

SPECIAL MEETING  
MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
JUNE 9th, 1938

Meeting called to order at eight o'clock P. M.  
Those present were the Mayor, Councilmen Axtell, Conger, Orcutt, Taft and Waters.

On motion of Mr. Orcutt, seconded by Mr. Waters, recommendation of the Civic Improvement and Education Committee to appoint Richard L. Sill, David O. Johnson and Kenneth Evans, as Assistant Playground Supervisors, was approved.

Mr. Orcutt, Chairman of the Civic Improvement and Education Committee, advised Council that his Committee had met on Sunday last with the General School Committee, and had visited two sites to be proposed for purchase by the Board of Education of Montgomery County for use as a Junior High School in Takoma Park, Md., and Mr. Orcutt offered the following Resolution:--

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Board of Education for Montgomery County, Maryland, has under consideration the selection of a site in the Takoma Park area for a new Junior High School; and

WHEREAS, in the opinion of the Mayor and Council of the Town of Takoma Park, the larger proportion of the pupils to be served by such Junior High School are residents of the Town of Takoma Park;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, having given full consideration to the report of the General Committee of Citizens for the Takoma Park area, that the Montgomery County Board of Education, and the Board of County Commissioners of Montgomery County be and they are hereby respectfully requested and urged to select, as a site for said proposed Junior High School for said Takoma Park area, the fifteen acre tract of land lying Northeast of the Philadelphia Avenue Elementary School, known as the "Hodges Tract", and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Board of Education of Montgomery County and the Board of County Commissioners of Montgomery County, respectively.

Mr. Taft moved the adoption of the Resolution, and upon being seconded by Mr. Conger, same was adopted.

Mr. Orcutt stated that the letter referred to his Committee at last regular meeting from the P. T. A. of Enos Ray School, regarding conditions of the playground at that School, had been given a personal reply by himself, in which he explained that the conditions at the playground were in no wise due to any neglect of the Town, and stated to the Council that

he did not deem it necessary to make any further reply.

On motion of Mr. Taft, seconded by Mr. Orcutt, Mr. D. D. Lamond was appointed Corporation Counsel for the Town for the ensuing year.

In the absence of Chairman Duehring, Mr. Axtell, vice Chairman of the Municipal Service Committee, recommended for his Committee, the reappointment of Earl Thomas, Albert Thomas and Chas. O. Seek, as Police Officers for the Town for the ensuing year, and that the basic salary for the Police Officers for the ensuing year be at the rate of \$115.00 per month, and \$10.00 per month for clothing allowance, provided that any such police officer who shall have served three years, or more, on July 1st, 1938, shall receive \$10.00 per month for the ensuing year in addition to the basic salary.

Mr. Orcutt moved the appoint of Earl Thomas, Albert Thomas and Chas. O. Seek, as Police Officers at the salaries enumerated in the above recommendation presented by the Municipal Service Committee. Motion seconded by Mr. Conger and approved .

In regard to the applications for taxicab license and Drivers Permits, Mr. Axtell presented the following report:--

The Municipal Service Committee recommends that Taxi licenses be issued to the following persons:--

Arnold C. Wolfe, Robert I. Cruit, Jas. Wm. Hall and James Alvin Flair.

And that permits be issued to the four above named persons to drive the cabs which they have applied for permits to drive.

Committee further recommends that the three applications filed by Jas. I. Kubrock be rejected and by reason of aforesaid rejection the four applications for drivers permits filed by Jas. I. Kubrock, John M. Kubrock, Daniel Kubrock and Charles Edward Williams be also rejected.

Mr. Conger moved the adoption of the report and the recommendations therein, and upon being seconded by Mr. Waters, same was adopted.

Mr. Conger moved that the Town Clerk and Treasurer be authorized to purchase a new garbage truck, the price of same not to exceed \$1200.00. Motion seconded by Mr. Orcutt and approved.

Mr. Conger, Chairman of the Finance Committee presented a tentative budget for further consideration, and each item in same was discussed in detail, after which Mr. Conger moved that the budget be referred back to the Finance Committee for further consideration, to be presented in form for discussion

at the public budget hearing meeting to be held June 15th, 1938, at the Fire Department Building, convening at eight o'clock P. M. Mr. Waters seconded the motion and same was approved.

Mr. Conger moved that the Clerk and Treasurer be authorized to have fifty copies of the proposed budget printed, the cost of printing not to exceed six dollars. Motion seconded by Mr. Orcutt and approved.

Matter of appropriation by the Town for the erection of a Memorial to the first Mayor of the Town of Takoma Park, Md., Mr. Benjamin F. Gilbert, was discussed at length, and Mr. Orcutt, Chairman of the Civic Improvement and Education Committee, made the following report:--

Your Committee respectfully recommends that, in the event that the Historical and Memorial Committee of the Takoma Park Citizens Association shall procure at its own expense a suitable boulder, to be approved by your Committee as to size, shape and design, together with a suitable bronze plaque to be affixed upon such boulder, the inscription on which plaque shall be subject to the approval of your Committee, as a memorial to the late Benjamin F. Gilbert, authority be granted to erect such boulder in the Park area bounded by Takoma, Baltimore and Eastern Avenues, and by Piney Branch Road Extended, under the supervision of the Superintendent of Public Works of the Town; and that, in that event, and upon the procuring of such boulder and plaque by said Historical and Memorial Committee, the Town will, at its own cost and expense, cause the area in said park, immediately surrounding said boulder, to be appropriately landscaped, and suitable flagstones to be set at said location, and will pay for one-half of the cost of such bronze plaque.

Your Committee, after a full study and consideration of this matter, is of the opinion that the foregoing is the ultimate extent to which the Town should contribute to this most worthy and patriotic project, and that the cost thereof, over and above the landscaping of the public park, the setting of flagstones thereon, and the contribution of one-half of the cost of such plaque, in commemoration of the first Mayor and founder of the Town, should properly be met by popular subscription.

Mr. Taft moved the adoption of the report and the recommendations therein, and upon being seconded by Mr. Conger same was adopted.

On motion, properly seconded, Council adjourned at 10:35

P.M.

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*J. William Dodd*  
Clerk

*John Adams*  
Mayor

SPECIAL MEETING  
MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
JUNE 15th, 1938.

Meeting called to order at 8:30 P. M.  
Those present were the Mayor, Councilmen Axtell, Conger, Duehring, Orcutt, Taft and Waters.

Meeting called for the purpose of public discussion of Budget for the fiscal year of 1938. At the request of the Chairman of the Finance Committee, Mr. Conger, the Clerk read the proposed budget, and after discussion of same, Mr. Conger moved the adoption of the following Ordinance:--

ORDINANCE NO. 655

RECEIPTS:-

General Taxes at 90% per \$100. -- Gross	\$48,985.00	
Less estimated difference between discounts and penalties	500.00	\$48,485.00
Interest, Permits and Miscellaneous-----		950.00
Back Taxes-estimated -----		300.00
Montgomery & Prince Geo. Co. Road Tax-----		3,000.00
Bank Share and Security Tax-----		1,000.00
Dog Tax-----		450.00
Fines-----		400.00
		54,585.00
Estimated balance on hand at close of 1937 fiscal year-		3,200.00
<u>TOTAL</u>		\$57,785.00

ESTIMATED DISBURSEMENTS:-

OFFICE:-

Salary Clerk and Treasurer-----	3,000.00
Salary Supt. of Public Works-----	2,400.00
Salary Building Inspector-----	360.00
Salary Electrical Inspector-----	300.00
Office Supplies and Telephones-----	450.00
Office Equipment-----	50.00
Additional Clerical Help-----	400.00
Postage and Printing-----	250.00
POLICE:-----	6,000.00
STREET MAINTENANCE-----	14,000.00
Ash, Trash and Garbage Collection-----	6,500.00
Garbage Truck(New)-----	1,200.00
Street Lights-----	5,650.00
Parks and Playgrounds-----	1,340.00
MISCELLANEOUS:-	
Building Inspector Expense-----	180.00
Office rent-----	660.00
Audit-----	125.00
Tax Sale Expense-----	225.00
Registration and Election Expense-----	175.00
Assessors-----	75.00

ORDINANCE NO. 655

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

Section 1. That in accordance with the provisions of Section 96 of the Town Charter the following Budget is hereby approved and adopted for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1st, 1938:--

Dog Expense-----	100.00
Corporation Counsel Salary-----	600.00
Insurance Premium-----	525.00
Justice of Peace Salaries-----	840.00
E.E.Blodgett-Retirement-----	300.00
Fire Protection-----	4,000.00
Library Association-----	1,800.00
Takoma Park Welfare Center-----	375.00
Miscellaneous-----	126.50
10% Reserve-----	5,778.50
<u>Total</u>	<u>57,785.00</u>

Section 2. Salaries herein provided may be paid monthly or semi-monthly as the recipient may desire. Rentals shall be paid at the end of each month. All bills, where possible to discount same, may be paid within the discount period.

Mr. Orcutt seconded the adoption of this Ordinance, and same was adopted on a Yea and Nay vote. Voting Yea, The Mayor, Councilmen Axtell, Conger, Duehring, Orcutt, Taft and Waters. Voting Nay-none.

Mr. Taft of the Law and Ordinance Committee read to the Council a proposed Ordinance governing the operation of bicycles in the Town of Takoma Park, and after discussion of the matter, on motion of Mr. Conger, seconded by Mr. Taft, the matter was referred back to the Law and Ordinance Committee for further study.

Matter of the placing of a marker at the intersection of the East-West Highway and New Hampshire Avenue was discussed at length, and in accordance with suggestion from Mr. Nathan Smith, of the Maryland State Roads Commission, in a letter addressed to Dr. Llewellyn Jordan, the Mayor and Town Clerk were authorized to go into this matter with the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, to ascertain, if possible, whether this improvement could not be obtained through through the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, or the Prince George's County Commissioners, and at the same time ascertain whether the matter of the improvement of the strip of park roadway along the Bligo, between the Flower Avenue Bridge and the New Hampshire Avenue bridge, could not also be handled from Park and County funds.

On motion of Mr. Waters, seconded by Mr. Duehring, the Takoma Park Volunteer Fire Department were granted permission to hold a carnival on the old school playground on the East-West Highway, on Saturday, July 16th, 1938, and from July 18th to 23rd, 1938, inclusive, same to be held in strict accordance with the Police Regulations of the Town of Takoma Park, Md., and to be closed each evening by not later than Eleven O'Clock P.M., with the exception of Saturday evening, on which evening same can be continued until twelve o'clock midnight.

Dr. Wm. A. Hooker addressed Council in regard to the proposed Gilbert Memorial to be erected in park area in North Takoma Park, and a copy of the report of the Civic Improvement and Education Committee, adopted by the Mayor and Council in Special Session on June 9th, 1938, was ordered sent to Dr. Hooker.

On motion, properly seconded, Council adjourned at 10:30 P. M.

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*John D. Atwell*  
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 Clerk

*John Adams*  
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 Mayor

REGULAR MEETING  
 MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
 JUNE 20th, 1938.

Meeting called to order at eight o'clock P.M.  
 Those present were the Mayor, Councilmen Atxell, Conger, Duehring, Orcutt, Taft and Waters.

Reading of the minutes of regular meeting of May 16th, 1938, was dispensed with, and the minutes of Special Meetings of May 31st, June 9th and June 15th, 1938, were read and approved.

Financial statement for the month of May, 1938, was presented by the Clerk and Treasurer, and ordered filed, as follows:--

RECEIPTS:--

General Taxes-----	\$ 23.17
Interest and Penalties-----	30.25
Charges-----	22.00
Special Assessments-----	100.87
Building Permits-----	54.00
Electrical Permits-----	21.00
Excavation Permits-----	3.00
Dog Tax-----	22.50
Vendor Permits-----	15.00
Fines-----	25.00
Sidewalk Deposits-----	20.00
Montgomery County for Police Telephone-----	72.00
	\$ 406.79

GENERAL ACCOUNT

BANK STATEMENT

Apr. 30th - On hand Citizens Bank	\$ 5,419.94	
Deposits in May	159.13	
	5,579.07	
Withdrawn in May	3,047.11	
May 31st - On hand		\$2,531.96
Apr. 30th - On hand Takoma Park Bank	3,850.42	
Deposits in May	247.66	
	4,098.08	
Withdrawn in May	663.30	
May 31st - On hand		3,434.78

Apr. 30th - On hand Silver Spgs. Bank	\$4,586.94	
No depts. or withdrawals in May	<u>          </u>	
May 31st - On hand		\$ <u>4,586.94</u>
May 31st - On hand in all banks		\$ <u>10,553.68</u>

REVOLVING FUND

Apr. 30th - On hand Citizens Bank	5,736.51	
No deposits in May	<u>          </u>	
May 31st - On hand		5,736.51
Apr. 30th - On hand Takoma Park Bank	317.35	
No deposits in May	<u>          </u>	
May 31st - On hand		317.35
Apr. 30th - On hand Sandy Springs Bank	5,000.00	
No deposits in May	<u>          </u>	
May 31st - On hand		<u>5,000.00</u>
May 31st - On hand all Banks		\$ <u>11,053.86</u>

DISBURSEMENTS:-STREETS:-

Labor	383.75	
Material	279.01	
Gas-Oil & Supplies	<u>140.18</u>	802.94

SERVICE:-

Trash-Labor	112.80	
Garbage-Labor	270.00	
" Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	88.15	
Ash-Labor	51.20	
" Gas-Oil	30.49	
Street Lights	<u>459.96</u>	1,012.60

POLICE:-

Salaries	345.00	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	67.42	
Clothing Allowance	30.00	
Coal-Lights-Tels.	33.82	
Misc. Supplies	<u>10.50</u>	486.74

OFFICE:-

Salaries	505.50	
Tels. & Supplies	76.77	
Postage	10.96	
Equipment	<u>12.00</u>	605.23

PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS:-

Labor	62.40	
Tools and Supplies	<u>29.35</u>	91.75

ASSESSABLE IMPROVEMENTS:-

	<u>158.50</u>	158.50
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## MISCELLANEOUS:-

Sidewalk Deposits	10.00	
Library Assn.	150.00	
Registration & Election Expense	122.40	
Advt. Fire Dept. Program	7.00	
Dues Civic Federation	8.75	
Mont. County Police Tel.	12.00	
Advt. High School Year Book	12.50	
Appro.-Enos Ray School P.T.A.	15.00	
Office Rent	55.00	
Justice of Peace Salaries	70.00	
Corporation Counsel Compensation	50.00	
E.E.Blodgett-Retirement	25.00	
Building Inspector Expense	15.00	<u>552.65</u>
	<u>Total</u>	<u>\$3,710.41</u>

## COMMUNICATIONS:-

From Mrs. Dorothy Johnson, 121 Grant Avenue, complaining of noise made by children playing under street light on Grant Ave. Referred to Municipal Service Committee.

Letter from Mrs. Mildred Himebaugh expressing appreciation to Mayor and Council for their appropriation of \$75.00 to the School Band.

Petition from property owners on Allegheny Ave., requesting the construction of Curb and Gutter on Allegheny Avenue between Second Street and Highland Lane. Referred to Municipal Works Committee:--

Mayor Adams at this time stated that the hearing for the construction of sidewalks on the West Side of Baltimore Ave., as advertised would be held, and requested those who desired to express their approval or disapproval could address the Council. There being no one present desiring to address the Council on this matter, the Mayor declared the hearing closed, and Mr. Axtell, Chairman of the Municipal Works Committee, offered the following Ordinance, and moved its adoption:--

ORDINANCE NO. 656

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

Section 1. That the Municipal Works Committee be authorized to proceed immediately, or as soon as possible, in accordance with the provisions of the Town Charter, to construct sidewalks on Baltimore Avenue, as advertised in Ordinance No. 652, passed and approved by the Mayor and Council on May 16th, 1938, and that the Superintendent of Public Works be authorized to proceed with this work, and to employ any additional help necessary in the construction of this work.

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. See 19.22

Mr. Conger seconded the adoption of this Ordinance and same was adopted by a Yea and Nay Vote. Voting Yea, the Mayor, Councilmen Axtell, Conger, Duehring, Orcutt, Taft and Waters. Voting Nay - none.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:-

Bills in amount of \$1120.04 were presented by the Finance Committee for payment, and payment of same was approved.

Mr. Conger, Chairman of the Finance Committee, offered the following Ordinance and moved its adoption:--

ORDINANCE NO. 657

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 sidewalks in Birch Avenue, authorized under provisions of Ordinance No. 643, passed and approved on February 21st, 1938, said assessment being fixed at 99¢ per linear ft., be and the same is hereby approved. See 128-129

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 the date of levy.

Mr. Waters seconded the adoption of this Ordinance, and same was adopted on a Yea and Nay vote. Voting Yea, the Mayor, Councilmen Axtell, Conger, Duehring, Orcutt, Taft and Waters. Voting Nay - none.

Mr. Conger also offered the following Ordinance and Moved its adoption:--

ORDINANCE NO. 658

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 sidewalks abutting Lot 11 and 12, Block 45, assessed in the name of Mrs. B. Shanks Chaney, authorized under provisions of Ordinance No. 199

636, passed and approved on Nov. 15th, 1937, 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 the date of levy.

Mr. Taft seconded the adoption of this Ordinance and same was adopted on a Yea and Nay vote. Voting Yea, the Mayor, Councilmen Axtell, Conger, Duehring, Orcutt, Taft and Waters. Voting Nay - none.

#### CIVIC IMPROVEMENT AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE:--

Mr. Orcutt, Chairman, moved that the Director of Playgrounds be allowed \$1.00 per week, during the playground season, for gas and oil for his car, same as last year. Motion seconded by Mr. Taft and approved.

On motion of Mr. Orcutt, seconded by Mr. Axtell, the Supt. of Public Works was authorized to fill in washed out places along the bank of the Municipal Playground on Phila. Ave., the cost of same to be charged to the special playground fund.

Mr. Orcutt called attention to the Council that since the completion of New Hampshire Avenue Extended, there would very likely be requests for rezoning that portion of the Town where New Hampshire Avenue intersects East-West Highway, and suggested that it might be well for the Mayor and Council, or some special Committee to contact the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission and urge upon them the necessity of serious consideration of the zoning of this area.

After discussion of this matter, Mr. Orcutt moved that the Committee on Civic Improvement and Education of the Council, and the Mayor, be requested to contact the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission as soon as possible, with reference to zoning and building restrictions on New Hampshire Avenue, within the Town limits, and that the same Committee take up with the Park and Planning Commission the extending of the Sligo Parkway connection between Flower Avenue and New Hampshire Ave. Motion seconded by Mr. Taft and approved.

Mr. Orcutt stated that it had been suggested that the small triangular piece of land at the intersection of New Hampshire Avenue and East-West Highway, lying between old Ethan Allen Avenue and East-West Highway, was in private ownership, and suggested that it might be well for the Corporation Counsel to look into this matter, and if such was the case, to make an effort to bring about the dedication of same.

After discussion of the matter, Mr. Orcutt moved that the Corporation Counsel be requested to secure, if possible, dedication of that triangular piece of land to the appropriate public body which is found to be willing to exercise jurisdiction over same. Motion seconded by Mr. Axtell and approved.

LAW AND ORDINANCE COMMITTEE:-

Mr. Taft, Chairman, stated that Mr. Jas. M. Seybolt, Engineer, was present, and desired to submit to Council a plat in connection with the dedication of Boyd and Jackson Avenues, said plat showing Jackson and Boyd Avenues running through to New Hampshire Avenue Extended. Same was discussed by the Council at length, after which Mr. Orcutt moved that the Mayor and Council express their approval of the general scheme of the laying out of streets in the subdivisions marked "90" and "95", as prepared by Jas. M. Seybolt, Engineer, and that the Corporation Counsel and Mr. Jas. M. Seybolt be requested to seek the sanction and approval of the owners of lots on this plat in the dedication of the land in the streets shown thereon, and that in the event this cannot be done, that Mr. Seybolt be authorized to prepare a condemnation plat of Boyd Avenue, from the present limits of Boyd Avenue to Jackson Avenue, and of Jackson Avenue from Ethan Allen Avenue to Lincoln Avenue, as shown on this plat. Motion seconded by Mr. Axtell and approved.

MUNICIPAL SERVICE COMMITTEE:-- Mr. Duehring, Chairman, presented a summary of activities of the Police Dept. for the past month, and same was ordered filed.

Mr. Duehring moved that the Town Police be granted one week vacation, with pay, during the Summer months while the schools were not in session. Motion seconded by Mr. Orcutt and approved.

PUBLIC WELFARE AND HEALTH COMMITTEE:- Mr. Waters, Chairman, stated that a report from the State Health Department regarding the water taken from the Spring in Spring Park, showed that the water from this Spring was in perfect condition and contained no disease bacteria.

The matter of petition of property owners on Allegheny Ave., asking for the construction of curb and gutter, Mr. Axtell, Chairman of the Municipal Works Committee, offered the following Ordinance and moved its adoption:--

ORDINANCE NO. 659

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 construction of cement concrete curb and gutter, at an estimated cost of \$1.15 per linear ft. on Allegheny Avenue, between Second Street and Highland Lane, abutting Lots 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20 in Block 12, Pinecrest Subdivision, and Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10 in Block 13, Pinecrest Subdivision. The cost of said improvement to be assessed

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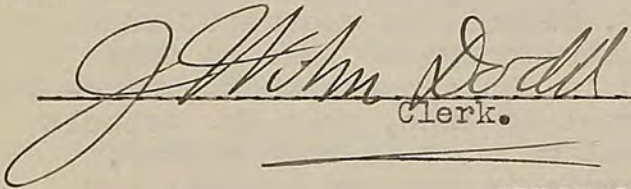
against the abutting property owners.

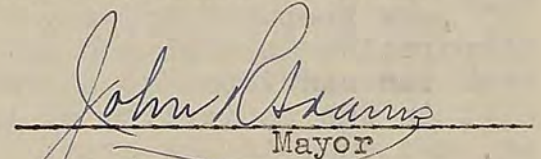
Section 2. The Mayor and Council at their Regular Meeting on July 18th, 1938, in the Fire Department Building, at Carroll and Denwood Avenues, convening at eight o'clock P.M. will hear all persons desiring to be heard with respect to the construction herein proposed.

Mr. Orcutt seconded the adoption of this Ordinance, and same was adopted on a Yea and Nay vote, Voting Yea, The Mayor, Councilmen Axtell, Conger, Duehring, Orcutt, Taft and Waters. Voting Nay, none.

On motion, property seconded, Council adjourned at 10:20 P.M.

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Clerk.

  
Mayor

SPECIAL MEETING  
MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
JUNE 30-1938.

Meeting called to order at eight o'clock P.M.  
Those present were the Mayor, Councilmen Axtell, Duehring, Orcutt, Taft and Waters.

Council met with local taxicab owners and operators to discuss ways and means for the betterment of taxicab conditions in the Town. Many suggested improvements were considered, but nothing of a definite nature was decided upon, and the operators were advised by the Mayor and Council to make an effort to form some definite plan of operation in order that all concerned might receive equal benefit.

Matter of anticipated requests for re-zoning of a portion of the area at the intersection of New Hampshire Avenue and the East-West Highway, in Takoma Park, was discussed at length, after which Councilman Orcutt offered the following Resolution:--

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The State Highway known as New Hampshire Avenue has been laid out and constructed from the District of Columbia Line to the old Bladensburg Road, or University Lane, in Prince George's County, Maryland, and the route of said highway courses through a largely undeveloped, virgin country of large scenic beauty, admirably lending itself to the development of a beautiful residential section of the Maryland-Washington Metropolitan District; and

WHEREAS, said New Hampshire Avenue, for a large portion of its length, lies within the corporate limits of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, and, while the Mayor and Council of Takoma Park, Maryland, is not unmindful of the fact that that portion of said New Hampshire Avenue, which lies without the corporate limits of the Town of Takoma Park, is not within the jurisdiction of said

Town, nevertheless the said Mayor and Council feels that the Town of Takoma Park has a vital interest in the whole of said New Hampshire Avenue, as a main arterial highway through an important entrance into the Town; and

WHEREAS, under the provisions of the Maryland-Washington Metropolitan District Act, the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission is authorized and empowered to make and adopt plans for the physical development of the territory surrounding said New Hampshire Avenue for the accomplishing of a co-ordinated, adjusted, systematic and harmonious development, and of the co-ordination and adjustment of such development with and to the public and private development of the District of Columbia, by prescribing and providing for, in said territory, the general location of buildings, the preservation of the natural scenery, and a zoning for the control of the height, area, bulk, location and use of buildings and other structures, and of the premises, and, in so doing, the Commission is empowered to act in conjunction and co-operation with, among other public bodies, any municipality within said district; and

WHEREAS, that portion of New Hampshire Avenue in the District of Columbia in the proximity of the Maryland line is substantially wholly a beautiful residential section, and, in the opinion of the said Mayor and Council, it is of large interest to the people of the Town of Takoma Park, as well as of Prince George's County, outside of said Town, to bring about and to preserve a similarly developed area in the territory surrounding said New Hampshire Avenue in the Maryland-Washington Metropolitan District; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of said Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, anticipates, within the near future, numerous demands for new streets and public ways, for new subdivisions of building lots and blocks, and for permits for the construction of new buildings, in said New Hampshire Avenue area. -

NOW THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, that the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission and the District Council for Prince George's County be respectfully urged and requested to give most careful and serious consideration to the following suggestions, to the end that the Mayor and Council may co-operate and act in conjunction with the said Commission and District Council in bringing about a healthy, harmonious and co-ordinated development of the area surrounding said New Hampshire Avenue, namely:-

(1) - That all of the abutting land lying along both sides of said New Hampshire Avenue, throughout its entire length from the District of Columbia line to Old Bladensburg Road or University Lane, be zoned "Residential A," unless already so zoned, and that no use of any part of such abutting land be permitted for commercial purposes, or for other than "Residential A" purposes, until so specifically authorized by the District Council, after a complete investigation of the pertinent facts, and after a hearing to all persons interested:-

(2) - That any petition or application for the zoning of rezoning of any portion of the land abutting on said New Hampshire Avenue, seeking the permission to use any such land for other than "Resi-

dential A" purposes, be referred by said Commission and District Council to said Mayor and Council for its recommendation in the premises, in accordance with the usual, generous practice of said Commission and said District Council with respect to such zoning matters in the Town of Takoma Park, whereupon the said Mayor and Council will cause public hearings to be held thereon, and notice of such hearings to be given to all interested persons, and will endeavor to make such recommendations with respect to such applications, as may be to the best interests of all of the people in said area, as well as in conformity to the general plan of the said Commission for said Metropolitan District. -

(3) - That, in order to protect the health, morals, safety and welfare of the residents of said area, the said Commission give the fullest consideration to the adoption of a plan for such area, which shall limit and restrict the bulk, location, including the percentage of lot occupancy, set back lines, area of yards, and the use of all buildings and other structures, and of the premises, to first-class residences, of the "Residential A" class, throughout the whole of said New Hampshire Avenue area.

(4) - That, in the interest of bringing about an harmonious and co-ordinated concert of action between said Commission, said District Council, and said Town of Takoma Park, any and all proposed applications for the subdivision of land in that part of said territory, lying within the corporate limits of said Town of Takoma Park, into Streets, Avenue, lots and blocks, whether the same be filed, in the first instance, with said Commission, with said District Council, or with the said Town, be submitted, before action thereon is had, by the said Commission and District Council, on the other hand, to the said Town, and by the said Town, on the other hand, to the said Commission and District Council, as the case may be, in order to provide adequate open spaces, to avoid congestion of population, to secure a conformity with the proper development of the district in accordance with the Commission's plan therefor, and to accomplish an uniformity of action in those respects.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, extend to the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission and to said District Council for Prince George's County, its fullest cooperation in bringing about a development of said territory, which shall make of the same a high-grade residential area, in keeping with the natural scenery and the beauties of said area, and in keeping with the excellent, spacious highway constructed through same, to the end that said area may be free from all objectionable commercial or other aspects, and that the health, morals, safety and welfare of the people of said area may be safeguarded and preserved.

Mr. Taft moved the adoption of the Resolution, and upon being seconded by Mr. Axtell, same was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Orcutt moved that the Town Clerk be requested to send a copy of this Resolution to the Chairman of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners of Prince George's County and to Mr. Irving Root, Chief Engineer of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission. Motion seconded by Mr. Taft and approved.

On motion, properly seconded, Council adjourned at 10:30

P.M.  
*in duplicate*

*J. William Dord*  
Clerk

*John Adams*  
Mayor

REGULAR MEETING  
MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
JULY 18- 1938.

Meeting called to order at eight o'clock P. M.  
Those present were the Mayor, Councilmen Axtell, Conger, Duehring, Orcutt and Waters. Councilman Taft being out of Town and unable to attend.

Reading of the minutes of the regular meeting of June 20th, 1938, was dispensed with, and the minutes of special meeting of June 30th, 1938, were read and approved.

Financial Statement for the month of June was presented by the Treasurer, as follows:--

RECEIPTS:--

General Taxes-----	\$ 196.10
Interest and Penalties-----	43.41
Charges-----	81.00
Special Assessments-----	263.41
Building Permits-----	120.00
Electrical Permits-----	19.00
Excavation Permits-----	2.00
Dog Tax-----	21.00
Vendor Permits-----	2.00
Fines-----	14.60
Franchise Tax-----	2.50
Taxicab Permits-----	20.00
1 copy charter-1 Anniv. Book-T Town Map Sold-----	1.05
Montgomery County Gas Tax-----	1658.20
<u>Total</u>	<u>\$2447.27</u>