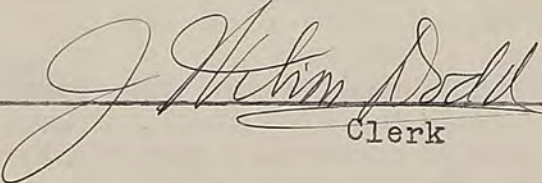


to advise the Mayor and Council at his earliest convenience, whether, under the Town Charter, the Mayor and Council has the authority to appropriate money for and to establish a municipally owned library, and secondly, irrespective of his answer to the first proposition, whether the Mayor and Council has the authority to expend public funds to aid and assist a privately owned free public library in the maintenance of the library with the corporate limits of the Town. Motion seconded by Mr. Adams and approved.

On motion the Council adjourned at 11:00 P. M.


Clerk

Mayor

SPECIAL MEETING
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
OCT. 8TH, 1935.

Meeting called to order at 8:30 P. M.

Those present were Mayor Lewton, Councilmen Adams, Conger, Orcutt and Remsen.

Meeting called for the further discussion of the Library movement in the Town by the Takoma Park, Maryland, Library Association, and their request for the assistance of the Town in the maintenance of a public free library.

A letter was read by the Clerk from the Corporation Counsel, in which it was his opinion that the Town Council could appropriate money for the establishing and maintenance of a municipally owned library. Also that the Council could appropriate money to a privately owned free public library for the actual operation and maintenance of such a library, but that no part of such money appropriated could be used in the purchase of real estate by such library or the payment of any indebtedness thereon.

After discussion of the matter Mr. Conger moved that the Library Committee be called in to meet with the Council, in order that their plans as to the library may be fully discussed. Mr. Adams seconded the motion and same was approved.

The Library Committee, who had been awaiting the call of the Council, met with the Mayor and Council and discussed the matter at length, as to whether the Library Association desired to operate solely as a private owned free public library, or whether they were disposed to turn the library over to the Town to be operated as a municipally owned library.

It was the opinion of the majority of the members of the Library Committee that the library be continued as a privately owned association, and that any assistance the Town could give in the way of operating same would be greatly appreciated. The Committee stated that they now had a membership of some eighty odd members, and that they believed this membership could be built up very materially in a short time.

After further discussion of the matter Mr. Conger moved that the Town appropriate to the Takoma Park, Maryland, Library Association the sum of \$150.00 per month, beginning Oct. 1st, 1935, for the balance of the Fiscal year 1935, said appropriation to be used for maintenance of the library, with the provision that the Library Association be advised for what purposes this money can be expended, and be requested to furnish an itemized statement each month to the Town setting forth for what purposes this money was spent. This motion was seconded by Mr. Remsen.

In discussing the motion, Mr. Orcutt offered the following substitute motion:- Whereas, the Takoma Park, Maryland, Library Association has organized, and is now carrying on and operating a library open to all inhabitants of the Town of Takoma Park, and Whereas, in the opinion of the Mayor and Council the activities carried on by said Takoma Park, Maryland, Library Association are of a public nature, and

Whereas, the said Takoma Park, Maryland, Library Association has requested the Mayor and Council to assist it in the carrying on of this public purpose of supplying a library to the inhabitants of the Town of Takoma Park.

I, therefore, move that there be appropriated out of any available funds to the Takoma Park, Maryland, Library Association, the sum of \$150.00 per month, beginning October 1st, 1935, to be expended for library purposes by said Takoma Park, Maryland, Library Association, in the equipment, operating and maintaining of said library, provided, however, that no part of said appropriation shall be used for the purchase of any real property, nor for the indebtedness thereon, and provided further that the Takoma Park, Maryland, Library Association, shall make a monthly report to the Town setting forth for what purposes this money was spent.

Mr. Conger accepted this substitute motion in place of his former motion, and seconded the substitute motion.

Mr. Adams stated that he would feel disposed to oppose this motion at this time, first, because he thought the matter should be referred to the Finance Committee for report, and, secondly, because the Library Committee had not up to this time presented a budget under which they proposed to operate. Mr. Adams stated that he was heartily in favor of a public library in the Town, and was disposed to help in any way possible the establishment of a permanent library, but felt that the Council should have more definite information as to the needs of the Library Association before making any appropriation.

After further discussion by all present, upon the suggestion of Mr. Remsen, the Council took a short recess in order that the Finance Committee might discuss this appropriation, and also that the Library Committee might prepare an estimated budget for operations for the balance of the fiscal year 1935.

Upon reconvening the Library Committee advised that the estimated amount necessary for the remaining nine months of the fiscal year for operation of the library, consisting of rent, light, heat, janitor, equipment and books, would be \$1800.00, and that the estimated receipts from sources other than the Town would be \$450.00.

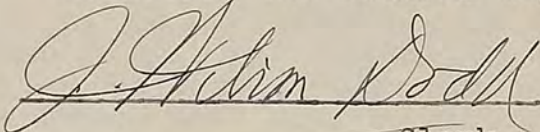
After further discussion of the matter the Mayor called for vote on the substitute motion made by Mr. Orcutt, seconded by Mr. Conger, and said motion was approved.

Mayor Lewton presented a letter from Councilman Taft, who was out of Town, in which Mr. Taft asked that the matter of laying of sidewalks on the ~~West~~^{East} side of Lee Avenue be given consideration, and also that the drainage situation on Davis Avenue be looked into. Mr. Remsen, Chairman of the Street Committee requested the Clerk to prepare, and have ready for adoption at the next regular meeting, an Ordinance calling for a hearing on the laying of sidewalks on the ~~West~~^{East} side of Lee Avenue. Mr. Remsen also stated that the matter of drainage on Davis Avenue would be given consideration.

The Clerk advised the Mayor and Council that the matter of a new Town dump had been looked into, and that a number of sites had been visited, and the most desirable one found was on a tract of land owned by Mrs. F. D. B. Austin, which was about four miles out of the corporate limits of the Town. Clerk also advised that the owner had been contacted and had agreed to allow the Town to use a portion of this land for a trash dump for the sum of \$25.00 per month, said agreement to terminate at the will of the owner of the land or the Town.

Mr. Conger moved that the sum of \$25.00 per month be appropriated from the Trash Collection fund for the rental of a trash dump on the land owned by Mrs. Austin. Motion seconded by Mr. Adams and approved.

On motion the Council adjourned at 11:50 P. M.



Clerk

Mayor

REGULAR MEETING
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
OCT. 21-1935

Meeting called to Order at eight P. M.

Those present were Mayor Lewton, Councilmen Adams, Conger, Orcutt and Remsen.

Minutes of the regular meeting of Sept. 16th and special meetings of Sept. 24th and Oct. 8th were read and approved.

Financial Statement for the month of September, 1935, was read by the Treasurer and approved as follows:--

RECEIPTS:-

General Taxes-----	\$2,420.69	
Less Discounts-----	53.28	\$ 2,367.41
Interest and Penalties-----		45.51
Charges-----		13.50
Special Assessments-----		667.78
Building Permits-----		28.00
Electrical Permits-----		12.00
Dog Tax-----		4.00
Vendor Permits-----		4.00
Fines-----		57.00
Town Plats Sold-----		1.80
Montgomery County Bank Share Tax-----		684.91
" " Securities "-----		644.86
		\$ 4,530.77

BANK STATEMENT

GENERAL ACCOUNT

Aug. 31st - On hand Citizens Bank	\$ 7,257.26	
Deposits in Sept.	1,027.89	
Sep. 30th - On hand		\$ 8,285.15
Aug. 31st - On hand Takoma Park Bank	11,830.47	
Deposits in Sept.	3,502.88	
Withdrawn in Sept.	15,333.35	
Withdrawn in Sept.	6,201.49	
Sep. 30th - On hand		9,131.86
Sep. 30th - On hand both banks		17,417.01

REVOLVING FUND

Aug. 31st - On hand Takoma Park Bank	4,958.04	
No deposits in Sept.	-----	
Sep. 30th - On hand		4,958.04
Aug. 30th - On hand Citizens Bank	8,294.84	
No deposits in Sept.	-----	
Sep. 30th - On hand		8,294.84
Sep. 30th - On hand both banks		\$13,252.88

DISBURSEMENTS:-STREETS:-

Labor	661.35	
Material	894.79	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep-Supplies	163.27	
Equipment-New Truck	<u>989.22</u>	\$ 2,708.63

SERVICE:-

Trash-Labor	98.40	
Garbage-Labor	180.00	
" Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep-Sup.	68.58	
Street Lights	<u>507.26</u>	854.24

POLICE:-

Salaries	465.00	
Clothing Allowance	40.00	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	73.86	
Telephones & Supplies	31.79	
Printing and Supplies	<u>7.35</u>	618.00

OFFICE:-

Salaries	475.00	
Tels.-Supplies-Printing	52.68	
Mont.County Transfers	<u>4.00</u>	531.68

PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS:-

Salaries	112.50	
Labor	16.00	
Supplies	<u>25.36</u>	153.86

ASSESSABLE IMPROVEMENTS:-

Holly Ave.	184.85	
Cedar Ave. Walks	43.68	
Beech Ave. Paving	921.93	
Valley View Ave.	<u>6.00</u>	1,156.46

MISCELLANEOUS:-

Recording Fees	2.25	
Justice Peace Exp. Printing	6.37	
Dues Mont.Co. Civic Fed.	15.00	
Expense Bldg. Inspector	15.00	
Sal.J.P. Mont. & Pr.Geo.Cos.	60.00	
E.E.Blodgett Pension	25.00	
Rental	<u>55.00</u>	<u>178.62</u>

Total		<u>\$6,201.49</u>
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Bills in amount of \$4,487.95 were presented by the Finance Committee for payment and payment approved.

COMMUNICATIONS:- From Colored Citizens Assn. of Takoma Park, Prince George's County, requesting the appointment of a colored Special Police Officer, without pay, for the Wildwood Colored Section, and recommending that said appointment be given to P. W. Marbley, was referred to Police Committee.

Petition from Walter Kurze asking permission to keep poultry within the corporate limits of the Town, said petition being signed by nine residents in the immediate section as not objecting, referred to Police Committee.

Petition for zoning amendment from R. A. Lutes, 814 Flower Avenue, asking that Lot 5, Block 55, Gilberts Sub-Division be re-zoned from Residential "A" to Residential "B". was referred to Civic Improvement Committee.

Letter from Margaret Hodges Ray and Louise Hodges Judd expressing appreciation to the Mayor and Council for the designation of the New Municipal Playground As "Hodges Field".

Letter from Mr. R. E. Light, Vice President of the Takoma Park Boundary Citizens Association, requesting, for the Association, that Laurel Avenue, between Eastern and Carroll Avenues be made a one way street for North Bound traffic, was referred to the Police Committee.

Letter from Irving C. Root, Chief Engineer of the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission, accompanied by petition for zoning amendment by Frank G. Downey, for the re-zoning of part of Block 82, Barclay Sub-Division from Residential "A" to Commercial "D", was referred to the Civic Improvement Committee.

Letter from Mrs. W. D. Lambert, requesting that the Town paint curb and street parking space lines in front of stores on Laurel Avenue, was referred to Police Committee.

Letter from the Chairman of the State Roads Commission of Maryland, advising in connection with the grading and paving of Eastern Avenue between Sligo Mill Road in Prince Georges County to the Montgomery County Line, in which the Commission advised that at the present time it was impossible to provide funds for this purpose, was referred to the Street Committee.

Dr. Llewellyn Jordan addressed the Council in connection with the new voting machines for Montgomery County, and advised that a demonstration would be given at Bethesda on Nov. 30th, and urged the voters to attend in order to become acquainted with the operation of the machine. Dr. Jordan also asked that adequate police protection be furnished by the Town on Halloween night.

Dr. C. C. Galloway addressed the Council in regard to conditions of the grounds at the Prince George's County Grade School, and also in connection with the opening up of Woodland Avenue through to the School. Dr. Galloway asked that some action be taken toward putting the play space at the school in shape, and also the furnishing of some playground equipment for the children to use. Mayor Lewton advised Dr. Galloway that he would refer the matter of Woodland Avenue to the Street Committee, and the playground matter to the Civic Improvement Committee.

Mr. Orcutt, Chairman of the Civic Improvement Committee

advised that arrangements had already been made with the Supervisor, Mr. Harries, to loan, under proper conditions, some of our Municipal Playground equipment that is being stored away and not in use.

Mr. Harry K. Hobart and Mr. J. W. Fletcher, addressed the Council in opposition to the zoning petition of Frank J. Downey. Mr. Orcutt suggested that the protests be put in writing in order that they may be forwarded to the Zoning Commission.

D. M. Lewis addressed Council in connection with the letter from the Colored Citizens Association in regard to the appointment of a Special colored officer, and was advised by the Mayor that the matter would be given consideration by the Police Comm. Request was also made by Mr. Lewis that Cherry Avenue from Sligo to Lincoln Avenues be improved in order that it may be made passable.

Mr. Harry Dodge addressed Council in regard to building permit application filed by himself for dwelling to be erected on Lot 1, Block 85.

Mr. John Bozievitch addressed the Council asking the proper procedure to compel the owners to properly dedicate the street in front of his home on Jackson Avenue. Mr. E. V. Crittenden also spoke in regard to the dedication of the streets in this subdivision, originally platted by Jno. C. Beale.

Mr. Milton Bollman addressed Council in protect of the approval by the Council of the re-zoning of Westmoreland Ave. from Residential "A" to Residential "B".

Mrs. Anna M. Shadle asked Council to give consideration to the paving of Cockerille Avenue from Second St. to the Corporation line, and was advised that the matter would be referred to the Street Committee.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT:- Mr. Adams, Chairman, moved the adoption of the following Ordinance:--

ORDINANCE NO. 559

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND:-

Section 1. That the assessment submitted by the Town Clerk and Treasurer covering the construction of concrete roadway pavement and curb in Beech Avenue, authorized under provisions of Ordinance No. 546, passed and adopted June 17th, 1935, said assessment being fixed at \$3.15 per linear ft. be and the same is hereby approved.

Section 2. The assessment herein approved shall be due and payable within ninety days from this date, provided, however, that if so desired said assessment may be paid in five equal annual installments, the first due and payable within ninety days of the approval thereof, and each subsequent annual payment due

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and payable likewise in each succeeding year until paid, provided further that payment in any amount may be made between the said annual payment if so desired. Interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum will be charged on deferred payments, said interest begins thirty days from date of levy.

Mr. Conger seconded the adoption of this Ordinance and same was adopted by a yea and nay vote. Voting Yea, Mayor Lewton, Councilmen Adams, Conger, Remsen and Orcutt. Voting Nay - none.

Mr. Adams presented to Council report of Snyder-Farr Co., of the annual audit of the books of the Town Clerk and Treasurer, and on motion same approved.

Mr. Conger moved that the substance of the Auditors Report be printed in The Journal. Motion seconded by Mr. Adams and approved.

FIRE AND LIGHT COMMITTEE:- No report.

POLICE COMMITTEE:- No report.

CIVIC IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE:-- Mr. Orcutt made a detailed report on the re-zoning of Woodland Avenue from Residential "A" to Residential "B", a copy of which is on file in the Clerk's Office, said report carrying the recommendation of the Committee that the original action taken by the Mayor and Council on August 19th, 1935, in recommending that said petition for rezoning be disapproved, be adhered to and affirmed, and that in the event of the adoption by the Mayor and Council of this report, a copy of this report, together with a copy of said map, and the tax record of the ownership of the lots within said area, be respectfully transmitted to the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission. Mr. Conger moved the adoption of the report and recommendation of the Civic Improvement Committee, and motion being seconded by Mr. Adams same was adopted.

ORDINANCE AND JUDICIARY COMMITTEE:- No report.

STREET COMMITTEE:-- Mr. Remsen, Chairman, made the following report:-

During the month past curb and gutter were laid on Lincoln Avenue, retaining wall constructed on Holly Avenue to protect culvert just installed, the completion of paving of Valley View Avenue on Oct. 14th, well within the time limit fixed by the Council, the improvement of the triangle in front of Bliss Electrical School by laying of curb and gutter, ash, trash and garbage collection carried out on schedule. Mr. Remsen reported that during the month the paving of Chestnut Avenue had been started by the State Roads Commission and was progressing. Also that the Ash, Trash and Garbage collection on this street would be difficult during this improvement, and urged the residents to see that proper and strong containers were used for these articles.

Mr. Remsen made the following special report on Valley View Avenue extension paving:--

Report of Street Committee passed and approved Jan. 21st, 1935, reads and implies that the plat of the extension of Valley View Avenue has been approved but that the acceptance of dedication of the property for street use would not be considered final until that property for street use had been brought to established grade by the owner or owners of the property abutting this proposed extension of Valley View Avenue, this work to be done entirely at their expense.

It is desired at this time to have the contractor, who had just completed paving a portion of Valley View Avenue, in the Town of Takoma Park, namely, the Daniel Marine Company, continue the paving through the extension of Valley View Avenue on the property of Mr. Harry K. Hobart. To do this, Mr. Harry K. Hobart must and should grade the street as agreed upon. Council suggests that Warren F. Brenizer Company be authorized by Mr. Hobart to grade this extension of Valley View Avenue as shown on profile on file with Council, dated Oct. 11th, 1935. Mr. Hobart, must and should contract for the excavation direct with the Warren F. Brenizer Company, and that if possible the price be maintained at the same rate per cubic yard as now prevails for excavation on Holly or Boston Avenues.

A letter written by Mr. Harry K. Hobart declaring his intention to do this should be received and filed by the Town Clerk as soon as possible.

A petition requesting the paving of the Valley View Avenue Extension and signed by all abutting property owners, whose properties abut the extension, should be filed immediately with the Town Clerk, under Section 965 F of the Town Charter. This petition must state that they accept the costs and all conditions as recorded by Ordinance No. 554, for the paving of the present area of Valley View Avenue, and that all necessity for public hearings on this proposed paving are waived by the act of signing the petition.

It is the opinion of the Street Committee that then the Town Council would be in position to immediately authorize the construction of the Valley View Avenue paving by the Daniel Marine Company, provided funds are found available by the Finance Committee.

The Street Committee recommends that this work be done because of the relief it would effect, particularly to the school children in reaching the two Maryland Schools, and ask for approval of Council, provided all conditions noted above are complied with.

Mr. Conger moved that the report of the Street Committee, along with recommendations, be approved, as well as special report on Valley View Avenue. Motion seconded by Mr. Adams and approved.

Mr. Remsen offered the following Ordinance:--

ORDINANCE NO. 560

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND:--

Section 1. That, under authority granted by Section 965 of the Town Charter, the Mayor and Council, after due advertising and hearing as provided therein, are of the opinion that the public health and safety and comfort require the grading of that portion of Boston Avenue running from Chicago Avenue to connect with the present graded section of Boston Avenue, said portion included in Ordinance No. 542, passed and approved May 20th, 1935, and that Superintendent of Public Works be authorized to proceed with this work at once and to employ any additional help necessary in the said grading. 10/18/1

Section 2. That assurance is made that grading be done to proper grade, and that the cost of the work be held to a sum not to exceed One Thousand Dollars.

Section 3. That the cost of this grading be assessed against the proper owners abutting the improvement. Sep. 75

Mr. Orcutt moved the adoption of this Ordinance, seconded by Mr. Conger, and same was adopted by a yea and nay vote. Voting Yea, Mayor Lewton, Councilmen Adams, Conger, Orcutt and Remsen. Voting Nay - none.

Mr. Remsen introduced the following Ordinance and moved its adoption:-

ORDINANCE NO. 561

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND:--

Section 1. That the Street Committee be authorized to proceed immediately, in accordance with the provisions of the Town Charter, to construct cement concrete sidewalks on the South side of Baltimore Avenue, as advertised in Ordinance No. 535, passed and approved March 18th, 1935, and that the Supt. of Public Works be instructed to proceed with the work with Town forces, and to employ additional help if necessary in said construction. 10/15/2

Section 2. That assurance is made that the sidewalk be laid to proper grade, and that the cost of the work be held to a sum not to exceed One Thousand Dollars.

Section 3. That the cost of the construction of this sidewalk be assessed in the regular manner against the property owners abutting the improvement. 2-1-75-76

Mr. Adams seconded the adoption of this Ordinance and same was adopted by a yea and nay vote. Voting Yea, Mayor Lewton, Councilmen Adams, Conger, Orcutt and Remsen. Voting Nay - none.

Mr. Remsen introduced and moved the adoption of the following Ordinance:--

ORDINANCE NO. 562.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND:--

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Section 1. In accordance with the provisions of section 965 of the Town Charter, the Mayor and Council have under consideration the laying of cement concrete sidewalks, at an estimated cost of \$1.50 per linear ft. on the East side of Lee Avenue, in the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, abutting lots 1, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, in Block 5, Carrolls Sub-Division. The cost of said improvement to be assessed against the above property owners in the usual manner.

Section 2. The Mayor and Council at their regular meeting on Nov. 18th, 1935, in the Fire Department Building, at Carroll and Denwood Avenues, convening at eight o'clock P.M. will hear all persons desiring to be heard with respect to the construction herein proposed.

Mr. Orcutt seconded the adoption of this Ordinance and same was adopted by a yea and nay vote. Voting yea, Mayor Lewton, Councilmen Adams, Conger, Orcutt and Remsen. Voting nay-none.

In reference to the letter from the State Roads Comm. regarding the improvement of Eastern Avenue from Sligo to the Montgomery County line, Mr. Remsen moved that, in accordance with the suggestion of the Roads Commission, a letter be written to the Prince George's County Commissioners asking their consideration of this work in their works projects. Motion seconded by Mr. Orcutt and approved.

In reference to cleaning up and beautifying the Prince George's County Grade School grounds, Mr. Orcutt moved that the matter be referred to the Board of Education of Prince George's County for such action as they deem necessary. Motion seconded by Mr. Conger and approved.

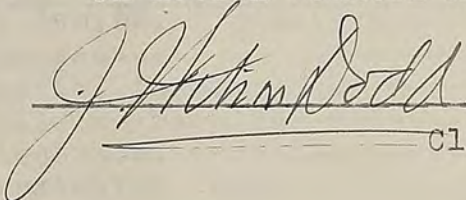
Mr. Remsen read a letter from Engineer Roland E. Jones in regard to a survey which he had been ordered to make in connection with the Dogwood and Holly Avenue intersection line. Mr. Remsen stated that it would take some time to check this information with the Engineer, and that he would make a definite report on same at the earliest possible date.

Mr. Adams called attention to the signs painted in the Street by the State Roads Commission in the vicinity of the Philadelphia Avenue Grade School and stated that the signs were not at the proper locations to be of proper benefit to the school. After discussion of the matter, Mr. Orcutt

moved that the Mayor and Council invite the attention of the State Highway Commission to the dangerous condition existing at this school, and that we submit for their consideration the painting of more visible signs on the pavement, and that instead of just the word "School" as used at present at Maple Avenue, and at Birch Ave., the word "Slow" should also be used. Mr. Adams seconded this motion and same was approved.

Mr. Orcutt stated that in talking with some of the property owners on Valley View Avenue, he found that part of this street as now laid out is on privately owned property, and moved that the Corporation Counsel be instructed to go into this situation and secure proper releases for the amount of land necessary for the sidewalk on both sides of Valley View Avenue, and that the matter be attended to at once. Motion seconded by Mr. Adams and approved.

On motion Council adjourned at 10:35 P. M.


Clerk

Mayor

SPECIAL MEETING
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
NOV. 6th, 1935

Meeting called to order at 8:30 P. M.

Those present were the Mayor, Councilmen Adams, Conger, Orcutt and Remsen.

The Mayor stated that the meeting had been called at the request of the Civic Improvement Committee in connection with the purchase of playground equipment, and for the consideration of other business.

Mr. Orcutt, Chairman of the Civic Improvement Committee, stated that the matter of equipment had been studied very thoroughly, and discussed with Mrs. Powers, Principal of the School and members of the School Playground Committee. Mr. Orcutt laid before the Council a list of equipment selected, and after discussion of the matter Mr. Orcutt moved that the Committee on Civic Improvements be authorized to purchase out of the \$6000.00 appropriated heretofore for the construction, equipment and maintenance of the Philadelphia Avenue playground, the following playground equipment:--

1 "Jungle gym" No. 2-----	\$175.00
1 Jr. No. 5-----	95.00
2 - 2 Bay Swings-----	99.00 each
1 Slide C.W. - 16, of maple-----	58.00
1 See Saw Outfit No. L-4 - four boards-----	59.00
1 extra flying ring No. X-125-----	3.60
1 See Saw Board No. LB. with handle and Fulcrum-----	9.80
6 Knotted ropes for Giant Stride-----	9.00