

b REGULAR MEETING  
MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
FEBRUARY 9, 1942.

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

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 12th, 1942 were approved.

Financial Statement for the month of January, 1942 was presented by the Clerk and Treasurer and ordered filed as follows:

RECEIPTS

General Taxes-----	\$1,740.62	
Interest and Penalties-----	112.29	
Charges-----	13.50	
Special Assessments-----	418.34	
Building Permits-----	59.00	
Electrical Permits-----	28.00	
Dog Tax-----	89.00	
Montgomery County Bank Share Tax-----	386.49	
"    "    Telephone-----	12.00	
"    "    Fines-----	28.50	
		<u>\$2,887.74</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

STREETS:

Labor	618.17	
Material	153.98	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep-Supplies	130.74	
Resurfacing	<u>591.00</u>	1,493.89

SERVICE:

Garbage: Salaries	360.00	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	46.60	
Trash: Salaries	430.00	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	62.96	
Disposal (2 months)	155.45	
Ashes: Salaries	143.90	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	59.09	
Street Lights	526.26	
Traffic Light	<u>8.82</u>	1,793.08

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## POLICE:

Salaries	580.00	
Clothing Allowance	40.00	
Telephone-Coal-Light	47.54	
Equipment (Radio)	25.00	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	27.07	
Supplies & Misc. Expense	<u>22.58</u>	742.19

## OFFICE:

Salaries	660.00	
Telephone & Supplies	33.16	
Postage	7.50	
Printing	<u>4.50</u>	705.16

## PARKS &amp; PLAYGROUNDS:

Supplies	<u>11.62</u>	11.62
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## ASSESSABLE IMPROVEMENTS:

Elwyn Court (Curb & Gutter)	76.55	
Holly Ave. (Paving)	234.30	
Glaizewood Manor (Sewer)	<u>801.50</u>	1,112.35

## MISCELLANEOUS:

Library Assn	210.00	
Recording Fees	1.50	
Insurance	32.00	
Montgomery County Police Tele.	12.00	
Municipal Bldg. Expense	77.58	
Refund Sidewalk Deposit	10.00	
Dog Expense	47.50	
Refund Taxes	4.80	
E.E. Blodgett Retirement	50.00	
Henry Field's "	25.00	
Compensation Corp. Counsel	50.00	
Office Rent	55.00	
Justice of Peace Salary	25.00	
Building Inspector Expense	<u>15.00</u>	615.38

\$6,473.67

BANK STATEMENTGENERAL ACCOUNT:

Dec. 31, 1941 - on hand Citizens Bank	\$11,054.44	
Deposits in January	<u>2,691.05</u>	
	13,745.49	
Withdrawn in January	<u>1,012.50</u>	
Jan. 31, 1942 - On hand		12,732.99
Dec. 31, 1941 - On hand Sub. Nat'l T.P.	11,037.63	
Deposits in January	<u>196.69</u>	
	11,234.32	
Withdrawn in January	<u>5,461.17</u>	
Jan. 31, 1942 - On hand		5,773.15



Dec. 31, 1941 - On hand Pr. Geo. Tr. Co.	2,000.00	
No deposits or withdrawals	_____	
Jan. 31, 1942 - On hand		<u>2,000.00</u>
Jan 31, 1942 - On hand in all banks		<u>\$20,506.14</u>

REVOLVING FUND

Dec. 31, 1941 - On hand Sub. Nat. T.P.	323.72	
No deposits or withdrawals	_____	
Jan. 31, 1942 - On hand		323.72
Dec. 31, 1941 - On hand Citizens Bank	14,540.00	
No deposits or withdrawals	_____	
Jan. 31, 1942 - On hand		<u>14,540.00</u>
Jan 31, 1942 - On hand in all banks		<u>\$14,863.72</u>

COMMUNICATIONS: From Mr. Fred L. Glaize, Jr. regarding the construction of culvert between Lots 10 and 11 in Block 115, Glaizewood Manor Subdivision, requesting that this culvert be installed by the Town at his expense. Referred to the Municipal Works Committee.

From Wm. H. Biebusch, Adjutant of Takoma Park Post No. 28, American Legion, requesting appropriation of \$100.00 from the Town to be used in defraying expenses of establishing and maintaining an air warning interception station now being operated by the Post. Referred to the Finance Committee.

From Mrs. Agnes C. Abbott, Correspondent Secretary of the American Red Cross, Takoma Park Branch, Montgomery County Chapter, expressing appreciation to the Mayor and Council for the use of the work room in the Town Building in Columbia Avenue. Referred to the Health and Welfare Committee.

From J. B. Gordon, Director of Sanitary Engineering of the District of Columbia, regarding connecting of Eastern Avenue storm sewer at the intersection of Ash and Westmoreland Avenues. Referred to the Municipal Works Committee.

From A. W. Defenderfer, Chairman of the Chevy Chase Citizens



Committee, regarding the sending of a telegram to the Governor of the State of Maryland urging that the rate of the Maryland Income Tax be lowered to ease the burden of increasing Federal Defense Taxes. Referred to the Civic Improvement and Education Committee.

From Roy P. Frye, Building Inspector, advising Council of the issuance of 48 Building Permits during the month of January.

From Mrs. M. W. Robinson, Chairman of the Sanitary Committee of the Health and Welfare Center regarding sanitary survey recently made by the Town of Takoma Park. Referred to the Public Health and Welfare Committee.

From D. D. Lamond, Corporation Counsel, regarding Ordinance covering the operation of pin ball machines, and other similar devices, in the Town of Takoma Park. Referred to the Law and Ordinance Committee.

Mr. N. Meyer Baker, speaking for Mr. H. L. Cheney of 708 Devonshire Road, requested of the Council that steps be taken to improve Elm Ave. from Ethan Allen Avenue to Heather Avenue, as this street in places was almost impassable. Mr. Baker was advised by Mayor Youngblood that this matter would be looked into.

CIVIC IMPROVEMENT AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE: Councilman Heffner, Chairman, stated that his committee had nothing to report, except that he would like steps taken in connection with the rat extermination, and suggested that it might be well if we could contact the Boy Scouts, or the Girl Scouts, and get them interested in the matter, as other communities have done in the past. After discussion of this matter no definite action was taken.

LAW AND ORDINANCE COMMITTEE: Councilman Sidell, Chairman, presented the following Resubdivision Ordinance and moved its adoption:



ORDINANCE NO. 776

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

Section 1. That the plat of resubdivision of Lots 10 and 11, Block 55, B. F. Gilbert Subdivision, Takoma Park, Montgomery County, Maryland, into Lots 56, 57 and 58, as presented by John W. O'Donnell and Edith R. O'Donnell, be and the same is hereby approved.

Section 2. That all ungraded streets on said plat dedicated for public use, when graded to proper grade, be graded to approved profile, and under the supervision of the Superintendent of Public Works of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, the cost of said grading to be charged against the lots abutting same.

Section 3. That the cost of all future construction of paving, curb and gutters, sidewalks, and any necessary storm sewers or bridges, to be charged against the lots abutting said street, as shown on said plat, and that the construction of this work be done under the supervision of the Superintendent of Public Works of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland.

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

Councilman Sidell also presented the following Resubdivision Ordinance, and moved its adoption:

ORDINANCE NO. 777

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

Section 1. That the plat of resubdivision into lots 5 and 6, with Outlots "A", "B", "C" and "D", of Lot 1, Block "A", Bonnie View Subdivision; also all of the lands conveyed by Elinor Louise Hodges Judd, and Dean Judd, her husband, to Harry G. Trafer, Ruth J. Trafer, as presented by Harry G. Trafer, Ruth J. Trafer, Konrad Bailer and Elli Bailer, said subdivision being located in Takoma Park, Montgomery County, Maryland, be and the same is hereby approved.

Section 2. That all ungraded streets, if there be any, on said plat dedicated for public use, when graded to proper grade, be graded to approved profile, and under the supervision of the Superintendent of Public Works of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, the cost of said grading to be charged against the lots abutting same.



Section 3. That the cost of all future construction of paving, curb and gutters, sidewalks, and any necessary storm sewers or bridges, be charged against the lots abutting said streets as shown on said plat, and that the construction of this work be done under the supervision of the Superintendent of Public Works of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland.

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

Regarding the letter from Corporation Counsel D. D. Lamond, in connection with Ordinance covering the operation of pin ball machines, and other gambling devices in the Town, the matter was discussed at length, after which Councilman Sidell moved the adoption of the following Ordinance: This Ordinance was that proposed by Corporation Counsel D. D. Lamond, Mr. Lamond stating it was his opinion that this Ordinance would control the situation and withstand any legal attack made upon same.

ORDINANCE NO. 778

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

Section 1. That article numbered twenty-five, Section Five, of the Ordinances of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, be amended to read as follows:

No persons or persons in the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, shall participate in any game of chance for money or property with dice, cards, or any gambling table or other gambling device adopted, devised and designed for the purpose of playing any game of chance for money or property, in any public place or highway, or upon any vacant or unoccupied property, nor shall any person, firm or corporation or the agent of any person, firm or corporation install or cause to be installed in any public place in the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland, for operation by the public, more than one so called skill, pin ball machine, slot machine, claw machine, or other similar devices.

The adoption of this Ordinance was seconded by Councilman Martin, and upon a Yea and Nay vote same was adopted. Voting Yea, Mayor Youngblood, Councilmen Martin and Sidell. Voting Nay, Councilmen Heffner and Russell.

Councilman Martin, who is also President of the Takoma Park Volunteer Fire Department, stated that the Civil Defense Council



have requested that all fire houses be closed to public activities during the emergency, and also to keep all engine rooms locked. Councilman Martin stated that quite a bit of revenue came to the Fire Department by renting of the hall and gymnasium, and asked that the Mayor and Council voice their opinions as to the closing of the building to the public. Councilman Martin also stated that the Fire Department had not yet taken any definite action on the matter, and that he personally did not know of any reason why the people of the Town ~~sh~~ should not make use of the hall. Mayor Youngblood stated that the building was originally put up for the people of the Town, and that he thought same should be kept open for their use. Councilman Heffner stated that he did not see any benefit to the Town by keeping the building closed. Councilman Sidell stated that he did not think it should be closed. Councilman Russell stated that it should be kept open. Corporation Counsel D. D. Lamond stated that he thought it should be kept open. The opinion of Mr. J. W. Coffman, Sr., who was present at the meeting, was asked and Mr. Coffman stated that he thought it should be kept open unless somebody could show a good reason why it should be closed.

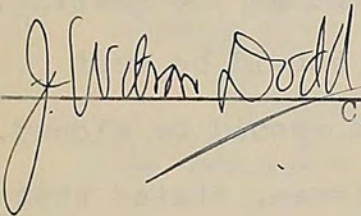
**MUNICIPAL WORKS COMMITTEE:** Councilman Russell, Chairman, stated that his committee had a short report to make, as very little work had been done, except the laying of the storm sewer on Glaisewood Avenue. Councilman Russell reported that the completion of this storm sewer was being rushed as rapidly as possible, and it was expected that same would be completed at an early date. Other necessary street maintenance work was done, but that no great amount was accomplished, due to the bad and freezing weather. Councilman Russell stated that about 451 feet of sidewalk had been laid on Ethan Allen Avenue by the VanVleck Construction Co. and that he and Superintendent of Public Works Fischer had examined same and found that some parts of this

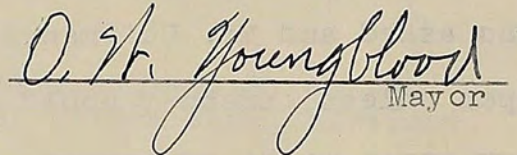


sidewalk was less than 2" thick, whereas the regulations of the Town are 4" in thickness and 4' wide, and Councilman Russell recommended and moved that the Council condemn this sidewalk and advise the VanVleck Construction Co. that same would have to be removed and a new sidewalk be laid in the proper manner. This motion was seconded by Councilman Sidell and approved.

Mayor Youngblood made a report of the activities of the Police Department covering the year 1941, in which it was disclosed that the total arrests for the year were 664, and the total calls and complaints all type were 2197.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Councilman Martin moved adjournment, and upon being seconded by Councilman Sidell the Council adjourned at 9:50 o'clock P. M.

  
Clerk

  
Mayor