

There being no further business, on motion properly seconded, Council adjourned at 1:10 A. M.

J. H. M. Doll
 Clerk
Sidell

O. W. Youngblood,
 Mayor

REGULAR MEETING
 MAYOR AND COUNCIL
 OCTOBER 25th, 1943.

This meeting was called to cover the Regular Meeting of October 18th, 1943, which meeting was not held due to a quorum not being present.

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

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 20th, 1943 were approved.

Bills in the amount of \$3119.80 were presented by the Finance Committee, and payment of same approved.

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

RECEIPTS

General Taxes - - - - -	\$5,822.19
Less Discounts - - - - -	133.06
	<u>5,689.13</u>
Interest and Penalties - - - - -	52.58
Charges - - - - -	13.50
Special Assessments - - - - -	672.92
Building Permits - - - - -	19.00
Electrical Permits - - - - -	3.00
Dog Tax - - - - -	9.25
Taxicab Permits - - - - -	4.50
Montgomery County Fines - - - - -	24.50
" " Police Telephone - -	12.00
Commission Pay Telephone-Police Station	2.12
Street Material sold (H.Hirst) - - - -	12.07
	<u>\$6,514.57</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

STREET:		
Labor	325.44	
Street Material	227.35	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep-Supplies	203.78	
Storm Sewer Expense	<u>854.35</u>	1,610.92
SERVICE:		
Garbage: Salaries	443.44	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	63.09	
Trash: Salaries	455.77	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	76.64	
Disposal	68.20	
Street and Traffic Lights	<u>533.25</u>	1,640.39
POLICE:		
Salaries	698.62	
Clothing Allowance	40.00	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	40.15	
Telephones & Lights	41.23	
Supplies	<u>8.45</u>	828.45
OFFICE:		
Salaries	675.00	
Telephones and Supplies	17.12	
Postage	<u>8.00</u>	700.12
PARKS & PLAYGROUNDS:		
Labor	122.60	
Spring Park Pavillion	<u>144.00</u>	266.60
SPECIAL IMPROVEMENTS:		
Elm Ave. Curb & Gutter	<u>100.00</u>	100.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT		
Account Tax Revenue	<u>2,574.20</u>	2,574.20
MISCELLANEOUS:		
Library Assn.	316.66	
Recording Fees	1.50	
Insurance Premiums	706.79	
Municipal Bldg. Expense	106.75	
Annual Audit and Publication	202.90	
Refurd Taxes, paid in error	31.46	
Legal Expense	5.00	
Honor Roll Expense	.90	
Dog Expense	14.00	
Montgomery County Telephone	12.00	
E. E. Blodgett Retirement	50.00	
Henry Fields "	25.00	
Justice of Peace Salary	25.00	
Corporation Counsel	50.00	
Office Rent	<u>55.00</u>	1,602.96
		<u>\$9,323.64</u>

BANK STATEMENT

GENERAL ACCOUNTS:

8/31/43 - On hand Citizens Bank	\$22,750.91	
Deposits in Sept.	<u>6,175.51</u>	
	28,926.42	
Withdrawn in Sept.	<u>9,323.64</u>	
9/30/43 - On hand		19,602.78
8/31/43 - On hand Sub. Nat'l T.P.	23,025.93	
Deposits in Sept.	<u>339.06</u>	
	23,364.99	
No withdrawals in Sept.		
9/30/43 - on Hand		<u>23,364.99</u>
9/30/43 - On hand in all banks		<u>\$42,967.77</u>

REVOLVING FUND:

8/31/43 - On hand Sub. Nat'l T.P.	323.72	
No deposits or withdrawals in Sept.		
9/30/43 - On hand		<u>323.72</u>
8/31/43 - On hand Citizens Bank	6,000.00	
No deposits or withdrawals in Sept.		
9/30/43 - On hand		<u>6,000.00</u>
9/30/43 - On hand in all banks		<u>\$6,323.72</u>

COMMUNICATIONS: From Mr. Walter Pritchard, Secretary of the Community League of Takoma Park regarding hedges and other shrubbery at the intersections of streets obstructing the view of motorists. Referred to the Municipal Works Committee.

From Mr. Walter Pritchard, Secretary of the Community League of Takoma Park, complimenting the Mayor and Council for the renovating of the Town building at 8 Columbia Avenue, in which meetings are held by the different civic organizations.

From Mr. Vern Wilson of 907 Davis Avenue regarding dirt dumped in front of his property, and also asking that same be removed. Referred to the Municipal Works Committee.

From Mr. Charles S. Thomas offering Lot 4 in Block 91, Beall Subdivision, to the town for the purpose of opening Manor Circle through to Boyd Ave. for \$1100.00. Referred to the Finance Committee.

Resignation of Dr. Frederick L. Lewton as Delegate from the Town of Takoma Park to the Montgomery County Civic Federation. Referred to the Mayor.

MUNICIPAL SERVICE COMMITTEE: Councilman Sidell, Chairman, presented an application from Mr. L. V. Lampson for space on taxicab stand, space formerly allotted to M.F. Hamich, also application for taxicab stand space from Bernard A. Williams, to take the space formerly occupied by O'Dell McMullin. Councilman Sidell moved that these two permits for taxicab stand space be granted. This motion was seconded by Councilman Martin and approved.

Councilman Sidell also presented applications for driver's permits from S. M. Engeberg, David O. Carroll, Nicholas A. Sloan, Arthur T. Banks, Franklin W. Chase and Bernard A. Williams. Councilman Sidell stated that these applications had been thoroughly checked by Lieutenant Thomas, and recommended and moved that these driver's permits be granted. This motion was seconded by Councilman Martin and approved.

A change in the rates of 25¢ for one passenger and 20¢ for each additional passenger was requested by the Association, and a plat was presented to the Council laying the town off in zones, in which they requested that a charge in the first zone of 25¢ for one or two passengers and 10¢ for each additional passenger be charged, and also a charge in the second zone of 35¢ for one or two passengers and 10¢ for each additional passengers be charged. Councilman Sidell recommended and moved that these changes be made in the rate, and the motion was seconded by Councilman Martin, but upon discussion of same it was brought to their attention that the zones were not properly laid out, especially the putting of North Takoma in the second zone, which is a comprative small haul from the taxicab stand at the corner of Laurel and Eastern Avenues. After going into this matter further, Councilman Sidell, with the consent of Councilman Martin, who seconded the motion,

withdrew his motion and recommended that the matter be held up for further consideration, after which Councilman Martin moved that the matter be held up until the committee could get together with the taxicab association and work out a more acceptable plan. This motion was seconded by Councilman Sidell and approved.

Complaint was made to the Mayor and Council in connection with the restriction against Maryland cabs picking up passengers in the District of Columbia, and after discussion of same, the Clerk was ordered to write to Mr. Wm. A. VanDuzer, Commissioner of Motor Vehicles of the District of Columbia, and to write also to the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles of the State of Maryland, requesting definite information as to any agreement by the State of Maryland and the District of Columbia with reference to taxicabs.

It was brought to the attention of Council that the space for two cars formerly allotted for taxicabs at the corner of Erie and Flower Avenues, and at the corner of Carroll and Grant Avenues, was more space than was necessary for the cabs, as the cabs merely stopped there to telephone in for calls. After a thorough discussion of this matter, Councilman Sidell moved that the taxicab parking space at Carroll and Grant Avenues, and at Erie and Flower Avenues be restricted to one car instead of two cars, and that the space allotted at Carroll and Grant Avenues be placed next to the alley in the rear of the drug store, and that the Supt of Public Works be ordered to paint the curb designating these taxicab stands. This motion was seconded by Councilman Martin and approved.

Councilman Sidell again called the attention of Council to the request for lights on the stone pillars at the entrance of Merwood Drive, and stated that after consideration it was his opinion and recommendation that these lights be not ordered installed until after the duration. After discussion of this matter, Councilman Sidell moved that same be tabled for the duration, after which time the Council

could again bring it up for disposition. This motion was seconded by Councilman Martin and approved.

HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE: Councilman Heffner, Chairman, stated that he had nothing to report at this time, except in connection with the dinner for the Volunteer Firemen and the Navy Day celebration, to be held at the Fire Department on Wednesday evening, October 27th, 1943. Councilman Heffner stated that the dinner would begin at seven P. M., and that the dance for the service men would begin at ten P. M. and last until midnight. Councilman Heffner also stated that the main speaker for the evening would be Captain Saunders, who was in charge of the Naval Proving Grounds at Glen Echo, Maryland, known as "Cardarock". Councilman Heffner also extended an invitation to the press.

MUNICIPAL WORKS COMMITTEE: Councilman Russell, Chairman, stated that he had no new business to bring up, but desired to give a brief report of the activities of the Municipal Works Committee, and reported that progress was being made on the enlargement of the storm sewer between Maple and Willow Avenues. He also advised Council that Messrs Breen, Griffin and Lake had signed an agreement with reference to the construction of curb and gutter avutting their lots on Jackson Avenue, and that this work would be gotten under way as soon as the engineer could give a definite line in connection with this street.

Regarding the complaint of Mr. Vern Wilson of 907 Davis Avenue, Councilman Russell stated that the curb and gutter ordered installed on this street would be constructed just as soon as the engineer could furnish new grades on this street, as the old grades had been established a number of years ago, and that due to the building of houses on this street, it was necessary that this grade be changed slightly. Councilman Russell advised that as soon as the engineer produced this profile the work of construction of this curb and gutter would get under way. Councilman Russell also stated that a bid had been received from the

Cassidy Co., represented by Mr. Peter Remsen, for the construction of curb and gutter in Davis Avenue, but that he considered the bid entirely out of proportion.

Councilman Russell also reported that the paving of Jackson Ave. as authorized, and also the paving of Greenwood Avenue as authorized, would begin within the next few days, and should be completed within two or three weeks.

Councilman Russell also reported that some grading had been done on Cherry Avenue, and that this street was now in good passable condition, and that the property owners who had complained in that section had expressed their appreciation for the work done on the street.

Councilman Russell also reported that Major Fischer had accomplished quite a bit of street work during the past month, such as chipping Woodland Avenue and Prince Georges Avenue, and Kentland and Hopewell Avenues, and had repaired a number of other streets within the town.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Councilman Carr, Chairman, brought up for discussion a communication from Mr. Charles S. Thomas, in connection with ~~the~~ the purchase by the town of Lot 4 in Block 91, Beale Subdivision, on Boyd Avenue, and after a thorough discussion of this matter, it was agreed to withhold final decision on same until the Council could visit this site and get a better idea as to just what value the lot would be to the town in connection with the opening of Manor Circle through to Boyd Avenue, and the Clerk was authorized to write Mr. Thomas and advise him the action of the Council in connection with the matter.

The matter of a new radio for the police car was brought up for discussion, and during the discussion it was brought to the attention of Council that a priority would have to be obtained in connection with the purchase of a new radio, and after further discussion of the matter Councilman Martin moved that, as a radio is needed for

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the police car, that proper papers be filed by the Corporation Counsel in an effort to obtain priority for the purchase of this radio. This motion was seconded by Councilman Carr.

Mayor Youngblood called attention to the Council of the fact that the Town employees, under the Social Security law were not forced to participate in the social security, and he would like to see if some plan of compensation similar to the social security could not be worked out for the twon employees, and appointed as a committee to investigate this matter, Corporation Counsel D. D. Lamond, Councilman Carr and Councilman Russell.

With reference to the resignation of Dr. Frederick L. Lewton as a Delegate to the Montgomery County Civic Federation, Mayor Youngblood stated that he would give this matter further consideration before recommending the appointment of another delegate.

On motion properly seconded Council adjourned at 10:35 P. M.

Indefinite

J. F. M. Dodd

O. H. Youngblood

REGULAR MEETING
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 15th, 1943

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

Minutes of the meeting of October 25th were approved.

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

RECEIPTS

General Taxes - - - - -	\$3,419.95
Less Discounts - - - - -	45.72
	3,374.23
Interest and Penalties - - - - -	37.33
Charges - - - - -	33.75
Special Assessments - - - - -	297.68
Building Permits- - - - -	17.00
Electrical Permits- - - - -	5.00
Dog Tax - - - - -	1.00
Taxicab Permits - - - - -	10.00
Refund Insurance Premium- - - - -	11.93
Income Tax- - - - -	346.18
Franchise Tax - - - - -	5.00
Montgomery County Police Tele. - -	12.00
Deposits on Taxicab Badges - - - -	80.50
	\$4,231.60

DISBURSEMENTS

STREETS:

Labor	454.17
Material	1,041.35
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep-Supplies	151.87
Street Resurfacing	579.76
Storm Sewer Expense	102.32
	\$2,329.47

SERVICE:

Garbage: Labor	554.72
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep-Sup.	180.19
Disposal	60.00
Trash: Labor	556.65
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	58.38
Disposal	51.50
Ash: Salaries	30.00
Street and Traffic Lights	516.07
	2,007.51

POLICE:

Salaries	698.62	
Clothing Allowance	40.00	
Telephones-Coal-Light	50.63	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	31.49	
Misc. Supplies	<u>10.50</u>	831.24

OFFICE:

Salaries	675.00	
Telephones and Supplies	44.30	
Postage and Printing	<u>5.00</u>	724.30

PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS:

Labor	<u>153.44</u>	153.44
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SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS:

Woodland Ave. Curb and Gutter	77.05	
" Sidewalk	<u>12.08</u>	89.13

MISCELLANEOUS:

Library Assn.	316.66	
Recording Fees	4.50	
Municipal Bldg. Expense	41.06	
Taxicab Expense	56.10	
Montgomery County Transfers	10.00	
" " Police Tele.	12.00	
Honor Roll Expense	14.60	
Dog Expense	11.00	
Refund Taxicab Badge	2.00	
Compensation Corporation Counsel	50.00	
Office Rent	55.00	
Henry Field's Retirement	25.00	
Justice of Peace Salary	<u>25.00</u>	622.92

\$6,758.01

BANK STATEMENT

GENERAL ACCOUNT:

9/30/43 - On hand Citizens Bank	\$19,602.78	
Deposits in October	<u>4,092.19</u>	
	23,694.97	
Withdrawn in October	<u>6,758.01</u>	
10/31/43- On hand		\$16,936.96
9/30/43 - On hand Sub. Nat'l T.P.	23,364.99	
Deposits in October	<u>139.41</u>	
	23,504.40	
No withdrawals in Oct.		
10/31/43- On hand		<u>23,504.40</u>
10/31/43- On hand in all banks		<u>\$40,441.36</u>

Bank Statement continued

REVOLVING FUND:

9/30/43 - On hand Sub. Nat'l T.P.	323.72	
No deposits or withdrawals		
10/31/43- On hand		323.72
9/30/43 - On hand Citizens Bank	6,000.00	
No deposits or withdrawals		
10/31/43- On hand		6,000.00
10/31/43- On hand in all banks		<u>\$6,323.72</u>

COMMUNICATIONS: From Frances T. Lindahl, expressing appreciation to the Mayor and Council for the playground equipment furnished to the J. Enos Ray school.

From Joseph Geeraert, requesting approval and acceptance of Grant Avenue in Bonnie View Subdivision, which Mr. Geeraert advised has been completed. Referred to the Municipal Works Committee.

From the Board of Trustees of the Takoma Park Presbyterian Church, regarding storm sewer at the corner of Maple and Tulip Avenues. Referred to the Municipal Works Committee.

From Mrs. B. S. Chaney, urging Council to purchase Lot belonging to Mr. Charles S. Thomas, in order that Manor Circle may be extended through to Boyd Avenue. Referred to the Municipal Works Committee.

From William A. Blanchette, regarding dangerous condition of sidewalk on Tulip Avenue where the culvert passes under the street on Tulip Avenue between Cedar and Holly Avenues. Referred to the Municipal Works Committee.

Police report for the month of October, 1943, was read to the Council, said report showing arrests for all causes during the month, 16, and total calls and complaints, 101.

Clerk read to the Council letters from W. Lee Elgin, Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, State of Maryland, from W. A. Van Duzer, Director of Vehicles and Traffic of the District of Columbia, and from Clewell Sykes, Chief of the Taxicab Division, District of Columbia, regarding reciprocal agreement in connection with taxicabs between the State of Maryland and the District of Columbia, in which it was stated that Maryland taxicabs going into the District could pick up passengers on the return trip, and that District of Columbia cabs going into Maryland could pick up passengers in Maryland. Also that District cabs could pick up passengers in response to telephone calls from Maryland.

Mr. William H. Parsons, Mr. Robert Lyons and Mr. George A. Cook, representing the Trustees of the Takoma Park Presbyterian Church, addressed Council regarding storm sewer drainage at the corner of Tulip and Maple Avenues, complaining that the lawn at the Church in heavy rains was covered with water, almost to the point of going into the basement of the Church. Mayor Youngblood asked that the Municipal Works Committee Chairman, Councilman Russell, look into the matter and make an effort to correct the condition complained of.

Mr. Joseph Geeraert appeared before Council in connection with the acceptance of West Grant Avenue, Mr. Geeraert advising Council that this street had been graded, proper amount of gravel filling

placed in same, and had been chipped and tarred. Mr. Geeraert was advised that Council would act on this matter later on in the evening.

Mr. John J. Quigley, President of the Hampshire Greens Citizens Association, appeared before Council and expressed appreciation of the Association for the cooperation of the Town regarding the New Hampshire Avenue Highlands Subdivision, and also called to the attention of Council the fact that a number of streets needed attention, and also spoke of storm water conditions in that section. Street signs were also requested for a number of the new streets in this subdivision, and request was again made that the two lights on the stone pillars at the entrance of Merwood Drive be put in commission. Other members of the Association were present and addressed the Council. Mayor Youngblood advised these gentlemen that the matters referred to would be looked into and an effort made to correct the conditions complained of.

Mr. John J. Creehorn of 211 Philadelphia Avenue addressed Council regarding the taxicab situation in the town, stating that the taxicab service was anything but satisfactory. Mayor Youngblood advised Mr. Creehorn that this matter was now before the Committee, and hoped that some solution to the problem could be arrived at at an early date.

Mrs. Kiefer of the Parten Teachers Association of the Philadelphia Avenue Elementary School read a letter to the Mayor and Council from Mrs. O. H. Smith, Corresponding Secretary of the Association, regarding the fact that many dogs are still running at large in Takoma Park in spite of the quarantine recently imposed. Mrs. Rockwood, Principal of the school, Mr. Brum, Mrs. George A. Robinson, Mr. Fenn and Mr. John W. Coffman, Sr. also spoke regarding the danger of rabies, due to the dogs running at large, and asked that some plan be worked out whereby these dogs could be picked up.

After a lengthy discussion of the matter, a plan was authorized to appoint one of the Superintendent of Public Work's workmen to cover the Town with the police for a period in each day, in an effort to pick up any dogs running at large.

Mr. John L. Heinz addressed Council regarding storm water running on to his property from the Manor Circle section, and requested that the town give favorable consideration to the purchase of the lot from Mr. Charles S. Thomas, in order that Manor Circle could run through to Boyd Avenue, at which time the storm water situation could be taken care of.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Bills in amount of \$6,145.80 were presented by the Finance Committee for payment, and payment of same was approved.

Chairman Carr stated that his committee had come to no definite decision regarding the lot abutting Boyd Avenue, and belonging to Mr. Charles S. Thomas, and that this matter would be definitely disposed of after further consideration.

MUNICIPAL WORKS COMMITTEE: Councilman Russell, Chairman, presented a tentative engineer's layout of Jackson Avenue from Ethan Allen Avenue to Sligo Parkway, and after examination of same by the Mayor and Council, and a lengthy discussion, Councilman Russell moved that the plan as presented by the Engineer be approved, and that the Engineer be instructed to make up a proper plan showing the necessary dedications for the widening of this street, and that when plan was presented, same be turned over to the Corporation Counsel in order that he might secure

proper signatures for dedication. This motion was seconded by Councilman Carr and approved.

Councilman Russell advised that the Contee Sand and Gravel Co. had started on the paving of that portion of Jackson Avenue as authorized in April, 1943, and that approximately 290 feet of curb and gutter had been installed, but that during the heavy rain of last week this curb and gutter had been washed out, and he advised Council that he thought it useless to relay this curb and gutter, or do any more work on the paving of this street, until the storm water situation on Jackson Ave. had been taken care of between Lincoln Avenue and Sligo Parkway.

After discussion of this matter, Councilman Russell moved that the Town plan on constructing an adequate storm water sewer, if approved by the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission, in accordance with the plan to be designed by Engineer Seybolt, and that after such plan had been submitted and approved, that bids be taken for the laying of the storm sewer on Jackson Avenue between Lincoln Avenue and Sligo Parkway. This motion was seconded by Councilman Heffner and approved.


Councilman Russell stated that he had talked with Mr. Gudulsky of the Contee Sand and Gravel Co., and Mr. Gudulsky wanted to know what the Mayor and Council thought as to whose responsibility it was for the relaying of the curb and gutter which had been washed out by the storm. Councilman Russell stated that he thought the expense for relaying would be in the neighborhood of \$425.00. After discussion of this matter, it was decided to hold same in abeyance until the Corporation Counsel could be consulted and an opinion obtained from him regarding same.

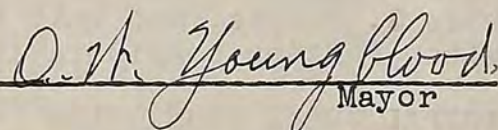
Councilman Russell stated that he had had numerous calls regarding the paving of Greenwood Avenue, contract for which had been let in August, 1943, and stated that he understood that the Contee Sand and Gravel Co. would start work on this work the first of the coming week.

MUNICIPAL SERVICE COMMITTEE: Councilman Sidell, Chairman, stated that due to the lateness of the evening, he had nothing of importance to report.

HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE: Councilman Heffner, Chairman, stated that he had nothing of importance to report, except that he would like to see the matter of the dogs running at large properly taken care of, and that he would do all he could to improve the efficiency in this matter.

There being no further business to come before the Council, on motion properly seconded, Council adjourned at 11:55 P. M.

Indefinite

 Clerk


 Mayor