Ordinance was read and was discussed at length by the Council and by the citizens present. No definite action was taken the matter being deferred for future consideration of the Council in Committee of the Whole.

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

Approved:

Mayor.

Bruce Davis

Clerk.

Tuesday Evening, May 29, 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 proposals received for construction of concrete streets and cement sidewalks and for the transaction of such other business as may be presented. There were present the Mayor and Councilmen Fischer, Miller, Kroll, Rogers and Taff.

Mr. J. W. Hite addressed the Mayor and Council on the matter of sewer drainage into a stream that ran through his property the source of such sewage being three houses in the county but beyond the corporation line. Mr. Hite was assured that the matter would be taken up ~~at~~ once with the proper authorities with a view to elimination of the conditions complained of.

On motion of Mr. ~~Hite~~^{Kroll} the Clerk was directed to write the County and Health authorities and the Suburban Sanitary Commission, calling attention to the conditions complained of with request to be advised of action taken with respect to their correction.

Mr. E. E. Blodgett, Superintendent of Public Works, appeared before the Council and stated that owing to the condition of his health, which resulted from the blow of his wife's death, and which showed no signs of improvement, he felt that it would be impossible for him to continue in the position to which the Town had repeatedly elected him for a period covering twenty years. In justice therefore to himself and the Town he desired to resign the position of Superintendent of Public Works to be effective on May 31. Mr. Blodgett expressed his deep appreciation of the consideration which the Mayor and Council had shown him at all times.

The Mayor, the Clerk and the Councilmen present took occasion to express their personal and official regret at the necessity which impelled Mr. Blodgett's severance of his official relations with the Town. The Mayor referred to Mr. Blodgett's long and faithful services and for the Council expressed the sincere hope of his early return to health and vigor.

Mr. Taff moved that the Council accept the resignation of Mr. E. E. Blodgett, as Superintendent of Public Works, to be effective May 31 and that in such acceptance the Council express its appreciation of his long, faithful and loyal services, covering a period of twenty years. The motion was carried.

Mr. Fischer, from the Street Committee, reported that the Committee had given the most careful and painstaking consideration to the proposals submitted for the construction of concrete streets and sidewalks; that it appeared, from a careful analysis of the prices submitted and the quantities of work to be done that the Carson-Gruman Co. was the lowest bidder on concrete streets and the

G. B. Mullen Co. the lowest bidder on cements walks. In the opinion of the Committee it is deemed to the best interests of the Town to award the two contracts to one firm. On the combined contracts the proposals of the Corson and Gruman Co. appear to be the lowest and the Committee therefore recommends the acceptance of their proposals for both streets and sidewalks. On motion of Mr. Kroll the recommendation of the Committee was approved and embodied in the following Ordinance:

Ordinance No. 397

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

Section 1. That the proposals submitted by the Corson and Gruman Company, Incorporated, of Washington, D.C., for the construction of concrete roadways and cement sidewalks, said proposals bearing date of May 21, 1923, be and the same are hereby accepted at the following prices as designated in said proposals: Concrete Roadways: Excavation, 95¢ per cubic yard; concrete roadways, \$ 2.65 per square yard; straight curb, 58¢ per linear foot; circular curb, 68¢ per linear foot; extra work, cost of labor and material, plus 15 per cent. Cement Sidewalks: cement work, \$ 2.51 per square yard; grading, \$1.00 per cubic yard. Extra work, cost of labor and material plus 15 per cent.

Section 2. The Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to enter into a contract and to sign the same, for the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, with the said Corson and Gruman Company, Inc., for the work specified and at the prices stated.

Mr. Kroll 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 Fischer, Kroll, Miller, Rogers and Taff. Voting nay, none.

Upon recommendation of the Street Committee and on motion of Mr. Kroll the Council directed that the concreting of Sycamore Ave. for its entire length and of Ethan Allen Avenue, from Carroll Avenue to Sycamore Ave. be included in the work to be done under the contract just awarded.

The Council proceeded to consideration of the assessment list as submitted by the Board of Assessors and in connection with complaints relative thereto presented at the Councils last regular meeting. After a very full and complete consideration of the report of the Assessors and of the complaints submitted, Dr. Miller moved that the assessment on the property of Mr. Ralph A. Lutes, lot 2, block 55, be reduced from \$3000 to \$1500 and that all other new assessments be reduced on the basis of one-third reduction on improvements and one-fourth on land. The motion was carried. The following Ordinance was thereupon submitted:

Ordinance No. 398

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

That the revised assessment of real property, as submitted by the duly authorized and appointed Board of Assessors, namely: J. H. Van Houten, John D. Miller and F. D. B. Aushin, for the purposes of municipal taxation with such changes and modifications thereof as authorized and directed by the Mayor and Council and as set forth in the minutes of the Council of this date, be and the same is hereby approved and adopted; the Mayor and Council having set as a Board of Review and having considered and determined all complaints in reference thereto.

repealed by
No. 1067
(21.17)

Dr. Miller moved that the Ordinance be adopted and the Ordinance was adopted upon the following aye and nay vote: voting aye the Mayor and Councilmen Fischer, Miller, Krall, Rogers and Taff; voting nay, none.

The Council considered at length the tax rate for the coming year. It was realized that the income at the present rate of \$1.00 per \$100 is likely to be much inadequate to the many needs of the fast growing community. In view however of constantly increasing expenses on every hand the Council felt that the great body of citizens would be appreciative if no increase in taxes was made, notwithstanding strict economy would be required in every expenditure in order to keep within the estimated revenue. The decision to adopt the present tax rate of \$1.00 per \$100.00 of assessed valuation was thereupon embodied in the following proposed Ordinance:

Ordinance No. 399

398A

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

That a general tax of \$1.00 on each one hundred dollars of assessed valuation of real property within the corporate limits of the Town of Takoma Park, Md., as shown by the assessment adopted by the Mayor and Council this date, be, and the same is hereby levied for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1923.

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

The Clerk laid before the Council a communication from Mr. J. Bond Smith, Corporation Counsel, returning all papers in the complaint of Mr. Guy Clinton against the assessment on his property for construction of concrete streets, giving as his opinion that the assessment against Mr. Clinton's property was in accord with the intent of the provisions of the Charter and should stand as submitted. On motion of Mr. Rogers the opinion of the Corporation Counsel was adopted as the action of the Mayor and Council on Mr. Clinton's complaint and the Clerk directed to inform him accordingly.

The Council discussed at length the serious question of collection and disposal of garbage throughout the Town. The Health Committee was instructed to investigate and report at an early date with particular respect to construction and cost of a crematory for garbage and trash disposal in accordance with the Town needs.

There being no further business the Council, at 11:58 p.m. adjourned.

Approved:

Mayor.

Bruce Davis

Clerk.

Monday Evening, June 4, 1923.

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 Adams, Kroll, Miller, Fischer, Rogers and Taff. The meeting was called for consideration of miscellaneous business.

Messrs. Kroll and Taff submitted verbal reports and observations relative to a location for a proposed tool and machinery storage building. The matter was discussed informally but no definite action taken.

Mr. Fischer, from the Street Committee, brought up the matter of grading Prince George Ave. and was requested to consult a contractor and submit to the Council a definite estimate of the cost of the proposed improvement.

Mr. Kroll moved that the Council proceed to the election of officers for the ensuing year. The motion was carried.

On motion of Mr. Taff, Mr. Ben G. Davis was unanimously reelected Clerk and Treasurer.

Mr. Fischer presented the name of Mr. L. A. Cutshaw for Superintendent of Public Work. Mr. Fischer stated that Mr. Cutshaw had been acting Superintendent for several months and has demonstrated fitness and ability for the position. Mr. Cutshaw was ^{[elected,} unanimously

On motion of Mr. Fischer the salary of the Superintendent of Public Work was fixed at \$125⁰⁰ per month, the duties of the position to include those of Building and Plumbing Inspector.

On motion of Mr. Adams, Mr. J. Bond Smith was reelected Corporation Counsel.

On motion of Mr. Kroll, Mr. C. Huff was reelected as Electrical Inspector

On motion of Mr. Kroll, Mr. E. Norman Jackson was reelected Town Engineer.

On motion of Mr. Taff the following appointments were authorized and approved: Mr. L. A. Cutshaw, Bailiff; Messrs. Joseph Konig-macher, and Mr. A. B. Joseph, deputy bailiffs.

On motion of Mr. Rogers the members of the Council and the Town clerk were appointed deputy bailiffs.

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

Approved:

Mayor

Ben G. Davis,

Clerk

Monday Evening, June 18, 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 regular meeting and of the special meetings of May 29 and June 4 were read by the Clerk and approved.

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

Balance on hand last report				\$ 7773.06	Salaries: clerk and treasurer				75.00
Receipts:					superintendent of public work				296.25
From building permits			110.50		electrical inspector			25.00	396.25
electric wiring permits			30.00		Services of health officer				12.00
plumbing permits			19.00						2307.92
excavation permits			14.00		Balance on hand				\$ 5676.44
refund for street repairs (Gas Co)			37.80	211.30					
				7984.36	Special Improvement Fund:				
Disbursements:					Balance on hand last report				\$ 6400.59
Street work: labor		231.40			Receipts during month				764.99
material		214.45							\$ 7165.58
repairs to concrete sts and walks		550.00			Disbursements during month				1000.00
machinery and tools		49.30	1045.15		Balance on hand				\$ 6165.58
Street lighting			316.66		Special Deposits:				
General expenses: telephones		9.52			Balance on hand last report				\$ 770.00
printing		17.90			Receipts during month				20.00
miscellaneous		62.44	89.86						790.00
Rubbish collections			198.00		Disbursements during month				10.00
Legal expenses			250.00		Balance on hand				780.00

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

The Clerk laid before the Council a communication from Mr. J. A. Griffith, of 102 Sherman Avenue, commending the Street Committee for the improvement of the roadway of that street.

Messrs. H. L. Thornton, Sargeant Barringer and W. M. Goodacre invited the Councils attention to certain conditions on Ash Avenue on First Street and on Westmoreland Street, respectively, all of which were referred to the Street Committee for proper attention.

The Clerk laid before the Council a proposition from Mr. Ashton Cobourn to furnish a team and a man for the collection of garbage the team and man to be available to the Town at any time, for any other purpose, when not collecting garbage, for \$50.00 per week.

After appropriate discussion Mr. Kroll moved that the Mayor be authorized to contract with Mr. Cobourn for garbage collections and use of team, at \$50.00 per week, from date to October 1st next. The motion was carried.

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

Washington Sanitarium - formaldehyde	\$ 2.10	Dr. Williams, services as H.O.	\$ 8.00	Evening Star, advertising	\$ 5.20
Takoma News, Advertising	9.00	Hendrick Motor Co. Oil and gas	12.95	Col. Granite & D. Co. limestone chips	43.14
Columbia B. and C. Co. Cement, etc.	7.43	Takoma Record, Advertising	24.00	Mary A. Welsh, real estate transfers	15.00
So. Bldg. Supply Co. lanterns and pipe	8.05	Thos. Somerville Co. T.C. pipe	281.50	Tak. Htl. Co. Hardware, etc.	14.35

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

Mr. Fischer, from the Street Committee, submitted a written report embracing present condition of the grading operations in the Pine Crest Subdivision; the progress made by the contractors for concrete roadways and sidewalks; and specific recommendations as follows: the construction of a hollow tile storage building for town machinery and supplies, near the foot of Lincoln Ave., at a cost not to exceed \$1500 and the purchase of a small used truck at a cost not to exceed \$238.00. The report also suggested the opening, grading and cindering of Maple Ave. through to Flower Avenue with a necessary bridge across the Sliqo as one of the urgently required street improvement projects which should be undertaken during the present fiscal year and which would probably require an expenditure of \$5000.00

On motion of Mr. Rogers purchase of the small truck at a cost of \$238.00 was authorized and on motion of Mr. Kröll an appropriation of \$1500 was directed for construction of a storage building for Town purposes. Definite action on the proposed opening and cindering of Maple Avenue was deferred.

Mr. Fischer, from the Street Committee, recommended that repairs be authorized at the terminus of the carline on the old line of Carroll Avenue at an expense for pipe not to exceed \$450, the work to be done by Town labor. The recommendation was approved.

On motion of Mr. Adams the catch-basin openings on Spruce Avenue were ordered to be protected by proper covers.

Mr. Elgin, representing the Fabric Fire Hose Company, appeared before the Council and demonstrated the points of difference between the various grades of fire hose in connection with recent action of the Council in authorizing the purchase of 1000 feet thereof for the new fire engine purchased by the Volunteer Fire Company. On motion of Mr. Kröll the matter was referred to the Water and Sewer Committee to be taken up with the Volunteer Fire Association and for report and recommendation.

On motion of Mr. Rogers the Street Committee was authorized to provide for the hauling of certain iron beams which could be obtained for the hauling and which will be invaluable in the construction of concrete viaducts soon to be required.

In connection with the proposed borrowing of funds for special improvements the following proposed Ordinance was submitted by the Treasurer:

Ordinance No. 398^B

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

Sec. 1. That the Mayor and Treasurer be and they are hereby authorized and directed, in accordance with the authority granted to the Council in Section 12 of the Town Charter, to borrow on the credit of the Town the sum of \$60,000.00, or so much thereof as may be required, for the purpose of constructing concrete roadways and cement sidewalks as provided in Ordinances duly passed and approved by the Mayor and Council in conformity with law.

Sec. 2. The indebtedness herein authorized shall be represented by Certificates of Indebtedness of such denomination as the Mayor and Treasurer shall deem advisable and shall bear interest at the rate of not to exceed 6 per cent per annum, such interest to be payable semi-annually at such place as may be designated in said certificates.

Sec. 3. The Certificates of Indebtedness herein authorized shall be issued in five series to be designated Series A, B, C, D and E, each series to be equal to one-fifth of the total indebtedness. Said series shall mature and be payable as follows: Series A, one year from date of issue; Series B, two years from date of issue; Series C, three years from date of issue; Series D, four years from date of issue; and Series E, five years from date of issue.

Sec. 4. Authority is hereby granted to the Mayor and Treasurer, for and in behalf of the Mayor and Council and of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, to sign and issue the Certificates herein authorized and to deliver said Certificates as evidence of the indebtedness of said Town, upon delivery to the Treasurer of the face value thereof.

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

Mr. Adams moved that Mr. William Thomas be appointed a deputy bailiff; there being no second the motion failed.

The Treasurer submitted to the Council a statement setting forth the cost of grading and cindering streets in the Pine Crest and the Gibbs and Kosack Subdivisions. This cost amounted to \$5652.40 and is assessible against 4348 linear feet of abutting property, a per foot assessment of \$1.30. Based thereupon the following assessment was presented together with the accompanying approval Ordinance:

Subdivision	Blk	Lot	Assessed Owner	Feet	Amt due	Subdivision	Blk	Lot	Assessed Owner	Feet	Amt due	
Pine Crest	15	8	Edna S. Mitchell	42	\$ 54.60	Pine Crest	15	20	C. V. Leach	42	\$ 54.60	
		9	Cornelius V. Harlan	42	54.60			16	1	George and Ella Killmore	42	54.60
		10	Daniel M. Goodacre, Jr.	42	54.60				2	Gus Elbison	42	54.60
		11	Robert G. Lohr	42	54.60				3	Ernest W. Ritter	42	54.60
		12	" "	42	54.60				4	William Sanders	42	54.60
		13	Calvin Bollman	42	54.60				5	Charles L. Anderson	42	54.60
		14	Hobart Smith	42	54.60				6	John Findlay	42	54.60
		15	J. S. Keeler	42	54.60				7	Hilda Wurple	42	54.60
		16	West Penn Land Co	42	54.60				8	L. O. Cook	42	54.60
		17	D. A. and E. C. Mitchell	42	54.60				9	Wm. E. and G. A. Flippin	42	54.60
18	" "	42	54.60	10	Frank A. Marden	42	54.60					
		19	C. V. Leach	42	54.60	19	J. R. Pierce	42	54.60			

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Pine Crest	16	20	J.R. Pierce	42	\$ 54.60	Pine Crest	13	6	Rawley Binkley	42	\$ 54.60
		"	" (side feet)	50	65.00			7	M.E. Tennant	42	54.60
	17	36	Milton Bollman	21	27.30			8	" "	42	54.60
		36	C.P. Bollman	21	27.30			9	George House	42	54.60
		37	Milton Bollman	42	54.60			10	" " (50 side ft)	92	119.60
	18	1	C.W. Crouch	42	54.60			11	Joseph W. Shadle (70 " ")	112	145.60
		2	Edw. A. and R.H. Fowler	42	54.60			12	" "	42	54.60
		15	N. D. Gurrier	42	54.60			13	Joseph Mandley	42	54.60
		16	Roy Yates	42	54.60			14	" "	42	54.60
		17	" "	42	54.60			15	G. Shamlain	42	54.60
		18	John Findlay	42	54.60			16	J. R. Lovett	42	54.60
		19	" "	42	54.60			17	" "	42	54.60
		20	" "	42	54.60			18	L.V. Beauregard	42	54.60
		21	Mrs. William P. Gunn	42	54.60			19	West Penn Land Co.	42	54.60
	19	1	Monroe S. Shipley	42	54.60			20	" " "	42	54.60
		2	" "	42	54.60		14	11	Ira E. Krause	42	54.60
		3	Virginia Bolts	42	54.60			12	" "	42	54.60
		4	James R. Quade	42	54.60			13	Peter Pierce	42	54.60
		5	A.C. Marlow	42	54.60			14	Manan H. Keatts	42	54.60
		6	" "	42	54.60			15	Mabel Walker	42	54.60
		7	" "	90	117.00			16	L.V. Beauregard	42	54.60
	12	10	H.C. Coyle (side feet)	50	65.00			17	Leroy Waters	42	54.60
		11	J.B. Brooks (50 side feet)	92	119.60			18	George O'Brien	42	54.60
		12	George Killmore	42	54.60			19	George Shipe	42	54.60
		13	West Penn Land Co.	42	54.60			20	" "	42	54.60
		14	Martin Iverson	42	54.60		15	1	Alma Spear (50 side ft)	92	119.60
		15	" "	42	54.60			2	John G. Mitchell	42	54.60
		16	R.W. Tinsley	42	54.60			3	Nina B. Moore	42	54.60
		17	" "	42	54.60			4	T.S. Dunham	42	54.60
		18	Isaac N. Cramer	42	54.60			5	N.D. Gurrier	42	54.60
		19	" "	42	54.60			6	Roger Altman	42	54.60
		20	" "	42	54.60			7	Milton Bollman	42	54.60
	13	1	Mabel Walker	42	54.60	Grand K	11	1	Joseph W. Shadle (side feet)	50	65.00
		2	" "	42	54.60			10	" " " "	50	65.00
		3	" "	42	54.60		13	1	Suburban Sanitary Commission "	50	Exempt
		4	R. A. Ebner	42	54.60						
		5	Daniel B. Smoot	42	54.60						

On motion of Mr. Taff the following Ordinance approving the assessment 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.

Ordinance No. 391

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

Sec. 1. That the special assessment submitted by the Town Treasurer under date of June 18, for the grading of streets duly performed in accordance with law, be, and the same is hereby approved and confirmed; and the property therein assessed is hereby declared to be specially benefited by the grading of streets adjacent thereto and abutting thereon.

Sec. 2. The special assessments hereby approved and confirmed shall be due July 1, 1923 and payable thereon; provided that, if so desired, said assessments may be paid in five equal annual installments, the first due July 1, 1923, and payable within 90 days therefrom, the remaining payments to be due on the first of each succeeding July and payable within 90 days therefrom; provided further that payments of one-fifth or excess thereof may be made at any time within the annual payment period; all deferred payments shall bear interest at the rate of 6 percent per annum.

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

Approved;

Mayor.

Bruce Davis

Clerk

Monday Evening, July 16, 1923

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

In the absence of the Mayor the Council was called to order by the Clerk who presented the following communication from the Mayor:

To the Town Council and People of Takoma Park, Maryland.

July 16, 1923

It is with sincere regret that I herewith submit my resignation as Mayor of Takoma Park to take effect immediately.

My business connections are such at the present time that I cannot longer properly attend to the duties of Mayor. The Town of Takoma Park has grown so in importance, and the duties devolving upon the Mayor and members of the Town Council have become so enormous that it requires a great deal of time and attention, and I am not in a position to devote the necessary time to the office. In fact, my business relations now require me to be absent from Takoma Park.

As stated, I sever my official relations with the Town with much regret. I have a genuine regard and affection for the people of Takoma Park. I am interested in their welfare and in the future progress and development of the Town. Takoma is essentially a home town and its citizens believe in obedience to and the enforcement of Law. I have never lived in a community where there is a higher regard for constituted authority, and for the welfare, happiness and prosperity of one another.

These years of service as Mayor have been pleasant to me, and in laying down this authority as I now do, I hope that my successor will receive the same courteous consideration that has always been tendered me.

Wishing for each member of the Council continued success and good luck, and to the Town of Takoma Park and its citizens continued and uninterrupted development and prosperity, I am,

Faithfully Yours

JAMES L. WILMETH, Mayor.

Mr. Kroll moved that the resignation of Mr. Wilmeth be accepted and that the Clerk be authorized and directed to place upon the official minutes of this meeting an expression of the Council's appreciation of Mr. Wilmeth's services and of their regret at the necessity impelling his resignation. The motion was unanimously carried.