

REGULAR MEETING
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
May 17, 1943.

Meeting called to order at eight o'clock P. M. Those present were Mayor Youngblood, Councilmen Carr, Heffner, Martin and Russell. Councilman Taft was not present due to illness, and Councilman Sidell was out of town.

The minutes of the last Regular Meeting of April 19th, 1943, were approved.

The Treasurer's report for the month of April, 1943, was presented by the Clerk and Treasurer, and ordered filed as follows:

RECEIPTS

General Taxes - - - - -	\$578.19
Interest and Penalties - - - - -	122.16
Charges - - - - -	118.75
Special Assessments - - - - -	575.84
Building Permits - - - - -	292.00
Dog Tags - - - - -	68.25
Taxicab Permits - - - - -	5.25
Commission-Pay Telephone-Police Sta.-	1.88
State Franchise Tax -- - - - -	17.50
Montgomery County Police Telephone- -	12.00
	<u>\$1,791.82</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

STREETS:

Labor	623.05	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep-Misc. Exp.	169.99	
Material	287.11	
Poplar-Spring Aves. Storm Sewer	<u>6,014.56</u>	7,094.71

SERVICE:

Garbage: Salaries	454.60	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	52.20	
Disposal	117.35	
Trash: Salaries	412.83	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	56.34	
Disposal	72.40	
Ash: Salaries	30.00	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	33.09	
Street Lights	532.50	
Traffic Light	<u>.75</u>	1,762.06

POLICE:

Salaries	683.28
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POLICE:

Salaries	683.28	
Clothing Allowance	40.00	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	54.95	
Telephones-Coal-Lights	51.66	
Supplies	<u>4.60</u>	834.49

OFFICE:

Salaries	719.40	
Telephones-Supplies-Misc.	38.02	
Postage and Printing	<u>26.00</u>	783.42

PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS:

Labor	<u>31.95</u>	31.95
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ASSESSABLE IMPROVEMENTS:

Curb-Gutter-Darwin Ave.	130.00	
Jackson Ave. Paving (Adv.)	<u>7.50</u>	137.50

MISCELLANEOUS:

Library Assn.	270.00	
Insurance (Pumphrey)	32.00	
Recording fees	3.75	
Municipal Bldg. Expense	28.87	
Tax Sale Expense	96.00	
Montg. County Police Tele.	12.00	
Dues Mont. Co. Civic Federation	15.00	
Office Rent	55.00	
E.E. Blodgett Retirement	50.00	
Henry Fields "	25.00	
Justice of Peace Salary	25.00	
Bldg. Inspector Expense	15.00	
Honor Roll Expense	1.65	
Dog Expense	<u>25.00</u>	654.27
		<u>\$11,298.40</u>

BANK STATEMENT

GENERAL ACCOUNT:

3/31/43 - On hand Citizens Bank	\$27,623.62	
Deposits in April	<u>1,791.82</u>	
	29,415.44	
Withdrawn in April	<u>11,298.40</u>	
4/30/43 - On hand		\$18,117.04
3/31/43 - On hand Sub. Nat'l T.P.	7,750.28	
No deposits or withdrawals	<u> </u>	
4/30/43 - On hand		<u>7,750.28</u>
4/30/43 - On hand in all banks		<u>\$25,867.32</u>

REVOLVING FUND

3/31/43 - On hand Sub. Nat'l T.P.	323.72	
No deposits or withdrawals	<u> </u>	
4/30/43 - On hand		<u>\$323.72</u>

COMMUNICATIONS: From the Community League of Takoma Park regarding the renaming of certain streets, and the renumbering of houses. Referred to the Municipal Service Committee.

From the Community League of Takoma Park, regarding repairs to numerous streets within the town. Referred to the Municipal Works Committee.

From B. Shanks Chaney, requesting construction of concrete curb and gutter abutting his lots in Manor Circle. Referred to the Municipal Works Committee.

Petition from 20 property owners in the vicinity of Philadelphia and Holly Avenues and Piney Branch Road, regarding the unsanitary condition of the open stream paralleling Philadelphia Avenue south of Chestnut and Holly Avenues. Referred to the Municipal Works Committee.

Police report for the month of April was read to the Mayor and Council by the Clerk, which showed total arrests of 20, and total calls and complaints of all types, 144.

At this time Mayor Youngblood stated that hearing on the proposed construction of concrete curb and gutter in Davis Avenue, between Garland and Central Avenues, as advertised in Ordinance No. 808, would be held.

The Clerk read to Council a petition signed by six property owners opposing the construction of this curb and gutter, and also a petition from five property owners expressing their desire to have this curb and gutter installed.

Mr. Geo. W. Davis and Mr. R. J. Hartigan appeared before Council and expressed their opposition to the construction of this curb and gutter. Mr. Davis and Mr. Hartigan were also signers of the petition opposing same.

Mr. I. A. Gehrman and Mr. S. M. Robbins addressed Council in favor of the proposed curb and gutter, and expressed the hope that this curb and gutter would be installed immediately, in order to correct the storm water condition at this point.

Mr. George W. Davis also spoke to Council in behalf of another property owner, Mrs. Dorothy Ford, and stated that Mrs. Ford opposed the construction of the curb and gutter due to the fact that she was financially unable to pay for same.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Bills in the amount of \$1,946.38 were presented by the Committee, and payment of same was approved.

Councilman Carr, Chairman, stated regarding the matter of stirrup pumps, that due to the fact that Councilman Taft was unable to attend this meeting, he was not in a position to make a definite recommendation regarding same, and recommended that the matter be held up pending the adoption of the new budget.

MUNICIPAL SERVICE COMMITTEE: In the absence of Councilman Sidell, the Committee, composed of Councilman Martin and Councilman Heffner, presented the following taxicab applications:

John Preston Wickline, Owner	- Edward Preston Wickline, Operator
W. H. Bennett, Owner	- Rose E. Lee, Operator
O. L. Lowry, Owner	- Odell McMullin, Operator
R.D. Murray, Owner	- Charles Sales, Operator
R. D. Murray, Owner	- Charles Keymer, Operator
Walter B. Winegar, Owner	- Walter B. Winegar, Operator
J. L. Hamrick, Owner	- P. S. Emerson, Operator
J. L. Hamrick, Owner	- James Stealey, Operator

After discussion of this matter, on motion of Councilman Martin, seconded by Councilman Heffner, the applications were approved.

The applications of Loren W. Franzino, owner, John Victor Jenkins, Operator and Luther W. Cramer, Owner, and Raymond Eugene Wolfe, Operator, on motion property seconded, were rejected by Council at this time.

The matter of collection of prepared tin cans was brought up for discussion, and Supt. of Public Works Fischer advised Council that he had taken a load of these cans to the salvage place in northeast Washington, and that they advised him they were not taking any more of these cans. Supt. Fischer also advised that he had called a number of

other junk dealers, and they advised that these cans were not being taken by them, Supt. Fischer stated that he would make a further effort to dispose of the cans, and if unable to do so would dispose of them in the regular manner as the other noncombustible trash.

MUNICIPAL WORKS COMMITTEE: Councilman Russell, Chairman, regarding the construction of curb and gutter in Davis Avenue, stated that in view of the fact that the town has already gone on record of expending a total of approximately \$967.00 for installation of a storm sewer on Jackson Avenue, to take care of the surface storm water in the four blocks bounded by Flower, Carroll, Garland and Jackson Avenues, it seems necessary that we do something about grading and improving Davis Avenue, in order to make the storm sewer effective. Councilman Russell stated that his committee was 100% in favor of the curb and gutter on Davis Avenue from Central to Garland Avenue, and in view of this fact, Councilman Russell presented the following Ordinance, and moved its adoption:

ORDINANCE NO. 810

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 Davis Avenue from Central Avenue to Garland Avenue, as advertised in Ordinance No. 808, adopted by the Mayor and Council April 19th, 1943, 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. 1.59

Section 2. That the Municipal Works Committee be authorized to proceed immediately, or as soon as possible, in accordance with the provisions of the Town Charter, to construct cement concrete curb and gutter in Davis Avenue abutting Lots 16 to 22 inclusive, in Block "B", and Lots 1 to 8 inclusive, in Block "D", Cunningham Subdivision, and that the Superintendent of Public Works be authorized to proceed with this work, and to employ any additional help necessary in the construction of same.

Section 3. That assurance is made that the curb and gutter be constructed to proper grade, and that the cost of this work be held to a sum not to exceed \$1,000.00.

Section 4. That the cost of the construction of this curb and gutter be assessed in the regular manner against the property owners abutting the improvement.

Councilman Heffner seconded the adoption of this Ordinance, and on a Yea and Nay vote same was adopted. Voting Yea, Mayor Youngblood, Councilmen Carr, Heffner, Martin and Russell. Voting Nay, none.

In view of the fact that Mr. Gehrman has requested the construction of curb and gutter abutting his property on Central Avenue for approximately 150 ft., Councilman Russell moved that the Supt. of Public Works install this curb and gutter, Mr. Gehrman to be billed with the actual cost of same. This motion was seconded by Councilman Heffner and approved.

Regarding the storm sewer on Jackson Avenue, Councilman Russell stated that grades had been given the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission, and that while he had not received final written approval of same, the Commission had given him their verbal approval of the grades, and also advised that a 24" pipe would be sufficient to carry the storm water.

Councilman Russell also stated that Mr. Smallwood had revised his bid of \$2.50 per running foot to \$2.15 per running foot, a reduction of 35¢ per foot over his original bid. Councilman Russell stated that at the extreme end of the sewer it is possible that Mr. Smallwood would encounter some rock which may need blasting, in which event it should be stipulated that Mr. Smallwood would be paid for any additional expense made necessary by the blasting. Councilman Russell stated that Mr. Smallwood would put his agreement for construction of this sewer in writing.

After discussion of this matter, Councilman Russell moved that pending a written proposal from Mr. Smallwood, giving his figures of \$2.15 per running foot for the digging of the trench, laying of pipe, and back filling same, that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to issue an order to Mr. Smallwood to proceed with this project, after receiv-

ing written agreement from Mr. Smallwood. This motion was seconded by Councilman Heffner and approved.

Councilman Martin requested a report from Supt. of Public Works Fischer on the Poplar and Spring Avenue storm sewer project, and Supt. Fischer advised that the sewer was practically completed, with the exception of finishing a few catch basins, which should be completed this week, but that the relaying of the sidewalks should be held up for at least thirty days, until the fill has had more time to settle.

The matter of wash-outs under the curb and gutter recently constructed in Jackson Avenue was discussed, and Supt. of Public Works Fischer was instructed to correct this condition at the earliest possible moment, as it was feared that the curb may collapse at any time, thereby necessitating additional construction expense.

At this time Mr. Hext P. Ware addressed Council and extended an invitation to the Mayor and Council, Supt. of Public Works Fischer, and to the ladies and gentlemen of the press, to attend a meeting at the Fire Dept. on the evening of May 26th, 1943, at which time Congressman J. Glenn Beall of the Sixth Congressional District of Maryland would be presented with an Honorary Membership in the Takoma Park Volunteer Fire Department.

Councilman Russell stated that he had another matter to bring before the Council, that being in connection with the petition for the paving of Greenwood Avenue from Carroll Avenue to the Town Corporation line, and Councilman Russell recommended that in view of the fact that the petition as sent in did not contain 100% of the property owners abutting the improvement, that a hearing be held for the paving of this street at the next regular council meeting, and presented the following Ordinance, and moved its adoption:

ORDINANCE NO. 811

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 provisions of Section 965 of the Town Charter, the Mayor and Council have under consideration the paving of Greenwood Avenue from Carroll Avenue to the Town Corporation line, abutting Lots 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 in Block 105, and Lots 1, 2, 3 and part of 4, in Block 106, Palmer Subdivision, at an estimated cost of \$12.00 per linear foot, the cost of said improvement to be assessed against the land abutting same in the usual manner.

Section 2. The Mayor and Council, at their Regular Meeting on June 21st, 1943, convening at eight o'clock P. M., at the Town Offices in the Citizens Bank Building, Carroll and Laurel Avenues, Takoma Park, Maryland, will hear all property owners desiring to be heard in regard to the work herein proposed.

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 Carr, Heffner, Martin and Russell. Voting Nay, none.

Mr. John W. Coffman, Sr. addressed Council and recommended that the Police Department, or the "Dog Catching" Department, be urged to increase their interest in the elimination of stray dogs.

The matter of the Budget for the coming fiscal year was called to the attention of Council by Councilman Carr, and it was decided to hold a Special Meeting on Monday evening next, May 24th, 1943, to discuss the Budget for the coming fiscal year.

On motion of Councilman Martin, properly seconded, Council adjourned at 9:45 P. M.

J. William Dodd
Clerk

O. H. Youngblood
Mayor

SPECIAL MEETING
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
May 24, 1943.

Meeting called to order at eight o'clock P. M. Those present were Mayor Youngblood, Councilmen Carr, Heffner, Martin, Russell and Sidell. Due to illness, Councilman Taft was unable to attend.

Meeting called for the purpose of discussing tax rate for the coming fiscal year, and to discuss and adopt a Budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1st, 1943.

The amounts necessary to carry on the various departments of the Town for the coming year were thoroughly discussed, after which, on motion of Councilman Carr, seconded by Councilman Martin, the adoption of the following Ordinance was moved:

ORDINANCE NO. 812

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

Section 1. That a general tax rate of Seventy Eight (78¢) Cents on each One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) of assessed valuation, be and the same is hereby levied and approved for the purpose of meeting any and all general and special expenses for the Town for the fiscal year beginning July 1st, 1943.

Councilman Heffner at this time made a motion to amend this Ordinance to read a "tax rate of eighty cents (80¢) on each One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars assessed valuation". This Amendment was seconded by Councilman Russell, and after a lengthy discussion of the Amendment, Councilman Russell withdrew his "second" and the motion to amend was lost, due to same not being properly seconded.

Question was called on the original Ordinance, setting the tax rate at Seventy Eight (78¢) Cents per One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars assessed valuation, and same was unanimously adopted. Voting Yea, Mayor Youngblood, Councilmen Carr, Heffner, Martin, Russell and Sidell. Voting Nay, none.

Regarding the Budget, Councilman Carr at this time offered the following Ordinance, and moved its adoption:

ORDINANCE NO. 813

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

Section 1. That in accordance with the provisions of Section 961 of the Town Charter, the following Budget is hereby approved and adopted for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1st, 1943:

RECEIPTS:

General Taxes at 78¢ per \$100.00 - - - -	\$80,620.80	
Less difference between dis-		
counts and penalties - - - - -	<u>2,200.00</u>	\$78,420.80
Interest and Penalties - - - - -		1,000.00
Permits and Miscellaneous - - - - -		500.00
Back Taxes - - - - -		200.00
Montg. and Pr. Geo. Counties Gas Tax - - - - -		1,200.00
Bank Share and Income Tax - - - - -		3,500.00
Dog Tax - - - - -		650.00
Estimated cash balance on hand - - - - -		<u>1,000.00</u>
		\$86,470.80

ESTIMATED DISBURSEMENTS:

OFFICE:

Salary Clerk and Treasurer - - - -	\$ 3,600.00	
" Supt. of Public Works - - - -	2,400.00	
" Bldg. Inspector - - - -	600.00	
" Electrical Inspector - - - -	300.00	
Supplies and Telephones - - - -	450.00	
Equipment - - - -	50.00	
Additional Clerical Help - - - -	1,200.00	
Postage and Printing - - - -	<u>300.00</u>	8,900.00

POLICE:

Salaries (4 Officers) - - - -	8,400.00	
Clothing Allowance - - - -	480.00	
Automobile Expense - - - -	720.00	
Telephones and Lights - - - -	350.00	
Furnace Fuel - - - -	125.00	
Miscellaneous - - - -	<u>100.00</u>	10,175.00

GARBAGE:

Salaries - - - -	5,650.00	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep-Supplies - - - -	650.00	

TRASH:

Salaries - - - -	5,200.00	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep and Disposal - - - -	1,600.00	

ASH:

Salaries - - - -	750.00	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep - - - -	<u>350.00</u>	14,200.00

STREET LIGHTS - - - -	<u>6,500.00</u>	6,500.00
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STREET MAINTENANCE: Labor, Materials, Salaries, etc. - - - -	<u>14,433.72</u>	14,433.72
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PARKS & PLAYGROUNDS: Salaries 2½ months -	1,000.00	
Labor - - - -	500.00	
Supplies & Misc. - - - -	<u>100.00</u>	1,600.00

MISCELLANEOUS:

Office Rent - - - -	660.00	
Audit - - - -	150.00	
Tax Sale Expense - - - -	200.00	
Election Expense - - - -	125.00	
Dog Expense - - - -	150.00	
Salary-Corporation Counsel - - - -	600.00	
Insurance: Fire Truck-Lia. Comp. - - - -	1,500.00	
Pumphrey - - - -	410.00	
Retirement: Blodgett & Fields - - - -	900.00	
Fire Dept. at 12½¢ per \$100.as.valua.	12,920.00	
Library Association - - - -	3,800.00	
Munic. Bldg. (8 Col. Ave) Fuel-Light, etc.	600.00	
10% Reserve (78¢ rate & other Revenue	<u>8,647.08</u>	30,662.08

Total Estimated Disbursements - - - - - \$86,470.80

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

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 Carr, Heffner, Martin, Russell and Sidell. Voting Nay, none.

The hour being late, on motion properly seconded, Council adjourned at 12:10 A. M.

Subscribed

J. W. M. Dodd
Clerk

O. H. Youngblood,
Mayor

REGULAR MEETING
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
JUNE 21st, 1943

Meeting called to order at eight o'clock P. M. Those present were Mayor Youngblood, Councilmen Carr, Heffner, Martin, Russell and Sidell. Councilman Taft was not present due to illness.

The minutes of the last Regular Meeting of May 17th, 1943, and Special Meeting of May 24th, 1943, were approved.

The Treasurer's report for the month of May, 1943 was presented and ordered filed as follows:

RECEIPTS

Interest - - - - -	\$59.01
Charges - - - - -	1.75
Special Assessments - - - - -	679.02
Building Permits - - - - -	15.00
Electrical Permits - - - - -	4.00
Dog Tax - - - - -	166.25
Montg. County Police Telephone - - - - -	12.00
" " Fines - - - - -	40.00
Sale one Bldg. Code - - - - -	.50
Road Scraper Sold (Best Sek) - - - - -	50.00
Tax Sale Redemption - - - - -	28.62
Supplies sold (C.E.Thomas & B.Souder) - - - - -	13.56
	<u>\$1069.71</u>