

SPECIAL MEETING
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
TOWN OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND
MARCH 1st, 1933

Meeting called to order at 8:00 P. M.

Those present Mayor Lewton, Councilmen Adams, Iverson, Rogers and Ware.

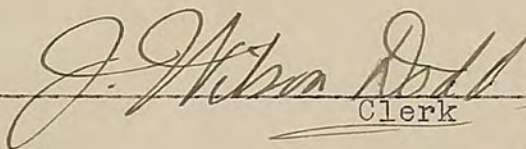
Meeting called for the purpose of going over and ratifying the amendments to the Town Charter as made and approved at Public hearing Feb. 27th, 1933.

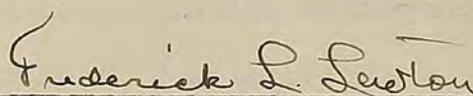
Amends to the Town Charter were discussed and put in shape to be turned over to the Town Counsel to be put in the necessary form for introduction at the present session of the Maryland Legislature. A copy of these amendments as finally presented are on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

The matter of appointment of a Justice of the Peace for Prince Georges County, within the corporate limits of the Town, was given consideration, and motion made and approved to send a copy of the bill as made up covering Montgomery County to Mr. Enos Ray, with the request that a similar bill be drafted covering Prince Georges County, to be presented to the Maryland Legislature by the Prince Georges County Delegates for enactment.

The matter of extending the corporate limits of the Town to take in the Prince Georges County School was discussed, and the Mayor and Council wish to go on record as not opposing the extension of the limits to take in the School if the parties interested desired to take the matter up with the proper Prince Georges County authorities to bring the matter about.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 P.M.


Clerk


Mayor

REGULAR MEETING
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
TOWN OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND
MARCH 20th, 1933.

Meeting called to order at 8:00 P.M.

Those present were Mayor Lewton, Councilmen Adams, Iver-son, Rogers, Remsen, Sherburne and Ware.

Minutes of the Regular meeting of Feb. 20th, 1933 were read. Also minutes of Special Meetings of Feb. 20th, Feb. 27th and March 1st were read and approved.

Bills in the amount of \$1461.16 were recommended paid by the Finance Committee and payment approved.

Report of the Treasurer was read and on motion was approved.

FINANCIAL REPORT - TOWN OF TAKOMA PARK, MD. - Feb. 1933.

RECEIPTS:-

General Taxes-----	\$2383.78
Interest-Penalties-----	371.19
Charges-----	22.00
Special Assessments-----	1190.20
Building Permits-----	18.00
Electrical Permits-----	7.00
Excavation Permits-----	1.00
Dog Tax-----	278.00
Impounding Fees-----	2.00
Share State Franchise Tax-----	6.25
Prince Georges County Share of Streets----	<u>829.26</u>

Total receipts 5108.68

Cash on hand due to banks being cloase \$ 925.77

BANK STATEMENT:

Jan. 31st on hand Citizens Bank	\$1217.38
Deposits in Feb.	332.29
	<u>1549.67</u>
Withdrawn Feb. 3rd and placed in Savings Account	<u>908.17</u>

Feb. 28th - Balance on hand \$ 641.50

Fd.	Balance on hand Citizens Bank		\$ 641.50	41.50
	Jan. 31st on hand Takoma Pk.			
	Bank	\$8533.28		
	Deposits in February	3850.62		
		<u>12383.90</u>		
	Withdrawn in February	3345.53		
	Feb. 28th, Bal. on hand		<u>9038.37</u>	
	Total Balance in both banks		9679.87	

SAVINGS ACCOUNT:

	Jan. 31st, on hand Takoma Park			
	Bank	440.56		440.56
	Jan. 31st, on hand Citizens Bank	6650.69		
	Deposit Feb. 3rd from General			
	account Citizens Bank to			
	Citizens Bank Savings Acct.	<u>908.17</u>		
	Total Savings Acct. both Banks		<u>7558.86</u>	<u>7999.42</u>

DISBURSEMENTS:-

<u>STREETS:-</u>				
	Labor	\$353.40		\$353.40
	Material-Pipe \$56.92			
	Cement 4.51			
	" 17.95	79.38		
	Tools-Supplies	8.20		
	Gas-Auto Upkeep	<u>47.72</u>	<u>135.30</u>	\$ 488.70
<u>SERVICE:-</u>				
	Trash Col. Labor	65.60		65.60
	Garbage Col. Labor	<u>170.00</u>		170.00
	Garbage Pails			2.50
	Gas-Auto Upkeep			74.32
	Street Lights		<u>574.80</u>	887.22
<u>POLICE:-</u>				
	Salaries	<u>300.00</u>		300.00
	Gas-Auto Upkeep 16.02			
	" " 23.95			
	" " " 4.16			44.13
	Telephone			5.90
	Equipment-Pants		<u>11.75</u>	
				<u>361.78</u>
	Disbursements Fd.			1737.70

DISBURSEMENTS, - Carried Forward \$1737.70

OFFICE:-

Salaries	410.00		
" July, Aug. Sept.			
(3 mo.) Temporary			
Clerk & Treas.	<u>500.00</u>	\$ 910.00	
Office Supplies			
Stamped Envs.	30.00		
Postage	4.93		
Rubber Stamps	3.00		
Supplies	<u>4.75</u>	42.68	
Telephone		9.30	
Copying Charter		12.00	
Printing		21.50	
Property transf. Pr. Geo. Co.		15.00	
Auto Exp. E. E. Blodgett		15.00	
Equipment (Fireproof safe-Files)		<u>178.60</u>	
			1204.08
 FIRE DEPARTMENT			 150.00
 MISCELLANEOUS;-			
Taylor & Woods-Holly Ave. Culvert			192.50
Recording Fees			2.25
Flag Cases for American Legion			50.00
Dog Impounder (9 Dogs impounded)			<u>9.00</u>
			3345.53
Total Disbursements			3345.53

COMMUNICATIONS:-

Citizens Bank Inc. in regard to sewage at their new Bank Building and relaying of sidewalks. Referred Street Committee.

From E. T. Willett, Sec'y. Takoma S. D. A. Men's Club, in regard to "STOP" sign at the Northern approach of Flower Ave. to Carroll Ave. To be taken up with State Highway Officials.

From E. M. Reese in regard to dangerous condition of dead trees on vacant lot East side of Poplar Ave. directly in front of his property, 25 Poplar Ave. Referred to Civic Improvement Committee.

From A. P. Corson, Frederick Hartig and Gordon Molander in regard to condition of alley running between No. 78 and 100 Flower Ave. Referred to Street Committee.

H. W. Evans, 4 Heather Ave. in regard to bad condition of Sligo Road from Carroll Ave. to Flower Ave. Referred to Street Committee.

Dr. Llewellyn Jordan in regard to assessment on his property.
Referred to Board of Assessors.

From Irving W. Johnson and Marion Foss Johnson in regard to
rubbish on rear of lot on Maple Ave. Referred to Health
Committee.

Mr. Chas. Y. Latimer read to the Mayor and Council
a request from the County Commissioners to the Senator and
Members of the House of Delegates from Montgomery County
that the present assessment law be suspended and stated that
the County Commissioners would draft a resolution asking
that the re-assessment law be suspended from operation
until at least the early part of 1935.

Mr. Remsen of the Street Committee reported the usual
general ash and trash collection for the month and reported
manholes had been emptied and cuts and holes in streets re-
paired; two carloads of cinders distributed and some slag
used.

Mr. Sherburne of the Ordinance and Judiciary Committee
reported contract had been made with the Standard Oil Co.
for oil and gas at a reduced rate and contract was turned
over to the Clerk and filing.

Mr. Ware of the Police, Fire and Light Committee re-
ported the policing of the Town well in hand and issued a
warning to motorists using improper tags and speeding with-
in the limits of the Town, and asked that the following
recommendations be approved:-

Move or replace counter in police station, cost approx-
imately \$30.00.

Erection of screens at doors and windows in police station
and Town Office at a cost of about \$40.00.

That the sum of \$304.11 be appropriated for the purchase
of a new automobile for Police use as per figures submitted
by the Takoma Motor Co. submitted herewith.

That a siren be purchased for the new Police car at a
cost not to exceed \$50.00.

Mr. Ware reported eighteen fire alarms had been answered
during the past month with but very little property damage,
and recommended that the Fire Department be permitted to use
the two bronze flag staffs belonging to the Town.

Committee reported all street lights recently contract-
ed for have been installed and a reduction in the annual
rate beginning Feb. 1st, 1933.

Committee recommends that the plan submitted by the
Washington Sanatorium under date of March 9th, 1933, for the
care of emergency cases be accepted. This communication
is on file in Clerk's office.

On motion the report and recommendations of the Police,
Fire and Light Committee was approved.

Mr. W. A. Mellen brought to the attention of the Council that light ordered installed on Sligo Ave. over a year ago had not been installed.

Mr. H. S. Murray's request for light on Lincoln Ave. was referred to the Police, Fire and Light Committee.

Mr. J. D. Faber asked that an additional light be put on Takoma Ave? near the corporation line.

On Motion of Mr. Rogers, Mr. Jno. D. Miller, Fred Harries and B. A. Chandler were appointed as a Board of Assessors for the new year to assess new construction and adjust assessment complaints.

Mr. Remsen of the Street Committee stated that complaint in regard to alley in rear of 78 and 100 Flower Ave. would be given immediate attention, and tolerance was asked of the neighbors in the locality of the Town dump and same would be rectified as soon as possible.

The complaint of Mr. Evans in regard to Sligo Parkway will be given attention as soon as the surface of the road dries out when the Supt. of Public Works will overhaul the surface and road edges with tar and slag. Cost would be approximately \$100.00.

Letter of Citizens Building Inc. was held for further consideration.

Mr. Kyle called attention to the drainage condition in the vicinity of Cedar and Dogwood Aves.

Mr. Iverson suggested that the Street and Health Committees look into the situation and see if some way could not be devised to take care of this situation.

Mayor Lewton stated that both the Health and Street Committees would look into the matter and would be glad to receive any suggestions from any one that would be of benefit.

Mr. Sherburne read a report from the Electrical Inspector stating that 172 inspections had been made since July 1st, 1932.

Mr. Sherburne made a motion that the suggestion of Mr. Hutton to take into the corporate limits of the Town the Prince Georges County School be approved and same was approved.

Mr. Sherburne reported Town Ordinances had been completed and would be ready for distribution shortly.

Mr. Adams made a motion that \$12.50 be appropriated for a one-half page ad in the Year Book "Silver-Logue" of the Takoma-Silver Springs High School, provided the fly-leaf of the book contains the wording "Takoma-Silver Springs High School, Takoma Park, Md." Motion seconded by Mr. Iverson and approved.

Mr. Iverson made a motion that the annual two weeks clean-up be set for the last week in April and first week in May. Motion seconded and approved.

Mayor Lewton stated that proposed Charter amendments as discussed and approved at the Community hearing had been put in shape and sent to the Delegates with the exception of the matter of yearly audit, but that this matter along with the Prince Georges School matter would be incorporated in the list of amendments.

Mayor Lewton stated that demands had been made upon him from Prince Georges residents for a ward system of election of Councilmen.

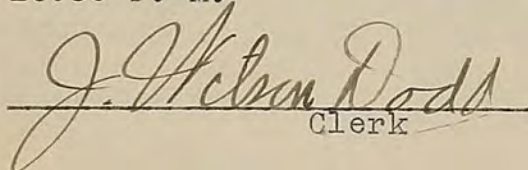
Mr. Jno. W. Coffman opposed the ward system of election in the Town until the Town had grown to such an extent where it would be necessary.

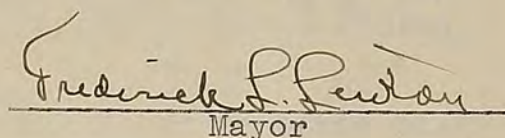
Mr. Sherburne made a motion that an additional amendment be submitted, together with those to be submitted on the following day, which would stipulate that one member of the Town Council must come from that section of the Town located in Prince Georges County. Motion seconded by Mr. Iverson.

Mrs. W. A. Robertson addressed the Council and asked that the motion be amended to read that "At least one member of the Council shall be elected from Prince Georges County, and Mr. Sherburne made amendment to his motion that the Charter be amended to read that "at least one member of the Town Council shall be elected from Prince Georges County. Motion seconded by Mr. Iverson and approved.

It was also moved by Mr. Sherburne and seconded by Mr. Iverson that proper legislation be drawn up to provide for a Justice of the Peace within the corporate limits of the Town of Takoma Park in Prince Georges County. Motion approved.

There being no further business Council adjourned at 10:30 P. M.


Clerk


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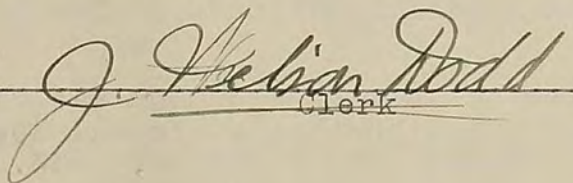
Mayor Lewton stated that the meeting was called to give further consideration to the amendments to the Town Charter as discussed and approved at the meeting of the Good Government League, Thursday, March 20th.

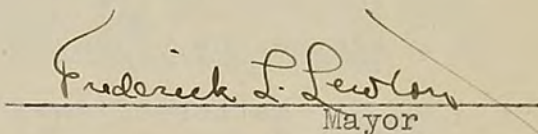
After some discussion as to the proposed legislation favored by the Good Government League in regard to the Corrupt Practices Act, it was moved and seconded that the Corrupt Practices Act be added to the Town Charter, and same was approved.

The matter of Justice of the Peace for Prince Georges County was discussed and by unanimous consent of the Council the bill as applied to the Montgomery County Justice of the Peace was to apply also to Prince Georges County.

The amendment approved by the Good Government League in regard to reducing the penalty on delinquent taxes from 6%, as formerly proposed, to 4%, was discussed at length, and after due consideration of the interests of the Town and the taxpayer, Mr. Sherburne moved that the proposed amendment to the Charter relative to the payment of taxes be withdrawn, and that the original plan for payment of taxes in the present Charter, acts of 1929, be retained. Motion seconded by Mr. Iverson and approved.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 P.M.


Clerk


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