

SPECIAL MEETING
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
MAY 4, 1940.

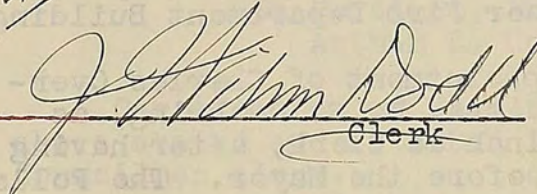
Meeting called to order at eight o'clock P. M.

Those present were Mayor Adams, Councilmen Conger, Duehring, Harrigan, Huck and Taft.

Meeting called for the purpose of appointing Election Officials to serve at the Town Election to be held on May 6, 1940, and after discussion of this matter, upon motion of Mr. Taft, seconded by Mr. Duehring, the following Officials were appointed: Charles Overacker, Bailey Overacker and Mrs. F. C. Duehring, Judges of Election. Mr. Marion Finch, Clerk. Helen Taylor, Mrs. Harvey Hutton, John Winterberg, Charles Mann, Mrs. V. E. Walker, Mrs. Clara Shade, Miss Dorothy Eggleston, Mrs. Margaret Mansuy, Mrs. K. E. Abercrombie, and Mrs. A. W. Harned.

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, the Council adjourned at 8:45 P. M.

Indented


Clerk

Mayor

SPECIAL MEETING
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
MAY 13th, 1940.

Meeting called to order at eight o'clock P. M.

Those present were Mayor Adams, Councilmen Conger, Duehring, Harrigan and Huck.

Meeting called for the purpose of hearing official report of the Judges of Election, held on May 6th, 1940, for the election of a Mayor and Six Councilmen to serve for a term of two years beginning with Monday, June 3rd, 1940. The report of the Election Judges was as follows:

Mayor and Council,
Takoma Park, Md.

Gentlemen:-- The undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as Judges of Election, have the honor to submit the following report with respect to the Town Election, held the 6th day of May, 1940, in the Takoma Park Volunteer Fire Department Building:--

The Board organized with the appointment of Charles Overacker, Chairman, Bailey Overacker and Mrs. F. C. Duehring, as Judges of Election, and Mr. Marion Finch as Clerk, after having taken the prescribed oath of office before the Mayor. The Polls were opened at the legal hour of 6 o'clock A. M., and were closed at the legal hour of 7 o'clock P. M.

The following persons were voted on as Mayor, and received the number of votes set opposite their respective names:--

Charles C. Galloway 958
Oliver W. Youngblood 1123.

The following persons were voted on as Councilmen, and received the number of votes set opposite their respective names:--

From 4th Precinct, Montgomery County:--

Harley Buckingham -----1000
Howard H. Harrigan -----1033
Willward C. Taft -----1038
John K. Williams ----- 976

From 6th Precinct, Montgomery County:--

Herman C. Heffner -----1051
George B. Kissinger -----1013
Roy G. Richardson ----- 955
John F. Sidell -----1056

From 9th Precinct, Montgomery County:--

Jesse R. Booth ----- 967
Joseph Martin -----1072

From 4th Precinct, Chillum Dist. Pr. George's County:--

Arthur L. Conger -----1065
Charles N. Thomsen ----- 971

It appears from the ballots cast that the following candidate for Mayor received the highest number of votes, and was duly elected Mayor for a period of two years from the first Monday in June, 1940:-

Oliver W. Youngblood-----1123

It appears from the ballots cast that the following candidates for Councilmen received the largest number of votes in their respective precincts and were duly elected Councilmen for a period of two years from the first Monday in June, 1940:-

4th Precinct, Montgomery County:--
Howard H. Harrigan-----1033
Willward C. Taft-----1038

6th Precinct, Montgomery County:--
Herman C. Heffner-----1051
John F. Sidell-----1056

9th Precinct, Montgomery County:--
Joseph Martin-----1072

4th Precinct, Pr. George's County:--
Arthur L. Conger-----1065

Certificates of Election in accordance with the results as above stated are attached hereto for delivery to the Mayor and Councilmen elect.

Very respectfully,

JUDGES OF ELECTION,

Chairman

Charles Overacker

Bailey Overacker

Mrs. Fred C. Duehring

Attest:-

Clerk

Marion Finch.

Mr. Duehring moved that the report be accepted and adopted. Motion seconded by Huck and approved.

In the absence of Mr. Taft, Chairman of the Law and Ordinance Committee, Mr. Harrigan offered the following Ordinance and moved its adoption:--

ORDINANCE NO 717

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

Section 1. That the plat of resubdivision of Lots 5, 6 and 7, Block 71, Takoma Park Loan and Trust Co. Subdivision, into lots 20 to 27 inclusive, Block 71, as presented by Harry K. Hobart and Frederick P. Hobart, be and the same is hereby approved.

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

Adopted May 13th, 1940.

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

On motion properly seconded, Council adjourned at 8:45 P. M.

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J. Wilson Reed

Clerk

Mayor

REGULAR MEETING
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
May 22, 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 April 15th, 1940, and special meetings of May 4th and May 13th, 1940, were read and approved.

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

RECEIPTS:--

General Taxes-----	\$582.78	
Interest and Penalties-----	82.23	
Charges-----	138.50	
Special Assessments-----	740.66	
Building Permits-----	116.00	
Electrical Permits-----	41.00	
Excavation Permits-----	1.00	
Dog Tax-----	99.50	
Vendor Permits-----	4.00	
Taxicab Badge Deposits-----	2.00	
Franchise Tax-----	10.00	
Montgomery Co. Fines-----	23.00	
" " Police Telephone-----	12.00	
Sidewalk Deposit-----	10.00	
		<u>\$1,862.67</u>

DISBURSEMENTS:--

STREETS:

Labor	336.40	
Material	67.15	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep-Street Signs	<u>504.19</u>	907.74

SERVICE:

Trash-labor	216.00	
" car-oil-dump exp.	32.90	
Garbage-labor	270.00	
" gas-oil-supplies	104.16	
Ash-labor	93.80	
" gas-oil-auto upkeep	149.11	
Street Lights	<u>476.79</u>	1,342.76

POLICE:

Salaries	495.00	
Clothing Allowance	40.00	
Car-Oil-Auto Upkeep	64.45	
Telephone-Lights-Supplies	<u>26.31</u>	625.76

OFFICE:

Salaries	555.00	
Postage	10.50	
Telephones-Supplies	<u>21.90</u>	587.40

PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS:

Labor	62.80	62.80
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ASSESSABLE IMPROVEMENTS:

Birch Avenue	74.60	74.60
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MISCELLANEOUS:

Recording Fees	8.00	
Advt. High School Book	12.50	
Dog Expense	15.15	
Refund Taxicab Badge	1.00	
Tax Sale Advertising	91.50	
Election Expense	45.00	
Welfare Telephone	9.20	
Mont. Co. Police Telephone	12.00	
" " Transfers	8.00	
Assessment Expense	50.00	
Traffic Light Expense	4.08	
Library Assn.	150.00	
Refund Sidewalk Deposit	10.00	
Bldg. Inspector Expense	15.00	
E.E. Blodget Retirement	25.00	
Office Rent	55.00	
Corporation Counsel Salary	<u>50.00</u>	561.43
		<u>\$4,162.49</u>

BANK STATEMENT:GENERAL ACCOUNT

Mar. 31st - On hand Citizens Bank	6,871.51	
Deposits in April	<u>482.75</u>	
	7,354.26	
Withdrawn in April	<u>4,040.94</u>	
April 30th - On hand		3,313.32
Mar. 31st - On hand Sub. Nat. T. P.	1,227.72	
Deposits in April	<u>1,379.92</u>	
	2,607.64	
Withdrawn in April	<u>121.55</u>	
Apr. 30th - On hand		2,486.09
Mar. 31st - On hand Bank of Bethesda	4,997.74	
No deps. or withdrawals	<u> </u>	
Apr. 30th - On hand		4,997.74
Mar. 31st - On hand Pr. Geo. Tr. Co.	5,000.00	
No deps. or withdrawals	<u> </u>	
Apr. 30th - On hand		5,000.00
Apr. 30th - On hand all Banks		<u>\$15,797.15</u>

REVOLVING FUND

Mar. 31st - On hand Sub.Nat.T.P.	323.72	
No deposits or withdrawals		
Apr. 30th - On hand	<u> </u>	323.72
Mar. 31st - On hand Sub.Nat.S.S.,Md.	4,040.00	
No deposits or withdrawals		
Apr. 30th - On hand	<u> </u>	4,040.00
Mar. 31st - On hand Farmers Bk.,Rockv.	5,000.00	
No deposits or withdrawals		
Apr. 30th - On hand	<u> </u>	<u>5,000.00</u>
Apr. 30th - On hand all Banks		<u>\$9,363.72</u>

COMMUNICATIONS:- From L. R. Grabil regarding changes in construction of curb at corner of New York and Takoma Avenues. Referred to the Municipal Works Committee.

From Robert E. Lohr, Chairman of Streets and Light Committee of the Chamber of Commerce of Takoma Park, regarding parking regulations on Carroll Avenue from Shadle's Alley to the Citizens Bank Building. Referred to the Municipal Service Committee.

From Mr. C. J. Bride making application for position as playground Supervisor for the coming playground season. Referred to Civic Improvement and Education Committee.

From Milton E. Self making application for appointment to the Town Police force. Referred to the Municipal Service Committee.

From Mr. R. G. Sherburne, Chairman of the Church Committee of the Presbyterian Church, regarding installation of "No Parking on Sunday" signs for the east side of Maple Ave. and on the east side of Tulip Ave. for that section of these streets abutting the Church property. Referred to the Municipal Service Committee.

From Roy F. Fyre making application for re-appointment as Building Inspector for the Town for the coming year. Referred to the Municipal Service Committee.

Letters of application for position as playground instructor for the coming year from Joyce K. Dawkins, Lester J. Welch, Miss Ann Bovard and Mrs. Grace M. Gardner, were presented to Council and referred to the Civic Improvement and Education Committee.

From Geo. W. Greer, 806 Jackson Ave. requesting the construction of curb and gutter on Jackson Ave. between Central and Flower Avenues. Referred to the Municipal Works Committee.

Mayor Adams stated that at this time the Council would proceed with the opening of bids for the construction of curb and gutter in Mississippi Avenue as advertised, and the following bids were received:

From C. S. Faller, General Contractor, 3315 8th St., N. E., Washington, D. C., for the construction of 6" curb combined with 2 ft. gutter, at 67¢ per linear foot.

Excavation or grading preparatory to the construction of curb, 10¢ per sq. yd.

From the Contee Sand & Gravel Co. of Laurel, Md., for the construction of 6" curb combined with 2 ft. gutter, at 70¢ per lin.ft.

Excavation or grading preparatory to the construction of curb, 25¢ per cubic yard.

From E. R. P. Smith of Hyattsville, Md. for the construction of 6" curb combined with 2 ft. gutter at 75¢ per linear ft.

Excavation or grading preparatory to the construction of curb, 60¢ per cubic yard.

These bids were referred to the Municipal Works Committee for study and recommendation to Council.

Mrs. B. Shanks Chaney addressed Council regarding the necessity of the completion of Boyd and Jackson Avenues, in order that the sewer may be installed in these streets to correct the bad condition in this area caused by cess pools. Mr. D. D. Lamond, Corporation Counsel, advised Council that all Deeds of Dedication had been received with the exception of the Deed from Mr. Maurice Phillips for a small strip of land at the intersection of Jackson and Lincoln Avenues.

Mr. Harrigan, Chairman of the Municipal Works Committee, stated that he realized the importance of getting the sewer in Boyd and Jackson Avenues, but would like to know who is to stand the expense of the grading and the filling on these streets. After discussion of this matter, Mr. Harrigan moved that we do everything possible to grade Boyd Avenue immediately, and that we try to come to some agreement with the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission on the location of the sewer and the proper grades on Jackson Ave., as well as Boyd Ave., the amount of money to be expended on the grading and the filling of these streets not to exceed \$3000.00. Mr. Conger seconded this motion and same was approved.

Mr. Frank S. Harris addressed Council regarding the necessity for sewers in the Jackson and Boyd Avenues vicinity, and also stressed the need of sanitation in other sections of the Town, especially in the vicinity of the Spring Park Playground.

Mr. H. M. Stackhouse, 36 Columbia Ave., complained of trash being dumped on the lot in the rear of the Takoma Park Volunteer Fire Department Building, and asked that steps be taken to remedy this condition, as it was a nuisance and rat breeder.

Mayor Adams requested Mr. Huck, Chairman of the Health and Welfare Committee, to make a note of this matter and see if the Fire Department could not burn its refuse, and after same was burned, Supt. of Public Works Fischer could remove that portion of the rubbish left after burning.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Bills in amount of \$1745.76 were presented by

(MUNICIPAL WORKS COMMITTEE)--

Mr. Harrigan presented the following Ordinance and moved its adoption:--

ORDINANCE NO. 718

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 the North side of Jackson Avenue, between Flower Avenue and Central Avenue, at an approximate cost of \$1.00 per linear ft., abutting Lots 6, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20, Block "C", Cunningham Subdivision.

Section 2. The Mayor and Council at their regular meeting on June 17th, 1940, at the Takoma Park Volunteer Fire Dept. Bldg., 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.

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, Huvk and Taft. Voting Nay, none.

the Finance Committee, and payment of same was approved.

MUNICIPAL WORKS COMMITTEE: Mr. Harrigan, Chairman, reported in regard to the request of the Home Construction Co. for the Town to help defray expenses in connection with the construction of a bridge in their new subdivision bordering Jackson and Flower Avenues, and stated that his committee felt that although this bridge would probably serve a good purpose at sometime in the future, at the present time there is no reason that committee can find for the expenditure of Town funds for the erection of this bridge. Mr. Harrigan stated that the bridge would cost in the neighborhood of \$4000.00, and the recommendation of the committee was that this matter be tabled for the present, which recommendation was approved by Council.

Regarding the construction of sidewalks on Saratoga Avenue, Mr. Harrigan stated Major Fischer, Dr. Broome of the Montgomery County Board of Education, and himself, had conferred with the States Roads Commission in Baltimore, regarding the clearing of their right-of-way on Saratoga Ave., and the consideration of the construction of a retaining wall on the south side of Saratoga Ave. by the States Roads Commission. Mr. Harrigan stated that the Commission promised to give this matter consideration and advise the Town of their decision at an early date, but that up to the present time no word had been received from them.

Regarding the bids for the construction of curb and gutter in Mississippi Avenue, Mr. Harrigan stated that after going over the bids it was found that C. S. Faller was low bidder, and Mr. Harrigan moved that the contract for the construction of this curb and gutter in Mississippi Ave. be awarded to C. S. Faller. Motion was seconded by Mr. Duehring and approved.

CIVIC IMPROVEMENT AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE: Mr. Taft, Acting Chairman, stated that he had a number of communications in connection with Civic Improvement matters, but thought it best to withhold any action on same until the new Council takes over on Monday, June 3rd.

LAW AND ORDINANCE COMMITTEE: Mr. Taft, Chairman, stated that the committee had discussed the purchase of a set of books by McQuillin on Municipality Corporations for reference. Mr. Taft also stated that this is a new work, and believed that Takoma Park had gotten to the size where this set of books would be of a great advantage to the Town. After discussion of this matter, Mr. Taft moved that the Town purchase this set of books, same to be placed in the office of the Town Clerk for services of the Town of Takoma Park. Motion was seconded by Mr. Conger and approved.

MUNICIPAL SERVICE COMMITTEE. Mr. Duehring, Chairman, advised Council that he had an application for appointment to the police force, and would turn same over for the incoming Council to act upon.

Regarding the letter from Mr. Sherburne, Chairman of the Church Committee of the Presbyterian Church, regarding "No parking on Sunday" signs, Mr. Duehring stated that his committee approved of this request, and moved that "No Parking on Sunday" signs be placed on the

east side of Maple Avenue for a distance equal to the length of the Church, and on the eastern side of Tulip Avenue for a distance of 100 ft. from the corner of Maple Avenue, which motion was seconded by Mr. Conger and approved.

Regarding the communication from the Takoma Park Chamber of Commerce, asking that parking regulations on Carroll Avenue between Shadle's Alley and the Citizens Bank Building be changed, Mr. Duehring stated that this was a matter to be taken up with the States Roads Commission, as the present regulations in effect at this time were laid down by the States Roads Commission, and that before any changes could be made it would have to be sanctioned by the Commission. Mr. Harrigan stated that he would contact the States Roads Commission's traffic man on this matter, and would see what, if anything, could be done.

Regarding the request from the merchants on Carroll Avenue between Grant and Lee Avenues, that a "one hour" parking zone be established, Mr. Duehring moved that parking be restricted to one hour on the south side of Carroll Avenue between Grant and Lee Avenues between the hours of eight A. M. and six P. M. on week days, said order to be effective as soon as signs are installed. This motion was seconded by Mr. Taft and approved.

SOCIAL HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE: Mr. Huck, Chairman, offered the following report:

"During the past year the Committee on Social Welfare and Public Health received:

(a) One complaint on trash collections. Upon investigation it was found that garbage, combustible and noncombustible articles were not separated. The complainant was advised relative to the rules and regulations for the collection of trash.

(b) One complaint with reference to the keeping of a goat and the condition was rectified.

(c) One complaint with respect to howling dogs at the pound. Upon investigation it was ascertained that only on one or two occasions when a puppy was taken in, was there any disturbance, and evidently dogs outside and away from the pound were causing the trouble.

(d) One request for parking markers on Laurel Avenue. Marks have been placed on this street.

(e) One complaint received about an outside toilet, and the condition was remedied. Complaints on septic tanks in the Boyd Ave. area, voiced at a couple of Council's monthly meetings, have been given careful consideration by the Mayor and Council, and steps are nearing completion on the dedication of streets, etc., so that the Sanitary Commission can correct the condition by the laying of a sewer. A survey is being made by Mr. H. A. Axtell, Jr., under the supervision of the Health Office, Dr. Queen, on septic tanks, and sewerage and water connections in the Town, and upon completion thereof a report will be submitted to the Town.

(f) On two occasions complaints have been made against the keeping by an individual of chickens in a subdivision of the Town with small building lots. Owing to the Town Police Regulations not being upheld by the Court, an Ordinance has been drafted with respect to keeping chickens in the Town, and it has been turned over

to the Ordinance Committee for consideration.

(g) Two complaints made against setting fire to the Town dump. The firing of the dump was stopped and the dump is now practically covered with dirt.

(h) The Associated Health and Welfare Agencies of Takoma Park, Maryland, is doing splendid work, and warrants the support of the Mayor and Council. In addition to the contribution made by the Town to this worthy organization in the past year, it is recommended that for the coming year an additional sum be set aside for the cleaning of the building twice a month by a charwoman, since it is unreasonable to expect a man to clean with the nicety and thoroughness that is expected by the doctors and nurses. This will also benefit other groups using the building. The cost is estimated at \$50.00 for the year."

On motion of Mr. Huck, seconded by Mr. Taft, this report was ordered accepted, and the recommendations in same be given proper study.

On motion properly seconded, the request of the Kemper-Thomas Co. to issue Safety Calendars for the Town for the year 1941, along the same line as those issued for 1940, was approved.

Mayor Adams at this time stated that he would appoint Dr. Frederick L. Lewton, Millward C. Taft and Dr. Guy Clinton as delegates to represent the Town of Takoma Park in the Montgomery County Civic Federation for the coming year, and also appointed Mr. D. D. Lamond, John R. Adams and J. Wilson Dodd as alternates.

On motion of Mr. Conger, seconded by Mr. Taft, Council adjourned at 9:55 P. M.

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J. Wilson Dodd

 Clerk

 Mayor