

PUBLIC HEARING
Heather Ave. & Glengarry Place
January 11, 1954

Those present: Councilmen Eccleston, Klinck, Miller, Forehand, Parkhill and Tymeson. Absent: Councilman Kramer.

Mayor Beville addressed the citizens and explained the purpose of this hearing and then turned the meeting over to Councilman Klinck, Chairman of the Public Works Committee.

Mr. Hilliard advised the Council that the office had received a telephone call from Mrs. Charles Levinson, 1009 Sligo Creek Parkway, stating because of the weather she would be unable to be present at the meeting but opposed the improvement due to the fact that improvement had already been made in front of her property.

Councilman Klinck informed the Council that he had talked to Mr. Mellen during the day and that due to illness he would not be present, therefore, Councilman Klinck stated that he advised Mr. Mellen he would inform him the results of the matter and advise the figures on the project which he did not have available during the conversation.

Councilman Klinck explained in detail the proposal of the improvement, stating that the approximate figure would be \$7728.49, \$2788.00 being for storm drainage and \$4940.49 for paving, curb and gutter, thus making an approximate cost to each property owner of \$8.40 per assessable foot.

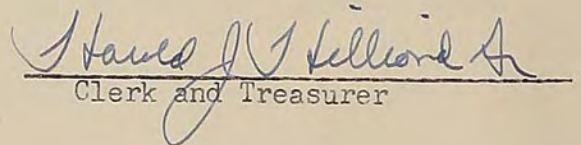
Mr. James P. Magner, 7240 Glengarry Place, opposed this improvement at this time.

Mr. C. P. Hutson, 1014 Heather Ave., asked various information regarding this improvement.

Following a short discussion on the proposed improvement, there being no further questions the meeting adjourned at 8:15 P.M.



Mayor



Clerk and Treasurer

EXECUTIVE MEETING
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
January 11, 1954

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Mayor Beville called the meeting to order at 8:15 P.M. Those present: Councilmen Eccleston, Klinck, Miller, Parkhill, Forehand and Tymeson. Absent: Councilman Kramer.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Letter from Montgomery County Civil Defense Association outlining the up-to-date activities of the Association. This matter and letter referred to Chairman of Public Safety Committee, Councilman Kramer.
2. Letter from Michael Derato, relative to the licensing of child-care homes. Referred to Public Welfare Committee.
3. Letter from Mrs. Ralston D. Binkley, in which she complimented the Council for the passing of Ordinance regulating child-care homes but also suggested that the Council should insist upon a phone and emergency list. Referred to Public Welfare Committee.
4. Greeting card from Senator J. Glen Beall.
5. Letter addressed to Mr. Parkhill concerning certain zoning violation laws at 4 Geneva Avenue which was felt could have been partly the cause of the severe fire. This letter was signed by 11 citizens. Referred to Civic Improvement Committee.
6. Letter from Mrs. Betty McDevitt complimenting the Council on their decision in the installation of the mercury vapor lights in certain portions of the City.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE:

Councilman Miller informed the Council that the following streets had been roped off for sledding:

Cole Avenue	Prince George's Avenue	Birch Avenue
Boston Avenue	Alfred Drive	Boyd Avenue
Willow Avenue	Margaret Drive	Jackson Avenue
13th Place	Baltimore--Phila. to N.Y.	

Councilman Miller advised that thought was being given to a possible municipal orchestra.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

Concerning the proposal to abandon a certain portion of Niagara right-of-way, Councilman Klinck moved that the Public Works Committee be authorized to enter into negotiations looking to the abandonment of that section of Niagara Avenue right-of-way fronting Lots 9, 10 and 11, Block 59, B. F. Gilbert and the offering at private sale a portion of that triangular parcel of land lying between the above described section of Niagara Avenue right-of-way to a point on Maple Avenue opposite the extended right-of-way line of Ritchie Avenue.

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

Councilman Klinck advised the Council that the Public Works Committee had made an inspection of Maple Avenue and that a final report had been requested from McNeill Survey.

Councilman Klinck suggested that no decision be made regarding the improvement to Heather Avenue and Glengarry until such time as he may explain the results of the hearing to Mr. William A. Mellen who was unable to be present because of illness and who is the owner of the larger portion of the property involved.

LAW AND ORDINANCES COMMITTEE:

Councilman Forehand moved the adoption of the following Ordinance calling for a Caucus and for the election:

ORDINANCE NO. 1245

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

Section 1. The City Clerk shall call a meeting of citizens for the making of nominations for Mayor and Councilmen at 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 9, 1954, at the Municipal gymnasium in the Fire House, at the corner of Philadelphia^(a) and Carroll Avenues. The said meeting shall be conducted as prescribed in section 1189 (H) of the City Charter, as amended by Chapter 331 of the Maryland Laws of 1949 (Montgomery County Code, section 104-4 (L)).

Section 2. There shall be a City election to elect a Mayor and seven Councilmen at the Fire House between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., on Tuesday, March 23, 1954. The referendum authorizing the registered voters of Takoma Park to approve or disapprove amendments to the Charter of the City of Takoma Park, and the referendum providing for a veto power for the Mayor of Takoma Park shall be conducted at this election in accordance with section 2 of the act approved March 31, 1953 (1953 Laws of Maryland, Chapter 232), and section 2 of the act approved March 31, 1953, (1953 Laws of Maryland, Chapter 241), respectively. The said election shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of section 1189 of the City Charter (Montgomery County Code, section 104-4); it shall be conducted by means of voting machines, and so far as practicable all laws and regulations governing the use of voting machines in elections in Montgomery County shall apply to the use of voting machines in the said City election.

Section 3. The City Clerk shall make arrangements with the Board of Election Supervisors of Montgomery County for the use of eight voting machines at the said City election, and shall arrange to have placed on each voting machine the names of all candidates nominated at the citizens' meeting of March 9, except any who may within three days thereafter have filed with the City Clerk his refusal to have his name so placed. The City Clerk shall also arrange to have placed on each voting machine the words "For Charter Amendment" and "Against Charter Amendment", and he shall also arrange to have placed on each voting machine the words "Amendments to the City Charter to give the Mayor a veto power, subject to over-riding by five members of the City Council", together with the words "for" and "against".

Section 4. The City Clerk shall cause a notice of the citizens' meeting and the City election to be inserted in the Takoma Journal the first week in March. He shall also cause the insertion in the Takoma Journal, the third week in March, of a facsimile of the arrangement of the names and words on the voting machines.

Section 5. The City Clerk shall prepare cards bearing the names and addresses of all voters certified by the Boards of Election Supervisors

of Montgomery and Prince George's Counties, and shall furnish such cards to the judges and clerks of election.

Section 6. The City Clerk shall recommend to the Council the names of fourteen persons for designation by the Council as judges and clerks of election.

Section 7. The City Clerk, with the assistance of the Chief of Police, shall see that the City election is conducted in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance and of section 1189 of the City Charter (Montgomery County Code, section 104-4).

Section 8. The judges of election shall meet at the City Office (8 Columbia Avenue) as a board of election at 10 a.m., Wednesday, March 24, 1954, and shall determine and certify the results of the election, as provided in section 1189 (I) of the City Charter (Montgomery County Code, section 104-4 (G)). The Council shall meet in special session to receive the certification from the judges at 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 24, 1954.

Councilman Parkhill seconded the motion.

Upon being put to question the motion was carried and the ordinance was adopted with a roll call vote recorded as follows: Yeas: Councilmen Eccleston, Klinck, Miller, Forehand, Parkhill and Tymeson. Absent: Councilman Kramer.

PUBLIC WELFARE COMMITTEE:

Councilman Eccleston stated that he had made a study of the result of the work done by the Bondactor machine on sidewalks, curb and gutters which was demonstrated some time ago and requested that each councilman make it a point to inspect the following places repaired by this machine:

- Sidewalk-- Montgomery Avenue between Pine and Hickory Avenues
- Catch basin-- intersection of Glaizewood and Larch Avenues
- Section of curb-- Glaizewood and Larch Avenues.
- Catch basin and section of curb-- intersection of Glaizewood Ct. & Glaizewood Ave.
- Small section of curb & sidewalk in front of Citizens Bank.

Councilman Eccleston moved that "Institutions" under the rooming house ordinance be given credit for the registration fee paid under rooming house Ordinance #1216 and applied to the new registration fee for "Institutions" under Ordinance #1241.

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

Councilman Eccleston moved to continue the status of the paying of the building inspector as previously in effect in December until further action of the Council.

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

Mayor Beville and Councilman Klinck complimented Mr. Thomas, Supt. of Public Works for the splendid work done in clearing the snow during the two recent snow storms.

CIVIC IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE:

Relative to when the City might definitely expect the new City map, Councilman Tymeson moved that the City Clerk write McNeill Survey to advise the Council by January 25th when the map can be expected.

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

Councilman Parkhill moved the adoption of the following Ordinance for the acceptance of plat for Lafar Lipscomb:

ORDINANCE NO. 1244

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

Section 1. THAT all of the land conveyed by Emma Matthews Brent and Herman G. Brent, her husband to Opha Mays and Belle F. Mays, his wife, by deed dated March 23, 1953 and recorded in Liber 1776 at Folio 180 among the Land Records of Montgomery County; all of the land conveyed by William L. Beaman and Elizabeth May Beaman, his wife, to Opha Mays and Belle F. Mays, his wife, by deed dated March 9, 1953, and recorded in Liber 1776 at Folio 178 among said Land Records; all of the land conveyed by Opha Mays and Belle F. Mays, his wife, to Lafar Lipscomb and Alice C. Lipscomb, his wife, by deed dated July 22, 1953, and recorded in Liber 1822 at Folio 291 among said Land Records; and (4) all of the Land conveyed by Goldsborough S. Walker, unmarried, to Opha Mays and Belle F. Mays, his wife, by deed dated August 5, 1953 and recorded in Liber 1824 at Folio 142 among said Land Records. The area of street dedicated to public use by this plat is 11,569 square feet of land. This plan is also a resubdivision of Lots 17, 18 and 19, Block 50A, Takoma Park as per plat recorded in Plat Book 23 at Plat 1420 among said Land Records and a resubdivision of parts of Lots 1, 2 and 3, Section 6, S. S. Carroll's Addition to Takoma Park, into Lots 27-33 Inc. Section 6, S. S. Carroll's, is hereby approved subject to conditions as set forth in Ordinance 920 adopted by the Mayor and Council at a Special Meeting on February 5, 1949.

Councilman Eccleston seconded the motion.

Upon being put to question, the motion was carried and the ordinance adopted with a roll call vote recorded as follows: Yeas: Councilmen Eccleston, Klinck, Miller, Forehand, Parkhill and Tymeson. Absent: Councilman Kramer.

Councilman Parkhill moved that the City Clerk prepare a suitable Resolution to be sent to the relatives of Dr. William A. Hooker:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the passing of William A. Hooker has removed from this life a beloved and respected friend, and

WHEREAS, his civic interest and leadership, especially his activity as President of the Takoma Park Historical Society, honesty and integrity, and effort to improve the City and neighborhood in which he has resided for so many years has endeared him in the hearts of his neighbors and associates. He was respected and honored by thousands of residents of the City of Takoma Park, and his loss to the community will be genuinely felt in all walks of life.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the City of Takoma Park express deepest sympathy and sorrow in the passing of this public spirited citizen and sincere friend.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be recorded in the official Minutes of the City of Takoma Park and a suitable copy be prepared and forwarded to his bereaved family.

Councilman Klinck seconded the motion.

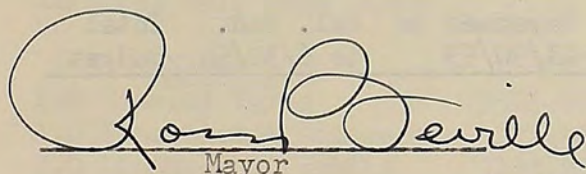
Upon being seconded and put to question, the motion was carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

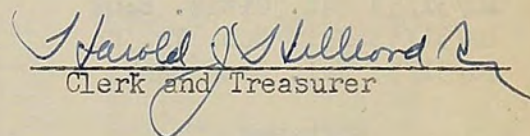
Councilman Tymeson moved that the Chief of Police be authorized to use advertising matter on the old parking meters during the month of January, for the purpose of the March of Dimes Campaign. Out of each dime 3¢ will go to Prince George's County and 6¢ to Montgomery County.

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

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



Mayor



Clerk and Treasurer

REGULAR MEETING
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
January 25, 1954

Mayor Beville called the meeting to order at 8:15 p.m. Those present: Councilmen Eccleston, Forehand, Klinck, Kramer, Miller, Parkhill and Tymeson. Absent: None.

Mayor Beville corrected the minutes of January 11, 1954, as follows: Page 1, under Parks and Recreation Committee, the following streets should be added to the list: 13th Place, Baltimore Avenue from Philadelphia Avenue to New York Avenue, and Jackson Avenue; Lincoln Avenue should be stricken from the list.

Councilman Parkhill moved that the minutes of January 11, 1954, be accepted as corrected, and that the Council dispense with the reading of the minutes of January 11, 1954.

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

Councilman Parkhill suggested that all subsequent minutes of meetings from January 11, 1954, should name the Councilman making seconds to motions.

Mr. Hilliard presented the Financial Statements for the months of November and December as follows:

FINANCIAL STATEMENT
November 1953
Summary

	Revenues Nov. 1953	Revenues to 11/30/53	Bal. Bud. to 6/30/54	Total Budget
10/31/53 Bal. Citiz. Bank	69251.78			
10/31/53 Bal. Sub. Tr. Co.	10779.07			
10/31/53 Bal. Both Banks	80030.85			

REVENUES

1.0 General Taxes	23043.85	296501.22	40114.53	336615.75
1.0 Penalties & Interest	29.23	128.76	371.24	500.00
2.0 Licenses & Permits	372.06	15404.65	7544.35	22950.00
3.0 Fines & Forfeitures	.00	1179.45	1520.55	2700.00
4.0 Use of Money & Property	.00	.00	267.00	267.00
5.0 Revenue other sources	273.39	1610.21	28224.79	29835.00
6.0 Service- Current Serv.	131.40	1011.80	388.20	1400.00
Rms. & Apts.-Registration	570.00			
Accounts Received	223.26			
	<u>24643.19</u>	315836.09	78430.66	394267.75
Less Discount	2.68	24640.51		
		<u>104671.36</u>		

DISBURSEMENTS

10. Genl. Govt: Clk's Off.	3370.93	14701.47	18958.53	33660.00
10. " " Govt. Bldg.	2071.49	15380.49	2370.49	13010.00
10. " " P/W Shop	1671.09	6780.38	4589.62	11370.00
11.1 Police Dept.	5355.23	25732.43	37448.38	63180.81
11.2 Fire Dept.	2881.87	31021.99	20173.00	51194.99
12.1 P/W Dept: Office	1261.40	5885.33	11254.67	17140.00
12.2 " " Highway	3448.35	19594.41	12105.59	31700.00
12.5 " " St. Lighting	862.26	3482.86	6767.14	10250.00
13.3 " " Sanitation	5072.01	27892.26	25607.74	53500.00
19.3 " " Recreation	3708.65	8685.79	2543.46	11229.25
19.4 Cultural: Library	.00	10851.72	1561.28	12413.00
21.1 Miscellaneous	1242.23	4147.21	5861.96	10009.17

22.1 Capital Budget	5341.73		59170.84	9170.08	68340.92
23.1 Insurance	.00		4187.47	1625.53	5813.00
Accounts Received	1167.27				
Rms. & Apts. Registration	445.96	37900.47	237514.65	155296.49	392811.14
Bal. Both Banks 11/30/53		66770.89			

11/30/53 Bal. Citiz. Bank	55229.60	Unappropriated Surplus as			
11/30/53 Bal. Sub. Tr. Co.	11541.29	per Budget 7/1/53			43526.78
11/30/53 Bal. Both Banks	66770.89	Appropriation from Unappropriated			
		Surplus to Estimated Approp.			24020.17
		Unappropriated Surplus 11/30/53			19506.61

SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT ACCOUNT

10/31/53	Bal. Citiz. Bank	12427.76
	Deposits during Nov. 1953	1144.33
		13572.09
	No withdrawals	.00
11/30/53	Bal. Citiz. Bank	13572.09

FINANCIAL STATEMENT ✓
December 1953
Summary

	Revenues Dec. 1953	Revenues 12/31/53	Bal. Bud. to 6/30/54	Total Budget
11/30/53 Bal. Citiz. Bank	55229.60			
11/30/53 Bal. Sub. Tr. Co.	11541.29			
11/30/53 Bal. Both Banks	66770.89			

REVENUES

	Revenues Dec. 1953	Revenues 12/31/53	Bal. Bud. to 6/30/54	Total Budget
1.0 General Taxes	5326.60	301827.82	34787.93	336615.75
1.0 Penalties & Interest	72.57	201.33	298.67	500.00
2.0 Licenses & Permits	3167.98	18573.13	4376.87	22950.00
3.0 Fines & Forfeitures	73.50	1252.95	1447.05	2700.00
4.0 Use of Money & Property	.00	.00	267.00	267.00
5.0 Rev.-other sources	304.07	1633.11	28201.89	29835.00
6.0 Serv.-Current Serv.	36.00	1047.80	352.20	1400.00
Rms. & Apts. - Reg.	28.75			
Accounts Received	200.14	9209.61	69731.61	394267.75
		75980.50		

DISBURSEMENTS

	Disb. Dec. 1953	Disb. to 12/31/53	Bal. Bud. to 6/30/54	Total Budget
10. Genl. Govt: Clk's. Off.	2638.74	17340.21	16319.79	33660.00
10. " " Govt. Bldg.	2640.34	18019.86	5009.86	13010.00
10. " " P/W Shop	724.77	8151.49	3218.51	11370.00
11.1 Police Dept.	5079.45	30954.70	32226.11	63180.81
11.2 Fire Dept.	3141.09	33994.19	17200.80	51194.99
12.1 P/W Dept: Office	1349.08	7234.41	9905.59	17140.00
12.2 " " Highway	4081.75	23676.16	8323.84	32000.00
12.5 " " St. Lighting	877.87	4360.73	5889.27	10250.00
13.3 " " Sanitation	5998.27	33888.43	19911.57	53800.00
19.3 " " Recreation	1198.84	9884.63	1344.62	11229.25
19.4 Cultural: Library	.00	10851.72	1561.28	12413.00
21.1 Miscellaneous	1361.73	4607.87	5401.30	10009.17
22.1 Capital Budget	3134.14	62304.98	7703.32	70008.30
23.1 Insurance	727.20	4914.67	898.33	5813.00
Accounts Received	66.27			
Rms. & Apts.- Reg.	435.00	33454.54	124894.47	395078.52
		42525.96		

12/31/53 Bal. Citiz. Bk.	30708.16		
12/31/53 Bal. Sub. Tr. Co.	<u>11817.80</u>		
12/31/53 Bal. Both Banks	<u>42525.96</u>		
SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT ACCOUNT			
11/30/53 Bal. Citiz. Bk.	13572.09	Unappropriated Surplus as	
Deposit during Dec. 1953	<u>230.99</u>	per Budget 7/1/53	43526.78
	13803.08	Appropriated from Unappropriated	
Withdrawal Dec. 1953	<u>2052.50</u>	Surplus to Estimated	
12/31/53 Bal. Citiz. Bk.	<u>11750.58</u>	Appropriations	<u>26287.55</u>
		12/31/53	
		Unappropriated Surplus	17239.23

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Letter from Peter Remsen, expressing gratitude and appreciation for the aid and assistance rendered to him and his wife by the Police Dept., Rescue Squad of the Fire Dept. and the Public Works Department when his wife was injured in a recent automobile accident. Referred to Public Safety Committee files. Mayor Beville directed that this letter also be conveyed to the Chiefs of Police and Fire Depts., and Supt. of Public Works.
2. Letter from O. R. Mathews, Secretary, North Takoma Citizens' Association, conveying a letter written by the Association to Dr. Forest V. Gustavson, Director, Montgomery County Dept. of Recreation, in regard to a supervisor for a full-day summer recreational program in Washington Park. Referred to Parks and Recreation Committee.
3. Letter from Warren Giauque, Planning Engineer, Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, concerning petitions which are immediately adjacent to the corporate limits of Takoma Park, stating that the Commission welcomes recommendations from the City Council on petitions that concern properties so close to the City limits. Referred to Civic Improvements Committee.
4. Letter from Lincoln Valley Citizens' Association concerning the existence of a water drainage across Lincoln Avenue near Larch Avenue and across Lincoln Avenue between Hayward and Elm Avenues. Referred to Public Works Committee.
5. Letter from Mrs. R. J. McIntyre sanctioning the present location of the taxi stand on Laurel Avenue. Referred to Public Safety Committee.
6. Letter from J. R. Hopkins, Takoma Park Taxi Service, advising that work was to have begun on January 20 on the installation of facilities for the operation of the taxi service at Eastern and Laurel Avenues, and would probably be completed February 2. Referred to Public Safety Committee.
7. Letter from Thomas B. McNeill, Surveyor, concerning the map of the City. He suggests that a minimum number of maps be printed as a preliminary edition, with a second edition to be issued after a suitable time was allowed for the assembling of corrections reported by map users. Referred to Civic Improvements Committee.
8. Letter from Winton H. Beaven, Associate Secretary, American Temperance Society, asking that the Mayor and Council instruct the Prince George's County delegates to the House of Delegates, to petition for a referendum to be held in Prince George's County on the question of allowing the sale of alcoholic beverages in the City. Referred to Law and Ordinances Committee.
9. Letter from Central Takoma Park Citizens' Association, Stephen L. Curtis, Secretary, stating a resolution adopted by the Association whereby they suggest that the City Council give consideration to securing legislation at the coming special session of the Maryland General Assembly, which would prohibit the sale of alcoholic beverages within the corporate limits of the City of Takoma Park,

located in Prince George's County, thereby making certain prohibition of the licensing for the sale of alcoholic beverages. Referred to Law and Ordinances Committee.

Mayor Beville read a letter addressed to him from the Lewisdale Citizens' Association, Jack I. Resnicoff, Chairman, Youth Activities Committee, in which they request that the boys' club be permitted to use the gym to play basketball, one night a week, every other week. It was brought to the Council's attention that groups within the City had already requested certain times to use the gym, and that practically every night was taken.

OPEN MEETING:

1. Mr. Stephen Curtis, 717 Erie Avenue, addressed the Council concerning the prohibition of the sale of alcoholic beverages in that portion of Prince George's County within the City, and reiterated the Central Takoma Park Citizens' Association's request to have the Council ask the Prince George's County delegates to the House of Delegates introduce legislation that would give the citizens the right to vote on the issue on March 23.
2. Mr. Maurice Taylor, 7604 Wildwood Drive, supported Mr. Curtis' proposal, and stated that another alternative would be to ask that the sale of alcoholic beverages be outlawed in the City by the Legislature, rather than submit the question to a referendum.
3. Mr. H. Earle Russell, Chairman of the Joint Committee for the Prince George's-Takoma Park Association, endorsed the statements made by Mr. Curtis and Mr. Taylor, and stated that he would like to see the Council try to carry this out.
4. Mr. S. M. Derato, 413 Lincoln Avenue, stated that he was opposed to allowing any outside organizations to use the gym, except for league games by the boys' clubs.
5. Mr. Gordon Cole, 7115 Garland Avenue, spoke for the Library Association concerning the bids for the Library. He stated that the Library Board is opposed to the alternate bids numbered 2, 3 and 4 which were the deducts, but favored alternate bid #1, which included the addition of shelves and a charging desk. The lowest base bid was \$47,490.00, with their alternate bid #1 for \$18,330.00. Mr. Cole reported that the Library Board had investigated the price of shelving from other companies and that steel shelving could be obtained, delivered to the building for \$2859.00, and that the charging counter could be obtained for around \$200.00. Mr. Cole suggested that the Council accept the lowest bid, objecting all alternate bids.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mayor Beville reported to the Council on action taken authorizing the installation of a wooden pole for the Takoma Park Taxi Association, and stated that he asked Mr. Hilliard to poll the Council Committee by phone, whereupon permission was granted to the Taxi Association to erect the wooden pole.

Mayor Beville stated that he would like the Council to consider letting small sedan delivery trucks park either on the curb or on private property overnight. Under an ordinance now in effect, this is prohibited. He asked that a study be made to see what would be involved.

Concerning the enlargement of City office space, Mayor Beville referred this matter to the Civic Improvements Committee for their consideration.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

In regard to traffic using as a roadway a dirt stretch of ground between Carroll Avenue and Anne Street, Councilman Klinck reported that he has recommended to the Supt. of Public Works that this stretch be barricaded, as it never was intended that it be used as a road. He requested that the Supt. of Public Works reply to the letter that called this matter to the Council's attention, advising them of the situation, and state to them that the City proposes to barricade this stretch.

Concerning the excessive water condition existing on Elm Avenue, Councilman Klinck stated that he had asked the Supt. of Public Works to make an appointment with an attorney and the property owners involved.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Councilman Tymeson moved that bills in the amount of \$16,700.35 for the month of December, and \$16,471.56 for the month of January, be approved. Councilman Kramer seconded the motion. Upon being put to question, the motion was carried.

Councilman Tymeson stated that before March 15th, the heads of the departments will receive a printed form on which they will make a report on inventory. This will be a preliminary inventory, after which time he will ask for another inventory, for the auditors which will consist of larger items.

Councilman Tymeson moved that an additional clerk be hired on a temporary basis, with a salary of not more than \$2900.00 per year who would be under the supervision of the City Clerk, but would work with the Public Works Dept., the Police Department and Mr. Remsen. Councilman Kramer seconded the motion. Upon being put to question, the motion was carried.

Councilman Tymeson moved the adoption of the following ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 1246

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

Section 1. THAT Ordinance No. 894 of July 28, 1947, (18:48) be and is hereby amended by deleting that part of Section 2 which reads as follows: "Upon the deposit of one or more, one cent (1¢), or one or more, five cent (5¢), coins of the United States, such parking meter shall indicate legal parking for the period of time thereon designated at the rate of one cent (1¢) for twelve (12) minutes."

Section 2. AND substitute therefor the following: "Upon the deposit of one or more, five cent (5¢), coins of the United States, such parking meter shall indicate legal parking for the period of time thereon designated at the rate of five cents (5¢) for one (1) hour or sixty (60) minutes."

Section 3. This Ordinance shall take effect March 1, 1954.

Councilman Kramer seconded the motion. Upon being put to question, the motion was carried and the ordinance was adopted with a roll call vote recorded as follows: Yeas: Councilmen Eccleston, Forehand, Klinck, Kramer, Miller, Parkhill and Tymeson. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Councilman Tymeson moved to approve the Finance Committee's recommendation that the City Clerk sell automobile tags to the citizens of Takoma Park, with a minimum service charge, and that the City Clerk be instructed to secure the information as to when the tags will be available.

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

Concerning the amount due for the work on 8 Columbia Avenue, Councilman Tymeson moved that \$9,946.00 be paid to the contractor, Clifford M. Johnson, Inc., and \$1,788.00 to the architect, Ronald S. Senseman, and that these items be paid out of the Reserve Fund.

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

Councilman Tymeson moved that the preceding motion be amended to read as follows: "Concerning the amount due for the work on 8 Columbia Avenue, Councilman Tymeson moved that \$9,946.00 be paid to the contractor, Clifford M. Johnson, Inc., and that this item be paid out of the Reserve Fund."

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

It was directed that an itemized statement of Mr. Senseman's bill be submitted before action was taken to consider payment of same.

LAW AND ORDINANCES COMMITTEE:

Concerning the sale of alcoholic beverages in the City of Takoma Park, Mr. Gingerich, Corporation Counsel, submitted to the Council a copy of an act to submit to the General Assembly which does not include a provision for a referendum. He stated that if a provision were included for a referendum that this would take the matter out of the scope of getting any action at all at this time. Rather, he suggested a proposal to add a new subsection to Section 36 of Article 2B of the Annotated Code of Maryland, Edition of 1951, eliminating a referendum altogether.

Councilman Forehand moved that the Council submit to the Prince George's County Delegation a bill which will prohibit the sale of alcoholic beverages in the Prince George's County portion of the City. The action is being taken at this time because of requests by citizens' groups in the City that we initiate action to accomplish legislation at this session of the State Legislature, and time is too short to permit further discussion. The Council recognizes that citizens interested in this question will have the opportunity to present their views to the Prince George's County Delegation to the State Legislature to seek any modifications they deem appropriate.

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

Councilman Forehand moved that the City Charter pamphlets be sold for 50¢ each.

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

PUBLIC WELFARE COMMITTEE:

In regard to the enforcement of the snow removal ordinance, it was the consensus of the Council that this ordinance should be enforced.

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With reference to purchase of tools for the Public Works Dept. in the amount of \$275.00, Councilman Eccleston reported that this item would be turned over to the Finance Committee.

Councilman Eccleston reported to the Council that the matter pertaining to the full-time appointment of the Inspector of Buildings has not come out of the Committee.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

Councilman Kramer reported that to this date, a Justice of Peace for Prince George's County has not been appointed. Mayor Beville suggested that if the City does not have a Justice of Peace by Saturday, that Councilman Kramer should write another letter to the Governor concerning this matter.

Councilman Kramer reported that all the correspondence received in connection with restricting parking to one side on Kingwood Drive was against such a proposal, and in view of this he recommended that the Council abandon the proposal.

Councilman Kramer, in recommending that the Council appoint a Fire Marshal for the remainder of the year, stated that consideration should be given to a fireman who has had experience and that a salary be fixed with those conditions in mind. Also, that at such time as a Fire Marshal is established that an equivalent position be established in the Police Department.

Mayor Beville brought to the Council's attention the minutes of a Special Meeting on October 12, 1949, in which Chief McBride's salary of \$4500.00 included \$4000.00 for acting as Fire Chief and \$500.00 for acting as Fire Marshal.

Councilman Kramer moved that Chief McBride be authorized to attend the Fire Department Instructors' Conference in Memphis, Tenn., February 23rd, 24th, 25th and 26th, 1954, and that a sum of \$175.00 from the Fire Department Contingency Fund be allotted for expenses.

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

CIVIC IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE:

In connection with the City map, Councilman Parkhill moved that the Council instruct the City Clerk to arrange for the copyrighting of the City map as quickly as possible.

The motion failed for lack of second.

Councilman Klinck questioned the correctness of the map inasmuch as there were many unrecorded lot numbers, and many of the lots were sold by metes and bounds out of a tract. It was suggested that before the map is copyrighted, that the matter be turned back to the Civic Improvements Committee.

Councilman Parkhill reported that the last major item left to do to the gym in the Fire House is to finish the painting.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE:

Councilman Miller reported that as a result of a poll of the Council, it appears that the awarding of the bids should be held off until the next Council meeting, concerning the Library.

The Supt. of Public Works stated that he had under study some suggestions that would result in a probable savings of 10% under the lowest bid, and before meeting with the Council Committee concerning these suggestions, he would like to meet with Mr. Remsen and Mr. Senseman to discuss them.

Concerning whether the City or the Library Association would sell the present Library Building, it was the consensus of the Council that the Library Association should sell the present Library Building upon approval of the Parks and Recreation Committee.

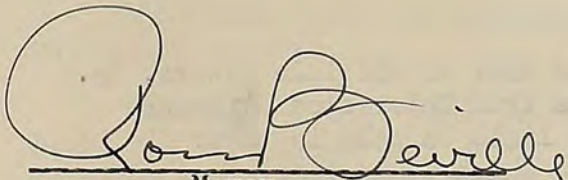
In regard to the blocking off of streets for sledders, Mayor Beville suggested that the Council direct the Public Works Dept. to make signs that could be placed about 75 to 100 feet up the street to be blocked off, with a barrier at the end of the street so everyone would know definitely which streets were to be used by sledders. Also, that the Special Police could be enlisted to supervise these places.

With reference to tree planting, Mr. Thomas, Supt. of Public Works, stated that he had the name of a horticulturist from Ohio State University to whom he would write requesting information as to trees adaptable to certain areas, etc. Under Ordinance 920, permits are issued for tree planting, treating each on an individual basis.

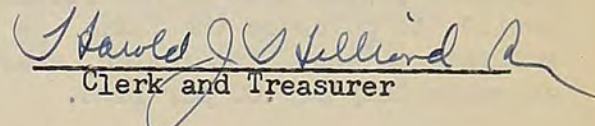
Councilman Miller submitted a request by the Board of Directors of the Boys' Club to obtain permission to use the Fire House as their permanent mailing address. Chief McBride voiced no objection to this request.

With regard to the planting of trees as planned by the Lincoln Valley Citizens' Association, the Council had no objection to such plans.

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, motion was made that the meeting be adjourned. Councilman Eccleston seconded the motion. Upon being put to question the motion was carried, and the meeting adjourned at 11:30 p.m.



 Mayor



 Clerk and Treasurer