

REGULAR MEETING  
MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
APRIL 26th, 1948

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

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 15, 1948 and Special Meeting of March 22, 1948 were read and approved.

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

RECEIPTS

General Taxes - - - - -	\$ 35.52
Interest and Penalties - - - - -	155.56
Special Assessments - - - - -	3,775.33
Building Permits - - - - -	377.00
Electrical Permits - - - - -	16.00
Excavation Permits - - - - -	9.00
Vendor Permits - - - - -	4.00
Dog Tax - - - - -	186.75
Taxicab Badge Deposits - - - - -	5.50
Gas & Motor Vehicle Tax-Prince Geo. County-	226.89
Gas & Motor Vehicle Tax-Montgomery County -	441.94
Share of Horse Racing Revenue-Pr.Geo.Co. -	2,041.00
Share of Automobile Tags-Montgomery Co. -	6,675.00
Montgomery County License Fees - - - - -	22.77
Montgomery County Police Telephone - - - - -	12.00
State of Maryland-Franchise Tax - - - - -	36.25
Refund balance Fire Dept.at transfer - - - -	1,924.97
Prince Georges County Fines - - - - -	6.00
Parking Meter Collections - - - - -	501.50
Parking Meter Violations - - - - -	991.00
	<u>\$16,551.98</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

**STREETS:**

Labor	\$465.05	
Material	196.15	
Equipment (C & G Forms)	127.87	
Supplies	4.30	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	213.14	
Paving Eastridge Ave.	1,838.04	\$2,844.55

**SERVICE:**

Garbage: Labor	807.30	
" Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	152.81	
Trash: Labor	996.90	
" Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	93.52	
" Disposal	152.40	
Ashes: Labor	460.15	
" Supplies	3.25	
Street Lights	561.16	
Traffic Light	4.54	3,232.03



## POLICE:

Salaries	1,184.20	
Clothing Allowance	87.76	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	143.46	
Supplies	5.36	
Telephones-Lights-Coal	<u>74.55</u>	1,495.33

## OFFICE:

Salaries	1,009.98	
Rent	100.00	
Supplies	5.15	
Postage and Printing	15.60	
Advertising	9.00	
Telephones	19.76	
Equipment - Typewriter	108.63	
" - Table	<u>8.95</u>	1,277.07

## FIRE DEPT.

Salaries	464.23	
Advertising & Recording Deed	66.50	
Tax Revenue City of Takoma Park	<u>6,500.00</u>	7,030.73

## ASSESSABLE IMPROVEMENTS:

Storm Sewer Merwood Ave. (Johnson)	<u>500.00</u>	500.00
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## MISCELLANEOUS:

Refund of Taxes	365.18	
Recording Fees	26.75	
Municipal Bldg. Expense	54.47	
Insurance Premium	31.50	
Copy of Maryland Code	22.50	
Montgomery Co. Police Tele.	12.00	
Tax Sale expense	5.50	
Dog Expense	4.05	
Traffic Light (E.A. & Carroll)	591.40	
Corporation Counsel Comp.	50.00	
Justice of Peace-Pr. Geo. & Mont.	50.00	
Health Officer	25.00	
H. Fields Retirement	25.00	
Parking Meter Expense	.70	
Parking Meter 7th Payment	<u>376.13</u>	1,640.18
		<u>\$18,019.89</u>

BANK STATEMENT

## GENERAL ACCOUNTS:

2/29/48 - On hand Citz. Bank	\$42,296.30	
Deposits in March, 1948	<u>15,951.48</u>	
	58,247.78	
Withdrawn in March, 1948	<u>8,208.37</u>	
3/31/48 - On hand		\$50,039.41



2/29/48 - On hand Citz. Bank P/M Acct.	1,391.74	
Deposits in March, 1948	<u>600.50</u>	
	1,992.24	
Withdrawn in March, 1948	<u>376.13</u>	
3/31/48 - On hand		1,616.11
2/29/48 - On hand Sub.Nat'l. T.P.	23,502.24	
No deposits in March, 1948		
	<u>23,502.24</u>	
3/31/48 - Withdrawn in March, 1948	<u>9,435.39</u>	
3/31/48 - On hand		<u>14,066.85</u>
3/31/48 - On hand in all banks		<u>\$65,722.37</u>

Bills in amount of \$4,807.94 were presented by the Finance Committee and ordered paid.

COMMUNICATIONS: From Ross H. Beville, President of Lincoln Valley Citizens Assn. complaining of bad condition in the 1000 Block of Elm Avenue. Referred to the Municipal Works Committee.

From East Takoma Citizens Assn. requesting that the matter of compensation to the Mayor and Council be placed on the ballot at the City election on May 3rd, next. Referred to the Finance Committee.

From Russell S. Merson making application for position on the City Police Force. Referred to the Municipal Service Committee.

From Mrs. Wm. R. North, Jr., making application for a retaining wall to be placed on each side of their driveway, the City to do the work and the owner to assume the costs. Referred to the Municipal Works Committee.

From Joseph A. Becker and Claude T. Gurley of Baltimore Avenue, requesting that the owner of dwelling on Lot 14, Block 75, TPL&T Subdivision be notified that this property cannot be used as a dwelling hereafter. Referred to the Law and Ordinance Committee.

From Dr. DeVoe K. Meade, requesting that he be relieved of the position as City Health Officer, due to other heavy demands upon his time, and requesting that his resignation be accepted as of June, 1948. Referred to the Social Welfare and Public Health Committee.

From P. D. Ford requesting that the City agree to pay its middle one-third for the paving of Roanoke Avenue from Hudson to East Ridge Avenue. Referred to the Municipal Works Committee.

From Opha Mays offering to pay all taxes due on lots 7 and 8, Block 60, for a deed from the City to these lots. These lots were deeded through tax sale to the City by Montgomery County. Referred to the Law and Ordinance Committee.

Mr. Joseph A. Becker of 220 Baltimore Avenue addressed council at length regarding complaints in his letter which was read by the Clerk, and requested that the owner of property at 218 Baltimore Avenue be



denied occupancy, due to the fact that the property is nonconforming and not built in accordance with the building regulations of the City, and that same has not been occupied for a period of over thirty days.

Mr. Calvin W. Hassell, 219 Baltimore Avenue, Mr. H. L. Jones, 209 Baltimore Avenue, Mr. Claude T. Gurley, 216 Baltimore Avenue, Mr. Robert J. Weis, 208 Albany Avenue and Mr. R. Tittsler, 128 New York Avenue, formerly of 221 Baltimore Avenue, addressed council regarding 218 Baltimore Avenue and voiced their disapproval of allowing this property to be repaired and occupied.

Mr. Harold A. Treadwell owner of 218 Baltimore Avenue, addressed council and advised his plans in connection with the house in question.

After a lengthy discussion of the matter Mayor Youngblood advised that the matter would be referred to the proper committee for study and recommendation.

Mr. John J. McDonald, 7201 Flower Avenue addressed council regarding a dead tree that is on property next to his property and asked that this tree be taken down as it is dangerous to his property. After discussion Councilman Parkerson moved that the tree be taken down. This motion was seconded by Councilman Anderson and approved.

Mrs. Eva Sweeney, Secretary of the East Takoma Citizens Assn. addressed council regarding the request of the East Takoma Citizens Assn. that the matter of compensation to the Mayor and Councilmen be placed on the ballott at the City Election on May 3, 1948. After discussion the matter was referred to Councilman Taft, Chairman of the Finance Committee for study and report back to council.

Mr. Hubert Garman of 102 Westmoreland Avenue addressed council and stated that he was interested in purchasing a tax sale lot on Westmoreland Avenue, Lot 28 in Block 17, Pinecrest Subdivision. Referred to the Finance Committee.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Councilman Taft, Chairman, brought to the attention of council a letter received sometime ago from Mrs. R. G. Mills, 7801 Takoma Avenue regarding the wall on Philadelphia Avenue replaced by the State Roads Commission, Mrs. Mills claiming that the wall was set back six inches instead of three inches and she was not reimbursed for this property. Councilman Taft stated that this matter should be looked into.

Taxicab Owner's Application of Charles T. Smith, Jr., to take over Cab #4, was presented to Council, and upon motion of Councilman Parkerson, seconded by Councilman Taft, this application was approved.

One way traffic on Grant Avenue was discussed and the matter was tabled until a traffic man of the State Roads Commission could be requested to give study to the matter.

Councilman Heffner informed Council that a Religious Organization wanted to hold Community Vesper Services at 8 Columbia Avenue and after discussion same was granted.

Councilman Post reported to Council the progress of retirement for the employees of the City and stated that he did not feel quite ready to present this matter from the Special Committee to the Council in



its entirely for definite action tonight, but between now and the next Council meeting the Finance Committee should make a study of the matter, and after discussion Councilman Post, Chairman of Special Committee handed the matter over to Councilman Taft, Chairman of the Finance Committee for study and report to the Council at the next regular meeting.

Regarding letter from Opha Mays, stating that he wished to purchase Lots 7 and 8 in Block 60, Gilbert Subdivision, by paying all taxes in arrears on these lots, Councilman Post, moved that Mr. Opha Mays' offer be accepted. This motion was seconded by Councilman Anderson and approved.

Regarding letter from Mr. Joseph A. Becker and Mr. Claude T. Gurley of Baltimore Avenue regarding 218 Baltimore Avenue, after discussion of the matter Councilman Post moved that temporary disposal of this matter be made by referring same to the Corporation Counsel, J. Douglas Bradshaw, with instructions to report back at the next Council meeting. This motion was seconded by Councilman Anderson and approved.

Councilman Parkerson stated that the Clerk had received two bids for an aerial ladder truck, which are as follows:

American LaFrance-Foamite Corp. \$30,950.00 - additional \$3,450.00.

The Seagrave Corp., Columbus, Ohio, \$30,750.00 - with extras \$33,750.00.

These bids were referred to the Finance Committee for study and discussion with the Fire Board.

MUNICIPAL WORKS COMMITTEE: Councilman Anderson, Chairman, regarding letter from Mrs. Wm. R. North, Jr., requesting the City of Takoma Park put a retaining wall on one side of driveway, made a motion that the Supt. of Public Works be instructed to do this work with the provision that the owner assume the cost of the work. This motion was seconded by Councilman Parkerson and approved.

Councilman Taft moved the appointment of the following as Election Officials to serve at the City Election on May 3, 1948, at the rate of \$1.00 per hour. This motion was seconded by Councilman Nies and approved.

A representative of Garwood Industries, Inc., addressed Council requesting that in the purchase of a new garbage truck that they recommend the "Garwood" garbage truck body to be placed upon the chassis.

Ethel Lind, Judge  
 Ruby E. Brown, Judge  
 Alfreda Hare, Judge  
 Gwladine Gooch, Clerk  
 Myrtle Carter, Asst. Clerk  
 Ruth Oswald, Asst. Clerk  
 Julia M. Russo, Asst. Clerk  
 Lauraline K. Schleicher, Asst. Clerk

A representative of Garwood Industries, Inc., addressed Council requesting that in the purchase of a new garbage truck that they recommend the "Garwood" garbage truck body to be placed upon the chassis.

There being no further business to come before the Council upon motion properly seconded, Council adjourned at 10:45 P.M.



*Jefferson Dodd*  
 Clerk  
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*O. H. Youngblood*  
 Mayor

SPECIAL MEETING  
 MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
 MAY 10th, 1948

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

Meeting called primarily to receive the report of the Judges of Election held by the City of Takoma Park on Monday, May 3rd, 1948. The clerk read to Council the following report:

Mayor and Council  
 Takoma Park, Maryland

Gentlemen:

The undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as Judges of Election, have the honor to submit the following report with respect to the City Election, held the 3rd day of May, 1948, in the Takoma Park Volunteer Fire Department Building:

The Board organized with the appointment of Ethel C. Lind, Chairman, Alfreda Hare and Ruby E. Brown, as Judges of Election, and Gwladuis Gooch as Clerk, after having taken the prescribed oath of office before the Mayor. The Polls were opened at the legal hour of 6 o'clock A. M., and were closed at the legal hour of 7 o'clock P. M.

The following persons were voted on as Mayor, and received the number of votes set opposite their respective names:

Luke J. Bennett, Jr.	586
John C. Post	1326

The following persons were voted on as Councilmen, and received the number of votes set opposite their respective names:

From 4th and 20th Precinct, Montgomery County:

Davis M. Agey	507
James A. Clark	689
Walter H. McClenon	1351
Henry B. Perring	1187

From 6th and 21st Precinct, Montgomery County:

George A. Cook,	717
Charles W. Ferrar	231
Herman C. Heffner	1540
John C. Parkerson	1215



From 9th and 22nd precinct, Montgomery County:

Rupert L. Dunn	390
J. H. Nies	1484

From 4th Precinct, Chillum Dist., Prince Georges County:

LeRoy A. Anderson	199
Ross H. Beville	1211
Sherwood Githens, Jr.	1224
Frederick J. Stevenson	581
Elmer J. White	499

It appears from the ballots cast that the following candidate for Mayor received the highest number votes, and was duly elected Mayor for a period of two years from the first Monday in June, 1948:

John C. Post            1326

It appears from the ballots cast that the following candidates for Councilmen received the largest number of votes in their respective precincts and were duly elected Councilmen for a period of two years from the first Monday in June, 1948:

4th and 20th Precinct, Montgomery County:

Walter H. McClenon	1351
H. Brooks Perring	1187

6th and 21st Precinct, Montgomery County:

Herman C. Heffner	1540
John T. Parkerson	1215

9th and 22nd Precinct, Montgomery County:

J. H. Nies	1484
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4th Precinct, Chillum Dist. Prince Goerges County:

Ross H. Beville	1211
Sherwood Githens, Jr.	1224

Certificates of Election in accordance with the results as above stated are attached hereto for delivery to the Mayor and Councilmen elect.

Very respectfully,

JUDGES OF ELECTION,

Ethel C. Lind, Chairman (signed)

Ruby E. Brown, (signed)  
Alfreda D. Hare (signed)

Attest:

Edith G. Gooch, Clerk (signed)

Councilman Nies moved that the report be accepted and that certificates of election be sent to the candidates elected. Motion seconded



by Councilman Heffner and approved.

Minutes of the meetings of the Fire Board of April 1st and 15th, 1948, were also read to Council, and referred to the Municipal Service Committee.

Regarding two firemen appointments to fill vacancies, to which Mr. Battersby and Mr. Pepple had been temporarily appointed, Councilman Nies moved that these appointments be continued until such time as the Council is prepared to take action to provide for permanent appointments to these position. Motion seconded by Mr. Taft and approved.

The application of Alvin Richard Dreas for Taxicab Stand Permit to take the place of Cab No. 19, on motion of Councilman Parkerson seconded by Councilman Nies was approved.

Report of Finance Committee: The Finance Committee, to which was referred April 26, 1948, at its regular council meeting, a communication from the East Park Citizen's Association of Takoma Park, Prince Georges County, Maryland, dated April 16, 1948, urging the Mayor and City Council to submit to the voters of Takoma Park at the City election to be held May 3, 1948, the question, "Shall the Mayor and Council be compensated at the rate of \$600 and \$300 each per annum in lieu of expenses?" and further that such a question appear on the election ballot May 3, 1948, reports as follows:

At a special meeting of the Finance Committee held April 28, at which meeting all members were present, consideration and study was given to the communication above referred to. After careful study it was the unanimous opinion of members of the Committee that it would not be fair to the voters to submit this question at this time upon such short notice, as the matter had not been sufficiently publicized, and that the time was too short before May 3, for a proper consideration of the question by the voters, and that therefore the question could not at this time in fairness to the voters be a subject to be passed upon at the coming election, May 3. Councilman Taft moved that the report of Finance Committee be approved. Motion seconded by Councilman Nies and approved.

Councilman Taft stated that the Finance Committee has had under consideration for some time the claim of Mrs. R. Mills of 7801 Takoma Avenue, for damages to her flowers, shrubbery, and for confiscation of certain parts of her real estate bordering on Philadelphia and Takoma Avenues, caused by a setback of the property wall on said avenues by order of the building inspector of Takoma Park at the time the present wall was laid to replace to replace a former wall.

The facts disclosed that the former wall was set back three inches from the inside line of the sidewalk, but when the new wall was being laid the owners of the property were required under order of the building inspector that the new wall must go back on the property line three inches more, or six inches in all, from the inside of the sidewalk line, which requirement does not seem to be supported by law, and therefore was in fact a confiscation of that part of the property.

Labor expense in connection with the building inspector's demand, confiscation of property, shrubs and trees is the subject of



the claim for damages. Thereupon, upon consideration of the facts and examination of a survey of said property, Mr Nies moved to compensate Mrs. Mills for the damages in the amount of \$125.00. This motion was seconded by Councilman Parkerson and approved.

Upon motion properly seconded Council adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

*J. John Dodd*  
Clerk

*O. H. Youngblood*  
Mayor

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REGULAR MEETING  
MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
May 17th, 1948.

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

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 26, 1948 and Special Meeting of May 10, 1948 were read and approved.

Financial Statement for the month of April, 1948, was presented by the Clerk and Treasurer and ordered filed as follows:

RECEIPTS

General Taxes - - - - -	\$2,214.18
Interest and Penalties - - - - -	263.29
Charges - - - - -	8.50
Special Assessments - - - - -	3,361.36
Building Permits - - - - -	53.00
Electrical Permits - - - - -	23.00
Excavation " p - - - - -	2.00
Dog Tax - - - - -	53.50
Trailer Permit - - - - -	3.00
Vendor " - - - - -	13.00
Taxicab Stand Rental - - - - -	25.00
State of Maryland - Gas & Motor Vehicle	
Tax - Montgomery County	859.42
"    "    - Gas & Motor Vehicle	
Tax - Pr. Georges Co.	441.21



State of Maryland - State Franchise Tax - -	\$	21.25	
" " - Admission Tax - - - -		2.51	
Pr. Georges County - Share Auto License Tax		203.50	
" " - Fines - - - - -		1.00	
Montg. County - Fire Tax 22nd Precinct - -		33.01	
" " - Police Telephone - - - - -		12.00	
Commission Police Pay Telephone - - - - -		1.87	
Parking Meters: Collections - - - - -		457.00	
Violations - - - - -		116.00	
			<u>\$8,168.60</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

STREETS:

Labor	\$689.60	
Material	738.74	
Supplies	33.79	
Removing Tree	15.00	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	<u>338.02</u>	\$1,815.15

SERVICE:

Garbage: Labor	754.85	
" Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	262.08	
Trash: Labor	922.95	
" Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	87.01	
" Disposal	224.00	
Ashes: Labor	237.10	
Street Lights	599.77	
Traffic Light	<u>4.58</u>	3,092.34

POLICE:

Salaries	1,195.00	
Clothing Allowance	90.00	
Gas-Oil-Auto Upkeep	234.79	
Telephones-Lights-Gas-Heat	58.82	
Supplies (Ledger)	<u>80.00</u>	1,658.61

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Salaries	1,007.19	
Apparatus maintenance	642.82	
Gas-Oil	37.46	
Telephones-Electric-Gas-Heat	228.23	
Clothing-Laundry	81.56	
Advertising (Bids Fire Truck)	7.05	
Supplies	8.60	
Equipment	29.57	
Legal Expense (examine title)	35.00	
Fire Training	<u>50.00</u>	2,127.48

OFFICE:

Salaries	1,009.98	
Rent	100.00	
Telephones	20.28	
Supplies	13.46	
Postage and Printing	21.00	
Advertising (Ordinance)	<u>31.73</u>	1,196.45



## ASSESSABLE IMPROVEMENTS:

Storm Sewer - Merwood Dr. (Johnson)	<u>414.00</u>	414.00
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## MISCELLANEOUS:

Municipal Bldg. Expense	230.80	
Traffic Light Expense	130.75	
Election Expense	57.75	
Montg. County Police Telephone	12.00	
Insurance Premium	57.00	
Pr. Geo. County Assessment List	150.00	
Recording Fee	1.50	
Corporation Counsel Compensation	50.00	
Justice of Peace - Pr. Geo. Co.	25.00	
Justice of Peace - Montg. Co.	25.00	
Health Officer	25.00	
Henry Fields Retirement	25.00	
Dog Expense	4.00	
Refund Taxicab Badge	2.00	
Retirement System Expense	89.46	
Parking Meters - 8th payment	<u>342.75</u>	<u>1,228.01</u>
		<u>\$11,532.04</u>

BANK STATEMENTGENERAL ACCOUNTS:

3/31/48 - On hand Citizens Bank	\$50,039.41	
Deposits, April, 1948	<u>7,595.60</u>	
	57,635.01	
Withdrawals, April, 1948	<u>8,998.59</u>	
4/30/48 - On hand		\$48,636.42
3/31/48 - On hand Citiz, Bank - P/M Acct.	1,616.11	
Deposits April, 1948	<u>573.00</u>	
	2,189.11	
Withdrawals, April, 1948	<u>342.75</u>	
4/30/48 - On hand		1,846.36
3/31/48 - On hand Sub.Nat'l. T.P.	14,066.85	
Deposits - none		
	<u>14,066.85</u>	
Withdrawals, April 1948	<u>2,190.70</u>	
4/30/48 - On hand		<u>11,876.15</u>
4/30/48 - On hand in all Banks		<u>\$62,358.93</u>



Bills in amount of \$3,362.74 were presented by the Finance Committee and ordered paid.

COMMUNICATIONS:

From Hubert J. Garman making application for the purchase of Lot 28, Block 17, P. C. Subdivision, for amount of taxes in arrears. Referred to Finance Committee.

From G. L. Chamberlain of 208 Spring Ave., complaining of water running into the street from the Spring Park at the corner of Elm and Poplar Ave. Referred to Social Welfare and Public Health Committee.

From Ellery M. Dennison, Chairman of Hillwood Manor Improvement Committee of the East Takoma Citizens Assn., requesting that a survey be made of street, drainage and other conditions in Hillwood Manor. Referred to Municipal Works Committee.

From Mr. H. C. Woster of 520 Holly Ave., protesting the use of the Ball field at Phila. and Holly Avenues for the playing of baseball until a suitable backstop is erected. Referred to Civic Improvement Committee.

From J. D. Bradshaw, Corp. Counsel, regarding a dangerous traffic condition existing on the West side of Carroll Ave., between Flower and Greenwood Avenues, as reported to him by Mr. Milner. Referred to Municipal Service Committee.

From Mr. J. D. Bradshaw, Corp. Counsel, regarding the purchase by Mr. E. B. Hogan of a strip of land owned by the City, between lots 4 and 5, Block 78, Takoma Park Loan and Trust Co. Sub-Div. Referred to Law and Ordinance Committee.

From Mr. R. L. Dunn of 616 Albemarle Ave. making application for the position of Asst. Supt. of Public Works. Referred to Finance Committee.

From Wilton E. Murray requesting permission to install



Curb and Gutter in front of Lot 4, Block 7, New Hampshire Avenue Highlands. Referred to Municipal Works Committee.

From Washington Pub, San. Comm. Regarding sanitary facilities on portion of the Hodges tract purchased by the Park and Planning Commission. Referred to Municipal Service.

Police Report for the months of March and April, 1948, was read by the Clerk and Treasurer.

Communication addressed to Lt. C. E. Thomas from Mrs. T. F. Lyndell, Principal of the J. Enos Ray School.

From J. D. Bradshaw, Corporation Counsel, regarding the 218 Baltimore Ave. matter. Referred to the Law and Ordinance Committee.

Communication addressed to Mr. M. C. Taft from Mr. H. H. Votaw, Secretary, Religious Liberty Assn., Washington, D. C. regarding the ceding of land by the John Nevins Andrew School for the opening of Cockerille Ave. to Elm Ave. Referred to the Municipal Works Committee.

Mr. Harmon Nicodemus, 212 Hodges Lane addressed Council and stated that he represented all property owners and residents of Hodges Lane regarding the play ground adjacent to this street. Mr. Nicodemus stated that the play ground is being used the later part of each afternoon by large boys and young men playing ball and are creating a menace to young children, and also creating a traffic situation, and asked that the Council give relief at the earliest possible moment. There were ten other residents of that community present who protested the use of the playgrounds by the older boys and young men playing ball. The matter was discussed and Councilman Parkerson made a motion that the playgrounds be confined to the use of the children of the Elementary School and Junior High School under fourteen years of age. This motion was seconded by Councilman Post. After discussion of the motion Councilman Parkerson and Councilman Post withdrew, and the matter was referred to the Law and Ordinance Committee.



Mr. Edward A. Rinney, 211 Hodges Lane, addressed Council and protested the use of the play ground by the larger boys.

Mr. Ellery Denison, Chairman, Hillwood Manor Improvement Committee, East Takoma Citizens' Assn. addressed Council regarding the bad condition of streets in Hillwood Manor Subdivision and made recommendation that Council take definite action to correct this situation.

Mr. Edw. H. Terry, 7204 14th Ave. addressed Council regarding the bad condition of streets in Hillwood Manor Subdivision.

Mr. R. L. Dunn, 616 Albemarle Ave. addressed Council regarding one-way parking on Albemarle Ave. Mr. Dunn also reported to Council a bad condition existing at Flower and Erie Avenues, the water stands on Erie caused by the resurfacing of Flower Ave.

Mr. C. W. Hassell, 219 Baltimore Ave. addressed Council regarding the 218 Baltimore Ave. matter.

Mrs. L. E. Padgett, 36 Denwood Ave. addressed Council and made inquiry as to the status of Mr. M. E. McBride in connection with the City Fire Department, and Mrs. Padgett was advised that the Moneys paid to Mr. McBride was for Fire Training purposes and not considered as a salary.

Mr. Randolph Christ, Chairman of the Fourth of July Parade Committee, addressed Council and asked for assistance from the City in the moving of chairs, decorating of streets, etc. and hauling away material after the parade. Mayor Youngblood advised Mr. Christ that the Council will cooperate with him in the Fourth of July Program.

Mayor Youngblood recommended the adoption of the following Resolution:

P-R-O-C-L-A-M-A-T-I-O-N

WHEREAS: The sale of Buddy Poppies by the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States is authorized by an act of Congress, and endorsed by the President;



AND WHEREAS: the funds collected are used exclusively to give immediate aid to our deserving war veterans, and to the orphans and widows of our deceased veterans;

AND WHEREAS: I firmly believe that in no more fitting manner could we pay tribute to those valiant men who died that our nation might live;

I, O. W. Youngblood, Mayor of the City of Takoma Park, do hereby authorize Takoma Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, aided by its Ladies Auxiliary, to offer for a patriotic contribution in Takoma Park, Maryland, on May 20, 1948, the Buddy Poppies made by our disabled veterans.

I earnestly urge, that each and every one of our citizens take advantage of the opportunity to contribute generously to the V. F. W. Buddy Poppy Sale, and by so doing, "to honor the dead by helping the living."

Councilman Taft moved the adoption of this Resolution and upon being seconded by Councilman Heffner, same was adopted.

Councilman Post made the following motion: Be it resolved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Takoma Park, Maryland that it desires to participate in the Employees' Retirement System of the Employees' Retirement System of the State of Maryland, to be included in the system at the earliest possible date. This motion was seconded by Councilman Nies and approved.

Councilman Heffner reported to Council that eighteen organizations use the Municipal Building at 8 Columbia Ave. and he felt this building should be put in good shape, and recommended the painting of this building.

Councilman Post advised Council that Mr. Jones of the National-Capital Park and Planning Commission has planned out the renumbering of houses on Manor Circle, and made a motion that the Council adopt the plan which the Park and Planning Commission have worked out for the renumbering of the houses on Manor Circle. This motion was seconded by Councilman Parkerson.



✓ Councilman Parkerson stated that he wished to make a statement correcting mis-information by some of our citizens regarding the monies which have been drawn by Mr. M. E. McBride. This money drawn by Mr. McBride is not a salary but an allowance for Fire training expenses.

The matter of placing an order for the purchase of an Aerial Ladder Fire Truck was brought up for discussion and after a lengthy discussion Councilman Parkerson made a motion that Council accept the proposal of The Seagrave Corporation, Columbus, Ohio, dated April 26, 1948, as submitted for the sum of \$33,750.00. This motion was seconded by Councilman Taft and approved.

The matter of complaint made by residents of Hodges Lane regarding the use of the play ground of the Phild. Ave. Elementary School was discussed at length, after which Councilman Parkerson made the following motion: I move that the Playground facilities located at Holly Ave. and Hodges Lane be limited and restricted as to use as follows: No person over the age of 14 years shall use or employ the said playground facilities without first obtaining from the City Clerk a permit therefore, the said permit to clearly set forth the exact hours for such use. This motion was seconded by Councilman Post and approved.

Regarding recommendations from Wt. Thomas concerning traffic conditions within the City, it was recommended that the report be held in abeyance until the Municipal Service Committee could make a study of same and report back to the Council.

Regarding the letter from Mr. H. J. Garman offering taxes in amount of \$217.60 for Lot 28 in Block 17, P. C. Subdivision. After discussion of this matter Councilman Taft moved that the offer of Mr. Garman be accepted and that upon receipt of his remittance for \$217.60 he be given a deed for the lot. This motion was seconded by Councilman Heffner and approved.

The matter of request for storm sewer across Lot 6 down to the Sligo to take care of storm water from Roanoke Ave., after discussion



of this matter it was decided that the owner of Lot 6 should be requested to take the matter up with other property owners to see whether they would consent to bear their portion for the installation of this storm sewer. On motion of Councilman Nies, seconded by Councilman Parkerson, Superintendent of Public Works Fischer was requested to investigate this storm sewer matter and report back to the Council the approximate cost for the installation of same.

There being no further business to come before the Council, upon motion properly seconded, Council adjourned at 10:45 P. M.

J. Wm. Dadd  
Clerk

O. K. Youngblood  
Mayor

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