

Bryan Davis

Mayor.

clerk.

Monday evening, Jan. 12, 1925

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

Mr. Rogers moved that the following ordinance be adopted:

Ordinance No. 408

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

That the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland enter into contract with Henry E. Skinner of Silver Springs, Maryland for the collection and removal of garbage for a period of one year beginning January 19, 1925 in accordance with the following agreement:

Contract and Agreement.

This agreement, made and entered into this nineteenth day of January, A.D. 1925 by and between HENRY SKINNER, of Silver Springs, Maryland, party of the first part, and The Town of TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND, a municipal corporation, party of the second part -

Witnesseth, That the said party of the first part hereby agrees to collect, and remove garbage from the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, for a period of one year from the date of this agreement, making collections from all dwellings and apartment houses in said Town as may be directed by the officials of said Town; said collections to be made from each dwelling and apartment house once each week from the date of this agreement until April 15, 1925, and collections made twice each week from April 15, 1925, to October 15, 1925, and once each week from October 16, 1925 to January 19, 1926. It is further agreed by and between the parties hereto that the said party of the first part shall be paid monthly on the first day of each month the sum of Seventy-five (\$75.00) dollars for every month during which collections shall be made once each week, and that he shall be paid the sum of one hundred and twenty-five (\$125.00) dollars for every month during which collections shall be made twice each week, said garbage collections to be made prior to the payment for the service. The said party of the first part agrees to give prompt and satisfactory attention to all complaints regarding lack of service to any dwelling or apartment house during the time of this contract. The Town of Takoma Park further agrees to notify residents of the Town who desire this garbage service not to put glass, cans, poison, or other deleterious matter in garbage intended to be removed by said party of the first part.

The Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, reserve the right to cancel this agreement upon thirty-days' notice to the party of the first part, if, in its judgement, the service herein contracted for proves unsatisfactory or not in accordance with this agreement.

In Witness Whereof, The said parties hereto have set their hands, in duplicate, the day and year first above written.

(Signed) H. A. Skinner.

(Signed) H. F. Taff - for Town of Takoma Park, Md.

The Ordinance was passed upon an eye and nay vote as follows: Voting aye, The Mayor and

Councilmen Adams, Austin, Krall and Rogers; Voting nay - none.

On motion of Mr. Adams, the bill for E. E. Blodgett amounting to \$160.00 was ordered paid.

Mr. Rogers moved that the Warren F. Brenizer Co be paid on account for construction of cement sidewalks in the Town under contract for 1924 the following amounts; \$5044.02 being \$5604.46 less 10% retained for new sidewalks and \$476.82 ^{for repairs.} Of this latter amount \$152.32 is for sidewalk repairs chargeable to the Washington Gaslight Co. - Total payment \$5520.84. The motion was unanimously carried. Mr. Rogers also moved that an additional payment of \$8,505.17 be made to the Cranford Co. on account of Concrete paving and extra work under contract during 1924. - \$3621.95 or 10% of the amount of bills so far rendered being retained. The motion was unanimously carried.

On motion of Mr. Austin, authority was granted for the installation of electric light service and meter in the Municipal Building on Maple Ave. for which there will be a service charge of \$1⁰⁰ per month.

On motion of Mr. Adams the street light in front of the Hendricks Garage was ordered moved to the pole on the other side of the street directly opposite its present location.

An application of Mr. M. G. Phoebus to erect an apartment house at the corner of Sherman and Carroll Ave was referred to the Civic Improvement Committee. There being no further business the Council at 10:20 p.m. adjourned.

Bryan Davis
clerk

Mayor.

Monday evening, January 19, 1925

The council met at eight o'clock. There were present the Mayor and Councilmen Adams, Austin, Krall and Salisbury - Mr. Rogers was absent on account of illness. The minutes of the last regular meeting and special meetings were read and approved. The monthly report of the Treasurer, approved by the Finance Committee was submitted as follows:

Balance on hand last report		\$ 5913.05		SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT FUND	
RECEIPTS				Balance on hand last report	\$ 36060.83
From general taxes	\$1581.71			Receipts during month	2011.49
Building permits	\$ 20.00				38072.32
Electric permits	7.00			Disbursements.	
Excavation "	1.00			Sidewalks	106.00
Plumbing "	3.00	31.00		Concrete Streets.	14244.43
Miscellaneous, Street repairs.		56.80	1649.51	Miscellaneous.	252.86
			\$ 7562.56	Balance on hand	\$ 23469.03
DISBURSEMENTS				SPECIAL DEPOSITS.	
Street work, labor	240.35			Balance on hand last report	\$ 750.00
material	18.50			Receipts during month	10.00
mach. + tools	38.67				760.00
miscellaneous	63.84	361.36		Disbursements during month	20.00
General expenses, Phone	5.75			Balance on hand	740.00
printing + advertising	34.50	40.25			
Health officer + supplies.		17.30			
Garbage collection		100.00			
Street lighting		330.39			
Miscellaneous		59.90			
Salaries, Clerk + Treasurer.	100.00				
electrical inspector	25.00				
supt. of Public work	166.66	291.66			
Allard drain.		467.78	1668.64		
Balance on hand			\$ 5893.92		

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

Petitions from residents of Lincoln Ave and Chestnut and Philadelphia Avenues requesting street lights were referred to the Committee on Police, Fire and Lights.

Mr. C. Huff, 235 Willow Ave. requested the correction of bad drainage conditions in front of his premises. Referred to the Street Committee.

The council's attention was directed to the bad condition existing in the roadbed of Carroll Ave, particularly to that portion between the car tracks. - On motion of Mr. Kroll, the clerk was instructed to call the matter to the attention of the Washington Maryland Ry. Co., owners of the street railway franchise, requesting correction of this condition.

On motion of Mr. Kroll, seconded by Mr. Salisbury, Mr. John Coffman was ordered to print 1000 copies of the Zoning Law for distribution to the tax-payers.

The Zoning Commission reported to the Council. The report submitted was as follows:

To The Mayor and Council,
Town of Takoma Park, Md.
Gentlemen:

The Zoning Commission of the Town of Takoma Park, Md. held its first meeting Monday, Jan. 5, 1925, in the office of the Town Clerk.

Members present, Messrs. Adams, Biddle, Elliott, Griffith, Kroll, and Salisbury.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kroll, followed by the election of J. A. Griffith, as Clerk, who proceeded to read the Bill as passed by the last Legislature.

After general discussion on the provisions of the Bill, it was moved by Dr. Salisbury to take up the question of zoning of building lots at the corner of Flower and Eric Avenues.

On motion of Dr. Elliott and unanimously adopted the area at the corner of Flower and Eric Avenues, known as lots 5, 6, 7, 10, 11, 14 Block 53, and Lots 1 and 23 block 52, Flower Ave. Park subdivision be proposed as a business section of the Town.

On motion of Dr. Salisbury, all stores to be located 30 ft. 6 in. on Flower Ave. and 15 ft. 6 in. on Eric Ave. from the sidewalk line.

On motion of Mr. Adams, all business structures erected in this zone be required to conform to the uniformity of height and architecture as approved by the Civic Improvement Committee of the Town Council.

On motion of Mr. Biddle, authorizing clerk to advertise notice of public hearing, Jan. 27, to all persons interested or affected in lots and blocks designated as proposed business zones.

Adjournment.

Attest:

J. A. Griffith.
Clerk.

Wm. A. Kroll, Chairman.

The Finance committee submitted bills amounting to \$426.42 which on motion of Mr. Adams were ordered paid.

Dr. Salisbury for the health Committee recommended that hand bills be distributed to the citizens warning against the placing of glass, poison, cans or other deleterious matter in garbage to be collected by the town. The recommendation was approved and a like notice ordered printed for three successive weeks in the local paper.

On motion of Mr. Kroll the Supt. of Public Work was instructed to prevent any repairs to the tenements in Lake Ave owned by Mr. Bonifant until action has been taken on this matter by the Council.

Mr. Austin for the Street Committee reported progress on the bridge inspection work, also that the town streets would be put in repair as soon as weather permitted.

On recommendation of Mr. Kroll, for the Civic Improvement Committee, a trash can was ordered placed at the corner of Carroll and Laurel Avenues.

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

Bryan Davis
clerk

Mayor.

Monday evening, Feb. 16, 1925.

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

The minutes of the regular January meeting were read and approved.

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

Balance on hand last report		\$ 5893.92	Salaries, Clk. & Treas.	100.00			
Receipts			Subst. of Public Work	166.67			
From general taxes	867.70		electrical Inspector	25.00	291.67		1268.64
Building permits	19.50						
Electric "	21.00						
Plumbing "	3.00						
Excavation "	4.00	47.50	Balance on Hand				\$ 7939.51
Miscellaneous, Int. on bank deposits	212.00		<u>SPECIAL DEPOSITS</u>				
Montgomery County Bank tax	140.25		Balance on hand last report		740.00		
" " Securities "	193.47		Disbursements during month		<u>50.00</u>		
" " Road "	1748.78		Balance on hand		\$ 690.00		
Payment on Allard drain	25.00		<u>SPECIAL IMPROVEMENTS</u>				
Wash. Gas. Co., Street repairs.	79.53	2399.03 3314.23	Balance on hand last report		23469.03		
			Receipts during month		<u>1083.19</u>		
	Total	\$ 9208.15			\$ 24552.22		
Disbursements.			<u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>				
Street work, labor	277.92		6 mo. Int. Certif. of Indeb't's.	1020.00			
material	118.71		Cement sidewalks.	5520.84			
misc. cinders.	78.50		Concrete streets	8505.17			
mach and tools	44.81	519.94	Miscellaneous	<u>327.40</u>	<u>15373.41</u>		
General expenses, Telephone		6.30	Balance on hand		\$ 9178.81		
Garbage collection		62.50					
Street lighting		329.67					
Legal expenses		35.00					
Miscellaneous		23.56					

On motion of Mr. Rogers the report was received and ordered filed. Communications were read by the clerk and action taken as follows:

From Martin Iverson, requesting acceptance of his resignation as Chief Bailiff, referred to Police, Fire and Lights Committee.

From H. F. Elliott, regarding drainage of water over sidewalk in front of his property - to St. Comm.

From Mr. Arthur Colburn requesting information regarding erection by him of an apartment building on Carroll avenue. Referred to Civic Improvement Committee.

Mr. Ballard addressed the council regarding the condition of Ethan Allen Avenue between Sycamore and Woodland Avenues, Mr. William Carter called attention to the inaccessible condition of Grant Avenue and Mrs W. E. Hawley spoke regarding

the condition in the Takoma Park school grounds. caused by pools of water forming after each rainfall. Mr. Kroll, chairman of the local Board of School Trustees promised to take the complaint of Mrs. Hawley up with the proper authorities.

On motion of Mr. Rogers, bills approved by the Finance Committee amounting to \$376.55 were ordered paid.

Mr. Salisbury for the Health Committee reported that due to undesirable matters being placed in the Town Garbage making it unfit for stock feeding purposes, the contractor could not continue his collections on the present salary basis.

Mr. Salisbury moved that the contractor continue on a basis of \$100.00 per month until the matter may be disposed of by the council on the issuance of new bids. The motion was seconded and unanimously carried.

Mr. Austin reported for the Street Committee that all the dirt streets had been scraped and that eight carloads of cinders had been distributed where most needed.

On motion of Mr. Adams, the resignation of Mr. Iverson as Town Bailiff was accepted and the clerk ordered to express ~~fr.~~ to him the deep appreciation of the Council for the services rendered. The motion was unanimously carried. Mr. Adams moved that the light 100 ft north of Kennebec Ave on Flower Avenue. be moved to the corner of Flower and Kennebec Avenues. The motion was carried.

On motion of Mr. Kroll the following report of the Zoning Commission was received and tabled:

February 9, 1925

To the Mayor and Council,
Town of Takoma Park, Md.
Gentlemen:

The Zoning Commission met in the office of the Town Clerk, 110 Cedar Ave, Tues. Jan. 27, 1925
Members present, Wm. A. Kroll, Chr., John A. Adams, Lloyd W. Biddle, L. E. Elliott, J. A. Griffith, E. G. Salisbury.

Chairman Kroll called the meeting to order and announced that the purpose of same was for a public hearing on the proposed business district known as lots 5, 6, 7, 11, 10, 14, Block 53 and lots 1, and 23, Block 52, Flower Ave. Park Subdivision as advertised in the Takoma News.

A letter from Dr. H. Bond Bressler was read, and the following persons were heard. Messrs Rief, Bryon, Henry Miller, Dr. Harry W. Miller, Lutes, Coning, Anderson, Iverson (for Mrs. Cross) Cruze, and Talmage.

The need of a business district in that section was conceded by a majority of those addressing the Commission, the question being the determination of the location of same.

While some of those who spoke were out of the Corporate limits of the Town, and others whose property was as far removed as four squares from the proposed area, all were given the opportunity of expressing their opinions.

At the conclusion of the Public hearing the Commission went into Executive session and gave due and careful consideration to all the arguments for and against the proposition.

On motion of Mr. Biddle, seconded by Dr. Elliott, that the proposed preliminary report adopted by the Commission and the business district zone as advertised in the Takoma News for three successive weeks (Lots 5, 6, 7, 10, 11, 14 in Block 53, and lots 1, 23, Block 52, Flower Ave. Park Subdivision) be designated and zoned as a business district, and that we recommend to the Council the adoption of the same, The motion was carried unanimously.

Adjournment: 11:15 P.M.

(Signed)

J. A. GRIFFITH

Clerk, Zoning Commission

On motion of Mr. Kroll a notice was ordered published that the Council would meet on Monday - March 9, 1924 for the purpose of acting on the final report of the Zoning Commission.

The Mayor announced that the Council would hear all interested in the proposed erection of two - two-family semi-detached dwelling houses as contemplated by Mr. M. G. Phoebus at the corner of Carroll and Sherman Avenues.

Mr. Phoebus explained to the Council the type of building proposed.

Mr. W. F. McKenney - 306 Carroll Ave. presented to the Council a petition signed by the property owners on Carroll Ave. in that block. Mr. Walter A. Hawley, F. E. Snell, Mr. Sward and Mrs. I. S. Haskins all spoke opposing the project. A letter was presented from Mrs.

Hawley opposing the erection. Mr. Walter Scheller requested that he be named as not favoring it.

The hearing was then closed and the Mayor announced that the matter would be taken under advisement by the Council.

On motion of Mr. Krall, Mr. Bernard Holmes, Mr. Fred Harries, and Mr. John D. Miller were named as the Board of Assessors for the purpose of such revision and adjustment of real property as may be required for town taxation purposes for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1925.

On motion of Mr. Austin. The Street Committee was authorized to secure the services of the county surveyor for the purpose of extending Baltimore, Boston, and Philadelphia Avenues.

On motion of Mr. Krall The printing of 1000 copies of the Zoning Law at a cost of \$20.00 was reconsidered and 500 copies ^{with suitable covers.} ordered printed at a cost not to exceed \$30.00.

There being no further business the Council at 9:35 o'clock adjourned.

Bryan Davis
clerk.

Mayor

Tuesday evening, Feb. 24, 1925.

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

Mr. Gordon, 119 Chestnut Ave. submitted a statement concerning an examination

made of the bridge across the Sligo and across the B+O.R.R. track in North Takoma.

The application of Mr. Phoebus for the construction of two two-family semi-detached houses was discussed by the Council and no conclusion reached, the matter being left with the Civic Improvement Committee to deal with further.

Regarding the ~~application~~ ^{communication} of Mr. Colburn, the clerk was instructed to inform him that when plans and specifications are submitted, the Council will give same due consideration.

On motion of Mr. Austin the sum of \$50.00 or so ^{thereof} much as necessary was appropriated to straighten the stream between Park and Grant Avenues on the Hodges Tract to prevent the washing away of Maple Avenue.

A petition from Mrs Louise Hodges Judd requesting that Hodges Lane, Holly Ave, Chestnut Ave and Philadelphia Ave. be scraped and cindered was referred to the Street Committee.

The clerk was instructed to notify Mrs. Mary R. Slater that the accumulation of leaves and wood on her property on Maple Ave. was a fire menace to the adjoining property and should be cleared within 30 days, otherwise the work will be done by the town and the cost assessed against the property.

On motion of Mr. Adams the necessary ~~expense~~ ^{funds} were appropriated

assessment (continued)

Subdivision	Block	Lot	Assessed Owner	Feet	Amt. due	Subdivis.	Blk.	Lot	Assessed Owner	Feet	Amount due

Mr. Rogers moved that the assessment be approved and the Ordinance be adopted. On an aye and nay vote the assessment was approved and the Ordinance adopted. The vote was as follows: Voting Aye: The Mayor and Councilmen Adams, Austin, Kroll, Rogers, and Salisbury; Voting nay: None-

There being no further business the Council at 12:20 a.m. adjourned.

Mayor.

Bryan Davis
Clerk.

Monday evening, March 9, 1925.

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

The Mayor announced the hearing as advertised on the action of the Zoning Commission open and would hear all parties interested. No one appeared in opposition to the action as proposed.