

EXECUTIVE MEETING
MAYOR AND COUNCIL

July 16, 1951

The meeting was called to order by Mayor pro-tem Klinck at 8:00 p. m. Those present: Councilmen McClenon, Oosterhous, Parkhill, Perring and Tymeson. Absent: Mayor Beville and Councilman Eccleston.

LAW & ORDINANCE: COUNCILMAN MCCLENON moved that Mr. Vincent L. Gingerich be reappointed as Corporation Counsel retroactive as to July 1, 1951.

Councilman Parkhill seconded the motion.

Upon being put to question the motion was carried.

Councilman McClenon presented a preliminary report on the Codification of the Ordinances of the City of Takoma Park.

Councilman McClenon moved that the City Clerk be authorized, with the approval of the Chairman of the Law and Ordinance Committee, to correct the minute books by inserting in each of the following eight ordinances the words necessary to give them the legal effect obviously intended by the Council at the time of their adoption:

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| Ordinance No. 909 | Ordinance No. 1046 |
| " No. 1025 | " No. 1049 |
| " No. 1029 | " No. 1053 |
| " No. 1030 | " No. 1056 |

The motion was seconded.

Upon being put to question the motion was carried.

Councilman McClenon presented several questions that needed to be answered before the actual codification could be undertaken. In this connection Councilman Parkhill moved that the Law & Ordinance Committee consider this matter further and be ready to make final recommendations for the codification at another meeting.

Councilman Tymeson seconded the motion.

Upon being put to question the motion was carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY: Councilman Perring submitted bid from Vernon "Red" House, Harley-Davidson dealer on a police motor cycle including 2 way radio at \$1553.25. After discussion on this matter it was agreed that inasmuch as there was only \$1500.00 in the budget for this item that the Harley-Davidson Co. be contacted on the \$1500.00 figure, therefore, Councilman Perring moved the adoption of the following ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 1062

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

Section. 1. THAT after having duly advertised according to law for the purchase of one (1) radio equipped motorcycle for use of the Police Department of the City of Takoma Park, and after having carefully considered the bids received, the Mayor and Council do hereby accept the bid of the Vernon "Red" House Harley-Davidson Motorcycle Sales and Service, it being the lowest bid received and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the contract for the purchase of this motorcycle be and is hereby awarded to the Vernon "Red" House Harley-Davidson Sales and Service for a price of \$1500.00 complete with radio and equipment according to the City's specifications.

Councilman Parkhill seconded the motion.

The motion was carried with a roll call vote recorded as follows:
Yeas: Councilmen McClenon, Oosterhous, Parkhill, Perring and Tymeson. Absent: Councilman Eccleston Nays: none

CIVIC IMPROVEMENT: Councilman Oosterhous brought up matter of chickens disturbing the congregation of Grace Methodist Church on Sunday mornings with their crowing. After discussion it was agreed that if this was considered a nuisance, a warrant could be sworn out against the owners.

Councilman Oosterhous brought up the matter of "No Parking" signs appearing in front of Grace Methodist Church which the Board of the Church were requesting to be changed on Sundays to enable their members to have more parking facilities.

Councilman Tymeson moved that this question be referred to the Committee for further study.

The motion was seconded.

Upon being put to question the motion was carried.

It was suggested that when requests were made for changing parking signs that the citizen's groups or organization complaining meet with the Chief of Police and Safety Committee as to what purpose they wish to accomplish by their request.

Councilman Oosterhous again presented petition signed by several citizens residing on Elm Avenue between Carroll and Westmoreland Avenues, regarding the changing of the name of the street. It was pointed out that there had been many hearings, meetings and much publicity on this problem, and that the citizens had ample opportunity to express their views. Councilman Parkhill stated that the majority

of these citizens residing within this area were old timers and that he recommended to delay action until next meeting.

Councilman Oosterhous brought up the question of the renovation of 8 Columbia Avenue and after a lengthy discussion it was agreed that the entire Council would go to 8 Columbia Avenue after the close of this meeting and consider an overall plan of renovation for report at next meeting.

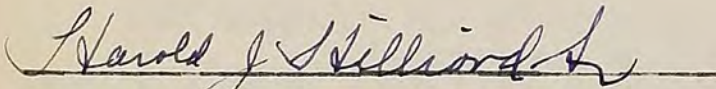
Councilman Oosterhous stated he felt that something should be accomplished further on the master zoning plan which would require those living in multiple-family houses to pay the City for some of the protection they receive. The Council was advised that there is under study a new type of zoning within the County known as "Conversion Type Zoning; this will accomplish a necessary control without mass eviction.

PUBLIC WELFARE: Councilman Parkhill brought up the matter that there was no figure in the budget for coolers in the gymnasium and suggested that this matter be considered for discussion at next meeting.

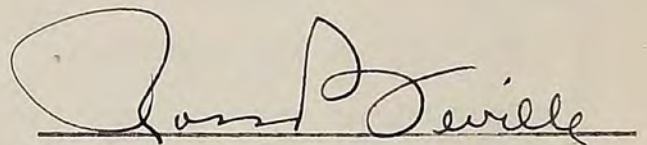
Mayor pro-tem Klinck advised the Council that the Deputy Engineer and the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission met with him, Mr. Gingerich, Councilman Perring and Mr. Thomas and spent some time going over the entire area of the Brashears Run and the Maple Avenue project and all are very familiar with the need of such a culvert.

It was reported that the funds required to accomplish the project according to an overall proposal by the engineer, would amount to approximately \$180,000.00 which would be from Philadelphia Avenue to a point behind the Police Department. Further study will be given to the proposal by the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission and the City will continue to urge the Commission to proceed with this storm drainage construction and to assist them in any manner that is possible for us to do so.

There being no further business to come before the Council, upon motion properly seconded and carried, the meeting adjourned at 9:30 P.M.



Clerk & Treasurer



Mayor

REGULAR MEETING
MAYOR & COUNCIL
July 23, 1951

The meeting was called to order at 8:10 P. M. by Mayor pro-tem
Klinck, Those present: Councilmen Eccleston, McClenon, Oosterhous,
Parkhill, Perring and Tymeson. Absent: Mayor Beville.

Councilman Tymeson recommended approval of payment of bills
amounting to \$7904.95.

Councilman Parkhill seconded the motion.

Upon being put to question the motion was carried.

Councilman Perring recommended that the minutes of July 16, 1951
be changed in paragraph regarding master zoning, as presented by
Councilman Oosterhous as follows:

in the expression of "Conversion Type Dwelling",
cross out "Dwelling" and insert "Zoning", followed by
"this will acomplish a necessary control"(inserted
before "without mass eviction").

Councilman Klinck recommended that in paragraph explaining
the progress of Maple Avenue to insert "and" instead of "of"
before the words "the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission".
Also at the end of the second paragraph concerning the Maple
Avenue project to delete the last few words "with regard to the
assumption of costs" and insert "will continue to urge the Commis-
sion to proceed with this storm drainage construction and to assist
them in any manner that is possible for us to do so".

Councilman Parkhill moved that the minutes be accepted as
corrected.

Councilman Tymeson seconded the motion.

Upon being put to question the motion was carried.

The Clerk and Treasurer presented the Financial Statement for the month of June as follows:

FINANCIAL STATEMENT
June 1951

SUMMARY

| | | Revenues to 6/30/51 | Bal. Budget 6/30/51 | Total Budget |
|--------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|
| Cash on Hand Citiz. Bank | 15,008.64 | | | |
| May 31, 1951: Sub. Nat. | <u>1,000.00</u> | | | |
| | 16,008.64 | | | |

REVENUES

| | | | | |
|---------------------------------|----------|------------|------------|------------|
| 1. General Tax | 836.62 | 258,602.53 | 7,877.47 | 266,480.00 |
| 2.0 Licenses & Permits | 2586.66 | 20,633.83 | 468.83 | 20,165.00 |
| 3. Fines & Fort. | 7.00 | 856.10 | 343.90 | 1,200.00 |
| 4.0 Use of Money & Prop. | | 15.00 | 195.00 | 210.00 |
| 5.0 Revenues from other sources | 12187.96 | 21,952.48 | 6,347.48 | 15,605.00 |
| 6.0 Serv.chg. for current ser. | 46.50 | 15,664.74 | 1,251.00 | 1,150.00 |
| | | 31,673.38 | 303,310.94 | 1,499.06 |
| | | | | 304,810.00 |

DISBURSEMENTS

| | | | | |
|-------------------------|---------|-----------|------------|------------|
| 10. Genl. Govt. | 3106.06 | 33,548.79 | 1,768.29 | 31,780.50 |
| 11.1 Police Dept. | 3634.36 | 45,792.20 | 1,391.88 | 47,184.08 |
| 11.2 Fire Dept. | 2067.51 | 34,394.21 | 752.83 | 35,147.04 |
| 12.1 P.W. Dept. Streets | 6079.95 | 77,678.04 | 9,396.82 | 87,074.86 |
| 13.1 P.W. Dept. San. | 6940.53 | 80,842.61 | 4,627.55 | 85,470.16 |
| 19.1 P. W. Rec. | 1484.13 | 19,931.29 | 1,247.43 | 18,683.86 |
| 21.1 Miscel. | 884.74 | 24,197.28 | 10,998.11 | 1,898.11 |
| | | 7,476.10 | 303,185.25 | 11,255.25 |
| | | | | 314,440.50 |

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| 6/30/51 Bank Balance | |
| Citizens Bank | 6,476.10 |
| Sub. Bank | <u>1,000.00</u> |
| | <u>7,476.10</u> |

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| SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT ACCT | |
| 5/31/51 Bal. Citiz. Bank | 9,406.63 |
| Deposits 6/51 | <u>4,190.90</u> |
| | 13,597.52 |
| Withdrawals | |
| 6/30/51 Bal. Citiz. Bank | <u>262.50</u> |
| | 13,335.03 |

COMMUNICATIONS: Letter from Mr. H. L. Thornton regarding the reduction in salary of Clerk & Treasurer. Referred to Finance Committee.

Letter from Mr. Rupert Dunn regarding the reduction of salary of Clerk & Treasurer. Referred to Finance Committee.

Letter from Mrs. Geo. Cook regarding the removal of the Health and Welfare from their present location at 8 Columbia Avenue. Referred to Public Welfare Committee.

Letter from Montgomery County Health Dept. and Memo to Mr. Parkhill regarding the infestation by rats at 152 Carroll Avenue. Referred to Public Welfare Committee.

OPEN MEETING: Mayor pro-tem Klinck gave brief report on meeting he had in Baltimore with the Maryland Traffic Safety Division in Cooperation with the AAA Automobile Club of Maryland which consisted of a luncheon followed by a television broadcast, with Governor McKeldin participating in television broadcast. He explained that the purpose of this annual event was to award certificates to the communities and cities when they had no fatalities within the year.

Mayor pro-tem Klinck presented the certificate which was awarded the City of Takoma Park, to Chairman of Public Safety Committee, Councilman Perring who in turn presented it to the Police Department.

Mrs. George Cook, 22 Philadelphia Ave., addressed the Council, concerning the problem of vacating present location of Health & Welfare Department at 8 Columbia Avenue stating that Mr. Wolfson of Montgomery Health Department advised her to contact the Council pointing out the great need of a Health & Welfare office within our City. She was assured by the Council that the tentative plans for renovation of this building were just preliminary and that no immediate move would be made for them to vacate.

Mr. Rupert Dunn, 8022 Maple Avenue addressed the Council in favor of retaining the Health & Welfare Agencies within the City of Takoma Park.

Mr. Brigham, 7215 Flower Avenue, addressed the Council complimenting Councilman Oosterhous on his efforts to progress with the master zoning program within the City.

Mrs. Russell, 20 Elm Avenue addressed the Council, in behalf of the 18 residents on Elm who signed a petition to retain the name of Elm Avenue. She was invited to remain for the executive session at which time this problem would be discussed further.

Mr. Rupert Dunn, 8022 Maple Ave. addressed the Council advising them that the name of Albemarle Avenue still appears on the street sign and asked that the name be changed to Maple Avenue.

Mr. Whelan, 228 Park Avenue, addressed the Council asking if the City would repair the sidewalk in front of his house and if it was not repaired, if any person received an injury due to the default in the sidewalk who would be responsible. He was advised that if a person receives injury before repair is made that it would be the responsibility of the City. Mr. Whelan also complained that when his trash is collected that baskets are collected as well. The entire matter brought up by Mr. Whelan was referred to Public Works Department.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: CIVIC IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE:

Councilman Oosterhous reported that regarding to Petition A 1684 filed by Mr. Smith for rezoning, Park & Planning Commission was asked to withhold any action on this problem until the Council heard further from Mr. Smith and if no word has been received from Mr. Smith within the next month the Council will again contact Park and Planning Commission.

The question of changing the name of Elm Avenue from Westmoreland to Carroll Avenues, to Westmoreland Avenue was discussed. It was pointed out that this problem was put into effect by the Park and Planning Commission and there was not much the Council could do at this time except to make recommendation to the Park & Planning Commission.

After quite a lengthy discussion on the master-zoning problem, Councilman Oosterhous moved that the City Council state that it is their desire that a survey be made by the Park & Planning Commission to determine the existing zoning pattern within the entire corporate limits of Takoma Park, this information to be used as a basis of formulation of a master zoning plan.

Councilman Tymeson seconded the motion.

Upon being put to question the motion was carried.

After discussion on renovation of 8 Columbia Avenue, Councilman Oosterhous moved that the Council direct Mr. Thomas, Superintendent of Public Works to remove the petition on the second floor as he has the opportunity to do so.

Councilman McClenon moved that the prior motion be amended that "the Superintendent of Public Works proceed to tear out partitions on second floor and to make certain that there is nothing over head that will be detrimental to the building before taking down the partitions".

Councilman Oosterhous seconded the motion.

The following motion was carried with roll call vote recorded as follows: Yeas: Councilmen Eccleston, McClenon, Oosterhous, Parkhill. Nays: Councilmen Tymeson, Perring and Mayor pro-tem Klinck.

That the Superintendent of Public Works proceed to tear out partitions on second floor as he has the opportunity to do so and to make certain that there is nothing over head that will be detrimental to the building before taking down the partitions.

Mayor pro-tem Klinck stated that he sincerely hoped that nothing would be done to the renovation of this building before it was given serious overall study.

Copies of the entire floor plan of 8 Columbia Avenue were prepared by Superintendent of Public Works, Mr. Thomas, and presented to each member of the Council for study.

PUBLIC SAFETY: Councilman Perring moved the appointment of ^{Office} Anthony L. Dechare and Officer James B. Doten, at salaries of \$2740.00 per annum, for the balance of the fiscal year.

Councilman Parkhill seconded the motion.

Upon being put to question the motion was carried.

PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS: Councilman Eccleston moved that certain playground equipment be purchased up to \$486.00 and that the Superintendent of Public Works Department obtain prices from other sources on same equipment.

Councilman Parkhill seconded the motion.

Upon being put to question the motion was carried.

Councilman Eccleston moved the adoption of the following Ordinance for the sodding of Spring Park:

ORDINANCE NO. 1063

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

Section. 1. THAT up to Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00) be appropriated and made available for the sodding of Spring Park.

Councilman Parkhill seconded the motion.

The motion was carried with a roll call vote recorded as follows:
Yeas: Councilmen Eccleston, McClenon, Oosterhous, Parkhill, Perring and Tymeson.

FINANCE COMM TTEE: Councilman Tymeson stated that a new method was going to be worked out for the remaining fiscal year in showing the balance to date in the budget for each department monthly.

LAW & ORDINANCE: Councilman McClenon presented copies of the proposed repeal of certain ordinances.

Councilman McClenon moved that the minutes of November 8, 1909 (Ordinance No. 175) be corrected so as to repeal No. 170 instead of No. 171.

Councilman Parkhill seconded the motion

Upon being put to question the motion was carried.

Councilman McClenon moved that the minuted of April 6, 1933 be corrected by changing "13" in the originally unnumbered ordinance now numbered 531B to "33".

Councilman Parkhill seconded the motion.

Upon being put to question the motion was carried.

Councilman McClenon moved that the minutes of Dec. 18, 1950 and Feb 26, 1951 be corrected to show that Nos. 1035 and 1044 amend Police Regulations instead of "Traffic Regulations".

Councilman Parkhill seconded the motion.

Upon being put to question the motion was carried.

PUBLIC WELFARE: Councilman Parkhill brought up question of the infestation by rats within certain areas within the City and Recommended that the Law and Ordinance Committee together with his Committee, Public Welfare, draw up certain ordinances in order to settle this thing once and for all. He also advised the Council that he had conversation with Dr. Ellicott, Health Officer of Montgomery County regarding this matter and he was horrified to know of these conditions.

Councilman Parkhill suggested that a letter should be written to Mrs. Geo. Cook in answer to her letter of recent date relative to the Health & Welfare vacating their present location. He stated that she was advised by him that the plans for renovation to 8 Columbia Avenue were preliminary and there was no immediate need of their vacating.

Councilman Perring moved that all organizations meeting at 8 Columbia Avenue be notified of the intention of the City to renovate the building, for City use, and to advise them what part of the building they may or may not use.

Councilman Eccleston seconded the motion.

Upon being put to question the motion was carried.

Mayor pro-tem Klinck stated that the dedicatory plats for the widening of Carroll Avenue were at last in the hands of Corporation Counsel.

Councilman Oosterhous asked if the matter which is under study by the Interstate Commerce Commission for the adequacy and convenience of passenger carrier facilities and services in the metropolitan area of the District of Columbia had been given any further study. It was advised that the Corporation Counsel would draw up a petition regarding this matter. Also Councilman McClenon was asked to try and secure copies of bills presented to the House and Senate regarding this matter.

There being no further business to come before the Council,
upon motion properly seconded and carried, the meeting adjourned
at 10:20 p. M.

Harold J. Williard Sr

Clerk & Treasurer

Paul Deville

Mayor