

REGULAR MEETING  
MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
JULY 8, 1940.

Meeting called to order at eight o'clock P. M. Those present were Mayor Youngblood, Councilmen Conger, Heffner, Martin and Taft.

Minutes of the regular meeting of June 10th, 1940, and special meetings of June 22nd and June 25th, 1940 were read and approved.

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

RECEIPTS:--

General Taxes-----	\$	261.85
Interest and Penalties-----		63.42
Charges-----		59.00
Special Assessments-----		139.67
Building Permits-----		55.00
Electrical Permits-----		30.00
Dog Tax-----		62.25
Montgomery County-Police Tele.-----		12.00
Commission Pay Tel.- Police Station-----		.86
Montgomery County Fines-----		30.50
		<u>\$714.55</u>

DISBURSEMENTS:--

STREETS:-

Labor	523.00	
Material	324.79	
Miscellaneous Exp.	93.65	
Steam Shovel Hire	<u>622.00</u>	1,563.44

SERVICE:-

Garbage-Salary	270.00	
" Gas-Oil-Supplies	41.07	
Trash-Labor	360.00	
" Gas-Oil	66.03	
" Disposal	73.50	
Street Lights	<u>487.88</u>	1,298.48

POLICE:-

Salaries	495.00	
Clothing Allowance	40.00	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	33.09	
Telephones	17.42	
Supplies & Miscellaneous	<u>16.70</u>	602.21

OFFICE:-

Salaries	555.00	
Telephones & Supplies	40.63	
Equipment	25.00	
Printing & Advertising	37.24	
Postage (Tax Bills)	<u>52.48</u>	719.35



## PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS:-

Salaries	200.00	
Labor	<u>78.80</u>	278.80

ASSESSABLE IMPROVEMENTS:-	<u>394.79</u>	394.79
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## MISCELLANEOUS:-

Library Assn.	150.00	
Fire Department	500.00	
Recording Fee	.75	
Montgomery Co. Telephone-Police	12.00	
Welfare Center Telephone	8.65	
Set of Reference Books (McQuillan)	89.30	
Refund Sidewalk Deposits	20.00	
Tax Sale Expense	50.00	
Office Rent	55.00	
Dog Expense	5.00	
Refund Taxicab Badges	2.00	
New Assessment Expense	40.00	
Corporation Counsel Salary	50.00	
Building Inspector Expense	15.00	
E.E. Blodgett-Retirement	<u>25.00</u>	<u>1,022.70</u>

\$5,879.77

BANK STATEMENT:-GENERAL ACCOUNT

May 31st - On hand Citizens Bank	4,230.50	
Deposits in June	<u>714.55</u>	
	4,945.05	
Withdrawn in June	<u>3,800.25</u>	
June 30th- On hand		\$1,144.80
May 31st - On hand Sub. Nat'l Bank T.P.	2,486.09	
No deposits in June	<u>2,486.09</u>	
Withdrawn in June	<u>2,079.52</u>	
June 30th- On hand		406.57
May 31st - On hand Pr. Geo. Trust Co.	5,000.00	
Tf. to Citizens 6/28/40	<u>2,500.00</u>	
June 30th- On hand		<u>2,500.00</u>
June 30th- On hand all Banks		<u>\$4,051.37</u>

REVOLVING FUND

May 31st - On hand Citizens Bk. (Cert. Dep.)	\$9,040.00	
Tf. from Pr. Geo. Tr. for " "	<u>2,500.00</u>	
June 30th- On hand		11,540.00
May 31st - On hand Sub. Nat'l Tak. Pk.	323.72	
No deposits or Withdrawals	<u>323.72</u>	
June 30th- On hand		<u>323.72</u>
June 30th- On hand all Banks		<u>\$11,863.72</u>



COMMUNICATIONS:-- From Davis & Platt, requesting the installation of street lights on Hillwood Drive and Tracy Drive. Referred to the Municipal Service Committee.

From Davis & Platt, requesting the installation of street lights on Haverford and Lancaster Roads. Referred to the Municipal Service Committee.

From G. H. Smith, asking the assistance of the Mayor and Council in cleaning up conditions along Ridge Avenue, caused by the residence of colored people in that section. Referred to the Public Welfare and Health Committee.

From Ralph Shure, asking the installation of street light on Pole 724213, at the extreme northern end of Hodges Lane. Referred to the Municipal Service Committee.

From Arthur Wagner, making application for position on the Town Police Force. Referred to the Municipal Service Committee.

From Maryland National-Capital Park and Planning Commission enclosing application from Doran S. Platt for the rezoning of Parcel "A", facing on New Hampshire Avenue near Sligo Branch, from Residential "A" to Commercial "D". Referred to the Civic Improvement and Education Committee.

From John L. Fletcher, requesting the grading and filling in of Glenn Avenue from Flower Avenue, to take care of Lots 13 and 14 in Block 47, Fletcher Subdivision. Referred to the Municipal Works Committee.

From M. s. Phillips of Eastern Avenue, complaining regarding the parking of taxicabs in front of her residence. Referred to the Municipal Service Committee.

From Simpson and Simpson, Attorneys to the Board of County Commissioners, regarding the employment of Mr. J. D. Hamilton, Utilities Engineer of Baltimore, Md., for the purpose of attempting to effect a reduction in the rates now being paid for street lighting throughout Montgomery County, the various Towns and taxing areas effected to assume their proportion of the cost of employing Mr. Hamilton, which total cost was estimated to be in the neighborhood of \$7500.00.

This matter was referred to the Municipal Service Committee, and upon immediate discussion of same, Councilman Conger moved that the Board of County Commissioners be notified that the Town did not wish to participate in this survey.

After discussion, upon motion of Councilman Martin, the matter was tabled and the Clerk instructed to write Simpson and Simpson for further information as to the approximate cost to the Town for this service. This motion was seconded by Councilman Taft and approved. Councilman Conger voted "no".



Bids were received from the Wolfe Motor Co., the Takoma Motor Co., McMahon Chevrolet, Inc., and the Walsh Motor Co., for the furnishing of a 1½ ton truck, to be used in the collection of trash. These bids were referred to the Finance Committee, and after a study of same, it was found that the Takoma Motor Co. were low bidders, and upon motion of Councilman Taft, seconded by Councilman Conger, the Clerk was instructed to place an order with the Takoma Motor Co. for this truck, on the basis of their bid of \$1101.90.

MUNICIPAL WORKS COMMITTEE:-- Councilman Heffner, Vice-Chairman, reporting for Chairman Sidell, stated that Councilman Sidell advised him that he had visited the open streams in the rear of Cedar Avenue and Valley View Avenue and Boston Avenue, and wished to recommend to the Council that in order to cover these streams, that the Town advise the abutting property owners that if they will assume the cost of the material the Town will assume the labor cost for the construction of the culverts through these streams. After discussion of this matter, the Clerk was instructed to write the property owners abutting these streams, advising them of the recommendation, and upon receipt of their replies the matter to be given further consideration.

CIVIC IMPROVEMENT AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE:-- Regarding the application of Doran S. Platt, for the rezoning of Parcel "A" from Residential "A" to Commercial "D", after discussion of this matter Councilman Martin moved that the Mayor and Council approve this rezoning, and that the Maryland National-Capital Park and Planning Commission be so advised. This motion was seconded by Councilman Taft and approved.

MUNICIPAL SERVICE COMMITTEE:-- Councilman Heffner, Vice-Chairman, reporting in the absence of Chairman Harrigan, stated that the Committee recommended the installation of a street light on Pole 74863, in the vicinity of Maple and Erie Avenues, and upon motion of Councilman Heffner, seconded by Councilman Taft, this light was ordered installed.

On motion properly seconded, an application of Floyd Paul Benson to drive a taxicab for James W. Hall, was denied.

In connection with the application of Mr. Wm. A. Flagg, Councilman Heffner stated that Councilman Harrigan had presented to him a report of investigation of this applicant, and from the facts disclosed in same, the Committee recommended that the application of Mr. Flagg be rejected. After a lengthy discussion of this matter, Councilman Heffner advised that he did not care to make public the facts found in the investigation, but that he was convinced that if all the facts given to him by Councilman Harrigan were true that the application should be denied, but upon further discussion, Councilman Martin moved that the application of Mr. Flagg be tabled to await the presence of Councilman Harrigan, at which time the matter could be taken up and disposed of. This motion was seconded by Councilman Taft and approved.

Upon motion of Councilman Heffner, seconded by Councilman Martin, the application of Robert Cruitt to operate a taxicab in the Town of Takoma Park was granted.



SOCIAL WELFARE AND HEALTH COMMITTEE:-- Councilman Heffner, Chairman, stated that the matter of complaint against the chicken house of Mr. Harry P. Dodge on Birch Avenue had been investigated but no definite decision reached. Mr. Dodge addressed the Council and advised that the chicken house was kept in a good sanitary condition. Mr. Walker of Holly Avenue and Mr. Francis of Philadelphia Avenue also addressed the Council on this matter, and stated that the chicken house was objectionable and a detriment to their property. Mayor Youngblood referred the matter back to Committee, and requested Chairman Heffner to go into the matter thoroughly and see what could be done.

In connection with the grading and construction of curb and gutter in Mississippi Avenue, Councilman Taft offered the following Ordinance, and moved its adoption:

ORDINANCE NO. 727

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

Section 1. That the profile show the grade and fill in Mississippi Avenue as prepared by Engineer James M. Seybolt, be and the same is hereby approved.

The adoption of this Ordinance was seconded by Councilman Conger, and upon a Yea and Nay vote same was adopted. Voting Yea, Mayor Youngblood, Councilmen Conger, Heffner, Martin and Taft. Voting Nay none.

On motion of Councilman Conger, seconded by Councilman Taft, the Council adjourned at 9:50 P. M.

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*J. William Ross*  
Clerk

*O. H. Youngblood,*  
Mayor



SPECIAL MEETING  
MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
AUGUST 7, 1940.

Meeting called to order at 7:45 P. M. Those present were Mayor Youngblood, Councilmen Conger, Harrigan, Heffner, Martin, Sidell and Taft.

Mayor Youngblood stated that the meeting was called to take up several items needing attention.

Due to the resignation of Mr. Richard Auld as Assistant Playground Instructor, the matter of making an appointment to fill the vacancy was discussed, and applications of various young men were read, after which Councilman Martin moved the appointment of Mr. James Lynch to fill the vacancy caused by Mr. Richard Auld's resignation. This motion was seconded by Councilman Taft and approved.

The matter of application for taxicab drivers permit of Arthur Flagg was brought up for discussion. A letter was read from Corporation Counsel D. D. Lamond regarding the constitutionality of the Town's Ordinance governing taxicabs, and after discussion of this matter, Councilman Taft moved that the application of Mr. Flagg be tabled until the matter could be gone into thoroughly. This motion was seconded by Councilman Conger and approved.

The Mayor and Council discussed with a Committee from the Fire Department, a proposed agreement by the Town and the Fire Department for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1940. A tentative agreement was reached, and the agreement ordered drawn up for presentation to the Board of Trustees of the Fire Department.

Upon motion of Councilman Sidell, seconded by Councilman Taft, \$500.00 was ordered paid to the Fire Department as an advance payment on agreement to be executed by the Town and the Fire Department for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1940.

Councilman Taft presented the following Ordinance, and moved its adoption:

ORDINANCE NO. 728

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

Section 1. That the plat of resubdivision of parts of original Lots 3 and 4, in Block 57, Gilbert's Subdivision, to the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, into lots 22 to 26 inclusive, as presented by William P. Pringle and Emma M. Pringle, be and the same is hereby approved.

The adoption of this Ordinance was seconded by Councilman Sidell, and upon a Yea and Nay vote same was adopted. Voting Yea,



Mayor Youngblood, Councilmen Conger, Harrigan, Heffner, Martin, Sidell and Taft. Voting Nay, none.

Councilman Taft presented the following Ordinance, and moved its adoption:

ORDINANCE NO. 729

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

Section 1. That the profile of grade of Jackson Avenue between Ethan Allen Ave. and Lincoln Avenue, as presented by James M. Seybolt, Engineer, be and the same is hereby approved.

The adoption of this Ordinance was seconded by Councilman Sidell, and upon a Yea and Nay vote same was adopted. Voting Yea, Mayor Youngblood, Councilmen Conger, Harrigan, Heffner, Martin, Sidell and Taft. Voting Nay, none.

Councilman Taft presented the following Ordinance, and moved its adoption:

ORDINANCE NO. 730

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

Section 1. That the profile of grade of Boyd Avenue between Carroll Avenue and Jackson Avenue, in the Town of Takoma Park, as presented by James M. Seybolt, Engineer, be and the same is hereby approved.

The adoption of this Ordinance was seconded by Councilman Sidell, and upon a Yea and Nay vote same was adopted. Voting Yea, Mayor Youngblood, Councilman Conger, Harrigan, Heffner, Martin, Sidell and Taft. Voting Nay, none.

Upon motion of Councilman Sidell, seconded by Councilman Taft, Council adjourned at 10:45 P. M.

*Ind. 224*

*J. John Dodd*  
Clerk

*O. H. Youngblood*  
Mayor



Major Yarnall, Council member...  
Council member...  
Council member...

ORDINANCE NO. 727

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF...  
MAYOR...

Section 1. That the following ordinance be enacted...

Section 2. That the following ordinance be enacted...

Section 3. That the following ordinance be enacted...  
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REGULAR MEETING  
MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
AUGUST 12, 1940.

Meeting called to order at eight o'clock P. M. Those present were Mayor Youngblood, Councilmen Conger, Harrigan, Heffner, Martin, Sidell and Taft.

Minutes of the regular meeting of July 8th, 1940, and special meeting of August 7th, 1940, were read and approved.

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

RECEIPTS:--

General Taxes-----	\$34,704.50	
Less Discounts-----	<u>1,389.04</u>	\$33,315.46
Interest and Penalties-----		28.94
Charges-----		6.75
Special Assessments-----		161.66
Building Permits-----		47.00
Electrical Permits-----		13.00
Excavation Permits-----		2.00
Dog Tax-----		33.75
Taxes Overpaid-----		2.00
Vendor Permits-----		25.00
Franchise Tax-----		18.00
Montgomery County Fines-----		34.00
"    "    Telephones-----		12.00
"    "    Income Tax-----		2,803.02
"    "    Gas Tax-----		1,673.68
Sidewalk Deposits-----		<u>10.00</u>
		<u>\$38,186.26</u>

DISBRUSEMENTS:--

STREETS:

Labor	512.20	
Material	252.73	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep-Engineering	<u>238.84</u>	1,003.77

SERVICE:

Trash-Labor	288.00	
"    Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	176.03	
"    Equipment-New Truck	1101.90	
Garbage-Labor	270.00	
"    Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	31.70	
Street Lights	<u>472.12</u>	2,339.75

POLICE:

Salaries	558.00	
Clothing Allowance	40.00	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	36.77	
Telephones & Lights	23.19	
Equipment	21.00	
Miscellaneous Supplies	<u>2.40</u>	681.36



OFFICE:

Salaries	590.00	
Telephones & Supplies	15.30	
Postage	8.00	
Printing	5.15	
Miscellaneous Expense	<u>7.75</u>	626.20

PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS:

Salaries	400.00	
Labor	66.30	
Supplies	<u>39.20</u>	505.50

ASSESSABLE IMPROVEMENTS:

Chicago Avenue Walks	172.80	172.80
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MISCELLENEOUSE:

Library Association	210.00	
Insurance Premiums	423.00	
Municipal Bldg. Expense	.75	
Traffic Light Expense	4.64	
Refund Sidewalk Deposit	10.00	
Mont. Co. Police Telephones	12.00	
Welfare Center Telephone	8.60	
Recording Fees	9.00	
Dog Expense	4.00	
Refund Taxicab Badges	2.00	
Building Permit Expense-Printing	8.33	
" Inspector Expense	15.00	
E. E. Blodgett Retirement	50.00	
Office Rent	55.00	
Salary Corporation Counsel	<u>50.00</u>	862.32

\$6,191.70BANK STATEMENT:GENERAL ACCOUNT

June 30th - On hand Citizens Bank	1,144.80	
Deposits in July	28,560.84	
	<u>29,705.64</u>	
Tf. to Pr. Geo. Tr.		
" " Bk. of Bethesda	2500.00	
	<u>5000.00</u>	7,500.00
		<u>22,205.64</u>
Withdrawn in July	5,805.33	16,400.31
July 31st- On hand		
June 30th- On hand Sub. Nat. T.P.	406.57	
Deposits in July	9,625.42	
	<u>10,031.99</u>	
Withdrawn in July	386.37	
July 31st- On hand		9,645.62
June 30th- On hand Pr. Geo. Trust	2,500.00	
Tf. from Citizens Bk.	<u>2,500.00</u>	
July 31st- On hand		5,000.00



July 25th - Bk. of Bethesda		
Tf. from Citizens Bk.	<u>5,000.00</u>	
July 31st - On Hand		<u>5,000.00</u>
Ju July 31st - On Hand all Banks		<u>\$36,045.93</u>

REVOLVING FUND

June 30th - On hand Citizens Bk.	11,540.00	
No deposits or withdrawels	_____	
July 31st - On hand		11,540.00
June 30th - On hand Sub. Nat. T.P.	323.72	
No deposits or withdrawals	_____	
July 31st - On hand		<u>323.72</u>
July 31st - On hand all Banks		<u>\$11,863.72</u>

and the Annual Financial Statement of the Town Treasurer was presented as follows:

RECEIPTS:-

General Taxes-----	\$49,374.28	
Less Discounts-----	<u>1,417.88</u>	\$47,956.40
Back Taxes-----		708.53
Interest and Penalties-----		958.01
Charges-----		395.50
Special Assessments-----		6,916.86
Building Permits-----		1,136.00
Electrical Permits-----		441.50
Excavation Permits-----		16.00
Vendor Permits-----		82.00
Dog Tax <sup>1</sup> -----		446.25
" Impounding Fees-----		16.00
Garbage Collection-----		32.00
State Franchise Tax-----		52.00
Bank Shares and Security Tax-----		1,751.85
Fines in Montgomery County-----		267.75
" " Prince George's County-----		10.00
Gasoline Tax-Prince George's County-----		1,156.55
Taxicab License-----		10.00
" Badge Deposits-----		7.00
Tax Sales Certificate Redemption-----		362.77
Sidewalk Deposits-----		120.00
Montgomery County-Telephone Police Station-----		144.00
Interest on Revolving Fund-----		126.52
Miscellaneous-----		<u>48.26</u>
		<u>\$63,161.75</u>

DISBURSEMENTS:

Special Street Construction	\$13,628.73	
Less Town's share	<u>3,003.87</u>	\$10,624.86

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STREETS:

Labor	5,033.48	
Material	5,068.77	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep-Tools-Supplies	3,143.45	
Equipment - Roller	600.00	
Town's share Special Street Improvement	<u>3,003.87</u>	16,849.57

SERVICE:

Trash Collection	2,371.05	
Ash Collection	1,263.74	
Garbage Collection	3,867.95	
Street Lights	<u>5,568.03</u>	13,070.77

POLICE:

Salaries	6,222.50	
Clothing Allowance	500.00	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep-Misc. Expense	<u>1,130.56</u>	7,853.06

OFFICE:

Salaries, including Supt. of Public Works, Clerk and Treasurer, additional Clerical help, Electrical and Building Inspectors	6,660.00	
Telephones-Supplies-Misc. Expense	400.20	
Postage and Printing	357.97	
Equipment	<u>134.86</u>	7,553.03

PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS:

Salaries	1,000.00	
Labor	453.60	
Misc.-Supplies-Work Material	<u>137.43</u>	1,591.03

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Fire Protection	<u>5,000.00</u>	5,000.00
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MISCELLANEOUS:

Recording Fees	49.25	
Dog Expense	106.64	
Office Rent	660.00	
Bldg. Inspector & Bldg. Permit Expense	204.99	
Library Association	1,800.00	
Dues: County Municipal League and Civic Federation	39.00	
Appropriation to J. Enoc Ray School	30.00	
Advertisements in Montgomery-Blair Year Book and Fire Department	37.50	
Tax Sale Expense	142.00	
Election Expense	403.99	
Salary-Corporation Counsel	600.00	
Refunds: Sidewalk Depostis & Taxicab Badges	65.00	
Refund: Taxes	43.20	
Tax Certificate Redemption	392.27	
E. E. Blodgett-Retirement	300.00	
Gilbert Memorial Expense	28.00	
Municipal Bldg. Expense	271.10	



Welfare Center Telephone	87.73	
Montgomery County Police Telephone	1144.00	
Printing Building Code	220.80	
Audit	120.00	
Insurance Premiums	460.59	
Prince George's and Montgomery County Transfers	20.00	
Traffic Light	574.80	
Taxicab Expense	33.22	
New Assessment Expense	180.92	
Set of Legal Reference Books	89.30	
Petty Miscellaneous Expense	256.13	7,360.43
		<u>\$69,902.75</u>

CONSOLIDATED CASH STATEMENT

Balance on hand June 30th, 1939	\$22,656.09	
Receipts-Fiscal Year 1939	63,161.75	
	<u>85,817.84</u>	
Disbursements-Fiscal year 1939	69,902.75	
Bal. on hand in all Banks June 30th, 1940.		\$15,915.09

FUNDS LOCATION

GENERAL ACCOUNTS:

June 30th, 1940 - Citizens Bank	1144.80	
June 30th, 1940 - Sub. Nat'l T.P.	406.57	
June 30th, 1940 - Pr. Geo. Trust Co.	<u>2500.00</u>	4,051.37

REVOLVING FUNDS-

June 30th, 1940 - Citizens Bank- Cer- tificates of Deposit	11,540.00	
June 30th, 1940 - Sub. Nat. T.P.	<u>323.72</u>	11,863.72
June 30th, 1940 - Total funds on hand in all Banks		\$15,915.09

(Petty Cash Fund on Hand - \$30.00)

COMMUNICATIONS: From Mr. John M. McKenny, regarding the assessment of his property at the corner of Elm and Carroll Avenue. The Clerk was requested to write Mr. McKenny of the fact that all assessments were made by the County authorities, and advise him to appeal to the County authorities for a reduction in the assessment if he so desires.

From M. B. Camp, requesting some improvement to Ridge Ave. This was referred to the Municipal Works Committee.

From M. B. Mohr of the Seventh-day Adventist Medical Cadet Corps, regarding future conduct of the drill held on the Philadelphia Avenue Playground. Mr. Mohr advised that the matters complained of with reference to violation of parking regulations, and any noise, would be taken care of in the future.



From O. F. & E. T. Hardisty and Charles L. & Eva C. Roome, regarding unsanitary conditions existing on the property at 304 Spring Avenue. Referred to the Public Health and Welfare Committee.

From L. R. Grabill, extending thanks of the citizens of North Takoma for the improvement of streets in that section. Ordered filed.

From the Home Construction Co., requesting street lights in Trescott, Jackson and Hilton Avenues. Referred to the Municipal Service Committee.

From Mrs. R. Mills, 401 Takoma Ave., regarding damage done to her property by the State Roads Commission at the time Philadelphia Avenue was repaved by that Commission. The Clerk was instructed to take this matter up with the State Roads Commission, and endeavor to have same adjusted in some manner satisfactory to Mrs. Mills.

From Mr. Thomas Manley, regarding the extension of Poplar Avenue through to Carroll Avenue, adjacent to the Fire Department. Ordered filed.

From the Chamber of Commerce, regarding the status of the proposed new Town Hall. Mayor Youngblood stated that he would refer this letter to the Chairman of the General Committee, former Mayor John R. Adams.

Mr. Frank Harris addressed the Council in connection with the building of the new Town Hall, and stated that he was a member of the General Committee, but had not been advised of any meeting of the committee to take place in the near future, and stated that he was anxious to know whether the matter was still active, or whether it had been dropped. Mayor Youngblood advised Mr. Harris that he had talked to former Mayor John R. Adams, Chairman of the General Committee, and Mr. Adams advised him that a meeting of the General Committee would be called in the very near future.

Mr. Dan Faber addressed the Council regarding the construction of a culvert over his land at the corner of Takoma and Boston Avenues, and advised that it was agreeable to him for the Town to construct this culvert, with the understanding that the Town would furnish the labor and he pay for the material.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE:** Bills in amount of \$3007.22 were presented by the Finance Committee, and payment of same was approved.

Chairman Conger stated that he had two bids for the audit of the books of the Clerk and Treasurer for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1940, one from F. A. Lafrenz & Co., \$120.00, and the other from Snyder-Farr & Co., \$110.00. Chairman Conger moved that the contract for the audit of these books be awarded to the low bidder, Snyder-Farr & Co. at \$110.00. This motion was seconded by Councilman Taft and approved.

**MUNICIPAL WORKS COMMITTEE:** Councilman Sidell, Chairman, stated that the usual schedule of the Street Committee had been carried out dur-



ing the month, and that a number of streets needing repairs had been put in good condition.

With reference to the condition of Hudson Avenue, and a request for the opening of this street, Councilman Sidell offered the following Ordinance, and moved its adoption:

ORDINANCE NO. 731

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

Section 1. In accordance with the provision of Section 965 of the Town Charter, the Mayor and Council have under consideration the grading, at an estimate cost of 60¢ per cubic yard, of Hudson Avenue from Flower Avenue to Roanoke Avenue, a butting Lots 1, 53, 54 and 55, in Block 55, and that portion of Block 56 from Flower Avenue to the intersection of Hudson and Roanoke Avenues. The cost of said grading to be assessed against the abutting property owners. *See p. 117*

Section 2. The Mayor and Council, at the regular meeting of September 9, 1940, convening at eight o'clock P. M. at the Fire Hall Building, Carroll and Denwood Avenues, will hear all property owners desiring to be heard with regard to the work herein proposed.

The adoption of this Ordinance was seconded by Councilman Taft, and upon a Yea and Nay vote same was adopted. Voting Yea, Mayor Youngblood, Councilmen Conger, Harrigan, Heffner, Martin, Sidell and Taft. Voting Nay, none.

Councilman Sidell reported that the sidewalk on Woodland Avenue had been completed to within about 200 ft. of Elm Avenue, and stated that this sidewalk should be completed to connect with Elm Avenue, in order to make a walk for the school children through to the school. After discussion of this matter, Councilman Sidell offered the following Ordinance, and moved its adoption:

ORDINANCE NO. 732

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

Section 1. In accordance with the provision of Section 965 of the Town Charter, the Mayor and Council have under consideration the construction of cement concrete sidewalk, at an estimated cost of \$1.00 per lineal foot, on the east side of Woodland Avenue from the end of the present sidewalk to Elm Avenue, abutting Lot 55 in Block 16. The cost of the construction of said sidewalk to be assessed against the abutting property owner. *See p. 139*

Section 2. The Mayor and Council, at the regular meeting on September 9th, 1940, convening at eight o'clock P. M. at the Fire Hall Building, Carroll and Diswood Avenues, will hear all property owners desiring to be heard with regard to the work herein proposed.

The adoption of this Ordinance was seconded by Councilman Harrigan, and upon a Yea and Nay vote same was adopted. Voting Yea,



Mayor Youngblood, Councilmen Conger, Harrigan, Heffner, Martin, Sidell and Taft. Voting Nay, none.

Regarding the communication from John L. Fletcher, requesting the grading of Glenn Avenue, adjacent to lots 12, 13 and 14, Block 47, Fletcher's Addition, Councilman Sidell offered the ~~fn~~ following Ordinance, and moved its adoption:

ORDINANCE NO. 733

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

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Section 1. In accordance with the provision of Section 965 of the Town Charter, the Mayor and Council have under consideration the grading, at an estimated cost of 60¢ per cubic yard, of that portion of Glenn Avenue abutting Lots 12, 13 and 14, in Block 47, Fletcher's Subdivision. The cost of said grading to be assessed against the abutting property owners.

Section 2. The Mayor and Council, at the regular meeting on September 9, 1940, convening at eight o'clock P. M. at the Fire Hall Building, Carroll and Denwood Avenues, will hear all property owners desiring to be heard with regard to the work herein proposed.

The adoption of this Ordinance was seconded by Councilman Harrigan, and upon a Yea and Nay vote same was adopted. Voting Yea, Mayor Youngblood, Councilmen Conger, Harrigan, Heffner, Martin, Sidell and Taft. Voting Nay, none.

The matter of covering open streams in the Town was discussed at length, and the Clerk was instructed to write Mr. Clarence M. Kyle and Mr. John F. Noonan regarding the stream adjacent to their property, advising them that the Town would furnish any labor necessary in the construction of the culverts, providing the property owners would bear the cost of the material used in same.

The Clerk was also instructed to take up with Mr. H. K. Hobart the matter of extension of culvert adjacent to his property on Boston Avenue, through to Philadelphia Avenue, and advise him also that the Town was willing to furnish the labor in the construction of this culvert if he would bear the expense of the material.

CIVIC IMPROVEMENT AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE: Councilman Martin, Chairman, presented a report from Mr. C. J. Bride, covering the activities of the various playgrounds in the Town, in which Mr. Bride advised that the attendance on all three playgrounds, up to and including August 12, 1940, was 11,969.

MUNICIPAL SERVICE COMMITTEE: Councilman Harrigan, Chairman, presented a letter from the Planning Division of the State Roads Commission regarding parking regulations in connection with the traffic light at the intersection of Carroll and Laurel Avenues, in which communication it is recommended that a trial might be given to the changing of the parking regulations from Shadle's Alley to the Citizens Bank Building, by allowing parking in front of Nos. 20, 22, 24 and 26 Carroll Avenue for one hour between the hours of nine A. M. to four P. M., and permit no parking in front of these street numbers from seven to nine A. M. and four to six P. M. Councilman



Harrigan stated that this matter had been investigated, and due to cars coming up Elm Avenue into Carroll Avenue, that the Committee did not think it advisable to change the parking regulations in front of No. 20 Carroll Ave. Councilman Harrigan moved that as a trial we permit one hour parking in front of Nos. 22, 24 and 26 Carroll Avenue between the hours of Nine A. M. and four P. M., and no parking in front of Nos. 22, 24 and 26 Carroll Avenue between the hours of seven to nine A. M. and four to six P. M. This motion was seconded by Councilman Conger and approved.

Councilman Harrigan also moved that a "No Parking to Corner" sign be placed on the post now established on Carroll Avenue, opposite the door to the office of Lampson & Co. This motion was seconded by Councilman Taft and approved.

Councilman Harrigan also moved that a stop line perpendicular to the south east curb of Carroll Avenue, about three feet from the cross walk, with the word "Stop Here", in order that cars would stop a sufficient distance back to give ample room for cars coming up Laurel Avenue and making a left turn into Carroll Avenue, and also that a white line be painted for about three feet in the center of the street, in an effort to keep cars in the proper lane. This motion was seconded by Councilman Taft and approved.

Councilman Harrigan made a report on a number of traffic signs in the Town needing replacing and repainting, and a list of these signs were given to Superintendent of Public Works Fischer, with a request that this matter be attended to at the earliest possible date, and also that a "No Parking At Any Time" sign be placed at the intersection of Carroll and Ethan Allen Avenue in front of 201 Carroll Avenue.

On motion of Councilman Harrigan, seconded by Councilman Sidell, a sign reading "Proceed on Green Light Only" was ordered placed at the street entrance of the alley going into the rear of the stores on Laurel Avenue.

Councilman Harrigan stated that due to the fact that former Police Clerk Peacock was not on duty at the station any longer, a new Clerk had been sent to take his place who was not familiar with the Town of Takoma Park, and some confusion had taken place due to this fact. Councilman Harrigan recommended that the matter be taken up with the proper County Officials, and that they be availed upon to appoint a man as Police Clerk in the Takoma Park station who was familiar with the Town, and recommended the appointment for this position of Mr. Charles Overacker. Councilman Harrigan stated that the other Police Clerk, Mr. Harry Ourand, was very efficient in his work, and that there was not cause of complaint from that source. After discussion of this matter, the Clerk was instructed to write the Commissioners of Montgomery County, setting forth the views of the Mayor and Council in connection with this matter.

In connection with the request of Mr. Ralph G. Shure for a street light at the eastern end of Hodges Lane, Councilman Harrigan moved that a street light be placed at this location on Pole 724213. This motion was seconded by Councilman Martin and approved.



In connection with the letter of Davis & Platt, requesting street lights on Haverford Road and Lancaster Road in the New Hampshire Ave. section, Councilman Harrigan stated that his Committee had visited this section, and recommended and moved the installation of street lights as follows: Haverford Road and Wildwood Drive Pole 724986, Haverford Road and Glenside Drive Pole 724990, Lancaster Road Pole 828870, Lancaster Road Pole 724993, and at the intersection of Lancaster and Glenside Drive Pole --4984. This motion was seconded by Councilman Sidell and approved.

In reference to the letter of Davis & Platt for the installation of street lights in the Hillwood Subdivision, Councilman Harrigan recommended and moved that three lights be placed in this section, one at Hillwood Drive and Glenside Drive Pole 828431, one at Hillwood Drive and Tracy Drive Pole 828433, and one on Tracy Drive Pole 828436. This motion was seconded by Councilman Martin and approved.

Councilman Harrigan stated that he had a report from the Building Inspector showing 67 inspections made during the month of July. Councilman Harrigan also advised that he had a report from the Police Department showing the activities of that Department for the past month, which report showed that 135 calls had been made, and 52 arrests.

Mr. E. B. Fetty at this time stated that he had no written report made up of the electrical inspections, but wished to advise that 76 electrical inspections had been made, and six calls had been made as Fire Marshall.

Councilman Harrigan stated that he still held the application of Mr. Arthur Flagg for a taxicab permit, and urged quick action in the drafting of a resolution to be sent to the Motor Vehicle Commission, in order that we may ascertain the rights of the Town to govern the taxicab situation in the Town, and also that we request the Motor Vehicle Commission to appoint two of our Police Officers as taxicab inspectors for the Town.

Councilman Harrigan stated that he also was holding an application from Mr. James Hall for the operating of a taxicab in the Town of Takoma Park, and that this would be tabled pending some further information in connection with the taxicab matter.

The agreement between the Fire Department and the Town for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1940, was discussed at length, after which Councilman Taft moved that the agreement as presented be approved, and that the first payment of \$1000.00 be made as of this date, August 12th, 1940. This motion was seconded by Councilman Heffner and approved.

Councilman Conger moved that the Mayor and Town Clerk be authorized to execute this agreement in behalf of the Town. This motion was seconded by Councilman Taft and approved.

At this time Major Fischer advised the Council that one of his employees, Mr. Henry Field, had been in the employ of the Town for at least 42 years, and that Mr. Field was not physically fit at this time to continue his work. Major Fischer stated that he did not feel



Councilman Sidell presented the following Ordinance and moved its adoption:

ORDINANCE No. 733 1/2

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

Section 1. That under authority granted by Section 965 of the Town Charter, the Mayor and Council, after due advertising and hearing as provided therein, are of the opinion that the public health, safety and comfort require the improvement of that portion of Laurel Avenue between Eastern Avenue and Carroll Avenue, as advertised in Ordinance No. 709, adopted by the Mayor and Council March 18th, 1940, and the improvement of said street is hereby authorized in such manner as the Mayor and Council may determine within the terms of said Ordinance.

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Section 2. Two-thirds of the total cost of the work herein authorized shall be assessed against the property abutting thereon, and one-third of said total cost shall be assessed against the revenues of the Town, after deducting from said total cost the amount to be paid by the Capital Transit Company for the removal of old street car tracks, and the repaving of same within their old right-of-way.

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Section 3. Assessments for the special improvements herein authorized shall be payable within ninety days from the date of the approval of the assessment thereof by the Mayor and Council; provided that, if so desired, said assessment may be paid in five equal annual installments, the first due and payable within ninety days from the date of the approval thereof, the remaining payments to be likewise due and payable in each succeeding year, provided further, that payments of one-fifth, or excess thereof, may be made at any time within the payment period. All deferred payments shall bear interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, said interest beginning thirty days from the date of levy.

The adoption of this Ordinance was seconded by Councilman Conger, and upon a Yea and Nay vote same was adopted. Voting Yea, Mayor Youngblood, Councilman Conger, Harrigan, Heffner, Martin, Sidell and Taft. Voting Nay, none.

Councilman Sidell moved that the Clerk and Treasurer be authorized to advertise for bids for the paving as set forth in Ordinance No. 733 1/2, said bids to be opened at the next regular meeting of the Mayor and Council to be held on September 9th, 1940. This motion was seconded by Councilman Conger and approved.



as though he could tell Mr. Field that his services were no longer required, and suggested that, if possible, Mr. Field be retired on a pension, and after discussion of this matter it was moved by Councilman Conger that Henry Field be retired, and that in the future he be paid \$25.00 per month by the Town. Councilman Harrigan seconded this motion and same was approved.

In reference to the letter from Mr. and Mrs. Hardisty and Mr. and Mrs. Roome, in connection with the unsanitary condition of the premises at 304 Spring Avenue, Councilman Heffner stated that he had visited this property and the occupants had promised to correct this condition and put the property in good shape.

The matter of unsightly condition of the lots at the corner of Carroll and Sycamore Avenues on Sunday morning, due to papers left on same by the newsboys, was discussed, and the Clerk was instructed to report this matter to the Washington Star in an effort to correct this condition.

On motion of Councilman Conger, seconded by Councilman Taft, the Council adjourned at 10:50 P. M.

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J. Walker Dodd  
Clerk

O. H. Youngblood  
Mayor