

SPECIAL HEARING
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
February 18, 1952

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p. m. by Mayor pro tem Klinck. Those present: Councilmen McClenon, Parkhill, and Tymeson. Absent: Councilmen Oosterhous, Ferring and Eccleston, Mayor Beville. A quorum being present Mr. Klinck proceeded with the Hearing.

Mayor pro tem Klinck explained that the installation of the proposed sidewalk consisting of a thickness of 4" and a width of 4' was to extend on Philadelphia Avenue from Takoma to Chicago Avenues, and that the cost to each abutting property owner would be approximately \$2.72 per linear foot.

Col. P. H. Moseley, 601 Philadelphia Avenue, appeared before the Council, stating he was in favor of the improvement of a sidewalk and came merely to obtain an idea of the approximate cost to him and asked if the payment might be by installments.

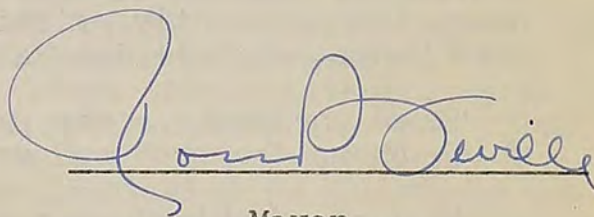
A letter was read from the Board of Education stating that they would be unable to accept the cost of the sidewalk abutting the school property inasmuch as the current year's budget did not have funds to cover this improvement.

No opposition was registered by anyone present on this proposed installation of the Philadelphia Avenue sidewalk.

There being no further business to come before the Council at this Hearing, upon motion properly seconded and carried, the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p. m.



Clerk and Treasurer



Mayor

EXECUTIVE MEETING
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
February 18, 1952

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

Mayor Beville discussed in detail the matter of the changing of the bus stops of the Maryland buses, at which time a map drawn up by the Public Works Department was displayed showing in detail the original stops and also the proposed changes, and read the following letter that he addressed to Mr. George Keniepp regarding this question:

" At a recent conference with Mr. Chrisman, Superintendent of Traffic of the Capital Transit Company, and representatives of various civic associations in Takoma Park, it was agreed to request the District Commissioners to erect "No Parking" signs on both sides of Eastern Avenue for a distance of 75 feet northwest from Laurel Avenue, and that a bus zone be established on the south side of Eastern Avenue beginning 75 feet west of Laurel and extending west 100 feet.

"Since Laurel Avenue is within the limits of the City of Takoma Park, the City agrees to move the taxicab stand back to permit a bus zone on Laurel Avenue just before reaching the intersection of Eastern Avenue, thus permitting the abolishment of the present bus zone on Eastern Avenue going northwest.

"It is also proposed to remove the present bus zone on Laurel Avenue in front of the 5 & 10 Cents Store, because buses making the left turn are unable to get parallel with the curb.

"We believe that this arrangement at the intersection of Laurel and Eastern Avenues will greatly improve the traffic congestion presently existing during the morning and afternoon rush hours, and all day Saturdays.

"I am enclosing a map prepared by our Engineering Department which shows the proposed arrangement.

"A copy of this letter is being sent to the Public Utilities Commission of the District of Columbia for their consideration."

It was suggested that the stop in front of Lincoln Loan Co. be discontinued. In this respect Mayor Beville asked Mr. Coffman to assume the responsibility of contacting the Chamber of Commerce as to their view point on eliminating this bus stop, and to obtain their view in the matter as soon as possible. It was also suggested to move the stop in front of Takoma Hardware down to Westmoreland Avenue.

Councilman Klinck moved that the Superintendent of Public Works proceed to draw up specifications and advertise for bids on the Philadelphia Avenue sidewalk.

Upon being seconded and put to question the motion was carried.

Regarding the construction of the new street at the Recreation Center on West Grant Ave., Councilman Klinck moved that a letter be written to the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission and ask their opinion as to whether there is any merit to the suggestion that that portion of Darwin Avenue from Piney Branch Road down to Holly Avenue, and West Grant Avenue from Holly Avenue down to Maple Avenue, be renamed Grant Avenue and renumbered consecutively with existing Grant Avenue.

Upon being seconded and put to question the motion was carried.

The new proposed Refuse Regulations were reviewed and amended and held over for further consideration by the committee.

PUBLIC WELFARE COMMITTEE: Councilman Parkhill reminded the Council that he had suggested at a Council meeting several months ago the desirability of preparing a Crest that would be representative of the progress and growth of the City of Takoma Park and be commensurate with our dignity and position as an incorporated municipality in Maryland. Councilman Parkhill requested the Council to consider this matter at this time and suggested that the Mayor, with the consent of the Council, appoint a committee to deliberate, plan, and prepare a Crest befitting and depicting the history and important growth of our City in its relation to the Metropolitan area. The Mayor, therefore, appointed the following citizens on a committee, of which Mr. John Coffman will act as chairman, to prepare this Crest:

Mr. John Coffman
Dr. Wm. A. Hooker

Mr. Ronald Senseman
Mr. Sanford Harlan

LAW AND ORDINANCES COMMITTEE: Mayor Beville suggested that the Law and Ordinances Committee draft an Ordinance giving the Supt. of Public Works or Police Department authority to see that heavy traffic did not travel over residential streets. No action taken on this proposal.

Councilman McClenon moved the adoption of the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 1102

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

Section 1. Section 6 of Article 8 of Ordinance No. 531B of April 6, 1933, entitled "Police Regulations of the Town of Takoma Park, Maryland", is amended to read as follows:

"Section 6. Removal of Snow and Ice from Sidewalks.

- "(a) It shall be the duty of the owner and occupant, jointly, of every parcel of real estate adjoining a public sidewalk to keep such sidewalk adjoining his property free from snow and ice for the full paved width of such sidewalk.
- "(b) Snow and ice shall be removed within four hours of daylight after it has fallen or accumulated. Sidewalks in front of commercial establishments shall be kept free of snow and ice at all times between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.
- "(c) In case snow and ice on any sidewalk shall be frozen so hard that it cannot be removed without injury to the sidewalk, it shall, within the time specified in subsection (b), be strewn and kept strewn with ashes, sand, sawdust, or other suitable material, so as to be no longer dangerous to life or limb. As soon as practicable thereafter the sidewalk shall be completely cleared of snow, ice, and other material strewn thereon as provided in this subsection.
- "(d) It shall be the duty of the Chief of Police to ascertain whether the public sidewalks have been cleared of snow and ice as provided in this section. He shall promptly notify the Superintendent of Public Works of all parcels with respect to which the provisions of this section have not been complied with.
- "(e) The Superintendent of Public Works shall direct the removal or treatment of snow and ice, as provided in this section, from the portions of the public sidewalks with respect to which this section has not been complied with, and notify the City Clerk of the expense incurred, determined by the amount of labor and materials used.
- "(f) The City Clerk shall promptly present to the owner of each parcel a bill for the expense of snow and ice removal or treatment, as certified by the Superintendent of Public Works, with respect to the sidewalk adjacent to this property.
- "(g) Snow and ice shall in all cases be removed from public sidewalks in such a way as not to obstruct the free passageway of any street, avenue, or roadway.

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Mayor Beville discussed the matter of making Philadelphia Avenue one-way East and referred to letter from State Roads Commission of February 5, 1952 in answer to our letter of January 23, 1952, which included the Ordinance pertaining to this matter in which they advised our plan was not feasible, and outlined other recommendations. Mayor Beville referred this matter to Public Safety Committee for their recommendation and report back at next Council meeting.

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 Councilman McClenon moved the rescinding of Ordinance No.1099.

Upon being seconded and put to question the motion was carried.

Mayor Beville reported on the meeting held at 8 Columbia Ave. on Wednesday, February 13th which consisted of interested citizens of the 17th Election District of Prince George's County regarding the fire tax question. Those present from Takoma Park area were Mayor Beville, Councilmen Eccleston and Klinck and Chief M.E. McBride. The Mayor felt this meeting was a very successful one and believed the citizens better understood and were more in accord with this problem after reviewing the map which was displayed along with the discussion.

Mayor Beville brought up the question of proper repairs being made to the cuts in our streets which have been made by the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission. The Mayor asked Corporation Counsel to what extent could the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission make cuts in the streets and in what condition were they to be left. Corporation Counsel Gingerich answered that they could do so as long as the local authorities were notified and that under the law the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission was responsible for putting the streets back in the same condition as they were originally or at any rate, in no inferior condition, with the expense of same borne by the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission. Mr. Gingerich stated that there was no time limit to complete the work but that the damaged places must be well settled before making final repairs. Mayor Beville asked that the Public Works Department contact the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission to ascertain the possibility of the City making the proper repairs and then billing them for the normal cost.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE: Councilman Klinck advised the Council of the outcome of the Hearing on the Philadelphia Avenue sidewalk which preceded this meeting, stating that there was no opposition and the only property owner present was Col. P. H. Moseley, 601 Philadelphia Avenue who was in favor of the improvement and came mainly to obtain an idea of the cost and to see if payments might be in installments. In view of the fact that the Board of Education wrote advising that their present budget did not include an amount to be used for their share of the sidewalk, Councilman Klinck suggested that instead of the original plan of construction to extend the sidewalk from Takoma Avenue to Chicago, that we now stop it at the property line of the School Board.

"(h) No person shall dump, pour or spill salt or salt water or other deleterious matter upon any tree or tree space in any public place, or keep or maintain within ten feet of any such tree or tree space any receptacle from which salt water leaks or drips, or dump, pour, or spill salt or salt water into any parking or unconcreted gutter so as to injure any tree or grass occupying public space."

Section 2. Section 17 of the said Article 8 is amended by inserting before the period at the end thereof a comma and the words "and in default of the payment of any such fine by imprisonment for not more than 30 days."

Section 3. If any portion of this ordinance shall be held invalid with respect to any situation or circumstance, such invalidity shall not affect its applicability to other situations or circumstances, or the validity of any other provision of the ordinance.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect April 1, 1952; but any violation of the said Article 8 committed before that date shall be punished in the same manner as if this ordinance had not been enacted.

Councilman Klinck seconded the motion.

The Ordinance was adopted with a roll call vote as follows:
Yeas: Councilmen Eccleston, Klinck, McClenon, Parkhill and Tymeson. Nays: none. Absent: Councilmen Oosterhous and Perring

Councilman McClenon proposed an Ordinance requiring all vehicles overtaking school buses stopping to receive or discharge teachers or pupils, to stop 10 feet behind such buses, but stated that Chairman Perring of the Public Safety Committee was opposed to the Ordinance. applicable to vehicles meeting as well as well as overtaking school buses.

Councilman Klinck introduced an amendment making the Ordinance applicable to vehicles meeting as well as overtaking school buses.

Councilman Eccleston seconded the motion.

The amendment was adopted with Councilman McClenon voting nay.

Councilman McClenon moved the adoption of the amended Ordinance as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 1103

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

Section 1. Article 4 of Ordinance No. 532 of December 4, 1934 (10:113-114), entitled "Traffic Regulations", as amended, is further amended by adding at the end thereof:

"Section 19. Every vehicle meeting or overtaking any school bus which has stopped on any street within the City of Takoma Park for the purpose of receiving or discharging any school child, school children, school teacher or school teachers, shall be brought to a full stop at least ten (10) feet from such school bus, either in front or rear thereof, as the case may be, and remain standing until the child, children, teacher, or teachers are received or discharged and the school bus has again started. The term "school bus", as used herein, shall include only buses painted orange and black, with orange predominating, and equipped with school bus signs and with the stop sign up and visible.

Section 2. This Ordinance shall take effect March 1, 1952.

Councilman Klinck seconded the motion.

The Ordinance was adopted with a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: Councilmen Eccleston, Klinck, McClenon, Parkhill and Tymeson.
Nays: None. Absent: Councilmen Oosterhous and Perring.

Councilman McClenon brought up the question of publishing in the Takoma Journal a digest or analysis of the City Manager Bill in order to give the citizens an opportunity to have first hand information on the subject previous to the City Manager Hearing on Wednesday, February 27, 1952. After considerable discussion Mr. Coffman, editor of the Takoma Journal, stated it would be impossible to get this published this week or before the City Manager public meeting. After further discussion on the matter it was agreed to permit this analysis of the Bill to be published in the Takoma Journal on the 29th of February, and postpone the public meeting until March 5, 1952 at the Municipal Center at 8:00 p. m. Mayor Beville was authorized to make a study of the analysis which had been prepared by Councilman McClenon and to release same to the Takoma Journal, at a cost to the City not to exceed \$50.00 as recommended by the Finance Committee, if the language of the analysis of the Bill met with his approval.

Councilman McClenon made motion to defer the hearing on the City Manager Bill from February 27, 1952, to March 5, 1952.

Upon being seconded and put to question the motion was carried.

CIVIC IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE: Councilman Parkhill moved the adoption of the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 1104

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

Section 1. The consent of the City of Takoma Park is hereby given to the subdivision of Lot 21 of Block 20, B.F. Gilbert's Addition to Takoma Park into two lots, divided by a line 60 feet from the east line of the said Lot 21.

Section 2. This Ordinance shall become effective upon the approval of the said subdivision by the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission and the filing with the City Clerk, by the owner of the said Lot 21, of a map or plat showing the two new lots, with the new designation thereof.

Councilman Eccleston seconded the motion.

The ordinance was adopted with a roll call vote as follows:
Yeas: Councilmen Klinck, Eccleston, McClenon, Parkhill and Tymeson. Nays: none. Absent: Councilmen Oosterhous and Perring.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Councilman Tymeson moved the adoption of the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 1105

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

Section 1. By virtue of the authority vested in the City Council of the City of Takoma Park, Maryland, by section 104.8(h) of the Montgomery County Code (1950 Edition) and section 1299(H) of the Prince George's County Code (1943 Edition), being Articles 16 and 17, respectively, of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, titles "Montgomery County" and "Prince George's County" as amended by Chapter 237 of the Acts of the Regular Session of 1951, the said Council hereby directs that the City of Takoma Park shall borrow, under the authority so vested, the sum of \$13,912.50, in order to finance the purchase of a new FWD Model F-1250T, 1250 gallon fire pumper, to replace standard equipment of the Municipal Fire Service.

Section 2. The Mayor and City Clerk and Treasurer are authorized and directed to execute a Certificate of Indebtedness to bear date of March 18, 1952, and to mature one year from the said date, in the amount specified in Section 1 hereof.

Section 3. Said Certificate of Indebtedness shall be offered at public sale to the highest bidder on an interest rate bid basis. Notice of such sale shall be given by advertisement inserted twice in the Takoma Journal.

Section 4. The form of advertisement shall be as follows:

"NOTICE TO BIDDERS"

In compliance with the provisions of the City Charter, and in accordance with Ordinance No. 1105, the City of Takoma Park will issue one Certificate of Indebtedness in the amount of \$13,912.50, payable one year from date of issue, for the purpose of financing the purchase of a new FWD-Model F-1250 T, 1250 gallon Fire Pumper to replace standard equipment of the Municipal Fire Service.

Sealed bids in writing on this Certificate of Indebtedness indicating the rate of interest to be charged will be received in the office of the Clerk and Treasurer of the City of Takoma Park until 4:00 p.m., February 29, 1952. "

Section 5. The Certificate of Indebtedness shall be in the following form:

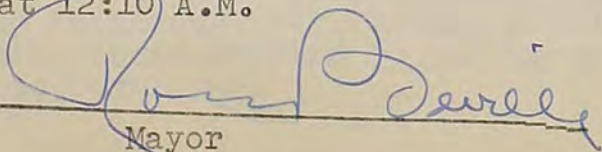
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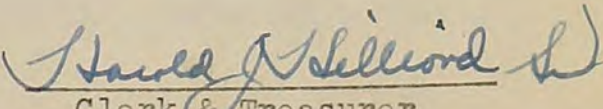
Councilman Parkhill seconded the motion.

The Ordinance was adopted with a roll call vote as follows:
Yeas: Councilman Eccleston, Klinck, McClenon, Parkhill and Tymeson. Nays: none. Absent: Councilman Oosterhous and Ferring.

Approved with the Mayor's consent the clerk's attendance at the 1952 Convention of the National Institute of Municipalities in Dallas, Texas.

There being no further business to come before the Council, upon motion properly seconded and carried, the meeting adjourned at 12:10 A.M.


Mayor


Clerk & Treasurer

MAYOR & COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
February 25, 1952

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

Councilman Eccleston moved that we dispense with the reading of the minutes of January 28 and February 18, 1952.

Upon being seconded and put to question, the motion was carried.

Councilman McClenon moved that the minutes of February 18, 1952, be approved as corrected.

Upon being seconded and put to question, the motion was carried.

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

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

	Revenues Jan. 1952	Revenues to 1/31/52	Bal. Budg. to 6/30/52	Total Budget
Cash on hand				
12/31/51 Citizens Bank	102353.98			
Sub. Trust	11120.87			
	<u>113474.85</u>			
<u>REVENUES</u>				
1.0 General taxes	13150.60	259445.22	7982.18	267427.40
2.0 Licenses & per.	444.82	14041.07	5883.93	19925.00
3.0 Fines & Forfeit.	2113.95	2239.45	439.45	1800.00
4.0 Use of Money & Property	.00	20.00	105.00	125.00
5.0 Rev. from other sources	515.10	2339.80	20865.20	23205.00
6.0 Serv. Chg. from current serv.	251.50	955.50	244.50	1200.00
	<u>129950.82</u>	<u>279041.04</u>	<u>34641.36</u>	<u>313682.40</u>
<u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>				
	Clerk			
10. Gen. Govt. Office	2063.30	14368.02	9226.98	23595.00
10. " " Gov. Bldg.	1640.86	9487.99	6272.01	15760.00
10. P/W Repair Shop	1389.77	10706.51	2098.49	12805.00
11.1 Police Dept.	3954.08	30726.79	16200.71	46927.50
11.2 Fire Department	2691.45	21841.60	16903.40	38745.00
12.1 P/W Dept. off.	1012.70	6819.79	2435.21	9255.00
12.2 P/W Dept. Hgh.	3787.44	33128.79	1121.21	34250.00
12.4 P/W " Other Hgh.	.00	305.71	21805.71	21500.00
12.5 P/W Hgh. Lgt.	852.43	5277.78	2502.22	7780.00
13.2 P/W Sanitation	3300.23	26326.24	22873.76	49200.00
19.3 P/W Recreation	650.93	3106.41	4636.59	7743.00
19.4 Cultural- Lib.	55.27	9158.93	441.07	9600.00
21. Miscellaneous	2480.77	6807.82	325.84	7133.66
Bal. both banks	1/31/52 106071.59	177450.96	106843.20	284294.16

1/31/52 Bal. Citizens Bank	94837.20
Bal. Sub. Tr. Co.	<u>11234.39</u>
Bal. Both Banks	106071.59

SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT ACCOUNT

12/31/51	Bal. Citizens Bank	6123.95
	Deposits during Jan., 1952	<u>1821.48</u>
		7945.43
1/31/52	No withdrawals	.00
	Bal. Citizens Bank	<u>7945.43</u>

CORRESPONDENCE: Letter from Jesse F. Nicholson, Park and Planning Commission submitting Zoning Amendment Petition No. A-861, filed by Mr. Clifton C. McMillin, for the recommendation of the Mayor and Council. Referred to Civic Improvement Committee.

Letter from Mr. J. Edward Simcock stating his opposition to the zoning amendment petition filed by Mr. Clifton C. McMillin. Referred to Civic Improvement Committee.

Letter from Dr. and Mrs. W. P. McNeill stating their opposition to the zoning amendment petition filed by Mr. Clifton C. McMillin. (Zoning Amendment Petition No. A-861.) Referred to Civic Improvement Committee.

Letter from Albert R. Hassall, House of Delegates, stating receipt of the two resolutions adopted by the Mayor and Council. Referred to the Finance Committee.

Letter from Perry O. Wilkinson, House of Delegates, stating receipt of the two resolutions adopted by the Mayor and Council. Referred to Finance Committee.

Letter from J. Paull Marshall, House of Delegates, stating that he will study the resolutions adopted by the Mayor and Council and, if at all possible, go along with our viewpoint. Referred to Finance Committee.

Letter from John R. Fletcher, State Senator, advising that he would take into consideration the resolutions adopted by the Council. Referred to Finance Committee.

Letter from Governor Theodore R. McKeldin explaining his views on diversion of "Sherbow Funds". Referred to Finance Committee.

Letter from Mr. Thomas Hicks, Clerk, Office of Prince George's County Commissioners, assuring that the request for Prince George's County to allot funds for recreational work will be considered when working on the budget. Referred to Parks and Playgrounds Committee.

Letter from Luke J. Bennett, President of Community League, requesting the posting of a traffic officer at the Maple and Tulip Avenue Presbyterian Church on Sunday Mornings. Referred to Public Safety Committee.

Letter from Russell S. Morgan opposing the paving of Wabash Avenue. Referred to Public Works Committee.

Letter from Jesse F. Nicholson, Park and Planning Commission, presenting Zoning Amendment Petition No. A-1834 of Andrew A. Horner, Jr. for an appropriate recommendation by the Mayor and Council. Referred to Civic Improvement Committee.

OPEN MEETING: Mr. Robert Mohr, 217 Spring Avenue, spoke in favor of placing on the ballot in the coming City Election a referendum on the question of compensation of a nominal amount, in lieu of expenses, for the Mayor and Councilmen. Mr. Mohr stated that this compensation would cover incidental, out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Council in the City's interest, and for which most of the Councilmen neglect submitting vouchers. This amount would not be enough to induce unworthy persons to run for office, but would eliminate the nuisance and trouble of the Councilmen submitting vouchers or paying expenses from their own pockets. Mr. Mohr was speaking on behalf of the Spring Park Citizen's Association.

Mr. Paul Wilson, 7602 Wildwood Drive, also spoke on compensation to the Mayor and Council. He declared that it was a matter of simple justice that the Council should receive some nominal reimbursement, and urged that necessary action be taken to place this question on the forthcoming ballot.

Mayor Pro Tem Klinck thanked the citizens on behalf of the Mayor and Council for their interest and thought in coming forth to speak in favor of this compensation for the Council.

Mr. H. Schulz, 230 Park Avenue, presented a statement regarding a plan for one-way traffic along Park Avenue and East-West Highway. He discussed the three plans that had been considered in regard to this problem, and stated that he felt that the plan submitted by Mr. Mintiens of the State Roads Commission was the least desirable. He objected strenuously to the reouting of all east-bound traffic on Route 410 to Park Avenue. Mr. Schulz submitted a copy of his statement for the records.

Councilman Tymeson moved that the bills, as approved by the Finance Committee, be paid.

Upon being seconded and put to question, the motion was carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS COMMITTEE: Councilman Eccleston stated that the bill for sod for Spring Park, for which \$600 had been appropriated, had come to \$818.00. He then moved that the additional \$218.00 necessary for payment of this bill be appropriated.

Upon being seconded and put to question, the motion was carried.

PUBLIC WORKS: Superintendent of Public Works Thomas stated that the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission had satisfactorily repaired several street cuts. Councilman Parkhill stated that he had personally taken this matter in hand, and had submitted it to the proper authorities.

CIVIC IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE: Mayor Pro Tem Klinck stated that no decision would be arrived at tonight on the zoning petitions, due to the fact that the Committee had not had sufficient time to study the petitions and submit a recommendation. He went on to say that the Council would be glad to hear opinions of those citizens present regarding any of these petitions, and that the Council's recommendation would be presented at a later meeting. A question was submitted by Miss Kendrick, 8110 Flower Avenue: "How does rezoning of one house or lot in a block affect the other property owners in the neighborhood?"

Mayor Pro Tem Klinck stated that each piece of property was zoned individually, and the rezoning of property in a block would not change the zoning classification of the rest of the property in that block.

Mrs. Emily Lee, 8116 Flower Avenue, stated that this was not true in all cases, as her property, originally zoned A, had been blanketed in and rezoned B without her knowledge. She stated that she did not realize the rezoning until an increase in taxes caused her to make an investigation. She spoke in opposition to the McMillin application for rezoning to C, Petition No. A-861, declaring that she feared the same thing would happen in this case, and that her property would be blanketed in and rezoned C.

The following citizens then declared their opposition to Petition No. A-861, of Clifton C. McMillin: Mrs. Esther Kendrick, 8110 Flower Avenue; Mrs. W. P. McNeill, 8107 Roanoke Avenue; Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Baldwin, 8114 Flower Avenue; Mrs. Sophie D. McNally, 1 Houston Avenue; and Mr. F. A. Helms, 8111 Roanoke Avenue.

Mr. A. H. Jennings, 8119 Roanoke Avenue, declared himself to be in favor of Mr. McMillin's Zoning Amendment Petition No. A-861.

Mr. Joseph Simpson, attorney representing Mr. McMillin, asked to be heard at the Council's convenience. He also requested the Council's prompt action on the petition, as the time is limited when zoning amendment petitions may be presented to the Montgomery County Council.

Councilman Parkhill moved that we request the County Council to defer action on Zoning Amendment Petition No. A-861 if Clifton C. McMillin until after the Executive Council Meeting, March 17, 1952, and to request also that the County Council, should they defer action, notify us of the date set for the hearing.

Councilman Tymeson seconded the motion.

Upon being put to question, the motion was carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE: Councilman Perring reported on the matter of a traffic officer being assigned to the Takoma Park Presbyterian Church on Sundays. He stated that an officer had been assigned there last Sunday, but that, due to personnel changes in the Police Department, he was uncertain as to whether or not this arrangement could be continued. He pointed out that the Police Department is covering five churches at present.

Councilman Perring stated that a letter of resignation had been received from Officer F. J. Linkins of the Police Department. He moved that the resignation be accepted.

Upon being seconded and put to question, the motion was carried.

Councilman Perring moved the appointment of the following men as Special Police: Mr. Daniel Townsend, Mr. Steve Adams, Mr. J. W. Peeke, Mr. L. G. Small, Mr. Richard Hill, Mr. Guy Nelson, Mr. L. W. Botimer, Mr. Morris Lowry, Mr. C. E. Murphy, and Mr. James Hash.

Upon being seconded and put to question, the motion was carried.

Councilman Perring, as a retiring councilman, moved the adoption of the following ordinance in regard to compensation for the Mayor and Councilmen:

ORDINANCE NO. 1106

WHEREAS, Section 1189 (N) of the City Charter (Section 104-4(t) of the Montgomery County Code of 1950) provides for compensation of the Mayor and Councilmen of the City of Takoma Park in lieu of expenses, to be effective when approved by a majority vote of those voting thereon at a City election, and

WHEREAS, by Ordinance No. 983 of March 18, 1950 (19:231) this question was submitted to the voters of the City at the general election held March 28, 1950, and

WHEREAS, at the said general election there were cast a total of 1433 votes, but only 590 votes were cast on the question submitted by the said ordinance, the vote on this question being 291 yes and 299 no, and

WHEREAS, many citizens and citizen associations have requested a new vote on the question at the City election of 1952, and

WHEREAS, a majority of the City Council, although not themselves sponsoring or advocating the proposal, feel that, in view of the smallness of the vote and of the majority against the proposal at the 1950 election, the Council should permit the voters of the City to determine the question, as provided in the City Charter, NOW THEREFORE

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

Section 1. In accordance with Section 1189(N) of the City Charter (Section 104-4(t) of the Montgomery County Code of 1950), there shall be submitted to the voters at the City election to be held Tuesday, March 25, 1952, the question "Shall the Mayor and Councilmen be compensated at the rate of \$600.00 and \$300.00 each, per annum, respectively, in lieu of expenses?"

Section 2. The City Clerk is directed to make arrangements to have this question placed on the voting machines to be used at the said City election of March 25, 1952, in such a way that the voters can vote "yes" or "no" on the said proposal.

Councilman McClenon seconded the motion.

The Ordinance was adopted with a roll call vote recorded as follows:

Yeas: Councilmen Eccleston, Klinck, McClenon, Parkhill, Perring, and Tymeson,
Absent: Mayor Beville and Councilman Oosterhous.

In regard to the one-way traffic problem on Philadelphia and Park Avenues, Councilman Perring was of the opinion that the only solution to the problem was to put a plan into effect on a trial basis.

The matter of the new black Police car, with no markings, was brought to the attention of the Council. Councilman Klinck questioned Sgt. Bell as to the use of the black car in comparison with the white marked Police cars. Sgt. Bell stated that the black car had been used with much success, but that he had no figures on hand at present to show an actual comparison. He stated that cars of both types are being used by Police Department all over the country, and that the unmarked car is most successful in detective work, for which privately owned cars had been used previously.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Councilman Tymeson reported that our total expenditures are at present 4 1/2% over the budget, due to the excessive expense for snow and ice removal this year. He felt sure, however, that we would have a fair surplus by the end of this fiscal year.

LAW AND ORDINANCE COMMITTEE: Councilman McClenon moved the adoption of the following ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 1107

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

Repealed p. 142

Section 1. The taxicab stand on the west side of Laurel Avenue near the corner of Eastern Avenue shall be moved to the north approximately 100 feet, so as to occupy the location prior to December 17, 1951 reserved for parking official vehicles, directly south of Carroll Avenue.

Section 2. The location vacated by the taxicab stand under section 1 of this ordinance is reserved as a bus stop, and there shall be no parking of vehicles other than buses at such location.

Section 3. Ordinance No. 1098 of December 17, 1951 (21:87) is hereby repealed.

Section 4. Section 1 of Ordinance No. 894 of July 28, 1947 (18:48), as amended, is further amended by inserting before the last paragraph thereof, in lieu of the paragraph inserted by Ordinance No. 1098, the following:

"There shall be not less than three parking meters at the location of the former bus stop on the east side of Laurel Avenue near the corner of Eastern Avenue."

Councilman Oosterhous seconded the motion.

The ordinance was adopted with a roll call vote recorded as follows: Yeas: Councilmen Eccleston, Klinck, McClenon, Oosterhous, Parkhill and Tymeson. Nay: Councilman Perring. Absent: Mayor Beville.

There being no further business to come before the Council, upon being properly seconded and carried, the meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Robert D. Davis
Mayor

Harold J. Hilliard
Clerk & Treasurer

CAUCUS*FIRE HOUSE

March 11, 1952 - 8 P. M.

Mr. Harold J. Hilliard, Sr., Clerk and Treasurer for the City of Takoma Park, Maryland, called the meeting to order at 8 p. m., and welcomed the citizens of Takoma Park. The Clerk explained that the Caucus had been called by him at the direction of the Council under Ordinance No. 1100, for the purpose of nominating candidates for a Mayor and seven (7) Councilmen who shall be elected on Tuesday, March 25, 1952, and take office the second Monday in April (April 14, 1952), to serve for a period of two years, or until their successors are duly qualified. He further explained that this caucus was non-partisan as well as the election of the City officials, and the citizens did not have to be affiliated with any political party, etc. to be eligible to exercise their privilege at this meeting. The only qualification a citizen must meet to participate in this Caucus is that he be a resident eligible voter certified by the Board of Election Supervisors of the respective counties. The Clerk and Treasurer further explained that the nomination of candidates for Mayor and Council shall be made on motion of any voter present and seconded by at least two additional voters of the City, and the person so nominated shall be considered a candidate unless he shall in person file with the City Clerk within three days after the nomination his intention to withdraw his name from the ballot.

The Clerk and Treasurer then outlined the qualifications of a candidate for Mayor as follows: (1) must be at least 30 years of age, (2) a certified eligible voter and property holder, and (3) must have resided in the City of Takoma Park for one year previous to the date of his nomination. The qualifications of candidates for Councilmen were as follows: (1) must be at least 25 years of age, (2) shall have resided in the precinct or area from which he shall be nominated for at least one year immediately preceding his nomination and a property holder therein, (3) a certified eligible voter. The Clerk further stated that the Mayor and Councilmen shall be elected at large-- two (2) Councilmen from within the boundaries of the Fourth and Twentieth Precincts of the Thirteenth Election District of Montgomery County within the City; two (2) Councilmen from within the boundaries of the Sixth and Twenty-First Precincts of the said Thirteenth Election District of Montgomery County within the City; one (1) Councilman from within the boundaries of the Ninth and Twenty-Second Precincts of said Thirteenth Election District of Montgomery County within the City; and two (2) Councilmen from within the boundaries of that portion of Prince George's County within the City.

At this point, maps of the City indicating the boundaries of the various precincts were passed among the citizens. Mr. Hilliard then requested nominations for a Secretary from among the voters present. Mr. Gordon Cole, 7115 Garland Avenue, nominated Mrs. E. Ward Russell, 902 Jackson Avenue, who served as Secretary for the meeting.

The Clerk and Treasurer asked if all understood the qualifications necessary to nominate and to be nominated. He then stated that the Chair would receive nominations of candidates for Mayor of the City of Takoma Park.

Dr. William A. Hooker, 19 Pine Avenue, presented a short summary of the history of Takoma Park, emphasizing the many improvements and accomplishments made during the last two years. He then moved the nomination of Ross H. Beville, 404 Lincoln Avenue, to succeed himself as Mayor.

This motion was seconded by the following:

Mrs. Vera Hash, 424 Lincoln Avenue
 Mr. G. S. Longacre, 102 Park Avenue
 Mr. Gordon Cole, 7115 Garland Avenue
 Mr. L. A. Oosterhous, 904 Glazewood Court
 Mr. L. J. Bennett, 7211 Maple Avenue
 Mr. Ellery Denison, 7207 13th Place

There being no further nominations of candidates for Mayor Mr. H. Brooks Perring moved the nominations be closed.

FOURTH AND TWENTIETH PRECINCTS:

Mr. H. Brooks Perring, 7414 Piney Branch Road, nominated Mr. Frank E. Lucas, 7300 Maple Avenue for Councilman.

This motion was seconded by the following:

Mr. George B. Kennedy, 7750 Takoma Avenue
 Mr. Vincent Bateman, 7202 Central Avenue
 Mr. Harvey Hutton, 1008 Heather Avenue

Judge H. C. Heffner, 7107 Carroll Avenue, nominated Mr. Walter H. McClenon, 7211 Cedar Avenue for Councilman.

This motion was seconded by the following:

Mr. S. M. Derato, 413 Lincoln Avenue
 Mr. Clifford J. Waldron, 600 Elm Avenue
 Mr. Gordon Cole, 7115 Garland Avenue
 Mr. Rex E. Hollis, 7121 Poplar Avenue
 Mr. Robert Mandel, 7003 Woodland Avenue

SIXTH AND TWENTY*FIRST PRECINCTS:

Mr. William Hardy, 117 Park Avenue, nominated Mr. Charles H. Klinck, 44 Philadelphia Avenue, for Councilman.

This motion was seconded by the following:

Mr. E. Brooke Fetty, 7206 Carroll Avenue
 Mrs. Vincent Gingerich, 7417 Cedar Avenue
 Mrs. W. F. Knouse, 7201 Hancock Avenue
 Mr. Alfred Lillie, 25 Philadelphia Avenue
 Mr. Albert Smith, 412 Lincoln Avenue
 Mr. Jack Brown, 102 Elm Avenue

Mr. William Mauger, 7125 Poplar Avenue, nominated Mr. James B. Parkhill, 44 Columbia Avenue for Councilman.

This motion was seconded by the following:

Mr. Charles E. Smith, 33 Columbia Avenue
 Mr. Robert E. Mohr, 217 Spring Avenue
 Mr. J. C. Barton, 420 Lincoln Avenue
 Mr. R. C. Hill, 7128 Carroll Avenue
 Mr. Ellery Denison, 7207 13th Place
 Mr. Rex Hollis, 7121 Poplar Avenue
 Mr. Harold J. Seeley, 21 Philadelphia Avenue
 Mr. Thomas Hicks, 7211 Central Avenue
 Mr. C. M. Kyle, 7416 Cedar Avenue
 Mr. Hugh Paull, 7413 Birch Avenue
 Dr. William A. Hooker, 19 Pine Avenue
 Mr. Robert Alderson, 7118 Poplar Avenue

NINTH AND TWENTY-SECOND PRECINCTS:

Mr. C. S. Longacre, 102 Park Avenue, nominated Mr. Sydney W. Tymeson, 720 Flower Avenue for Councilman.

This motion was seconded by the following:

Mr. Gordon Cole, 7415 Garland Avenue
 Mr. John Gooch, 7312 Glenside Drive
 Mr. Walter H. McClenon, 7211 Cedar Avenue
 Mr. Robert E. Mohr, 217 Spring Avenue
 Mr. R. C. Hill, 7128 Carroll Avenue
 Mr. Harvey Hutton, 1008 Heather Avenue
 Mr. J.C. Peter 8202 Flower Avenue
 Mr. Rupert Dunn, 8022 Maple Avenue

PRINCE GEORGE'S PORTION OF THE CITY:

Mr. S. M. Derato, 413 Lincoln Avenue, nominated Mr. Ray H. Eccleston, 7207 Trescott Avenue for Councilman.

This motion was seconded by the following:

Mrs. Vera Hash, 424 Lincoln Avenue
 Mr. George M. Miller, 7019 Eastern Avenue
 Mr. E. H. Terry, 7204 14th Place
 Mr. Ellsworth Phelps, 407 Beech Avenue
 Mr. Charles Yost, 7207 Central Avenue
 Mr. L. A. Oosterhous, 904 Glazewood Court
 Mr. James Hash, 424 Lincoln Avenue

Mr. Paul Wilson, 7602 Wildwood Drive, nominated Mr. Milton Kramer, 7602 Hammond Avenue, for Councilman.

This motion was seconded by the following:

Mr. M.E. Taylor, 7604 Wildwood Drive	Mr. Robt. E. Mohr
Mr. Vincent Amoroso, 8111 Carroll Avenue	217 Spring Ave.
Mr. Peter Rensen, 7332 Piney Branch Road	
Mr. Ray Anselmo, 7300 Wildwood Drive,	Mrs. Paul A. Profe
Mr. Andrew A. Horner, 8105 Kennebec Avenue	1202 Jackson Ave.
Mr. Thomas Hicks, 7211 Central Avenue	
Mr. Pat Werback, 6607 Cockerill Avenue	
Mr. Ed Nysten, 901 Jackson Avenue, nominated Mr. Gordon Cole,	
7115 Garland Avenue, for Councilman.	

This motion was seconded by the following:

Mr. Vincent Amoroso, 8111 Carroll Avenue
 Mr. Frank Lewis, 702 Devonshire Avenue
 Mr. E. Ward Russell, 902 Jackson Avenue
 Mr. Frank Lewis, 702 Devonshire Avenue, nominated Mr. Ellery Denison, 7207 13th Place, for Councilman.

This motion was seconded by the following:

Mr. Ernest Wolfe, 7507 Jackson Avenue
 Mr. Gordon Cole, 7115 Garland Avenue
 Mr. L. A. Oosterhous, 904 Glaizewood Court
 Mrs. Bruce Moffatt, 7108 14th Avenue
 Mr. E.S. Terry 7204 14th Avenue
 Mr. S. M. Derato, 413 Lincoln Avenue
 Mr. J.C. Barton, 420 Lincoln Avenue

There being no further nominations from the floor, upon being seconded, the motion to close nominations was carried.

Mr. Walter H. McClenon then moved that this meeting go on record as expressing the appreciation of the Citizens of Takoma Park for their fine work on the Council of retiring Councilmen L.A. Oosterhous and H. Brooks Perring.

Upon being seconded and put to question the motion was carried.

Retiring Councilmen L.A. Oosterhous and H. Brooks Perring were given a rising ovation.

There being no further business to come before the meeting at this time, the motion was made for adjournment, and upon being seconded and put to question, this motion was carried, with the meeting adjourning at 9:10 P.M.

Mrs. Evelyn J. Russell

Secretary

Stanley J. Hilliard

Clerk and Treasurer