

A letter was received from Mr. A. W. Vine, Certified Public Accountant, proposing to audit the books of the Town Clerk and Treasurer for the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1946, and upon motion of Councilman Nies, seconded by Councilman Taft, the award for auditing the books of the Town Clerk and Treasurer was given to Mr. A. W. Vine, at his price of \$115.00.

There being no further business to come before the council, the council adjourned at 9:25 P. M.

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*J. Helm Dodd*  
Clerk

*O. St. Youngblood*  
Mayor

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REGULAR MEETING  
MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
AUGUST 19th, 1946.

Meeting called to order at eight o'clock P. M.

Those present were Mayor Youngblood, Councilmen Anderson, Heffner, Post and Nies. Councilman Sidell was unable to attend and Councilman Taft was out of Town.

Minutes of the regular meeting of July 15th and special meeting of July 22nd, 1946, were read and approved.

Financial Statement for the month of July, 1946 was presented by the Clerk and Treasurer and ordered filed as follows:

RECEIPTS

General Taxes - - - - -	\$85,459.47
Discounts - - - - -	3,411.00
	<u>82,048.47</u>
Interest and Penalties - - - - -	64.10
Special Assessments - - - - -	1,134.00
Building Permits - - - - -	79.00
Electrical Permits - - - - -	22.00
Excavation Permits - - - - -	4.00
Taxicab Rental Permit - - - - -	5.00
Vendor's Permit - - - - -	1.00

Dog Tax - - - - -	22.75
Taxicab Badge Deposits - - - - -	7.50
Montgomery County Police Telephone - - -	12.00
" " Income Tax - - - - -	3,515.59
Prince Georges County Income Tax - - - -	862.52
Montgomery County Fines for May - - - -	10.50
Plans & Specifications Street Paving - -	10.00
	<u>\$87,798.49</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

**STREETS:**

Labor	\$846.05	
Material	549.46	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep-Supplies	506.34	
Street Signs	80.58	\$1,982.43
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**SERVICE:**

Garbage: Labor	626.85	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	134.31	
Trash: Labor	733.45	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	36.98	
Disposal	138.23	
Street Lights	541.97	
Traffic Light	4.32	2,216.11
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**POLICE:**

Salaries	678.30	
Clothing Allowance	48.32	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	201.87	
Telephone-Lights-Fuel-Supplies	54.23	
Clothing Allowance (Altman)	7.50	990.22
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**OFFICE:**

Salaries	890.18	
Telephones	19.80	
Postage	15.15	
Supplies	13.55	
Equipment	26.75	965.43
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**MISCELLANEOUS:**

Municipal Building Expense	78.21	
Recording Fee	.75	
Budget Expense	36.00	
Electrical Permits Expense	28.00	
Insurance Premium	507.00	
Montgomery County Police Telephone	12.00	
Office Rent	55.00	
Henry Field's Retirement	25.00	
Justice of Peace Salary	25.00	
Dog Expense	5.00	
Taxicab Badge Refund	2.00	
Corporation Counsel Compensation	50.00	823.96
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\$6,978.15

BANK STATEMENT

## GENERAL ACCOUNT:

6/30/46 - On hand Citizens Bank	\$3,167.37	
Deposits in July	<u>51,318.12</u>	
Withdrawn in July	54,485.49	
	<u>6,903.15</u>	
7/31/46 - On hand		\$47,582.34
6/30/46 - On hand Sub. Nat'l T.P.	2,816.75	
Deposits in July	<u>36,480.37</u>	
	39,297.12	
7/10/46 - Transferred from Revolving Fund	<u>323.72</u>	
	39,620.84	
Withdrawn in July	<u>75.00</u>	
7/31/46 - On hand		<u>39,545.84</u>
7/31/46 - On hand in all banks		<u>\$87,128.18</u>

## REVOLVING FUND:

6/30/46 - On hand Sub. Nat'l T.P.	323.72	
7/10/46 - Transferred to General Account		
Sub. Nat'l T.P.	<u>323.72</u>	
7/31/46 - On hand		<u>00.00</u>

COMMUNICATIONS: From Mr. L. R. Grabill of 16 New York Avenue, commending the Mayor and Council for recent street improvements in the Town. Ordered filed.

From Associated Health and Welfare Agencies regarding the purchase of swings for the proposed playground area at the Ritchie Avenue School. Referred to Civic Improvement Committee.

From Lincoln Valley Citizens Association regarding condition of Elm Avenue, between Ethan Allen and Boyd Avenues. Referred to Municipal Works Committee.

From Grace Methodist Church regarding the bad condition of Kentland Avenue. Referred to Municipal Works Committee.

From Winchester Properties, Inc., regarding the extension of Manor Circle through to Boyd Avenue, and the improvement of Winchester Avenue. Referred to Municipal Works Committee.

From Mrs. Edith Schaffer regarding back taxes on Lot No. 24, Block 50, B. F. Gilbert Subdivision, and offering \$50.00 in settlement of all back town taxes to date. Referred to Finance Committee.

From Councilman J. F. Sidell asking the Mayor and Council accept his resignation as Councilman, effective August 19th, 1946, and advising the Mayor and Council that he thought the work required more of his time than he was in a position to give. Referred to Council as a whole.

Mr. Dunn of 901 Larch Avenue addressed Council and advised that the recently constructed curb and gutter in front of his property was cracking.

Mr. C. A. Railey of 308 Cedar Avenue complained of storm sewer conditions in the 300 Block of Cedar Avenue.

Mr. Ralph Keller of 226 Maple Avenue addressed Council and complained of speeding on Maple Avenue and requested that the Police check up on same.

Mayor Youngblood advised Mr. Keller that the Police had already be instructed to check on speeding on all streets in the Town.

Mr. A. B. Cole of Davis Avenue, also requested that something be done regarding the noise made from cut-outs on Automobiles and motor scyles going through the Town.

Mr. G. W. Strum, corner of Ethan Allen and Elm Avenues, complained of the bad condition of Elm Avenue, between Ethan Allen and Boyd Avenues.

Mr. McDormand, appeared before Council again and requested that some improvement be made to the 6700 block of Cockerille Avenue.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Committed presented bills in amount of \$4,728.30 and payment of same was approved.

Regarding the communication from Mrs. Edith Schaffer, offering \$50.00 in payment of all back taxes on Lot 24, Block 50, Gilbert, Councilman Post of the Finance Committee stated that he could see no reason for accepting this amount, and stated that he thought the full amount, plus penalties, should be collected. After discussion of this matter the Clerk was instructed to advise Mrs. Schaffer council could not accept her offer and would require the payment of the full amount of back taxes plus penalties to date.

MUNICIPAL SERVICE COMMITTEE: Matter of street lights was discussed at length, after which the Clerk was instructed to check on what lights had been ordered installed, and to ascertain from the Potomac Electric Power Co. when this work would be done.

Matter of street numbers was discussed and the Clerk was instructed to inquire of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission when this new street numbering program would be carried out.

SOCIAL WELFARE AND HEALTH COMMITTEE: Chairman Heffner stated that he would like to have a letter written to Mr. O. L. Anderson, County Agent, Agricultural Extens on Service, Rockville, Maryland, who was handling County and State funds in the Japanese Beetle control, asking why some of these funds had not been used in Takoma Park. Mr. Heffner stated that to the best of his knowledge no funds had been used in Takoma Park by Mr. Anderson. The clerk was ordered to contact Mr. Anderson regarding this matter.

**CIVIC IMPROVEMENT AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE:** Regarding the letter from Mrs. Esther Hardy of the Associated Health and Welfare Agency, requesting that swings be placed on the playground area of the Ritchie Avenue School, The Clerk was requested to take this matter up with the Board of Education and see if swings could not be provided by the Board.

**MUNICIPAL WORKS COMMITTEE:** The following report from the Superintendent of Public Works Fischer was read to council by Councilman Anderson, Chairman of the Municipal Works Committee:

"Report of the Superintendent of Public Works from July 16th to August 19th, 1946.

1. The street forces repaired many dirt or semi-hard surface roads and streets, cleaned streets, cut grass in parks and playgrounds, cleaned catch basins and pipe lines, and many other jobs.

2. The contractor (Corson and Gruman) resurfaced the following streets with bituminous concrete, or black top: Willow Avenue between Tulip and Valley View Avenues. Maple Avenue from the District Line to the East-West Highway. Cedar Avenue from Eastern Avenue to Tulip Avenue. Takoma Avenue from Albany to Philadelphia Avenue.

The Superintendent of Public Works makes the following recommendations:

1. The purchase of a snow plow at a cost of \$350.00.
2. The purchase of a new 1½ ton truck to replace the 1937 model now worn out.
3. The installation of parking meters in the business section.
4. That the builders opening a new subdivision be required to put in the necessary curbs and gutters and pave the streets with 7" concrete to a width of 30 feet and no less.
5. That in the 1947 program many streets now having a black top surface be paved with concrete after all necessary drainages are installed.
6. That a suitable wire woven fence be constructed around Spring Park.
7. That the dead-end alley in rear of the houses facing Piney Branch Road in the 8400 block be extended to Flower Avenue, next to the Seek property, or to Piney Branch Road adjacent to the gas station on the corner of Flower Avenue and Piney Branch Road.

8. That the storm sewer drain on Larch Avenue for which an easement was given by Mr. E. D. Sweeney, be installed as soon as practicable from the end of his lot to the street on the West side.

Councilman Anderson also advised that his committee had made a survey of the streets in the town, and suggested that the matter of a long range street improvement program be inaugurated and that funds for same be obtained through the issuing of bonds. This program he stated could be amped out and carried into effect sometime in 1947, as the committee thought it advisable to use funds now available for repair and maintenance of streets which had suffered during the past few years.

LAW AND ORDINANCE COMMITTEE: Councilman Post, Chair, stated that he had nothing to report for the Law and Ordinance Committee, but that he understood request had been made through the Finance Committee by the American Legion for an appropriation to help defray the expenses in connection with the Honor Roll recently erected. After discussion of this matter Councilman Post moved that the Town appropriate \$300.00 for the new Honor Roll. This motion was seconded by Councilman Nies and approved, Councilman Heffner voting "no".

Councilman Heffner, in voting "no", stated that he was doing so because he thought a more substantial memorial should be erected as the present one was very meager and would only last a short time.

The matter of resignation of Councilman Sidell was brought up for discussion, after which Councilman Anderson stated that under the circumstances if Councilman Sidell wished to resign he could see nothing else to do but accept his resignation, and so moved. Councilman Post seconded this motion, stating that he knew Councilman Sidell had been a real asset to the council, and that he was seconding the motion with regret. The motion was approved.

The Clerk placed before council plans and specifications for the erection of a storm sewer at Westmoreland and Second Avenues, and advised the council that information from Mr. Harry Shaw, Chief Engineer of the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission, was that the sewer would cost in the neighborhood of \$19,000.00, said amount being approximately \$6,000.00 over and above the estimate given to the time at the time this proposed sewer was discussed at a meeting with the Sanitary Commission, at which time they advised that the sewer would cost approximately \$13,000.00, and that the County would appropriate \$10,000.00 of this amount if the town would pay the balance of \$3,000.00, which was agreed upon.

After discussion of these plans and specifications the Clerk was instructed to contact Mr. Shaw and ascertain what this proposed sewer would cost according to the present figures of the Engineer.

Councilman Anderson stated that he had been called by Mr. Tracy, who is building on Boston Avenue, and that Mr. Tracy wanted to know whether the town desired him to construct curb and gutter abutting these properties. Mr. Anderson stated that he told Mr. Tracy to put in the curb and gutter, and that he trusted this was in accordance with the wishes of the council.

Councilman Post stated that he and other members of the Council had received a letter from the Takoma Park Study Group regarding monthly reports of the various committees, and that he personally felt it to be a good idea, and that in the future he planned to give a monthly report in connection with his committee.

At this time the Clerk read a report from the Building Inspector showing twenty building permits issued during the months of June and July, 1946, at an estimated construction cost of \$79,860.00.

The matter of house numbering on various streets in the town was brought up for discussion, after which councilman Post moved that the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission be contacted about this matter, and request made to them that this renumbering be given attention at the earliest possible moment. His motion was seconded by Councilman Anderson and approved.

On motion properly seconded council adjourned at 9:50 P. M.

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*William Dodd*  
Clerk

*O. H. Youngblood*  
Mayor

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SPECIAL MEETING  
MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
SEPT. 23, 1946.

Meeting called to order at seven P. M. Those present were Mayor Youngblood, Councilmen Anderson, Heffner, Post and Taft.

The Clerk presented to Council two resubdivisions Plats of lots within the corporate limits of the Town of Takoma Park, and after examination of same and finding them to be in order, the following Ordinances were presented:

ORDINANCE NO. 871

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

Section 1. That the Plat of resubdivision of Lot 1 in Block 61, Gilbert Subdivision to the Town of Takoma Park, Montgomery County, Maryland, into Lots 31, 32, 33, 34 and 35, as presented by Milton D. Harris and Margaret L. Harris, be and the same is hereby approved.

Section 2. That all ungraded streets of 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 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.

Councilman Taft moved the adoption of this Ordinance and Councilman Post seconded the adoption of same, and same was approved on a Yea and Nay vote, voting Yea, Councilmen Anderson, Heffner, Post and Taft, voting Nay, none.

ORDINANCE NO. 872

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

Section 1. That the Plat of resubdivision of Lot 11 in Block 85, and Lots 8 and 9 in Block 84, Petty Subdivision, Takoma Park, Montgomery County, Maryland, into Lot 11C, Block 85, and Lots 15, 16 and 17 in Block 84, as presented by Margaret Dodge, B. F. Kemp, Sylvia Kemp, J. F. Noonan and Anna M. Noonan, be and the same is hereby approved.



Councilman Taft moved the adoption of this Ordinance and Councilman Anderson seconded the adoption of same, and same was approved on a Yea and Nay vote, voting Yea, Councilmen Anderson Heffner, Post and Taft, voting Nay, none.

Mayor Youngblood stated that the meeting was called primarily for considering the appointment of a councilman to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Co. John F. Sidell.

The clerk read to council a letter dated September 6th, 1946 from Mr. Edward Widdifield, Acting Chairman of a delegation who presented the name of Mr. Charles F. Ferry of 11 Poplar Avenue to fill the vacancy on the council. Mayor Youngblood stated that this letter had been handed to him by Mr. Widdifield after he and some members of the council had interviewed Mr. John F. Parkerson of 10 Sycamore Avenue regarding the filling of this vacancy on the council, and that Mr. Parkerson had agreed to accept the appointment.

After discussion of this matter, and in view of the circumstances as set forth above, Councilman Anderson moved that council appoint Mr. John F. Parkerson to fill the vacancy on the Council created by the resignation of Councilman John F. Sidell. This motion was seconded by Councilman Heffner and approved.

The Clerk was requested to write a letter to Mr. Widdifield expressing the appreciation of the Mayor and Council for the interest of the delegation which he represented in the matter, and to also advise Mr. Ferry of the action of the council and to express their appreciation for his willingness to serve.

The Clerk and Treasurer presented to council the Annual Audit of the books of the Town Clerk and Treasure for the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1946, after which Councilman Taft moved that the audit of the books of the Town Clerk and Treasurer, as submitted by Certified Public Accountant Mr. A. W. Vine, be accepted, and that the pertinent parts of the audit be published in the Takoma Journal. This motion was seconded by Councilman Post and approved.

The matter of driveways abutting the newly paved portions of Jackson, Central, Garland and Davis Avenues was brought to the attention of council by Supt. of Public Works Fischer. Supt. Fischer advised council that the property owners with driveways abutting this paving wanted to know what the town intended doing in cases the the street grade did not meet the grade of the already established driveways. After discussion of this matter, Councilman Anderson moved that the town grade and remove the dirt at the entrance of all driveways where necessary for the width of the driveway and back to the front property line only. This motion was seconded by Councilman Post and approved.

The matter of installation of curb and gutter and streets in the Hampshire Gardens subdivision of Mr. Gorin, was brought up by Supt. Fischer and was discussed at length, but no definite action was taken in connection with same. However, from this discussion the matter of width of streets in the new subdivisions was discussed at length, after which Councilman Heffner moved that in the future all streets in new subdivisions be made not less than thirty

feet in width from face to face of curb. This motion was seconded by Councilman Anderson and approved.

There being no further business to come before the council at this time, on motion properly seconded, Council adjourned at 9:50 P. M.

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*J. William Dodd*  
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 Clerk

*O. H. Youngblood*  
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 Mayor

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REGULAR MEETING  
 MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
 SEPT. 30th, 1946.

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

Minutes of the regular meeting of August 19th and special meeting of August 23rd, 1946, were approved.

Financial Statement for the month of August, 1946, was presented by the Clerk and Treasurer, and ordered filed as follows:

RECEIPTS

General Taxes - - - - -	\$16,611.68
Discounts - - - - -	566.67
	<u>16,045.01</u>
Interest and Penalties - - - - -	38.54
Special Assessments - - - - -	201.01
Building Permits - - - - -	271.00
Electrical Permits - - - - -	51.00
Excavation Permits - - - - -	11.00
Dog Tax - - - - -	15.75
Material sold - - - - -	20.00
Montgomery County Police Telephone - - -	12.00
	<u>\$16,665.31</u>

DISBURSEMENTS:

<b>STREETS:</b>		
Labor	\$820.00	
Material	678.20	
Material S. S.	251.44	
Gas-oil-Auto Upkeep-Supplies	609.66	
Street Signs	<u>525.01</u>	\$2,884.31
<b>SERVICE:</b>		
Garbage: Labor	791.70	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	116.87	
Supplies	6.87	915.44
Trash: Labor	<u>930.40</u>	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	164.29	
Disposal	136.72	
Street Lights	560.54	
Traffic Light	<u>4.14</u>	1,796.09
<b>POLICE:</b>		
Salaries	680.30	
Clothing Allowance	60.00	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	124.07	
Lights-Telephone-Fuel-Water	41.01	
Supplies	<u>15.60</u>	920.98
<b>OFFICE:</b>		
Salaries	899.98	
Telephones	22.17	
Supplies-Printing	25.40	
Typewriter repair	<u>10.50</u>	958.05
<b>PARKS &amp; PLAYGROUNDS:</b>		
Equipment	138.00	
Supplies	<u>1.90</u>	139.90
<b>ASSESSABLE IMPROVEMENTS:</b>		
Jackson-Davis-Garland and Central Avenues	<u>1,126.56</u>	1,126.56
<b>MISCELLANEOUS:</b>		
Insurance Premium	313.15	
Municipal Building Expense	46.50	
Montgomery County Police Tele.	12.00	
Office Rent	55.00	
Compensation-Corporation Counsel	50.00	
Henry Fields retirement	25.00	
Justice of Peace Salary	<u>25.00</u>	526.65
		<u>\$9,267.98</u>

BANK STATEMENT

## GENERAL ACCOUNT:

7/31/46 - On hand Citizens Bank	\$47,582.34
Deposits during August	<u>8,797.43</u>

	Withdrawals in August	\$56,379.77	
8/31/46 -	On hand	<u>9,267.98</u>	\$47,111.79
7/31/46 -	On hand Sub Nat'l. T.P.	39,545.84	
	Deposits during August	<u>7,867.88</u>	
		47,413.72	
	No withdrawals in August		
8/31/46 -	On hand		<u>47,413.72</u>
8/31/46 -	On hand in all banks		<u>\$94,525.51</u>

Bills in the amount of \$14,754.41 were presented by the Finance Committee for payment, and payment of same was approved.

COMMUNICATIONS: From Potomac Electric Power Company, expressing their regrets for the delay in installing street lights, and advising that the lights ordered would be installed just as soon as materials were available.

From Mr. Jno. W. Coffman, Sr., regarding zoning in the Town, and recommending that Commercial zone be established running from Laurel Avenue, to Lee Avenue, on Carroll Avenue. Referred to Civic Improvement and Education Committee.

From Mrs. Edith Schaffer regarding her former offer to pay taxes due on Lot 24 in Block 50. Referred to Law and Ordinance Committee.

From Winchester Properties, Inc., regarding improvement of North Manor Circle and Winchester Avenue. Referred to Municipal Works Committee.

From Clifton H. & Ella M. Pohle regarding cutting through of Cherry Avenue from Flower Avenue to Sligo Creek, and also regarding septic tank now being used on property owned by Mr. & Mrs. Pohle. Referred to Municipal Works and Public Welfare and Health Committee.

Petition signed by 44 residents in the East-West Highway, Hopewell, Kentland and Larch Avenues vicinity requesting Council to reconsider their action regarding the rezoning of Block 28, Gilberts Subdivision, from Residential "A" to Residential "C"; the council at an earlier date having recommended to the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission that same be approved. Referred to Civic Improvement and Education Committee.

From Mr. Ralph Brown, Supt. of Police for Prince George's County, expressing his appreciation for the assistance given to him by Mr. Irving Palmer, one of the Town Police, in making an arrest. Ordered filed.

Building Inspector's report was presented to Council showing 15 permits issued in August at a construction cost estimated at \$240,900.00. Ordered filed.

At this time Mayor Youngblood introduced to those present Mr. John T. Parkerson, newly appointed councilman, to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Councilman John F. Sidell.

Councilman Parkerson acknowledged the introduction and expressed his appreciation for the honor conferred upon him, stating that he hoped to spend the rest of his days in Takoma Park, as he liked the town and the people very much, and he would extend every effort to measure up to the standards of a good councilman.

Mr. H. J. McDermott addressed council regarding the fixing of driveways along the newly paved section of Davis, Jackson, Central and Garland Avenues.

Mr. C. F. Winter of 252 Park Ave. addressed council regarding a parking violation ticket given to him by a town police officer. Mr. Winter claimed that there are no "no parking" signs right where he was parked, and he did not know he was violating any traffic regulations, as he has been parking there for quite sometime and he had never been bothered before. Mayor Youngblood advised Mr. Winter that the matter would be looked into.

Attorney Orme, appearing for the applicant to rezone Block 28, Gilbert Subdivision, from Residential "A" to Residential "C", addressed council regarding this rezoning and asked that they stand by their former recommendation to the Park and Planning Commission, that the rezoning be approved.

A group of residents from the vicinity of Kentland, Hopewell and Larch Avenues appeared before council in objection to the rezoning of Block 28, Gilbert Subdivision, and requested that the council reconsider their former action in which they approved this rezoning from Residential "A" to Residential "C". Mayor Youngblood advised the group that a special meeting would be held to reconsider this matter, and they would be advised of the action of the council prior to the hearing before the Prince Georges County Commissioners, which hearing would be held on the morning of October 8th.

Mr. Ivor A. Gehrman addressed council and stated that while he was one of the property owners who protested against the paving of portions of Davis, Jackson, Central and Garland Avenues, that since the completion of the job he feels it is a great improvement and was well pleased with same. Mr. Gehrman stated that there was quite a bit of speeding being done on the newly paved streets, and requested the council to consider the erection of "stop" signs at the southwest corner of Central and Davis Avenues, and also suggested that it might be a good thing for the council to notify all residents in that neighborhood of the law prohibiting children from playing in the streets.

Mr. William Ford, Builder, addressed council regarding the opening of Cherry Avenue from Flower Avenue to Sligo Creek. Mr. Ford advised that he was building on the lot abutting Cherry Avenue and that the people living in the rear of him had no access to their property at the present time, as they had formerly used the lot he was now building on.

In the absence of Councilman Post, the Clerk called to attention of council a letter from Mrs. Edith Schaffer, requesting the council to reconsider their action in connection with Lot 24, Block 50, Gilbert Subdivision, which she had purchased from the County Commissioners of Montgomery County, regarding which lot the council had advised Mrs. Schaffer that they could see no reason for reducing the taxes and penalties on this lot. The Clerk advised council that Councilman Post, Chairman of the Law and Ordinance Committee, had advised him that he would have no objection to Mrs. Schaffer paying the amount of taxes due without penalties, and the Clerk called attention of the council to the fact that Councilman Post had made such a notation on the letter of Mrs. Schaffer.

After discussion, Councilman Nies moved that Mrs. Schaffer be advised that the town would accept the amount of taxes due without imposing any penalties. His motion was seconded by Councilman Anderson and approved.

On motion of Councilman Heffner, seconded by Councilman Nies, the following Taxicab Stand permits and Driver's permits were approved:

Taxicab Stand Permits:

James Wm. McCullough, 35 Laurel Ave., Takoma Park, Md.  
 Walter Edw. Joerg, 111 2nd Ave., Takoma Park, Md.  
 Frank Preston Hudson, Jr., 904 Huston Ave. "

Taxicab Driver's permits:

Geor. J. Zervos, 14 Sycamore Ave., Takoma Park, Md.  
 Awald Henry Reich, Route #1, Riggs Rd., Hyattsville, Md.

Councilman Heffner called to the attention of council the need for the appointment of a Fire Marshall for the town and recommended Mr. Herald Hirst, who was Fire Marshall for the past fiscal year. After discussion of this matter, Councilman Heffner moved that Mr. Herald Hirst be appointed Fire Marshall for the Town of Takoma Park for the ensuing year without pay. His motion was seconded by Councilman Nies and approved.

Councilman Nies, Chairman of the Civic Improvement and Education Committee, advised council that he had written a letter to the Park and Planning Commission and the School Board regarding playground facilities, but that up to the present time he had received no reply as to same.

Councilman Anderson, Chairman of the Municipal Works Committee, stated that he had nothing to report at this time, except that he had arranged for a meeting with the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission at three P. M. on October 4th, to go over the matter of storm water drainage in the town, and that he would like to have as many of the councilmen as possible to attend this meeting. Councilman Anderson also advised that he had made up a list of streets in the town which were in the worst condition to be improved under the proposed bond issue during 1947, and that his plans in connection with same would be placed before council at a later date.

There being no further business to come before the Council, at this time, on motion properly seconded, council adjourned at 10:00 P. M.

J. William Dodd  
Clerk

O. H. Youngblood  
Mayor

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