

Thursday Evening, April 18, 1924

A special meeting of the Council was held this date at the office of the Clerk, convening at 8:30 o'clock. There were present the Mayor and Councilmen Griffith, Kroll, Rogers and Salisbury.

Mr. J. F. Wynn, Engineer for the W. F. Brenizer Company was present and stated that if the Town was in a position to contract immediately for the construction of any cement walks his Company could make very low prices as there would be about a month in which the Company's organization will not be actively engaged and to keep it intact the cost would be made practically without profit. Mr. Wynn was informed that no cement walks could be laid without due notice and public hearing or no contract awarded except upon competitive bids after due advertisement and that to do this in accordance with law will require at least a month - hence any proposition he might submit would be impracticable to accept.

Mr. Kroll, for the Civic Improvement Committee, returned to the Council the communication from the Master Plumbers of Takoma Park, in which they requested the formulation of a complete set of Plumbing Regulations for the Town instead of depending upon the skeleton regulations carried in the Maryland Plumbing Code, with the recommendation that action be deferred pending the issue of a set of Plumbing Regulations by the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission, now in process of preparation. The recommendation was approved.

Mr. Salisbury, for the Health Committee submitted recommendations as follows: That a biweekly garbage collection service be established beginning May 1 and that proper notice thereof be given by handbills and through the local paper; that householders be required to deposit garbage in suitable and sanitary containers which are to be easily accessible to the collector; that garbage be disposed of by means of the so-called "sanitary fill" method; that the Superintendent of Public Work be authorized and directed to make frequent inspection of stores, public buildings and other premises and to direct the immediate removal of trash or anything inimical to health or constituting a nuisance and if notice is not complied with within 48 hours to file information with the Justice of the Peace; that a "Clean-up" week be arranged for the week of April 28 to May 5 and that the necessary appropriation be made therefor. All of which recommendations were approved.

On motion of Mr. Kroll the permission granted by the Civic Improvement Committee, after consultation with the Mayor and other members of the Council, to the Shigo Lumber Co, to locate their business on lots in block 37, was ratified and confirmed.

The Council considered at length an application from Mr. G. S. Seek to erect a public garage and gasoline filling station on lot 15, blk 58, but came to no definite conclusion thereon.

Mr. Kroll, from the Civic Improvement Committee, informed the Council that the Committee had taken up the matter of the long-delayed improvement of Spring Park and had recently held a meeting on the property at which a number of interested citizens were present and the proposed improvements considered. The Committee recommended that the Mayor appoint a committee of six citizens to act in an advisory capacity with the Civic Improvement Committee relative to plans and ways and means to improve and beautify "Spring Park." The motion was carried and the Mayor appointed Messrs. Benjamin Y. Morrison, Homer C. Skeels, George W. Nusbaum, Henry Allanson and Morris Bien and Mrs. Morris Bien.

On motion of Mr. Kroll the Clerk was authorized to call a meeting of citizens for Monday evening, April 28, in the basement of the Presbyterian Church for the purpose of nominating candidates for Mayor and Councilmen to be voted for on May 5, 1924.

The Council considered at length the condition of the pavement on Carroll Avenue and the difficulty in the way of extensive repairs to the street which would tie up traffic and cause great public inconvenience. Although not definitely decided the consensus of opinion as expressed was favorable to postponement of the extensive repairs contemplated until the proposed improvement of Maple Avenue would afford another suitable traffic outlet to the east of the Sligo.

There being no further business the Council thereupon at 11:30 o'clock p.m., adjourned.

Approved.

Mayor.

Benjamin Y. Morrison

Clerk.

Monday Evening, April 21, 1924

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

The minutes of the last regular meeting and of the special meeting of April 18, 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		\$ 3138.62	Services of health officer	\$ 6.00	1553.26
Receipts:			Balance on hand		\$ 4997.96
From general taxes	\$ 3255.66		<u>Special Improvement Fund</u>		
building permits	85.00		Balance on hand last report	\$ 5092.18	
plumbing permits	17.50		Receipts for month	7214.55	
electric permits	19.00			12306.73	
excavation permits	6.00		Disbursements for month	2902.50	
redemption of property sold for taxes	29.44	3412.50	Balance on hand	9404.23	
		6551.22	<u>Special Deposits:</u>		
Disbursements:			Balance on hand last report	\$ 590.00	
Street work: labor	\$ 202.00		Receipts for month	70.00	
material	190.40		Balance on hand	\$ 660.00	
miscellaneous	441.17		<u>School Fund:</u>		
machinery and tools	56.03	889.60	Balance on hand last report	\$ 2150.00	
Storage Warehouse		22.61	Disbursements for month	1350.00	
Street lighting		325.45	Balance on hand	800.00	
General expenses: telephones	5.85				
miscellaneous	1.25				
Salaries: clerk and treasurer	100.00				
supt. of public work	177.50				
electrical inspector	25.00	302.50			

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

The Clerk laid before the Council petitions and communications which were disposed of as follows:

From Miss Lucretia Jackson, 203 Carroll Ave., calling attention to broken drain pipes and bad drainage on lot adjoining her property.

Referred to the Street Committee for investigation and appropriate action.

From Mr. Karl Knox Gartner, attorney for Mrs. Katherine Beale stating that arrangements had been made to install plumbing and to connect with the sewer the property owned by Mrs. Beale on Hancock Avenue, west of Grant Avenue.

From Mr. Conrad Schmid, 64 Flower Ave., requesting sidewalk in front his own and neighbor's property. To the Street Committee.

From Mr. Guy Clinton as Chairman Committee on Public Health and Safety of the Takoma Park Citizens' Association, calling attention to

the urgent need of a better garbage disposal system. To the Committee on Health,

From Mrs. Edward Q. Knight, 11 Columbia Avenue, suggesting adoption of regulation concerning the burning of trash which has become so careless a habit as to constitute a serious fire menace. To the Committee on Police, Fire and Lights,

From the Washington Gaslight Company of Montgomery Co., Md., and the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission relative to work required by them in case of the improvement of Carroll Avenue

From the First Assistant Postmaster General advising the Council that a contract has been signed with Mr. A. G. Bailey for the construction of a building as the Takoma Park Branch of the Washington City Postoffice, said building to be located on Cedar Street and that it is therefore too late to consider the Council's protest against this site.

A petition against the location of a lumber yard on Lincoln Ave., in block 37, was referred to the Committee on Civic Improvement.

A petition from certain property owners on Elm Ave., from Carroll Ave. to Hickory Ave., for concreting that thoroughfare and waiving all preliminary legal requirements was referred to the Street Committee.

A petition from certain property owners in the block bounded by Elm, Ash and Eastern Avenues for a remedy of the existing drainage conditions in that block, in which they offer full cooperation, was referred to the Street Committee.

The Mayor announced that in accordance with notice given at the last meeting the Council would now hear any interested property holders or citizens with respect to the permanent improvement of Elm Avenue from Carroll Avenue to Hickory Avenue.

Mr. Morris Bien, Mrs. Amelia Scherger and Mr. G. H. Griffith addressed the Council in advocacy of the permanent improvement of this street, calling special attention to the large amount of travel thereon and the type of the buildings erected. Mr. John McKenney registered opposition to a concrete pavement, deeming it too expensive and unnecessary. No other persons desiring to be heard the hearing was declared closed.

Miss Florence King called the Council's attention to the need of a gas main on Grant Avenue and requested the Council's assistance in securing it. The Mayor stated that the Clerk would be instructed to write the Gas Company urging the desired installation but suggested that signing of contracts by the property owners to take the gas upon completion of the main would be the most effective means of getting it.

Mr. Walter Scheller called the Council's attention to the practice of a colored man in his vicinity who collects garbage in an open wheelbarrow and hauls it on the sidewalk; he referred also to the speeding of automobiles, to the large and varied assortment of dogs running

at large and to the shooting of squirrels in the limits of the Town, citing the particular case of a squirrel on his own property which he had tamed by the aid of the luscious peanut but which fell a victim to the unerring aim of a colored miscreant. Mr. Scheller was assured by the Mayor that while the life of the unfortunate squirrel could not be returned the Council would endeavor to correct the abuses of which he very justly and properly complained.

Messrs. Gardner and Fremont, residing on Woodland Ave., urged the permanent improvement of the roadway of that street.

Messrs. Silverman, Fischer and Sabine addressed the Council in protest against the location of a lumber yard on Lincoln Avenue. With reference to these protests the Mayor stated that notwithstanding the fact of this application having been printed in the Takama News, no protests were submitted to the Council; but that on the contrary the application was supported by a petition signed by owners of adjacent property, and that the Civic Improvement Committee had given its approval after a careful investigation. Since the application has been properly granted and the lumber yard established a protest at this time cannot be favorably considered.

Mr. Daniel Goodacre called attention to the absence of fire hydrants on Westmoreland Avenue and was informed by the Mayor that assurances had been given by the Sanitary Commission that hydrants would be located along all water mains within the Town but that the Clerk would be instructed to call the matter to the Commission's attention and to urge early action.

The Clerk informed the Council that the Board of Assessors had submitted to him their revision of the Town assessment for the fiscal year 1924 and that all persons affected had been legally notified that the Council at its regular May meeting would sit as a Board of Review to hear and determine all complaints relative thereto.

The Finance Committee submitted bills amounting to \$664.75, examined and approved for payment with the exception of a bill by the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission of \$15.20 for lowering a meter housing, which was not understood and required further consideration.

On motion of Mr. Rogers the bills approved were ordered paid.

Major W. F. Fischer, Superintendent of Public Work, reported in detail the public work performed during the past month.

With respect to the complaint of Mrs. Edward Q. Knight relative to carelessness in the burning of trash, Mr. Adams, from the Committee on Police, Fire and Lights, stated that the Committee would consider an Ordinance covering the matter.

Mr. Krall, from the Civic Improvement Committee, informed the Council relative to the Committee's efforts to reach an agreement with Mr. Gilbert Seck concerning the location of a proposed public garage and filling station at Flower Ave. and Blair Road. The Committee and Mr. Seck have

not yet come to a definite understanding. Mr. Mark Stearman, for Mr. Seek, addressed the Council and stated that the latter was desirous of conforming with the rules and regulations of the Town, but that Mr. Seek had already begun construction, and was hopeful that a compromise might be effected so that at least a part of the work already done might be utilized. Mr. Stearman stated, for Mr. Seek, that the Town permit for this garage which was issued on the understanding it was for a private garage, would be surrendered. On the suggestion of the Mayor the matter was referred back to the Committee on Civic Improvement for further consultation with Mr. Seek and Mr. Stearman.

The Clerk laid before the Council the following proposed Ordinance for the Council's consideration:

Ordinance No. 396 89

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

Section 1. That in accordance with the provisions of Section 3 of the amended Charter, a general election is hereby called for Monday, May 5, 1924, in the basement of the Presbyterian Church on Maple Ave., at which time and place the qualified voters of the Town shall cast their votes for a Mayor and for three members of the Town Council, all to serve for a term of two years from the first Monday in June next.

Section 2. The polls for said election shall be opened at 6 o'clock a.m. and shall close at 7 o'clock p.m.

Mr. Griffith 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, Griffith, Krall, Rogers and Salisbury; voting nay, none.

On motion of Mr. Krall, Mr. L.M. Mooers, Mr. J.H. Ellsworth and Mrs. Madge C. Nelson were appointed Judges of Election and the Mayor was authorized to fill any vacancies that might occur.

Mr. Krall also moved that Mrs. Madge C. Nelson and Mr. J.H. Ellsworth be appointed Registration Officers for the annual registration days on Tuesday and Wednesday, April 29 and 30, with the Mayor being authorized to fill any vacancies. Carried and so ordered.

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

Approved:

Mayor

Bruce Davis, clerk

Thursday Evening, May 1, 1924

In accordance with the requirements of the Charter the Council met in special session at the Office of the Clerk, convening at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of hearing any appeals from the action of the Registration Officers. There were present the Mayor and Councilmen Griffith, Kroll, Rogers, ^{and} Salisbury. In the unavoidable absence of the Clerk, Mr. Bryan Davis was appointed Clerk pro tem.

The Mayor stated that pending the presentation of registration appeals the Council would proceed with any business that might be presented.

Mr. Kroll, for the Civic Improvement Committee stated that the Building Inspector had referred to the Committee a pencil sketch plan for a proposed building at 50 Grant Ave, by Mr. T. Elliott. As the proposed building was not in accordance with the building regulations the Committee recommended that the permit be refused. The recommendation was approved.

With reference to a communication from the Suburban Sanitary Commission requesting establishment of street grades on Maple Ave, from Sliqo Ave, to Flower Ave; Kennebec Ave, from Flower Ave. to Sliqo Ave.; Second Street from present terminus to Sliqo Mill Road; Lincoln Ave, east and west of Carroll Ave. to ends of street; Woodland Ave, from Ethan Allen Ave, north 100 feet; Jackson Ave, from Lincoln Ave. to lot 1, block 36; Takoma Ave; Boston Ave, to serve lot 13, block 72; Greenwood Ave, from Carroll Ave, to 220 feet north of Division St, Mr. Rogers moved that the necessary steps be taken to establish grades on the streets mentioned grades to be approved by the Council before being definitely adopted. The motion was seconded by Mr. Salisbury and was unanimously approved.

Replying to a paragraph of the same communication inquiring if the paving of Westmoreland Ave is to be done this year the Clerk was instructed to say in reply that hearings have been held on petition of the property owners for concreting the roadway and that the Council contemplates doing the work this year provided its finances will permit.

A resubdivision of lots 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, block 37, approved by the Suburban Sanitary Commission, was submitted for the Council's approval. After discussion relative to the frontage of some of the lots on a 10-foot alley, Mr. Rogers was requested to confer with the owners for the purpose of eliminating the alley feature. A further discussion of the Seek garage resulted in no definite action.

No appeals from action of the registration officers were presented during the session, the Council adjourning at 11:30 p.m.

Approved:

Mayor

Bryan Davis
Clerk, pro tem

Monday Evening, May 5, 1924

The Council met in special session, convening at 9 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 Adams, Griffith, Kroll, Rogers and Salisbury.

Mr. L. M. Mooers, Chairman of the Board of Election Judges, presented to the Council the following report:

<p>The Mayor and Council, Town of Takoma Park, Md.</p>	<p>Takoma Park, Md., May 5, 1924</p>
<p>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 in the basement of the Presbyterian Church this date:</p>	
<p>The Board of Judges organized by the selection of Mr. L. M. Mooers as Chairman and selected Mrs. Helen B. Davis as Clerk, having previous taken the prescribed oath of office before the Mayor.</p>	
<p>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.</p>	
<p>The following persons were voted for as Mayor and received the number of votes set opposite their respective names: H. F. Taff, 453; Morris Bien, 6.</p>	
<p>The following persons were voted for as Members of the Town Council and received the number of votes set opposite their respective names: Frederick D. B. Austin, 367; Lloyd W. Biddle, 291; Joseph A. Griffith, 202; Charles V. Johnson, 242; William A. Kroll, 319; Roy Ferner, 1.</p>	
<p>The total number of votes cast was 513.</p>	
<p>It therefore appears from the ballots cast that the following named candidates received the highest number of votes cast and were duly elected to serve as Mayor and as members of the Town Council for a term of two years beginning June 2.</p>	
<p>Mayor, HENRY F. TAFF. Councilmen, FREDERICK D. B. AUSTIN, LLOYD W. BIDDLE, WILLIAM A. KROLL.</p>	
<p>Certificates of election in accordance with the results as above stated are herewith inclosed for delivery to the Mayor and Councilmen-elect.</p>	
<p>Attest: H. B. DAVIS, Clerk</p>	<p>Very respectfully, L. M. MOOERS JAMES H. ELLSWORTH M. C. NELSON Judges of Election</p>

On motion of Mr. Adams the report was received and the candidates certified as receiving the highest number of votes were declared duly elected.

On motion of Mr. Kroll an appropriation of \$40⁰⁰ was authorized to compensate the election and registration officers for services rendered, at the rate of \$5⁰⁰ per day each.

Messrs. Robbins and Neff consulted the Council relative to proposed changes in their resubdivision of lots 4, 5, 6 and 7, block 37, into lots 32 to 43, in order to meet the Council's objections. The proposed changes appearing to be satisfactory Mr. Rogers moved that upon submission of a new plat with the alterations suggested that final approval will be given; the motion was carried.

Mr. F. D. B. Austin called the Council's attention to the advertised sale on Tuesday next of the former public school property on Tulip Avenue and suggested the advisability of the Town purchasing this property for public purposes and particularly for the use of the Volunteer Fire Department. The matter was considered at length at the conclusion of which Mr. Adams moved that, in order that the Volunteer Fire Department might consider possible means of financing the purchase of the old school property, the County Board of Education be requested to postpone the

sale of the building for one or two weeks. The motion was carried.

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

Approved:

Mayor

Bryan Davis

Clerk

Monday Evening, May 19, 1924.

The Council met at 8 o'clock. There were present the Mayor and Councilmen Adams, Griffith, Kroll, Rogers and Salisbury. In the absence of the Clerk, Mr. Bryan Davis was appointed Clerk protem.

The minutes of the last regular meeting and of the special meetings of Apr. 21 and May 1 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	4997.96	<u>Special Improvement Fund:</u>	
RECEIPTS:		Balance on hand last report	9404.25
From general taxes	662.50	Receipts during April	1882.49
building permits	75.00		11286.72
plumbing "	12.00	<u>Special Deposits:</u>	
electric "	16.00	Balance on hand last report	660.00
excavation "	8.00	Receipts during April	70.00
	773.50		730.00
	5771.46	<u>School Fund:</u>	
DISBURSEMENTS.		Balance on hand last report	800.00
Street work: labor	254.50	No receipts during April	-----
material	128.80		800.00
miscellaneous	487.57		
machinery and tools	28.57		
	899.44		
Storage warehouse	141.50		
Street Lighting	304.89		
General expenses: telephones	5.80		
Refuse collections	3.00		
Legal expenses	43.41		
Miscellaneous	52.00		
Salaries: Clerk and Treasurer	100.00		
Superintendent Public Work	125.00		
Electrical Inspector	25.00		
	250.00		
Balance on hand	1700.04		
	4071.42		

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

The following communications were read by the clerk. X X

From Mr Ben G. Davis, Clerk and Treasurer, a letter tendering his resignation due to his moving for an indefinite period to the City of Habana, Cuba.

Petition of Citizens of Garland Avenue requesting cement sidewalk be laid along easterly side of Garland Avenue, from the intersection of Carroll and Garland North to the intersection of Garland and the Corporation line and abutting lots 4 to 11 inclusive of Block 101 — Referred to Street Committee.

Petition of Citizens of Second and Allegheny Avenues requesting that those streets be put in condition or steps taken to have the Sanitary Commission do so, sewer construction work having made the streets impassible. — Referred to Street Committee.

Petition of Citizens of Cleveland Avenue requesting a light be placed on Pole No. 7450 on the North side of that street — Referred to Police, Fire and Light Committee.

Petition of Citizens of Takoma Ave protesting the erection of a loading platform by the B+O Railroad on its right of way in North Takoma. — Referred to Civic Improvement Committee.

Petition of property owners requesting grading for extension of Cedar Avenue from present terminus to Philadelphia Avenue. — Referred to Street Committee.

A communication from Mr. J. Frank Rice, 207 Maple Ave., protesting the increased assessment on that property, and stating that the property value had diminished rather than increased due to the erection of an addition on the rear of the Presbyterian Church.

Mr. John Donkers presented a protest from Mr. J. W. Shadle relative to the assessment of four houses on Spring St. which he stated will not be completed until late in the fall.

A petition from property owners of Columbia Ave was presented by Mr. Fred Harries requesting the paving of Columbia Ave from Poplar Ave to Carroll Ave in conjunction with the petition previously presented by property owners of Poplar Ave, for the paving of that Street. — Referred to Street Committee.

Mr. L. S. Cannon protested against the increased assessment on the Citizens Bank Building, stating that the repairs made were far less in cost than the amount of the increased Assessment.

There being no further tax assessment protests, the Mayor ordered the hearing on tax assessments closed and stated that the appeals made would be taken up at a meeting to be held at a later date.

Mr. R. L. Bullard requested that numbers be assigned to lots in Carroll Manor Subdivision. He was referred to the Clerk for the necessary information.

Messrs Finn and J. W. Hite addressed the Council relative to unsanitary conditions resulting from the stoppage of a drain pipe under Albany Ave, said drain being the outlet for sewerage for several houses in that locality. The Mayor called attention to the fact that these houses were located outside of the corporation limits of the town and that steps should be taken by the County authorities. Both the County Board of Health and the Suburban Sanitary Commission were appealed to some time ago and it was the supposition of the Mayor that remedial steps had been taken. The Clerk was ordered to take this matter up again with the County authorities finding out just what action has been taken.

Mr. C. E. Waters spoke of the dusty condition of Columbia and Pine Avenues and asked that preparations be made for oiling or otherwise treating the streets.

The Mayor read a communication from the State of Maryland Department of Health inviting the Mayor and Council to attend a Conference of Health Officers to be held in Baltimore, Friday June 6th. The Mayor moved that the Chairman of the Health Committee, Mr. Salisbury and the Town Health Officer, Dr. Williams represent the Mayor and Council at this Conference. Mr. Rogers seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried.

The Finance Committee submitted bills amounting to \$ 1629.78, examined and approved for payment. On motion of Mr. Rogers the bills approved were ordered paid.

Mr. Rogers stated that Messrs. Spencer and Robbins had eliminated the objectionable features

in their plat for resubdividing lots 4, 5, 6 and 7 of Block 37, Gilbert Subdivision and moved that the following Ordinance be adopted.

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Ordinance No. 397

Be it ordained by the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Md:

That the plat of a proposed resubdivision of lots 4, 5, 6 and 7, of block 37 Gilbert's Subdivision into lots 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42 and 43, blk. 37, as submitted by Messrs. Ray M. Spencer and Frank H. Robbins, be and the same is hereby approved.

The ordinance was adopted upon an aye and nay vote as follows: - Voting aye - Mayor Taff, Councilmen Adams, Griffith, Kroll, Rogers, and Salisbury, Voting nay - none.

Mr. Kroll for the Civic Improvement Committee submitted a report recommending the application of Mr. G. S. Seck for a permit to erect a Public Garage and Gasoline Filling Station on Flower Avenue be granted, provided, that the front line of the Garage shall not be less than 45 feet from the west side edge of the concrete on Flower Ave. and the North side line shall not be less than 10 feet from the South side of the Blue stone Road at the nearest point.

The Garage and the Gasoline Filling Station must be constructed substantially and attractively in order that it may not be detrimental to the property in the vicinity. Also that before the work is started the Building Inspector shall stake off the lines and all work shall be subject to his approval at all times.

Regarding the petitions for Street improvement, Mr. Rogers, for the Street Committee laid before the Council the following preliminary Ordinance:

Ordinance No. 398.1

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

Section -1. That under authority of section 12 of the Act of the General Assembly of Maryland approved April 13, 1922 (Chapter 542) and in the interest of the public health, safety and comfort, the following public work is under contemplation, namely:

Construction of cement sidewalks at an estimated cost of \$1.80 per linear foot, the total cost thereof to be assessed against the abutting benefited property as follows: On Garland Avenue, along the easterly side from the intersection of Carroll and Garland Avenues to the intersection of Garland Avenue and the Corporation line, abutting lots 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 in block 101, B.L. Palmer Subdivision. On Woodland Avenue, along the easterly side from the intersection of Beeck and Woodland Avenues to the intersection of Ethan Allen and Woodland Avenues, abutting lots 1, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39,

40, 41, 42 and 43 in Block 24, Gilbert Subdivision. On the west side of Flower Avenue between Cherry and Jackson avenues abutting lot 7 in Block 48, Fletcher Subdivision.

Concrete roadway and curb at an estimated cost of \$12.00 per linear foot, two-thirds of the total cost thereof to be assessed against the abutting benefited property and one-third of the total cost to be paid from the general revenues of the Town, as follows: On Elm Avenue, abutting lots 22, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47 and 48 in block A; lots 1, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11, in block F, Fifield Subdivision; lots 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 76, 77, 82, 83 and 84 in Block 16; lots 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 26, 27 and 28 in block 17; lots 21 and 37 in Block 20 and lots 29, 30, 31, 32 and 33 in Block 21, Gilbert Subdivision. On Columbia Avenue, abutting lots 3 and 4 in Block 16; lots 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21 in Block 18; lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15, in Block 19; lots 1, 2, 3, 4 and 41, in block 20. On Poplar Avenue, abutting lots 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40 and 41 in Block 20 and lots 1, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52 and 53 in Block 21, Gilbert Subdivision. On New York Avenue from Baltimore Avenue to Takoma Avenue, abutting lots 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21 in block 74; lots 7 and 11 in block 75 and lots 3, 4, 5, 6, 22, 23, 24, 25, and 26 in Block 73, Takoma Park Loan and Trust Co. Subdivision and on Westmoreland Avenue from Elm Avenue to Second Street, abutting lots 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36 and 37, in Block 17; lots 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, and 20 in Block 14; lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 in Block 15; lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 in Block 18, Pine Crest Subdivision and lot 22 in block 16, Gilbert Subdivision.

Section-2. The Mayor and Council at the regular meeting to be held June 16, 1924, at 8 o'clock, p.m. in the basement of the Presbyterian church, on Maple Avenue, will hear all persons interested in the above contemplated work.

The ordinance was adopted upon motion of Mr. Rogers with a vote as follows, voting aye, Mayor Taff, Councilmen Adams, Griffith, Kroll, Rogers and Salisbury. Voting nay, none.

Mr. John Donkers presented before the Council a resubdivision of lots in Spring Street owned by Mr. J.W. Shadle. He was informed that approval by the Sanitary Commission was necessary before Town action would be taken.

There being no further business, the Council at 9:32 p.m. adjourned.

Mayor.

Bryan Davis

Clerk pro tem.

Friday evening, May 23, 1924.

A special meeting of the Council was held this date at the office of the Clerk. There were present, The Mayor and Councilmen Adams, Griffith, Kroll and Rogers.

A request from Mrs. Mayme Colbert, 400 Carroll Avenue, ^{for permission} to hold a subscription dance

at her residence on Saturday evening, May 24th was granted provided that references furnished by her were found to be satisfactory.

The matter of Mr. G. E. Watts installing an electric saw without a permit was referred to Mr. Kroll for investigation.

The protests regarding increased tax assessments, presented to the Council at their previous meeting, were referred to Mr. Rogers of the Finance Committee for reconsideration with the Board of Assessors.

Upon motion of Mr. Griffith and by the unanimous vote of the Council, Mr. Wm. F. Fischer was appointed a Town Bailiff.

The Mayor and Council expressed to the County Board of Education its endorsement of Col. Wm. A. Kroll for appointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Takoma Park, Maryland Public School for the unexpired term caused by the resignation of Mr. Ben G. Davis and suggested the reappointment of Mrs. Clara B. Mooers, the present incumbent, for another term.

Mr. Kroll moved that the resignation of Mr. Ben G. Davis, Clerk and Treasurer, to take effect May 31, 1924 as requested by him on account of his moving from the town, be accepted with sincere regret and that the acting clerk be directed to express to him on behalf of the Council and the Citizens of the Town their high appreciation of the faithful and efficient services rendered by him during the many years as an official of the Town. The motion was seconded by Mr. Adams and unanimously carried.

Mr. Rogers moved that Mr. Bryan Davis be appointed acting clerk and Acting Treasurer of the Town of Takoma Park, Md., with power to perform all the duties of said positions, including the signing of checks on Town Funds. The motion was seconded by Mr. Adams and adopted unanimously.

Mr. Adams moved that Mr. Walter L. Burqan be permitted to proceed with the erection of a

dwelling house on his lot at 314 Garland Avenue on the present foundation. The motion was carried unanimously.

A motion by Mr. Griffith that the Takoma Park Bank be granted permission to erect a sign on their property as per plan submitted by them was unanimously carried.

There being no further business the Council at 11:00 p.m. o'clock adjourned.

Bryan Davis
Acting Clerk.

Mayor.

Thursday evening, May 29, 1924.

A special meeting of the Council was called by the Mayor at the office of the Clerk on this date.

There were present The Mayor and Councilmen Adams, Griffith, Kroll, Rogers and Salisbury.

Major Wm. F. Fischer was sworn in as a Bailiff of the town by the Mayor.

Mr. Rogers of the Finance Committee reported on the matter of tax assessment appeals and made the following recommendations:

That the assessment of \$2,000 for improvements as they stand at the present time on pt. of lot 1, Blk 11, Gibbs and Kossack subdivision at 301 Spring St. remain as reported by the assessors and assessments on improvements of \$2,000 each at 303, 305 and 314 Spring St. be set aside for the reason that ~~it appears~~ said improvements are not sufficiently advanced to warrant assessment for the ensuing tax year.

That assessment of \$400 on improvements on lot 18, Blk 5, No 207 Maple Ave. be set aside for the reason that it appears to be a duplicate assessment of the previous year.

That the increased assessment of \$5,000 as reported by the assessors on improvements of lot 1, Blk 16, Wipscomb and Ernest subdivision, known as the Citizens Bank be approved. On motion of Mr. Rogers the report of the committee was adopted unanimously.

Mr. Adams moved that the following ordinance be adopted:

Ordinance No. 399

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

That the revised assessment of real property, as submitted by the duly authorized and appointed Board of Assessors, for the purposes of Municipal taxation, and covering the fiscal year 1924 be and the same is hereby adopted; the Mayor and Council having set as a Board of Review and having heard and determined all complaints in reference thereto.

Mr. Rogers seconded the motion and the ordinance was adopted upon an aye and nay vote as follows: Voting aye; The Mayor, Councilmen Adams, Griffith, Kroll, Rogers and Salisbury; voting nay; none.

In regards to the annual tax levy, Mr. Kroll moved that the following ordinance be adopted.

Ordinance No. 400

Be it ordained by the Mayor and Council of the Town 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, Maryland, 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, 1924.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Griffith and it was adopted on an aye and nay vote as follows: Voting aye: The Mayor, Councilmen Adams, Griffith, Kroll, Rogers and Salisbury. voting nay: none.

A communication from Mr. W^m Stewart representing the Takoma Park Presbyterian Church was presented by the Mayor. requesting that the curb be extended across the former driveway on the north side of the church. The Superintendent of Public Work was authorized to do the work.

Upon motion of Mr. Kroll, Mr. Edw. J. Stipeck was granted permission to erect a house at no. 28 Carroll Manor in accordance with the plans submitted.

Upon motion of Mr. Kroll, an expenditure of not to exceed \$100 was authorized for the purpose of paying court costs in connection with the court action being taken on gas reduction by certain citizens of the Town.

Mr. Adams on behalf of the Takoma Park Independence Day Celebration Committee asked for

permission to temporarily erect a banner across Carroll Avenue at Laurel Avenue, giving publicity to the celebration. Permission was granted provided the banner is safely and securely erected and removed promptly after serving its purpose.

In the matter of extending Cedar Avenue, the Clerk was authorized to advise the petitioners that the condition of funds of the town at this time will not warrant the advancing of funds to undertake this work. However, if the petitioners will deposit with the town the full amount of the estimated cost, the town will take up the work.

There being no further business the Council at 11:00 p.m. adjourned.

Bryan Davis
Clerk

Mayor:

Monday evening, June 2, 1924.

A special meeting of the Council was held this date at the office of the Clerk. There were present the Mayor, and Councilmen Adams, Kroll, Rogers and Salisbury.

The Mayor reported having taken the oath of office this date before the clerk of the Circuit Court at Rockville, Maryland. He then administered the oath to Messrs. Austin, Biddle, and Kroll, Councilmen-elect.

The Mayor announced the appointment of the following Committees. Finance; Mr. Rogers, chairman, Mr. Adams and Mr. Kroll; Streets and drainage, Mr. Austin, chairman, Mr. Rogers and Mr. Kroll; Health and Sanitation; Mr. Salisbury, Chairman, Mr. Rogers and Mr. Biddle; Civic Improvement; Mr. Kroll, chairman, Mr. Salisbury and Mr. Adams; Police, Fire, and lights, Mr. Adams, chairman, Mr. Austin and Mr. Biddle; Ordinance and Judiciary, Mr. Biddle, chairman, Mr. Salisbury and Mr. Austin.

A communication from the Board of County Commissioners of Prince Georges County was read requesting that County building permits be issued by the Town. The request was granted.