

present, including the representative of the owner, that this final survey will conclude any further debate between the owners and Council over the disputed South line of Dogwood Avenue.

Referring to the matter of construction of culvert under Dogwood Avenue, Mr. Remsen stated that he would at this time refer the matter to the Finance Committee.

On motion of Mr. Adams, seconded by Mr. Conger, the report of the Street Committee, with recommendations therein were approved.

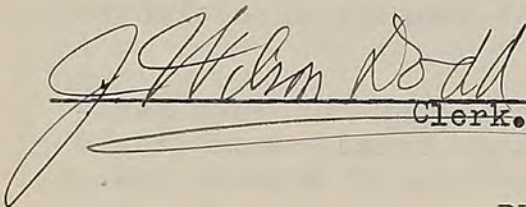
In reference to the letter of Dr. W. A. Hooker, representing the Takoma Park Citizens Assn., in regard to creating a memorial for the Founder of the Town of Takoma Park, Mr. Orcutt moved that the Mayor and Council go on record as heartily endorsing this movement. Motion seconded by Mr. Adams and approved.

Mr. Adams stated that he had been solicited, as Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Town, for an advertisement for the year book of the Blair High School, and moved that we repeat the one-half page ad, as given last year, at a cost of \$12.50. Motion seconded by Mr. Conger and approved.

In regard to demonstration of the voting machine, Mr. Taft moved that this demonstration be held on the evening of Jan. 20th, 1936, immediately after adjournment of the regular Council meeting. Motion seconded by Mr. Sherburne and approved.

On motion properly seconded Council adjourned at 9:55 P. M.

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REGULAR MEETING
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
JAN. 20-1936

Meeting called to order at 8:00 o'clock P. M.

Those present were the Mayor, Councilmen Adams, Conger, Remsen and Sherburne. Councilman Orcutt was absent due to illness and Councilman Taft was out of Town.

Minutes of the regular meeting of Dec. 16th, 1935, were read and approved.

Financial Statement for the month of December was presented by the Treasurer and approved as follows:--

RECEIPTS:-

General taxes-----	\$ 2,025.06
Interest and penalties-----	50.72
Charges-----	20.75
Special Assessments-----	97.75
Building Permits-----	42.00
Electrical Permits-----	4.00
Dog Taxes-----	.25
Comm. on pay telephone in Police Station-----	.56
Fines-----	21.00
	<u>21.00</u>
<u>Total</u>	\$ <u>2,261.59</u>

BANK STATEMENTGENERAL ACCOUNT

Nov. 30th - On hand Citizens Bank	\$ 7,541.58	
Deposits in Dec.	543.10	
Tf. from Revolving Fund	3,016.58	
	<u>11,101.26</u>	
Withdrawn in Dec.	4,666.48	
Dec..31st - On hand		6,434.78
Nov. 30th - On hand Takoma Park Bank	3,459.96	
Deposits in Dec.	1,718.49	
	<u>5,178.45</u>	
Withdrawn in Dec.	1,736.90	
Dec. 31st - On hand		3,441.55
Dec. 31st - On hand both banks		<u>\$ 9,876.33</u>

REVOLVING FUND

Nov. 30th - On hand Takoma Park Bank	4,958.04	
Int. 7/1/35 to 12/31/35	74.37	
Dec. 31st - On hand		5,032.41
Nov. 30th - On hand Citizens Bank	8,294.84	
Tf. to Gen. Account	3,016.58	
	<u>5,278.26</u>	
Int. 7/1/35 to 12/31/35	106.87	
Dec. 31st - on hand		<u>5,385.13</u>
Dec. 31st - On hand both banks		<u>\$10,417.54</u>

DISBURSEMENTS:-STREETS:-

Labor	529.25	
Material	300.64	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep & Supplies	<u>191.39</u>	\$ 1,021.28

SERVICE:-

Trash-Labor	97.80	
Garbage-Labor	180.00	
" Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep-Sup.	71.34	
Street Lights	<u>501.70</u>	850.84

POLICE:-

Salaries	465.00	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	49.10	
Tels.Coal & Lights	66.71	
Clothing Allowance	40.00	
Supplies & Misc.Exp.	<u>21.89</u>	642.70

OFFICE:-

Salaries	475.00	
Tels. Supplies, Postage	<u>63.20</u>	538.20

PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS:-

Equipment New Playground	<u>602.40</u>	602.40
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ASSESSABLE IMPROVEMENTS:-

Baltimore Ave. Walks	183.35	
Lee Ave. Walks	233.80	
Heather Ave. Walks and Grade	141.96	
Chestnut Ave. Grading	25.00	
Cedar Ave. Paving-Engineer	<u>25.00</u>	609.11

MISCELLANEOUS:-

Library Association	150.00	
Recording Fees	2.25	
Charter Amendment Expense	23.60	
Fire Dept. Contribution	700.00	
" " Rental	1,000.00	
Building Inspector Expense	15.00	
Refund Spec. Assessment-Koehl	18.00	
E.E.Blodgett-Retirement Pension	25.00	
Office Rent	55.00	
Salary J.P. Mont. Co.	50.00	
Comp. Corp. Counsel-Nov. & Dec.	<u>100.00</u>	<u>2,138.85</u>

<u>Total</u>	<u>\$6,403.38</u>
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Bills in amount of \$1676.66 were presented by the Finance Committee and payment approved.

COMMUNICATIONS:-

Letter from R. A. Lutes in regard to re-zoning of that part of Block 55, bordering on Flower Avenue was referred to the Civic Improvement Committee.

Letter from Hardin C. Waters, Secretary of the Takoma Park Citizens Association, in regard to the removal of snow from in front of the stores on Laurel Avenue was referred to the Street Committee.

Letter from Katherine B. Loman in regard to the cinder walk on North side of highway across the old playground was referred to the Street Committee.

Letter from Edw. W. Steers applying for position as Police Station Clerk was referred to the Police Committee.

Application of J. Roger Hodges for permit to erect a temporary building on his land facing Saratoga Avenue, for the purpose of selling vegetables and other farm products, was referred to the Civic Improvement Committee.

Letter from Mr. Geo. W. Bahlke in regard to storm sewer running under his property at Baltimore and Philadelphia Avenues was referred to the Street Committee.

Dr. Llewellyn Jordan addressed the Council in regard to permanent registration, and introduced Mr. C. W. Nichols of the Post Index Company of Jamestown, N. Y., and asked the permission of Council for a five minute talk by Mr. Nichols on the subject of Permanent Registration. Permission was un-animously granted by the Council, and Mr. Nichols gave a very enlightening talk on the subject and exhibited office set-ups governing the control of this system of registration.

Mr. Feldmann of Boyd Avenue addressed the Council in regard to the Dedication of a portion of Boyd Avenue, owned by Mrs. Math. C. Beall, and was advised by the Mayor that the Corporation Counsel was taking the matter up with Mrs. Beall, and that the Town would be glad to give any assistance possible in procuring the proper dedication.

Mr. F. S. Harris of Allegheny Ave., addressed the Council in regard to a more permanent street sign being placed at Elm and Allegheny Avenues, and was advised that this matter would be referred to the Street Committee.

At this time Dr. Llewellyn Jordan stated that a representative of the voting machine company was present, and due to the fact that he lived in Baltimore and was anxious to get back to that city, asked the Council if there were any questions they would like to ask in regard to the voting machine.

The Mayor declared a short recess in order that the Council and others present might avail themselves of any desired information in regard to the voting machine.

After a short recess Council re-convened, and Mr. Adams of the Finance Committee referred to the letter of Mr. Eldon Dovell, which had been referred to his Committee, and in which Mr. Dovell offered the sum of \$200.00 to clear up taxes and special assessments on Lot 22 in Block 24, Gilberts Sub-Division. Mr. Adams asked that the matter be referred to the Corporation Counsel for legal advice as to whether the Council were privileged to accept an offer of this nature.

Mr. Adams offered the following Ordinance and moved its adoption:--

ORDINANCE NO. 571

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 cement roadway pavement and curb in Valley View Avenue, authorized under provisions of Ordinance No. 554, passed and approved August 19th, 1935, said assessment being fixed at \$3.20 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 and payable likewise in each succeeding year until paid, provided further that payment in any amount may be made between the said annual payments if so desired. Interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum will be charged on deferred payments, said interest beginning 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, the Mayor, Councilmen Adams, Conger, Remsen and Sherburne. Voting Nay, none.

Mr. Adams also offered the following Ordinance and moved its adoption:-

ORDINANCE NO. 572

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 cement concrete sidewalks on the East side of Lee Avenue, authorized under provisions of Ordinance No. 565, passed and approved Nov. 18th, 1935, said assessment being fixed at 95¢ per linear ft., be and the same is hereby approved.

Section a. 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 and payable likewise in each succeeding year until paid, provided further that payment in any amount may be made between the said annual payments if so desired. Interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum will be charged on deferred payments, said interest beginning 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, the Mayor, Councilmen Adams, Conger, Remsen and Sherburne. Voting Nay, none.

Mr. Adams also offered the following Ordinance and moved its adoption:-

ORDINANCE NO. 573

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 grading of Boston Avenue, from Chicago Avenue, a distance of approximately 600 ft., authorized under provisions of Ordinance No. 560, passed and adopted Oct. 21st, 1935, said assessment being fixed at 60¢ per linear ft., be and the same is hereby approved. h. 47

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 and payable likewise in each succeeding year until paid, provided further that payment in any amount may be made between the said annual payments if so desired. Interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum will be charged on deferred payments, said interest beginning 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, The Mayor, Councilmen Adams, Conger, Remsen and Sherburne. Voting Nay, none.

Mr. Adams also offered the following Ordinance and moved its adoption:--

ORDINANCE NO. 574

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 cement concrete sidewalks on the South Side of Baltimore Avenue, authorized under

provisions of Ordinance No. 561, passed and adopted Oct. 21st, 1935, said assessment being fixed at 95¢ 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 and payable likewise in each succeeding year until paid, provided further that payment in any amount may be made between the said annual payments if so desired. Interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum will be charged on deferred payments, said interest beginning 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, the Mayor, Councilmen Adams, Conger, Remsen and Sherburne. Voting Nay, none.

Mr. Adams also offered the following Ordinance and moved its adoption:-

ORDINANCE NO. 575

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 cement concrete sidewalks on the North side of Heather Avenue, authorized under provisions of Ordinance No. 567, passed and adopted Nov. 18th, 1935, said assessment being fixed at 90¢ 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 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 beginning thirty days from the date of levy.

Mr. Conger seconded the adoption of this Ordinance and same was adopted by a Yea and Nay vote, voting Yea, the Mayor, Councilmen Adams, Conger, Remsen and Shrburne. Voting Nay, none.

FIRE AND LIGHTS COMMITTEE: Nothing to report.

POLICE COMMITTEE:- Mr. Sherburne, Chairman, read a consolidated monthly report of the police activities for the preceding month, and stated that 332 arrests had been made for traffic violations. Mr. Sherburne also stated that in view of the fact that the police budget had been cut some for this year, that at the completion of the first six months of the year the budget had been exceeded by \$30.36, but that a number of items had been taken care of which were not included in the budget.

Mr. Sherburne also stated that it had been necessary to appoint another man as desk clerk at the police station, on account of the fact that Mr. Robertson, who had been serving as desk clerk was very ill in the hospital, and that Mr. Chas. Overacker had been temporarily appointed by the Mayor, which he was empowered to do under the Charter. Mr. Sherburne asked that this man be regularly appointed, as he was well recommended, having served for a number of years with the Gas Company, and that he believed he would make a good man for the Police Dept. Mr. Sherburne moved the appointment of Mr. Overacker as Desk Clerk. Motion was seconded by Mr. Conger and approved.

Mr. Sherburne stated that Sgt. Thomas had made the following recommendations:--

That the signs to protect the Church School children be replaced as they are in a very bad condition on Columbia Ave., and that yellow signs be painted on the street 100' on either side of school.

That new "NO PARKING TO CORNER" signs be placed on Denwood Avenue, between Carroll Avenue and Holt Place.

That new "NO PARKING TO CORNER" sign be placed at Tulip and Maple Avenues (Replacement).

That a "NO PARKING" sign be placed on Ethan Allen Avenue between Sycamore Avenue and Carroll Avenue, as this was a bad corner in turning into Ethan Allen Avenue from Sycamore Avenue.

That "NO PARKING TO CORNER" sign be placed on Carroll Avenue, west of Grant Avenue.

Mr. Sherburne moved that the Police Department be authorized to purchase the signs recommended in this report, and that Maj. Fischer be authorized to make the installation at the earliest time possible. Motion seconded by Mr. Adams and approved.

Mr. Sherburne stated that a Committee from the Parent Teachers Association waited on the Mayor several days ago, to which meeting he had been invited, because it involved the Police Department, and stated the Association was anxious to have more police protection at the schools, and that they

also wanted the signs, which are painted on the street, moved to better locations. Mr. Sherburne stated that with the present police force he could see no way to give additional police protection, as it was often necessary for the Town officers to go to Rockville to appear in court in connection with arrests they had made, and that this sometimes took nearly a whole day in Rockville. This, Mr. Sherburne stated, could be eliminated somewhat if some arrangement could be made to have a police justice in Takoma Park certain days in the week to try cases. This would give the police officers more time to devote to the Town work. After discussion of the matter, Mr. Sherburne moved that the Mayor appoint a Committee to consult with the Parent Teachers Association, and any other organization in the Town, with the view of getting appropriate legislation through, if possible, to establish a separate police court in Takoma Park. Motion was seconded by Mr. Adams and approved.

Mayor Lewton at this time appointed the Corporation Counsel, Councilman Sherburne and the Town Clerk as a Committee to arrange for a meeting with the Parent Teachers Association to discuss this matter.

CIVIC IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE:-

Mr. Adams, reporting for this Committee in the absence of Chairman Orcutt, stated that he personally could see no objection to giving a permit to Mr. J. Roger Hodges to erect a temporary building on his land facing Saratoga Ave., and moved that permission for this temporary building be granted to Mr. Hodges. Motion seconded by Mr. Conger and approved.

At the request of the Town Clerk and Treasurer, Mr. Adams laid before the Council a revised Atlas of Montgomery County, giving accurate information as to lots, Blocks and Sub-Divisions in the County, some containing lots, Blocks and Sub-Divisions of that portion of Takoma Park located in Montgomery County, the initial cost of same being \$125.00. Mr. Adams moved the purchase of this Atlas. Motion seconded by Mr. Sherburne. (Mr. Conger voting "no").

Mr. Adams, as Chairman of the Special Library Committee, presented to the Council a financial report of the Takoma Park, Maryland Library Association, Inc. for the term ending Dec. 1st, 1935.

Mayor Lewton stated that upon the return of Councilman Taft, a date would be set for a meeting of the representatives of organizations, and other individuals, to go over proposed Charter amendments which had been offered.

STREET COMMITTEE:- Mr. Remsen, Chairman, reported as follows:-

General ash and trash collection carried out during the month, cinders placed on portions of Chestnut Ave., which has

afforded some relief. The walk at the grade school as reported in bad condition by Mrs. Loman will be resurfaced as soon as possible. Complaint of the Takoma Park Citizens Assn. regarding removal of snow from gutters on Laurel Avenue, at the stores, has been noted, and the Supt. of Public Works will attend to removal of snow at the earliest possible time after snowfall.

Letter of complaint of Mr. Geo. W. Bahlke, Jr., as to improper drainage under his property at 340 Baltimore Avenue, noted, and Committee wishes to report that the builder was warned to prepare and build a proper culvert before starting construction. The warning was ignored and the work was done against protest of committee. It is the opinion of the Comm. that relief should be sought from the nuisance by action against the builder and former owner. The Street Committee wishes to lay this complaint before the Judiciary Committee and the Corporation Counsel, to ascertain whether the Town has the right to expend money on private property for this relief, when conditions were provoked by private interests.

Complaint heard by Council for the replacement of street sign on Allegheny Avenue, has been noted. Committee asks the Clerk to notify the Supt. of Public Works to replace this sign. Also that all signs throughout the Town be replaced that are damaged, unreadable or defaced.

Committee can make no further report on Dogwood Ave. matter, as the Engineer has not made a final report.

Letter dated Jan. 20th, 1936, addressed to the Mayor and Council and signed by Irving C. Root, for the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, in regard to the sub-division plat of the Anderson property in Block 105, Takoma Park, has been received and noted by Committee. The plat being in proper form, and ready for adoption by the Mayor and Council, and as the sub-division will dedicate to the Town an additional strip of land for street use, in order to provide for a 45' street, and as the acceptance of this land will not obligate the Town to use this land for Street purposes, the Street Committee wishes to introduce the following Ordinance:--

ORDINANCE NO. 576

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

Section 1. That the plat of re-subdivision of Block 105, Chas. H. Anderson property, as submitted by Charles H. Sr., and Margaret M. Anderson, be and the same is hereby approved.

Mr. Remsen moved the adoption of this Ordinance, and upon being seconded by Mr. Adams, same was adopted by a Yea and Nay vote. Voting Yea, the Mayor, Councilmen Adams, Conger, Remsen and Sherburne. Voting Nay, none.

The Street Committee wishes to introduce the following Ordinance to carry out the action recommended at last Council meeting, in regard to curb and gutters on Chestnut Ave.

ORDINANCE NO. 577

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

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 curb and gutter, at an estimated cost of \$1.50 per linear ft. on Chestnut Avenue, between Philadelphia Avenue and Hodges Lane, abutting lots 4, 9 and 10 in Block 97, and lots 7 and 16, Block 96. The cost of said improvement to be assessed against the abutting property owners in the usual manner.

Section 2. The Mayor and Council at their regular meeting on Feb. 17th, 1936, in the Fire Department Building, at Carroll and Denwood Avenues, convening at 8:00 o'clock P.M. will hear all persons desiring to be heard with respect to the construction herein proposed.

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

Mr. Remsen called attention of the Mayor and Council the fact that ex-Police Department Desk Clerk, Mr. Alex. Robertson, was in a serious condition in the Montgomery County Hospital, and that his family lacked funds to keep him there in order that he might get proper care. After discussion of the matter Mr. Adams moved that Mr. Robertson's salary be continued for one month from the date he was forced to leave on account of illness. Motion seconded by Mr. Conger and approved.

On motion Council adjourned at 10:55 P. M.

J. William Dodd

Clerk

Mayor.

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