

REGULAR MEETING
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
July 19th, 1943.

Meeting called to order at eight o'clock P. M. Those present were Mayor Youngblood, Councilmen Carr, Heffner, Russell and Sidell.

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 21st, 1943 were approved.

Financial Statement for the month of June, 1943, was presented by the Clerk and Treasurer and ordered filed as follows:

RECEIPTS

Interest - - - - -	\$	2.42	
Special Assessments - - - - -		279.58	
Building Permits - - - - -		4.00	
Electrical Permits - - - - -		15.00	
Dog Tax - - - - -		16.25	
Taxicab Permits - - - - -		3.00	
Prince Georges County Fines - - - - -		5.00	
Montgomery County Police Telephone -		12.00	
Commission Pay Telephone-Police Sta.		1.07	
		<u>338.32</u>	

DISBURSEMENTS

STREETS:

Labor	419.60	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	203.94	
Material	122.03	
Storm Sewer Construction	1,789.40	
Resurfacing Streets	1,072.64	
Jackson & Lincoln Ave. Inter.	<u>774.65</u>	\$4,382.26

SERVICE:

Garbage: Salaries	435.20	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	28.75	
Disposal	90.15	
Trash: Salaries	382.00	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	46.04	
Disposal	79.15	
Street Lights	532.50	
Traffic Light	<u>.75</u>	1,594.54

POLICE:

Salaries	618.36	
Clothing Allowance	40.00	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	83.59	
Telephones-Coal-Light	53.22	
Supplies	<u>7.90</u>	803.07

OFFICE:

Salaries	652.80	
Telephones & Supplies	59.55	
Postage and Printing	<u>52.48</u>	764.83

PARKS & PLAYGROUNDS:

Labor	119.82	
Material	<u>19.72</u>	139.54

Assessable Improvements:

Jackson Ave. Curb and Gutter	1,624.17	
Greenwood Avenue Paving	<u>9.00</u>	1,633.18

MISCELLANEOUS:

Fire Dept. - Tax Revenue	4,460.22	
Library Assn.	270.00	
Prince Georges County Transfers	13.30	
Insurance (Pumphrey)	32.00	
Honor Roll Expense	11.60	
Dog Expense	4.00	
Municipal Bldg. Expense	14.69	
Montgomery County Police Telephone	12.00	
Tax Sale Expense	66.00	
Office Rent	55.00	
E. E. Blodgett Retirement	50.00	
Henry Fields "	25.00	
Justice of Peace Salary	25.00	
Building Inspector Expense	<u>15.00</u>	5,053.81

\$14,371.23

BANK STATEMENT

GENERAL ACCOUNT:

5/31/43 - On hand Citizens Bank	\$13,729.93	
Deposits in June	<u>338.32</u>	
	14,068.25	
Withdrawn in June	<u>7,917.17</u>	
6/30/43 - On hand		6,151.08
5/31/43 - On hand in Suburban Nat'l T.P.	7,528.36	
No deposits in June		
	<u>7,528.36</u>	
Withdrawn in June	<u>6,454.06</u>	
6/30/43 - On hand		<u>1,074.30</u>
6/30/43 - On hand in all banks		<u>\$7,225.38</u>

REVOLVING FUND

5/31/43 - On hand Sub. Nat'l T. P.	323.72	
No deposits or withdrawals		
6/30/43 - On hand	<u>323.72</u>	

COMMUNICATIONS: Mr. M. E. McBride, Chief of the Takoma Park Volunteer Fire Department, regarding O.C.D. equipment which had been turned over to the Fire Department, and also regarding the purchase of trailers for the Skid Pumps. Referred to the Municipal Service Committee.

From Mr. R. J. Speir, regarding dedication of a portion of Greenwood Avenue in the rear of his premises, necessary for the paving of Greenwood Avenue. Referred to the Municipal Works Committee.

From Mr. F. D. Kitwell, regarding condition of Jackson Avenue from Boyd Avenue to Sligo Parkway. Referred to the Municipal Works Committee.

From Joseph L. Geeraert, regarding maintenance and topping of Grant Avenue. Referred to the Municipal Works Committee.

At this time bids for the paving of Greenwood Avenue, as advertised, were opened and read to Council by the Clerk. The following bids were received:

Contee Sand and Gravel Co.

- 1. Grading and rolling roadway, per cubic yard, excavated - - - - - \$1.15
- 2. Constructing straight cement curb, combined with 2" gutter, per linear foot - - - - - 1.20
- 3. Construction circular cement curb, combined with 2" gutter, per linear foot - - - - - 1.35
- 4. Constructing cement roadway 7 inches in thickness, per square yard - - - - - 2.50
- 5. Constructing driveway approaches as described in specifications, and including necessary excavation, each - - - - - 25.00

Eyre & Smallwood.

- 1. Grading and rolling roadway, per cubic yard, excavated - - - - - 1.25
- 2. Constructing straight cement curb, combined with 2" gutter, per linear foot - - - - - 1.25
- 3. Construction circular cement curb, combined with 2" gutter, per linear foot - - - - - 1.35
- 4. Constructing cement roadway 7 inches in thickness, per square yard - - - - - 2.60

5. Constructing driveway approaches as described in specifications, and including necessary excavation, each - - - - - \$30.00

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

At this time Mayor Youngblood stated that he had inquired into the health of Councilman Taft, and that he was told there was not much improvement in Councilman Taft's condition.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Financial Statement for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 1942 and ending June 30th, 1943, was read to Council and ordered filed as follows:

RECEIPTS

General Taxes - - - - -	\$80,148.26	
Less Discounts - - - - -	<u>2,488.48</u>	\$ 77,659.78
Back Taxes - - - - -		595.78
Interest and Penalties - - - - -		1,273.52
Charges - - - - -		204.75
Special Assessments - - - - -		10,771.27
Building Permits - - - - -		545.00
Electrical Permits - - - - -		89.00
Excavation Permits - - - - -		1.00
Taxicab & Vendor Permits - - - - -		105.75
Dog Tax & Impounding Fees - - - - -		938.25
State Franchise Tax - - - - -		62.80
" Income Tax - - - - -		4,637.42
Bank Share Tax - - - - -		665.39
Montgomery County Police Telephones - - - - -		144.00
" " Fines - - - - -		260.50
" " Gasoline Tax - - - - -		1,033.87
Prince Georges County Fines - - - - -		15.00
Tax Sale Certificate Redemptions - - - - -		109.83
Sidewalk Deposit - - - - -		10.00
Commission Pay Telephone in Police Station-		4.91
Lloyds Ins. Co. Re: Bond of former Treasurer		250.00
Road Scraper sold - - - - -		50.00
Interest of Certificate of Deposit - - - - -		47.30
Miscellaneous Receipts - - - - -		<u>53.94</u>
		<u>\$99,529.06</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT CONSTRUCTION - - - - -	\$5,462.02	
Less Town Share - - - - -	<u>95.30</u>	\$5,366.72
<u>STREETS, STORM SEWERS: (Construction and Maintenance)</u>		
Labor - - - - -	5,295.05	
Material - - - - -	2,693.95	
Resurfacing - - - - -	12,901.55	
Jackson-Lincoln Aves. Intersection	774.65	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep-Tools-Supplies	2,443.24	
Street Signs- - - - -	172.50	
Storm Sewer Construction - - - - -	11,793.30	
Town Share Special Assessment Work - - - - -	<u>95.30</u>	36,169.54
SERVICE:		
Trash: Collection and Disposal	6,335.91	
Ash: " " "	885.33	
Garbage: " " "	5,905.58	
Street and Traffic Lights	<u>6,286.12</u>	19,412.94
POLICE:		
Salaries	7,615.08	
Clothing Allowance	480.00	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep-Misc. Supplies	<u>1,423.47</u>	9,518.55
OFFICE:		
Salaries: Clerk and Treasurer, Supt. of Public Works, Additional Clerical, Building & Electrical Inspectors	8,033.40	
Supplies, Equipment and Misc. Expense	456.16	
Postage and Printing	<u>303.08</u>	8,792.64
PARKS & PLAYGROUNDS:		
Salaries, Labor and Misc Supplies	<u>1,348.10</u>	1,348.10
FIRE DEPARTMENT:		
Revenue from General Taxes	<u>12,853.72</u>	12,853.72
MISCELLANEOUS:		
Recording Fees	16.25	
Dog Expense	168.08	
Office Rent	660.00	
Building Inspector and Permit Expense	211.75	
Library Assn. Appropriation	3,240.00	
Dues: Civic Federation	15.00	
Municipal Bldg., 8 Columbia Ave., Expense	608.97	
Permit and Sidewalk Deposit Refunds	14.00	
Overpaid Tax Refunds	86.05	
Insurance Premiums	1,232.25	
Pumphrey Compensation	432.00	
Expense, Potter suit	314.45	
Damages to G.A. Robertson	129.50	
Audit Expense (Audit and Printing)	226.93	
Civilian Defense Expense	58.06	
Montg. and Pr. Geo. Counties Transfers	54.30	
Tax Sale Expense	162.00	
Tax Certificate Redemptions	28.62	

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MISCELLANEOUS CONTINUED

Montgomery County Police Telephone	144.00	
Justice of Peace Salary	300.00	
E. E. Blodgett Retirement	600.00	
Henry Fields "	300.00	
Miscellaneous Petty Expense	122.11	9,124.32

Total Disbursements \$102,586.53

CONSOLIDATED CASH STATEMENT

Balance on hand June 30th, 1942 - - -	\$10,606.57	
Receipts Fiscal Year 1942 - - - - -	99,529.06	
	<u>110,135.63</u>	
Disbursements Fiscal Year 1942 - - -	<u>102,586.53</u>	
Balance on hand June 30th, 1943 - - - - -		\$7,549.10

FUNDS LOCATIONGeneral Account:

June 30th, 1943 - Citizens Bank - - - -	\$6,151.08	
" 30th, 1943 - Sub. Natl. T. P. - - - -	<u>1,074.30</u>	\$7,225.38

REVOLVING FUND:

June 30th, 1943 - Sub. Natl T. P. - - -	<u>323.72</u>	<u>323.72</u>
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June 30th, 1943 - On hand in all Banks - - - - -		\$7,549.10
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(Petty Cash Fund on hand - \$30.00)

Bills in amount of \$9,216.34 were presented to Council by the Finance Committee, and payment of same were approved.

MUNICIPAL SERVICE COMMITTEE: Councilman Sidell, Chairman, presented an application for taxistand permit from Mr. Jack Robbins, and also an application for taxicab stand permit from L. W. Franzuna, owner and Charles R. Clark, Operator. Councilman Sidell stated that these applications had been investigated by the Police Dept., and the Police Dept. reported that they had checked the records of these men and could find no record against them. Councilman Sidell moved that these applications be approved. This motion was seconded by Councilman Heffner and approved.

Councilman Sidell stated that he had two other applications for driving permits, one from H. G. Loomis, Operator, to drive a car of William C. Hatch, and one from J.R. Hopkins, Operator, to drive the car of R. D. Murray. Councilman Sidell stated that his Committee

as a whole, had not had time to go over these permits, and until his Committee did finally pass on same, Councilman Sidell moved that these two operators be given permits to drive, same to be rescinded at the pleasure of the Council. This motion was seconded by Councilman Heffner and approved.

Mayor Youngblood at this time stated that he had been approached by the Officials of the Fire Department to have installed at the intersection of Laurel and Carroll Avenues, in the business district, a ^{direct} direct fire alarm box, which, the Fire Department stated, would facilitate the action of the Fire Department in case of a fire in this district. Mayor Youngblood asked the Council to give consideration to this matter, to the end that same may be given some definite consideration in the near future.

Regarding the request of the residents in the New Hampshire Avenue Highlands Subdivision, in connection with the putting into use the two lights on the stone pillars at the entrance of Merwood Drive, this matter was discussed by the Mayor and Council, and the Clerk was ordered to request of the Potomac Electric Power Co. the expense in connection with the installation of these lights, and also the annual operation cost of same.

MUNICIPAL WORKS COMMITTEE: Councilman Russell, Chairman, stated that he had gone over the bids of the Contee Sand and Gravel Co., and Eyre & Smallwood, in connection with the paving of Greenwood Avenue, and that after figuring same, found that the Contee Sand and Gravel Co. bid was slightly lower than the bid of Eyre & Smallwood, and Councilman Russell moved that the contract for this work be awarded to the Contee Sand and Gravel Co., and that Mayor Youngblood be authorized to enter into a contract in behalf of the Town with the Contee Sand and Gravel Co. for the paving of Greenwood Avenue. This motion was seconded by Councilman Carr and approved.

In connection with the finishing up of work on the Poplar Avenue and Spring Avenue storm sewer, and also the laying of approximately 270 linear feet of sidewalk along Ethan Allen Avenue, Councilman Russell stated that he had received a bid on this work from both Eyre & Smallwood and the Contee Sand and Gravel Co., and that the bid of Eyre & Smallwood for the concrete sidewalk was \$3.00 per sq. yd, and the replacing of street where cuts were necessary, with concrete, at \$3.75 per sq. yd. The bid of Contee Sand and Gravel Co. for the same work was 34¢ per sq. ft. for the sidewalk work, and for the street patching \$19.50 per cubic yard, including excavation. Councilman Russell stated that in figuring these prices, he found Eyre & Smallwood slightly lower than the Contee Sand & Gravel Co., and moved that this work be given to Eyre & Smallwood as per their bid of July 19th, 1943. This motion was seconded by Councilman Heffner and approved.

Regarding the acceptance of Grant Avenue for topping and maintenance, as per the request of Mr. J. L. Geeraert, Councilman Russell advised that he considered it wise to take this matter under advisement, same to be acted upon at a later date.

LAW AND ORDINANCE COMMITTEE: Councilman Russell, acting as Chairman of the Law and Ordinance Committee, in the absence of Councilman Taft, presented the following Ordinance and moved its adoption:

ORDINANCE NO. 815

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

Section 1. That the Plat of subdivision of a portion of the Hodges Tract into Lot 11, Block "C", to be known as Bonnie View Subdivision, Montgomery County, Maryland, as presented by Joseph L. and Dorothy E. Geeraert, be and the same is hereby approved.

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

Mayor Youngblood brought to the attention of Council the necessity for the appointment this year of a Corporation Counsel, and stressed the fact that he thought it very important that we have a Counsel to call upon whenever needed. After a lengthy discussion of this matter, Councilman Sidell moved that we appoint the firm of Lamond & Bradshaw as Corporation Counsel for the Town of Takoma Park for the fiscal year of 1943, at a retaining fee of \$50.00 per month. This motion was seconded by Councilman Russell and approved, Councilman Heffner voting "no".

Mayor Youngblood brought to the attention of Council the fact that the trash collection men had called upon him and requested an increase in wages to meet the amount paid the garbage collectors, and salary of the garbage collectors being \$28.00 per week each, the salary of the trash collectors being, at the present time, \$24.00 per week. After discussion of this matter, Councilman Carr moved that the trash collectors be given \$28.00 per week, beginning August 1st, 1943. This motion was seconded by Councilman Sidell and approved.

Mayor Youngblood advised Council that he had been talking to the Montgomery County Police Chief, and that the Chief had advised him that the County were installing two-way radios in all police cars, and asked that the Mayor and Council give consideration to the installation of a radio in the town police car. Mayor Youngblood was not in a position to tell the Council at this time just how much such a radio would cost, but he requested that they give the matter consideration, in order that some definite steps may be taken in the very near future.

Mayor Youngblood called attention of the Council to the fact that in 1940, due to an accident in the town, Willard Pumphrey was accidentally killed while in the employ of the town, and at that time, due to the fact that the town did not carry any compensation insurance, the Council agreed to give Mr. and Mrs. Pumphrey, mother and father of Willard Pumphrey, \$8.00 per week as compensation for an indefinite period. Mayor Youngblood

stated that the father of the boy had since died, and that the mother was being paid the insurance.

Mayor Youngblood advised that he had asked Attorney D. D. Lamond to contact Mrs. Pumphrey in an effort to make a settlement, in order that the town might be freed of this obligation, and he advised that Mr. Lamond had contacted Mrs. Pumphrey, and she had signed a release to absolve the town of all future claims upon the payment of \$450.00, which was just a little more than was carried in the budget this year to be paid to Mrs. Pumphrey. Mayor Youngblood stated that due to this fact he had advised Mr. Lamond to settle the claim for the amount of \$450.00, as he was a little bit skeptical, thinking that Mrs. Pumphrey might change her mind before he could get the approval of the Council. Mayor Youngblood asked that at this time the Council go on record as approving his action in this matter. After discussion of this matter, Councilman Heffner moved that the Council go on record as approving the action of Mayor Youngblood in settling the Pumphrey case. This motion was seconded by Councilman Carr and approved.

Mayor Youngblood called attention of the Council to the urgent need for the enlargement of the storm sewer running between Spruce Avenue and the open stream on Maple Avenue, and stated that with the limited force of men that Major Fischer, Supt. of Public Works, was able to keep at this time, it was impossible for him to do this work. Mayor Youngblood urged very strongly that the Council look into the matter of hiring some outside contractor to install this sewer work. After discussion of the matter, it was decided by the Mayor and Council to make an effort to employ a drainage engineer to advise the town as to the size sewer, etc. that it would be necessary to construct to take care of the maximum flow of water.

Mayor Youngblood also stated to Council that he thought it might be a good time to start to give serious consideration to the construc-

tion of a Municipal Building to house all departments of the town, so that at the proper time the preliminary work in connection with same would be out of the way.

On motion properly seconded Council adjourned at ten P. M.

J. William Dredel
Clerk

O. H. Youngblood
Mayor

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REGULAR MEETING
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
AUGUST 16th, 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 being ill was unable to attend.

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 19th, 1943 were approved.

Financial Statement for the month of July, 1943, was presented by the Treasurer and ordered filed as follows:

RECEIPTS

General Taxes - - - - -	\$58,118.59
Less Discounts - - - - -	2,316.39
	<u>\$55,802.20</u>
Interest and Penalties - - - - -	42.56
Charges - - - - -	23.75
Special Assessments - - - - -	347.12
Building Permits - - - - -	27.00
Electrical Permits - - - - -	10.00
Dog Tax - - - - -	72.50
Misceallaneous Permits - - - - -	12.50
Franchise Tax - - - - -	20.00
1 Bldg. Code sold - - - - -	.50
Montgomery County Fines - - - - -	54.00
Prince Georges Fines - - - - -	45.00
Tax Sale Certificate redeemed - - - - -	66.26
Montgomery County Police Telephone -	12.00
Material sold - - - - -	9.40
Commission Pay Telephone Police Station	<u>3.75</u>
	\$56,548.54