

REGULAR MEETING
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
FEB. 19th, 1940

Meeting called to order at eight o'clock P. M. Those present were, Mayor Adams, Councilmen Conger, Duehring, Harrigan, Huck and Taft.

Minutes of the regular meeting of January 20, 1940 were approved.

Financial statement for the month of January, 1940 was presented by the Clerk and Treasurer, and ordered filed as follows:

RECEIPTS:-

General taxes -----	\$1,008.90
Interest and Penalties -----	72.64
Charges -----	20.25
Special Assessments -----	449.53
Building Permits -----	10.00
Electrical Permits -----	21.00
Dog Tax -----	68.00
Montgomery County - Police Tel. -----	12.00
" " - Fines -----	164.75
State Franchise Tax -----	20.75
Interest on Revolving Fund -----	126.52
Garbage Collection -----	10.00
Commission on Pay Telephone -----	1.18
Montgomery County - Bank Share Tax -----	616.50
Taxicab Badge Deposit -----	1.00
<u>Total</u>	<u>\$2,603.02</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

STREETS:-

Labor	375.00	
Material	43.20	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep-Sup.	<u>100.36</u>	518.56

SERVICE:-

Trash-Labor	103.60	
Ash-Labor	111.00	
" Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	66.56	
Garbage-Labor	270.00	
" Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep-Sup.	33.70	
Street Lights	<u>476.69</u>	1,061.55

POLICE:-

Salaries	495.00	
Clothing Allowance	40.00	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	41.75	
Telephones and Lights	25.09	
Misc. Supplies	<u>3.10</u>	604.94

OFFICE:-

Salaries	555.00	
Printing	14.70	
Postage	7.00	
Telephones and Supplies	<u>33.25</u>	609.95

ASSESSABLE IMPROVEMENTS:*

Street Paving-Curb & Gutter	12,025.94	12,025.94
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FIRE DEPARTMENT:-

On agreement	500.00	500.00
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MISCELLANEOUS:-

Library Assn.	150.00	
Recording Fees	2.25	
Dog Expense	27.34	
Elec. Permit Exp.-Printing	16.17	
Municipal Center Exp.	11.93	
Welfare Center Telephone	8.30	
Montgomery Co. - Police Tel.	12.00	
Appropriation-P.T.A.-Ray School	30.00	
Corporation Counsel Salary	50.00	
Expense Building Insp.	15.00	
E.E.Blodgett-Retirement	25.00	
Office Rent	<u>55.00</u>	<u>402.99</u>

\$15,723.93

GENERAL ACCOUNTBANK STATEMENT:-

Dec. 31st - On hand Citizens Bank	6,613.39	
Deposits in Jan. (1940)	2,547.42	
Jan. 9th - Tf. from Rev. Fund-	7,631.86	
	<u>16,792.67</u>	
Withdrawn in Jan.	<u>14,165.13</u>	
Jan. 31st - On Hand		2,627.54
Dec. 31st - On hand Sub. Nat. T.P.	4,985.52	
Deposits in Jan.	55.60	
	<u>5,041.12</u>	
Withdrawn in Jan.	<u>1,558.80</u>	
Jan. 31st - On hand		3,482.32
Dec. 31st - On hand Bk.of Bethesda	4,997.74	
No deposits or Withdr.	-----	
Jan. 31st - On hand		4,997.74
Dec. 31st - On hand Pr.Geo.Tr.Co.	5,000.00	
No deposits or withdr.	-----	
Jan. 31st - On hand		<u>5,000.00</u>
		<u>\$16,107.60</u>

REVOLVING FUND

Dec. 31st - On hand Citizens Bank	7,631.86	
Tf. to Gen. Acct.	<u>7,631.86</u>	
Jan. 31st - On hand		-----
Dec. 31st - On hand Sub.Nat. T.P.	323.72	
No deposits or withdrawels	-----	
Jan. 31st - On hand		323.72
Dec. 31st - On Hand Sub.Nat. Sil.Spg.	4,040.00	
No deposits or withdrawels	-----	
Jan. 31st - On hand		4,040.00
Dec. 31st - On hand Farmers Tr. Rockvl.	5,000.00	
No deposits or withdrawels	-----	
Jan. 31st - On hand		<u>5,000.00</u>
Jan. 31st - On hand - all banks		<u>\$9,363.72</u>

COMMUNICATIONS: From Dr. Wm. A. Hooker, Chairman of the Historical and Memorial Committee of the Takoma Park, Md. D. C. Citizens Association, asking that appropriate recognition of the fiftieth anniversary of the Association be provided by the Council. Mayor Adams stated that he would personally look into this matter.

From Associated Health and Welfare Agencies of Takoma Park, Md. asking that janitor service be provided for the Municipal Building, in which the Welfare Agency is located. Referred to the Health and Welfare Committee.

From Mr. H. C. Heffner, Acting Secretary of the Community League, regarding the laying of sidewalks adjacent to the new Junior High School Building on Saratoga Ave. Referred to the Municipal Works Committee.

From the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, requesting the cooperation of the Mayor and Council in redefining the districts in the Town in both Montgomery and Prince George's Counties which are now classified as Residential "A", "B", and "C" respectively, and Commercial, so as to reflect the present trends of concentration of population, and the resulting changes in the stratus of the areas effected. Referred to the Civic Improvement and Education Committee.

From a Committee of the Washington Missionary College and the Washington Sanitarium, regarding the violation of zoning regulations by Arthur Carnig on Maple Ave. Referred to the Civic Improvement and Education Committee.

From the Potomac Electric Power Co. regarding cost of installation of street lights on Merwood Drive in New Hampshire Ave. Highlands Subdivision. Referred to the Municipal Works Committee.

From Mrs. C. B. Thomas of Takoma Ave., regarding charge for construction of driveway approach in front of her property at 412 Takoma Ave., in connection with the recent paving of that street. Referred to the Municipal Works Committee.

From Sligo Park Hills Citizens Association, regarding the improvement of Mississippi Ave. Referred to the Municipal Works Committee.

From Sligo Park Hills Citizens Association, expressing appreciation of the citizens of the Park area to Building Inspector R. P. Fyre, for the faithful performance of his duties in that area.

Dr. Hooker addressed the Council regarding the condition of sidewalks in front of the new Apartment House being constructed on Carroll Ave. opposite Tulip Ave.

Mrs. B. S. Chaney addressed the Council regarding the sewerage condition on Boyd Ave. in the rear of her property on Manor Circle, and expressed the desire that the Council get in touch with the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission, in order that money may be set aside for the installation of sewerage in that portion of Boyd Ave. which is to be taken over by dedication or condemnation.

Captain H. W. Orcutt addressed the Mayor and Council, at length, regarding the condition of Woodland Ave. from Elm Ave. to the grounds adjacent to the J. Enos Ray School in Prince George's County, and requested that immediate steps be taken to put this street in shape, that same may be used as a public way for Children going to and from this school. Mr. Orcutt also called attention to the Council of the fact that an agreement was executed with the Board of Education of Prince George's County at the time he was a Councilman, setting forth that this street would be improved by the Town.

Mr. C. M. Thomsen also addressed the Council relative to the condition of Woodland Ave., and stressed the immediate need of action in connection with this street. Mayor Adams referred this matter to the Municipal Works Committee.

Mr. Feltman and Mr. Heinz also addressed the Council regarding prompt action in connection with the installation of sewerage on Boyd Ave., as soon as this street was accepted as a dedicated street by the Town.

Mr. C. L. Stone addressed the Council regarding the necessity of quick action in the dedication and condemnation of that portion of Boyd and Jackson Avenues which are under construction at this time.

Mr. G. H. Smith addressed the Council regarding the condition of Mississippi Ave., and the possibility of having some permanent improvement made to this street, due to the fact that a number of

houses had already been constructed on same, and the construction of several more houses were anticipated on this street within the near future. After considerable discussion of this matter, the Municipal Works Committee and Supt. of Public Works, Fischer, were instructed to make a study of the situation insofar as any permanent improvement could be made, and to give the residents of the street any immediate help necessary. Mayor Adams also advised Mr. Smith that it might be well for the property owners to put a petition into the Council, asking for the permanent improvement of the street, said improvement to be assessed in some manner against the abutting property owners.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Mr. Conger, Chairman, presented bills approved for payment by his Committee in the amount of \$1,152.69, and these bills were ordered paid.

MUNICIPAL WORKS COMMITTEE: Mr. Harrigan, Chairman, stated that his Committee had investigated letter from Mr. R. P. Rocca regarding the diverting of the stream running through Lots 10 and 11 in Block 50-A, and that the Committee was of the unanimous opinion that the Town should not bear any of the expense in connection with the change in this stream, and felt that any expense for the improvement of these two lots should be borne by the owner of same.

Mr. Harrigan also stated that he had received from Supt. of Public Works, Fischer, a proposed program for street improvements during the fiscal year, and that this program would be given careful study by his Committee, and a report made on same at a later date.

Mr. Harrigan also stated that the traffic light to be placed at the intersection of Laurel and Carroll Avenues had been ordered, and upon receipt of same, and the installation of the new pole by the Potomac Electric Power Co., work would be rushed on the installation of this light.

Regarding sidewalks at the Junior High Schools on Philadelphia and Saratoga Avenues, Mr. Harrigan stated he had as yet not received any definite proposal from Dr. Broome regarding the laying of these walks, and that just as soon as some information was obtained from Dr. Broome the matter would be given further consideration.

CIVIC IMPROVEMENT AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE: Regarding the letter from the Washington Missionary College and the Washington Sanitarium, with reference to the violation of zoning regulations by Mr. Carnig, and also the letter from Mr. T. Howard Duckett regarding zoning changes in certain areas in Takoma Park, Mr. Taft, Chairman, stated that these matters would have to be taken up with his Committee, and that he would report on same at a later date.

Mr. Taft stated in connection with the application by Mrs. Anna M. Shadle and others for the rezoning of Lots 15, 16, 17, 19, 20 and 21 in Block 6, of the Lipscomb and Earnest Sub-

division, that his Committee had held a hearing in connection with this matter on February 12, 1940, due notices having been sent to all property owners within the said Block, and to other property owners adjacent to this Block, and at this hearing thirteen persons appeared, and only two raised any objections to the applications, and that the objections raised were solely to the height of the proposed building to be constructed on part of this property. The Committee recommended that in view of this fact, recommendation be made to the County Commissioners stating, as a District Council, and to the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, that said application be approved.

After discussion of this matter, on motion of Mr. Taft, seconded by Mr. Conger, the report of the Committee, with the recommendations therein, was approved.

LAW AND ORDINANCE COMMITTEE: Mr. Taft, Chairman, presented the following Ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO 707

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

Section 1. That the plat of subdivision of a part of Block 30, B. F. Gilbert's Subdivision to the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, into lots 1 to 6 inclusive, Block 1; lots 1 to 16 inclusive, Block 2; lots 1 to 10 inclusive, Block 3; lots 1 to 7 inclusive, Block 4; lots 1 to 5 inclusive, and Out Lot "A", Block 7; lots 1 to 8 inclusive, Block 8; lots 1 to 6 inclusive, Block 9; to be known as "NEW HAMPSHIRE AVE. HIGHLANDS", Addition to Takoma Park, Prince George's County, Maryland, as presented by the New Hampshire Ave. Homes, Incorporated, Charles M. Plunkert, President, and Joseph P. Abrahams, Secretary, be and the same is hereby approved.

Section 2. That all ungraded streets in said subdivision dedicated for public use, when graded to proper grade, be graded according to approved profile, and the cost of said grading to be charged against the lots abutting same.

(Feb, 19th, 1940)

Mr. Taft moved the adoption of this Ordinance, and upon being seconded by Mr. Huck, same was adopted on a Yea and Nay vote. Voting Yea, Mayor Adams, Councilmen Conger, Duehring, Harrigan, Huck and Taft. Voting Nay, none.

MUNICIPAL SERVICE COMMITTEE: Mr. Duehring, Chairman, reported that complaint had been received against taxi-cab driver, Willis Bondranko from Mrs. Irving of Silver Spring, Md. Mrs. Irving, Mr. Duehring stated, reported that she called a cab to come to 115 Carroll Ave., and that when the cab arrived Mr. Bondranko was in charge of same, and she instructed him to take them to a certain address on 15th St. in the District of Columbia, and that Mr. Bondranko advised her that he had been working long hours and was very tired and that he would not take her to the address given, and that she would have to get out and get another cab; and that in making a turn at the Taxaco Station at the corner of Carroll and Grant Avenues, she had been thrown against the back seat of the cab, opening a wound in her head on which she had recently spent considerable money in the treatment of. After arguing with the cab driver for sometime, he finally took them to a cab stand at Walter Reed Hospital, where they procured another cab into the District of Columbia.

Mr. Duehring stated that a hearing had been held on this matter, at which Mr. Bondranko, Mrs. Irving and a Mrs. Gregg, who was present in the cab with Mrs. Irving, appeared.

In connection with this hearing, the recommendation of the Committee was that Mr. Bondranko's driver's permit be revoked on the grounds that he is an improper person to be serving the public as a taxi-cab driver. After a lengthy discussion, Mr. Duehring moved that Mr. Bondranko be notified that he would be given five days in which to request a hearing to show cause why his permit as a taxi-cab driver should not be revoked. On being seconded by Mr. Harrigan this motion was approved.

Mr. Duehring also reported that Mr. Ralph V. Miller violated Taxi-Cab Ordinance of the Town by driving a cab without displaying the proper credentials in same, and after discussion of this matter Mr. Duehring moved that Mr. Miller be given five days in which to request a hearing to show cause why his permit should not be revoked. Upon being seconded by Mr. Conger the motion was approved.

Mr. Duehring also reported that Mr. Miller was driving taxi-cab No. 2 licensed in the name of Mr. A. C. Wolfe, and Mr. Duehring moved that Mr. Wolfe be notified that the operation of this cab would be suspended for thirty days unless he requested a hearing within five days to show cause why this suspension should not be made. Motion, seconded by Mr. Harrigan was approved.

Regarding the request for three lights to be installed on Merwood Drive in New Hampshire Ave. Highlands, and a letter received from the Potomac Electric Power Co. regarding same, in which the Power Co. advised that to put these lights on the regular street lighting system it would necessitate the installation of 32 spans, under which condition the annual charge for the three lights would be \$40.95, and for the extra spans \$44.80, making a total of \$85.75 annual charge. The

Power Co. also advised that they could put these three lights on what they term a "Multiple Time Switch", under which system any broken bulbs would be furnished by the Power Co., but would have to be installed by the Town, and that the charge under this system would be \$10.95 annually for the lights and \$14.50 annually for the multiple time switch, making a total annual charge of \$55.45.

After a lengthy discussion of this matter, the fact was brought out that a large home development is expected in this particular section within the next year, and that it would probably be more economical to have these lights placed on the regular street lighting system, and Mr. Duehring moved that the Potomac Electric Power Co. be advised to install these lights on the regular lighting system, which entailed the installation of 32 extra spans. This motion was seconded by Mr. Conger and approved.

On motion of Mr. Duehring, seconded by Mr. Harrigan, the application of William Arthur Flagg to transfer his driver's permit for driving a car owned by Mr. A. C. Wolfe to one owned by Mr. Robert I. Cruitt, was approved.

PUBLIC WELFARE AND HEALTH COMMITTEE: Mr. Huck, Chairman, presented a proposed Ordinance in connection with the keeping of fowls within the corporate limits of the Town, and asked that same to be turned over to the Law and Ordinance Committee for study and report back to the Council at a later date, and upon order of Mayor Adams this proposed Ordinance was turned over to the Law and Ordinance Committee.

Mr. Harrigan presented to the Council proposed street grade plats for Garland, Trescott and Hilton Avenues, which streets were recently dedicated in the new subdivision on the old Davis tract, and after consideration of these grades, on motion of Mr. Harrigan, seconded by Mr. Taft, the grades were approved.

On motion of Mr. Taft, seconded by Mr. Huck, Mayor Adams was authorized to execute for the Town, deed from Harry M. Adams and Florened Varity Adams, deeding their interest in a 40 ft. strip of land; being a portion of Lot 55, Block 16, B. F. Gilbert's Sub-division of the Town of Takoma Park, Md., said land to be used for public highway purposes, and now known as Woodland Ave.

On motion of Mr. Conger, seconded by Mr. Taft, the Council adjourned at 11:25 P. M.

Indented

J. William Dodds
Clerk

Mayor

SPECIAL MEETING
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
March 11, 1940.

Those present were Mayor Adams, Councilmen Conger, Duehring, Harrigan, Huck and Taft, and Corporation Counsel D. D. Lamond.

Meeting called for the purpose of hearing for Arnold C. Wolfe, Ralph V. Miller and Willis Bondranko, regarding reported violations of the Taxicab Ordinance of the Town. Neither Mr. Wolfe, Mr. Miller or Mr. Bondranko appeared for the hearing.

A communication was handed to Mayor Adams by an unknown person shortly before the meeting convened, said communication being signed by Mr. Arnold C. Wolfe and Mr. Ralph V. Miller, asking that both parties be given a bill of particulars in connection with the report of violations, in order that they may know what they were accused of.

After a lengthy discussion of the violation of the parties named, and from the testimony given by Councilman Duehring, Mr. Harrigan moved that we suspend the driver's permit of Ralph V. Miller for ten days from date of service of written notice upon him, for violation on January 28, 1940 of the Police Regulations of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, as amended by Ordinance No. 608, adopted March 24th, 1937, to wit:

Article 4 - Section 7, Operating taxicab in the Town of Takoma Park without a permit to operate such a taxicab. Section 14 - Failure to display in full view identification card bearing photograph and name within said taxicab. Section 17 - Failure to conduct taxicab service in a courteous manner.

Motion seconded by Mr. Duehring and approved.

In connection with the case of Mr. Arnold C. Wolfe, Mr. Harrigan moved that the license to operate taxicab in the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, issued to Arnold C. Wolfe, and designated as Taxicab No. 2, be suspended for a period of ten days from date of service of written notice upon him, for violation on January 28, 1940 of the Police Regulations of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, as amended by Ordinance No. 608, adopted March 24th, 1937, to wit:-

Article 4, Section 15, which provides that such licensee shall be responsible for the acts of his agents and employees while operating a taxicab within the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, equally as though such licensee were himself operating same, and whereas, said Arnold C. Wolfe did knowingly permit Ralph V. Miller, his agent and, or employee, to operate a taxicab owned and licensed to the said Arnold C. Wolfe by the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, and said employee, and, or agent, Ralph V. Miller, did so operate a taxicab in the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, in violation of Sections 7, 14 and

17 of Article 4, of the Police Regulations of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, as amended by Ordinance No. 608, adopted by the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, March 24th, 1937.

Motion seconded by Mr. Duehring and approved.

The Clerk presented a letter from Mr. William Lee of Eastern Avenue, asking the Mayor and Council to make certain changes in the parking regulations on a portion of that street. This matter was referred to the Municipal Service Committee.

A letter was presented by the Clerk from Mr. Stephen W. Williams and Mr. Joseph Simpson, requesting that Birch Avenue from Cedar Avenue to Dogwood Avenue be graded by the Town, in order that this portion of Birch Avenue may be developed. This matter was referred to the Municipal Works Committee.

Mr. Duehring presented to the Council applications for taxicab driver's permits from Bond Joseph Browning and Floyd Benson. After discussion of this matter, Mr. Duehring moved that the application of Mr. Bond Joseph Browning be not approved, advising the Council that upon investigation of Mr. Browning, through the Police Department, he found that Mr. Browning was a reckless driver and not qualified to drive under the Town Taxicab Ordinance. This motion was seconded by Mr. Harrigan and approved.

In regard to the application of Mr. Floyd Benson, Mr. Duehring reported that insofar as he could find out this party was qualified except that he believed that he was a little young, being eighteen years old, to drive a taxicab. After discussion of this matter, it was agreed to hold over final disposition of same until the next regular meeting.

The matter of monthly reports from the Police Department to the Mayor and Council was discussed at length, after which Mr. Harrigan moved that we require from our Police Department a report of all arrests, all complaints, and the disposition of same, giving the Officer's name involved, and any other such material as may be necessary to give a proper account of the Department, said report to be rendered once each month. This motion was seconded by Mr. Huck and approved.

Mr. Huck stated that Mr. Joseph Martin had taken up the matter of the payment of the remaining \$500.00 to the Fire Department, on the Fire Department agreement, said payment, according to agreement, not being due until June 15, 1940. After a lengthy discussion of this matter, definite action was delayed on same, pending a further study by the Finance Committee.

On motion properly seconded, the Council adjourned at 10:45

P.M.

Indexed

J. William Dodd
Clerk

Mayor

REGULAR MEETING
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
March 18, 1940.

Meeting called to order at eight o'clock P. M..
Those present were, Mayor Adams, Councilmen Conger, Duehring,
Harrigan, Huck and Taft.

Minutes of the regular meeting of Feb. 19, 1940 and of
the special meeting of March 11, 1940, were read and approved.

Financial Statement for the month of February, 1940 was
presented by the Treasurer, and ordered filed as follows:

RECEIPTS:-

General Taxes -----	\$2,770.32	
Interest and Penalties -----	221.39	
Charges -----	15.25	
Special assessments -----	2,174.55	
Building Permits -----	92.00	
Electrical Permits -----	10.00	
Excavation Permits -----	1.00	
Dog Tax and Impounding Fee -----	76.00	
Garbage Collection -----	8.00	
Montgomery Co. Telephone -----	12.00	
" " Security Tax -----	1,135.35	
" " Fines -----	7.50	
Tax Sale Certificate Redemption -----	34.09	
<u>Total</u>		<u>\$6,557.45</u>

DISBURSEMENTS:-

STREETS:-

Labor	325.60	
Material	66.08	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	<u>139.94</u>	531.62

SERVICE:-

Trash	98.60	
Garbage-Labor-	270.00	
" Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	42.16	
Ash Collection-Labor	115.00	
" " Car-Oil	56.16	
Street Lights	<u>475.40</u>	1,057.32

POLICE:-

Salaries	495.00	
Clothing Allowance	40.00	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	32.15	
Telephone-Coal-Lights	113.03	
Misc. Supplies	<u>7.16</u>	687.34

OFFICE:-

Salaries	555.00	
Telephone & Supplies	53.00	
Equipment	93.56	
Printing	6.50	
Postage	18.00	726.06
		<u>726.06</u>

MISCELLANEOUS:-

Library Association	150.00	
Refund Sidewalk Deposit	10.00	
Recording Fees	2.25	
Prince George's Co. Transfers	7.00	
Montgomery Co. Police Tel.	12.00	
Welfare Center Tel.	7.45	
Municipal Bldg. Expense	89.90	
Dog Expense	6.50	
Salary-Corporation Counsel	50.00	
Office Rent	55.00	
Bldg. Inspector Expense	15.00	
E. E. Blodgett Retirement	25.00	
Tax Sale Certificate	34.09	464.19
		<u>464.19</u>

Total

\$3,466.53

BANK STATEMENT:-GENERAL ACCOUNT

Jan. 31st - On Hand Citizens Bank	2,627.54	
Deposits in February	4,924.42	
	<u>7,551.96</u>	
Withdrawn in February	923.39	
Feb. 29th - On Hand		6,628.57
Jan. 31st - On Hand Sub. Nat'l T.P.	3,482.32	
Deposits in February	1,633.03	
	<u>5,115.35</u>	
Withdrawn in February	2,543.14	
Feb. 29th - On Hand		2,572.21
Jan. 31st - On Hand Bank of Bethesda	4,997.74	
No deposits or withdrawals		
Feb. 29th - On hand		4,997.74
Jan. 31st - On Hand Pr. Geo. Tr. Co.	5,000.00	
Feb. 29th - On hand		<u>5,000.00</u>
Feb. 29th - On Hand all Banks		<u>\$19,198.52</u>

REVOLVING FUND

Jan. 31st - On hand Sub. Nat'l T.P.	323.72	
No deposits or withdrawals		
Feb. 29th - On Hand	<u> </u>	323.72
Jan. 31st - On Hand Sub. Bk. Sil.Spr.	4,040.00	
No deposits or withdrawals		
Feb. 29th - On Hand	<u> </u>	4,040.00
Jan. 31st - On Hand Farmers Bk. Rockville	5,000.00	
No Deposits or Withdrawals		
Feb. 29th - On Hand	<u> </u>	<u>5,000.00</u>
Feb. 29th - On Hand all Banks		<u>\$9,363.72</u>

COMMUNICATIONS:- From Donald D. Lamond, representing Fred L. Glaize Estate regarding condition of street in front of Lots seven and eight on Manor Circle. Referred to the Municipal Works Committee.

From Home Construction Corporation regarding the installation of catch-basin and man holes in streets now being developed by them on a portion of the old Davis Tract. Referred to the Municipal Works Committee.

From Joyce K. Dawkins, making application for position as play ground instructor for the coming play ground season. Referred to the Civic Improvement and Education Committee.

From Mary Pailthorpe, making application for position as play ground instructor for the coming play ground season. Referred to the Civic Improvement and Education Committee.

Petition from residents of Tulip Avenue regarding the unsightly condition of lots next to the gas station and across from 506 Tulip Avenue. Referred to Public Health and Welfare Committee.

Petition from residents of Mississippi Avenue asking for the construction of curb and gutter on the south side of Mississippi Avenue, from Saratoga Avenue to Park Crescent Drive. Referred to the Municipal Works Committee.

Mr. Doran S. Platt addressed Council regarding the proposal of the Capital Transit Co. to discontinue the Sligo Valley Bus line, and requested that the Council take some action in an effort to forestall the abandonment of this line. Mr. Platt stated that a hearing was to be held on this matter on the morning of March 28, 1940, before the Public Service Commission at Baltimore, Md. At this time Mr. D. D. Lamond stated that this matter had been up before the Chamber of Commerce, and that the Chamber had gone on record as opposing the abandonment of this line, and had so written the Public Service Commission.

Mrs. Edwin F. Lines of 115 Philadelphia Ave. addressed the Council regarding the dwelling constructed recently next to her, advising the Council that same was a two family dwelling, and erected in violation of the present zoning law. Mrs. Lines advised the Council that she intended to swear out a warrant against the owner of this property, and requested the help of the Council in connection with same.

Mr. Harry Dodge addressed the Council regarding the open stream in the rear of dwellings on Cedar Avenue adjacent to Philadelphia Avenue, and requested the Town to consider the construction of a culvert to take care of this water. This matter was referred to the Municipal Works Committee.

Mr. Frank Harris addressed the Council regarding parking conditions on Elm Avenue near Allegheny Avenue. This matter was referred to the Municipal Service Committee.

Mr. William C. Fischer addressed the Council regarding the construction of a retaining wall adjacent to his property, a street having been graded through the adjoining lot. The Mayor requested Corporation Counsel D. D. Lamond to look into this matter.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:- Bills in amount of \$1,462.67 were presented by the Finance Committee, and the payment of same was approved.

MUNICIPAL WORKS COMMITTEE:- Mr. Harrigan, Chairman, stated that his committee had held a meeting on March 16, 1940, and made the following report for Committee:

The following projects recommended by the Superintendent of Public Works for the fiscal year 1940-41 were approved:

LAUREL AVENUE: 360' x 40' - Remove present paving, which is in bad condition and only 5" thick, replace with modern 7" to 8" concrete. Estimated cost \$5,820.00.

MAPLE AVENUE: D. C. line to Tulip Avenue. 655' x 30' - Removal, widening from 21' to 30', and construction of modern concrete pavement. Estimated cost \$7,625.00.

MAPLE AVENUE: Tulip Avenue to Park Avenue. 1755' x 30' - Removal of present pavement, widening from 21' to 30', and construction of modern concrete pavement. Estimated cost \$20,310.00.

TULIP AVENUE: Carroll Avenue to Maple Avenue. 960' x 30' - Removal of present pavement, widening from 21' to 30', and construction of modern concrete pavement. Estimated cost \$11,153.00.

CEDAR AVENUE: D. C. line to Williams property. 1350' x 30' - Removal, widening from 21' to 30', and construction of modern concrete pavement. Estimated cost \$15,650.00.

CEDAR AVENUE: From old concrete to Philadelphia Ave. 770' x 30' - Removal of Curb and Gutter, widening from 24' to 30'. Estimated cost \$4,180.00.

PARK AVENUE: Carroll Ave. to Denwood Ave. 1450' x 30' - Removal, widening, and construction of modern concrete pavement. Estimated cost \$18,199.00.

MISSISSIPPI AVENUE:- 2035 ft. Curb and Gutter \$2,035.00.

SIDEWALKS TO SCHOOLS

SARATOGA AVENUE:- North Side - from Philadelphia Ave. to Town line.	550 ft. @ \$1.00	\$550.00
CHESTNUT AVENUE:- North and South side - from Philadelphia Avenue to Hodges Lane.	608 ft. @ \$1.00	\$608.00.
CHESTNUT AVENUE:- North and South side - from Hodges Lane to new road.	275 ft. @ \$1.00	\$275.00
CHICAGO AVENUE:- South side - Boston Avenue to Boundry Ave.	225 ft. @ \$1.00	\$225.00
CHICAGO AVENUE:- South side - Philadelphia Ave. to New York Avenue.	458 ft. @ \$1.00	\$458.00

The committee recommends the immediate grading of Birch Avenue, as per petition of land owners, and profiles approved by the Park and Planning, and W. S. S. Commissions, it being understood that all costs, including culverts, engineering, etc., be charged to said land owners.

In the matter of charge of \$20.00 for Driveway at the residence of John J. Thomas, Takoma and Boston Avenues, it is the opinion of the committee, after due consideration, that the charge stand.

After discussion of this report it was moved by Mr. Harrigan and seconded by Mr. Conger, that the report be approved, and that hearings be held for the construction of said improvements at an early date.

Mr. Harrigan then offered the following Ordinances:

ORDINANCE NO. 708

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

Section 1. In accordance with the provisions of Article 965 of the Town Charter, the Mayor and Council have under consideration the construction of cement concrete curb and gutter on Mississippi Avenue, at an approximate cost of \$1.00 per linear ft., abutting lots 1, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23 and 24, Block 61, and Lots 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, Block 63, Gilberts Subdivision.

Section 2. The Mayor and Council also have under consideration the construction of cement concrete sidewalks in the following streets, at an approximate cost of \$1.00 per linear ft., exclusive of any necessary retaining walls. The cost of said improvements to be assessed against the abutting property owners:-

SARATOGA AVENUE, North side, abutting lots 3, 4, 5, 6, 7,

8, 9 and 10, Block 81, T. P. L. & T. Subdivision.

CHESTNUT AVENUE:- North and South sides, from Philadelphia Avenue to Holges Lane, abutting Lots 4, 9, 10, Block 97, and Lots 18, 19, 20, 21, Block 96, Hodges Subdivision.

CHESTNUT AVENUE:- North and South sides, Hodges Lane to Junior High School property on old Hodges Tract, abutting Lot 2, Block 98, and Lot 1, Block 99, Hodges Subdivision, and undivided portion of land abutting said street.

CHICAGO AVENUE:- South side, from Boston Avenue to Boundry Avenue, abutting Lot 7, Block 67, T. P. L. & T. Subdivision.

CHICAGO AVENUE:- South side, from Philadelphia Avenue to New York Avenue, abutting Lots 6, 18, Block 69, T. P. L. & T. Subdivision.

Section 3. The Mayor and Council at a special meeting to be held at the Town Offices, Citizens Bank Bldg., Takoma Park, Md., April 8th, 1940, at eight o'clock P. M., will hear all persons desiring to be heard with respect to the construction herein proposed.

Mr. Harrigan moved the adoption of this Ordinance, and upon being seconded by Mr. Conger, same was adopted on a Yea and Nay vote. Voting Yea, Mayor Adams, Councilmen Conger, Duehring, Harrigan, Huck and Taft. Voting Nay, none.

ORDINANCE NO. 709

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

Section 1. In accordance with the provisions of Article 965 of the Town Charter, the Mayor and Council have under consideration the following street construction, with cement concrete, the cost of said improvements to be assessed one-third each against each abutting property owner, and the remaining one-third to be paid by the Town, as follows:-

LAUREL AVENUE:- Paving from Eastern Avenue to intersection of Carroll Avenue, abutting Lots 10 to 13 inclusive, Block "A" Fifield Subdivision, and Park Land abutting said Laurel Avenue on North side, at an approximate cost of \$14.00 per linear foot. *See p. 104 1/2*

MAPLE AVENUE:- From District of Columbia Line to Tulip Avenue, paving and widening to 30 ft., abutting Lots 17, 18, 21, 22, 25, 26, 29, 30, 33, 34, 37, Block 4; Lots 2 to 13 inclusive, Block 3, Gilberts Subdivision, at an approximate cost of \$12.00 per linear foot.

MAPLE AVENUE:- From Tulip to Park Avenue, paving and widening to 30 ft., abutting Lot 1 and Lots 17 to 38 inclusive, Block 5, Gilberts Subdivision; Lots 7, 8, 9, Block 86, Petty Subdivision; Lots 18 to 34 inclusive, Lots 36, 37, 38, Block 3, Gilberts Subdivision; Lots 34 to 44 inclusive, and Lots 59, 60, 61, Block 87,

Holmes and Austin Subdivision, at an approximate cost of \$12.00 per linear ft.

TULIP AVENUE:- Carroll Avenue to Maple Avenue, paving and widening to 30 ft., abutting Lots 13, 14, 15, 36, 39, Block 3, Gilberts Subdivision; Lots 1, 2, 3, Block 9, Lipscomb & Ernest Subdivision; Lot 13, Block 5, Lipscomb & Ernest Subdivision; Lot 13 and Lots 15 to 23 inclusive, Block 6, Lipscomb & Ernest Subdivision; Lots 1 to 6 inclusive, Block 8, Lipscomb & Ernest Subdivision; Lots 1 to 7 inclusive, Block 7, Lipscomb & Ernest Subdivision, at an approximate cost of \$12.00 per linear ft.

CEDAR AVENUE:- From District of Columbia Line to end of old concrete roadway at Williams property, paving and widening to 30 ft., abutting Lots 1, 2, 5, 6, 9, 19, 20, 21, Block 7, B. F. Gilberts Subdivision; Lot 1 and Lots 15 to 21 inclusive, Block 6, B. F. Gilberts Subdivision; Lot 3, Block 6-C and Lot 1, Block 6-A, Williams Resubdivision; Lots 19, 20, 23, 24, 27, 28, 31, 32, 35, 36, Block 4, B. F. Gilberts Subdivision; Lots 2 to 16 inclusive, Block 5, B. F. Gilberts Subdivision, at an approximate cost of \$12.00 per linear ft.

CEDAR AVENUE:- From old concrete roadway to Philadelphia Avenue, removal of curb and gutter and widening to 30 ft., abutting Lots 2, 3, 4, 5, Block 6-A, Williams Re-Subdivision; Lots 39 and 40, Block 5, B. F. Gilberts Subdivision; Lots 2, 3, 6, 7, ~~10, 11~~ 10, 11, Block 85, Petty Subdivision; Lots 1 to 6 inclusive, Block 86, Petty Subdivision, at an approximate cost of \$6.00 per linear ft.

PARK AVENUE:- Carroll Avenue to Denwood Avenue, paving and widening to 30 ft., abutting Lots 1 to 14 inclusive, Lots 16 to 27 inclusive and Lots 29 to 34 inclusive, Block 1, Hillcrest Subdivision; Lots 1, 2, 3, 24, 25, 26, 27, Block 2, Hillcrest Subdivision; Lots 8, 9, 10, 14, 15, 16, Block 4, Hillcrest Subdivision; Lot 1, Block 5, Hillcrest Subdivision, at an approximate cost of \$12.00 per linear foot.

Section 2. The Mayor and Council at their next regular meeting on April 15th, 1940, convening at eight o'clock P. M., at the Fire Department Bldg., at Carroll and Denwood Avenues, will hear all persons desiring to be heard with respect to the construction herein proposed

Mr. Harrigan moved the adoption of this Ordinance, and upon being seconded by Mr. Conger, same was adopted on a Yea and Nay vote. Voting Yea, Mayor Adams, Councilmen Conger, Duehring, Harrigan, Huck and Taft. Voting Nay, none.

CIVIC IMPROVEMENT AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE:- Regarding the complaint of unsightly condition in the rear of the District Grocery Store at the corner of Carroll and Lee Avenues, committee advised that the police would be instructed to advise the occupant that the condition in the rear of the store must be corrected.

Regarding the matter of rezoning certain portions of the Town, Mr. Taft stated that a meeting would be held with Mr. Root of the Parking and Planning Commission on the following Wednesday evening at 7:30, and suggested that the Mayor and all Councilmen be present.

With reference to the abandonment of the bus line through Sligo Valley, Mr. Taft moved that a protest be made to the Public Service Commission of Maryland by letter, and that Town Clerk and Treasurer, J. Wilson Dodd, be requested to appear before the Service Commission on March 28, 1940, to represent the Mayor and Council, and to vigorously protest the abandonment of this bus line. The motion was seconded by Mr. Duehring and approved.

Mayor Adams at this time stated that he and Councilman Harrigan had attended a meeting of the Montgomery County Municipal League, and that the matter of gas tax to be paid to the Municipalities in the County, and the time each year same was to be paid, was discussed at length, and that Attorney Albert Bouic had been retained by the League to investigate this matter and make a report on same.

MUNICIPAL SERVICE COMMITTEE:- On motion of Mr. Duehring, seconded by Mr. Taft, application of Floyd Paul Benson to drive a taxicab in the Town of Takoma Park for Mr. A. C. Wolfe was approved.

Regarding the letter from Mr. Lee with reference to parking on Eastern Avenue, Mr. Duehring stated that this matter had been investigated, and that the complaint of Mr. Lee was justified, and moved that the Supt. of Public Works be instructed to install "NO PARKING" signs on the south side of Eastern Avenue, from the corner of Second St. going west to No. 6601, that is, from 6501 to 6601. Motion seconded by Mr. Harrigan and approved.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE:- Regarding the petition of residents on Tulip Avenue as to the condition of lot next to Glickman's Service Station, Mr. Huck moved that the Clerk be authorized to notify the owner to immediately clean up this lot and abate the nuisance complained of. Motion seconded by Mr. Duehring and approved.

LAW AND ORDINANCE COMMITTEE: Regarding the request of Smith & Gotlieb, developers of New Hampshire Knolls Subdivision, that the Town dedicate Lot 68 in Block 16, Gilberts Subdivision, as a street for public use, to be an extension of Prince George's Ave., Mr. Taft stated that his committee recommended this dedication, and moved that the Corporation Counsel be instructed to look into the matter of the Town's title to this lot, and that if the Town's title was found to be in order, said lot be dedicated as a street. This motion was seconded by Mr. Huck and approved.

The matter of the need for a drinking fountain at the Town's Police Station was brought to the attention of the Council, and after discussion of this matter, Mr. Harrigan moved that such a fountain be purchased. This motion was seconded by Mr. Duehring and approved.

Dr. C. C. Galloway addressed the Council regarding the meeting to be held by the Montgomery County Municipal League, at which the matter would be discussed as to whether the Montgomery County tax rate should be increased or decreased, and asked that the Town instruct their delegates to the League as to their desires in the matter. After a lengthy discussion of this matter, Mr. Huck moved that the Town Delegates to the League go to this meeting uninstructed. This motion was seconded by Mr. Taft and approved.

Regarding the petition of S. W. Williams and Jos. Simpson for the grading of Birch Avenue, from Cedar Avenue to Dogwood Avenue, Mr. Harrigan offered the following Ordinance and moved its adoption:--

ORDINANCE NO. 710

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

Section 1:-- The property owners abutting Birch Avenue, from Cedar Ave., to Dogwood Avenue, having petitioned the Mayor and Council to grade that portion of Birch Avenue, waiving all legal requirements regarding hearing for this improvement, the Municipal Works Committee is hereby authorized to proceed immediately, or as soon as possible, in accordance with the Town Charter, to grade Birch Avenue, from Cedar Avenue to Dogwood Avenue, and the Superintendent of Public Works is hereby authorized to proceed with this work, and to employ any additional help necessary to complete this improvement.

Section 2:-- That assurance is made that grading be done to proper grade, from approved profile of street, and that the cost of said grading be held to a sum not to exceed One Thousand Dollars.

Section 3:-- That the cost of this grading, plus the cost of any necessary culverts or engineering, be assessed in the regular manner against the property owners abutting the improvement.

The adoption of this Ordinance was seconded by Mr. Conger, and upon a Yea and Nay vote, same was adopted. Voting Yea, Mayor Adams, Councilmen Conger, Duehring, Harrigan, Huck and Taft. Voting Nay, none.

On motion of Mr. Conger, seconded by Mr. Taft, Council adjourned at 10:40 P. M.

Indeved

J. John Bell
Clerk.

Mayor.